

Information For Hermits

The hermitage is simple. Please leave it as you find it – clean and tidy. Robust items will be in the hermitage already. Vulnerable ones like fabrics will be given to you to take down yourself and return afterwards. There are electric lights, electrical sockets, and cold running water.

Hermit bed

A blow-up mattress is provided and a pillow. Bring your own sleeping bag, pillowcase and blankets.

Hermit kitchen

The kitchen is equipped with:

A 2 ring electric hob and 2 saucepans

A plate, a bowl and 2 sets of cutlery

A jug, a glass and a mug

A wooden spoon, a tin-opener, a wooden chopping board, a small knife and a bread knife

A washing up bowl and washing up liquid

Please bring all your own food.

Hermit bathroom

A chemical toilet and its cleaning liquid are provided. You may also use the toilet and washbasin by the Library. It may be possible (dependant on what else is happening on site) to use a shower, by prior arrangement.

A washing up bowl is provided. Please bring your own towel and soap and be aware that there is no mirror.

Hermit sitting area

A table, an upright chair and a rocking chair are provided.

Hermit woodland

You will be provided with notices you can hang on the three woodland gates requesting other guests to keep out of Benedict's Wood during your stay as a hermit.

Dealing with waste

The Hermitage has no drains. 2 buckets are provided (clean and dirty). Please water a tree with your washing/washing up water. All rubbish should be sorted and put in the relevant dustbins by the carpark. Please empty the portapotti at the toilet at the far end of the path alongside the Animal Barn.

On arrival you will be provided with the Hermit Box, (containing the following) and a wheelbarrow to take to the Hermitage and return when you leave:

Electric heater

Cushion for rocking chair

Pillow

Blow up mattress

Tea towel x 4

Dish cloth x 4

Hand towel x 2

Windup torch

Toilet rolls

Bin bags

Lighter