

Pen-y-Dyffryn

COUNTRY HOTEL



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Escape to Pen-y-Dyffryn



Welcome!



Gardens from a bedroom window

In a stunning location on the last hill in Shropshire, only a hundred yards from the Welsh border, this former Georgian Rectory is now a stylish country house hotel.

In five acres of grounds, with no passing traffic, this silver-stone former rectory exudes a special kind of calm.

The hotel successfully captures that elusive combination of unobtrusive hospitality and high standards of service and accommodation that guarantee that "away from it all" feeling.

Pen-y-Dyffryn was chosen as "Country Hotel of the Year" by The Good Hotel Guide, and "Rural Retreat of the Year" by The "Which" Hotel Guide. We were also nominated as Johansen's "Best Value Hotel", and Harden's Hotel Guides gave us their top marks throughout, a distinction granted to only 27 hotels in the whole of Britain, Ireland, New York and Paris! Who are we to argue?

The star of the piece, however, is the hotel's hillside setting facing the Welsh mountains to the west, promising some of the finest sunsets in the land. "Sundowners" are a must!

A retreat, and a hotelall in one.

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A World Apart



Sundowners



Hillside Setting

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Time to Relax



Log Fires in Winter

A stroll around the rhododendrons, or just over the border into Wales, might be your idea of the perfect pre-prandial activity. But there are few better places to tuck into tea and cake than on the hotel's terrace. It catches the full force of the afternoon sun, and on fine days you'll find all our guests out there soaking up the heady rural atmosphere.

Inside the hotel plenty of fresh flowers, log fires at every turn (in winter!), and a distinctly laid-back style, add to the sense of warmth and well-being.

The restaurant, with its huge, south-facing sash windows, has a two rosette AA food award and the food is healthy, locally sourced, and tends to the use of organic produce. We even have our own tame deerstalker, and game features regularly on the menu along with more traditional delights. The menu changes every single day of the year.



Table Talk

Is there a bar? Of course! And a long wine list, majoring on organic and New World wines.

With thick stone walls and only wildlife to break the silence, sleep is a priority here. Many bedrooms have spa baths, one has a double Jacuzzi. The rooms in the adjoining Coach House each have their own private patio, and there's a ground floor room in the main hotel suitable for infirm guests.

So many guests return...

time after time.

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Space to Unwind



Room with a View



Comfort and Style



Tea on the Terrace

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So much to see



Powis Castle (National Trust)

Although blessed with an overwhelming sense of peace and serenity, you're never far from civilisation at Pen-y-Dyffryn. This Borderland countryside positively breathes history and there are four major National Trust properties nearby; Powis Castle, Chirk Castle, Attingham Hall and Erddig. The medieval timbered towns of Chester and Shrewsbury are only thirty minutes drive and each merits a day's visit in itself. The small and friendly town of Oswestry is three miles away, hosting the biggest street market in Shropshire on a Wednesday.

The Ironbridge Gorge, a World Heritage Site, is about forty minutes drive, and the Snowdonia National Park is about the same distance in the other direction.



Medieval Shrewsbury

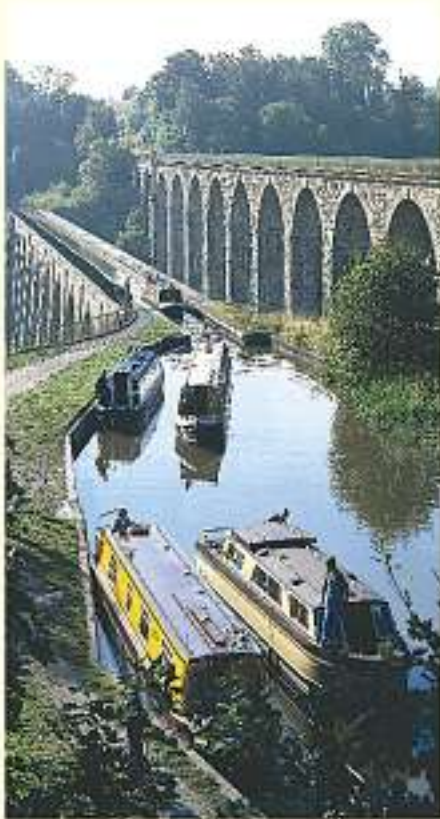
Wales' highest waterfall, Pistyll Rhaeadr is close by, as are Lake Vyrnwy and Lake Bala. And for those who prefer walking on the flat, two of Thomas Telford's canal aquaducts provide spectacular views. There are also six eighteen hole golf courses in the area, including Oswestry, Ian Woosnam's home course. Both fishing and horse riding can be arranged, and there are few more beautiful areas in which to practise your skills.

Leave the car keys in your bedroom if you develop an understandable aversion to driving. With Offa's Dyke next door, and fabulous hill country all round, these Welsh borders are crying out to be explored on foot. We supply a host of free walking leaflets to help you on your way - short, medium and truly monumental - and they all start from the hotel front door. Don't forget your boots!

Walk in Wales... Relax in England.

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All year round



Chirk Aquaduct



Lake Vyrnwy



Llangollen



Pistyll Rhaeadr waterfall

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