

Transport in the UK (without a car)

Transport to the Hotels - If you require transport from the airport, train station or coach station we can provide you with details of taxi companies that can take you to the hotel. The fare will be payable to the taxi driver at the time but sometimes we can co-ordinate your journey so that we can group people together, where possible, providing you advise us of your expected arrival times to enable it to be as cost effective as possible for you.

Please look at the “**How to get to each Hotel by Public Transport**” on **Page 2** of this document.

If you are travelling from abroad please read the section on **Page 3** titled “**Foreign Travellers in the UK**”

Transport to Painting Locations - When painting on location, we will be able to take some people in either the tutor’s car or one of our cars. When booking please read the notes on the “Travel Arrangements” and complete the booking form accordingly, so we can ensure all guests transport requirements are catered for. If you do not have transport or do not drive then we will do our best to find a space for you in one of our cars.

Foreign Travellers in the UK

Bristol Airport - Travellers arriving from around Europe or further afield are best to arrive at **Bristol Airport** for holidays in the south-west as this is fairly near to most of those locations, not far from the train station taking you to these locations and the airport has the highest number of international flights.

If arriving at **Bristol Airport** then **Bristol Temple Meads Train station** is only a 25 minute taxi journey from there. There are frequent buses and coaches to Bristol Temple Meads and other locations. Exact details can be found on the Bristol Airport website (www.bristolairport.co.uk)

Also, please note that the **Swan Hotel, Wells** is only a 30 minute taxi journey from **Bristol Airport**

Exeter Airport - Travellers arriving from some locations in Europe can arrive at **Exeter Airport**. If you are able to fly to here it is easier for **Dartmoor, Exmoor and Cornwall**.

Exeter St David’s Train Station is a 30 minute taxi journey from **Exeter Airport** where you can get a train to **Barnstaple/Tiverton** for **Exmoor**.

If travelling to **Dartmoor** then you can get a taxi direct to the hotel from **Exeter Airport** which is also only 30 minutes away.

If travelling to **The Lake District** or **Llangollen** then you are best to fly to either **Liverpool** or **Manchester Airports**. Both locations are then an hour or so from either airport. If travelling to **The Peak District** then you are best to fly to **Manchester** which is only an hour or so away from the hotel.

Heathrow/Gatwick - For long haul travellers it is likely that you will be best to arrive at **Heathrow** or **Gatwick Airport** and if your onward journey is by train then you need to get the underground to **Paddington** from **Heathrow** and if it is **Gatwick** you can get a train to **Heathrow** first. However, on the London Underground there are different ways of arriving at the same destination so look into the most efficient at the time.

For onward transport by train please see “**How to get to each Hotel by Public Transport**” on **Page 2** of this document.

How to get to each Hotel by Public Transport

Destination	Hotel	Hotel Post Code	Train Station	Taxi from Station to Hotel (Minutes)
Wells, Somerset	The Swan Hotel	BA5 2RX	Castle Cary	25
			Weston-Super-Mare	45
South Cotswolds	Leigh Park Hotel	BA15 2RA	Bradford On Avon	5
Exmoor	Simonsbath House	TA24 7SH.	Bath	20
			Barnstaple	30
			Tiverton	50
Dartmoor	Moorland Hotel	TQ13 7JW	Newton Abbott	20
			Exeter	30
Wye Valley	Bells Hotel	GL16 8BE	Lydney	15
			Chepstow	25
Usk Valley	Cwrt Bleddyn Hotel	NP15 1PG	Newport	20
Llangollen	Wild Pheasant Hotel	LL20 8AD	Wrexham	25
Lake District	Damson Dene Hotel	LA8 8JE	Kendal	20
Peak District	Palace Hotel	SK17 6AG	Buxton	<5 (Walking)

Please Note

- **The Swan Hotel, Wells** is only a 30 minute taxi journey from **Bristol Airport**.
- **Leigh Park Hotel** is about an hour taxi journey from **Bristol Airport**
- **Leigh Park Hotel** is a two hour taxi journey from **Heathrow & Gatwick**
- **Leigh Park Hotel** - You can get a bus from **Bath** to **Bradford-on-Avon**
- **Bells Hotel** is just over an hour from **Bristol Airport**
- **Cwrt Bleddyn Hotel** is about an hour from **Bristol Airport**
- **Moorland Hotel Haytor** is just over an hour and a half from **Bristol Airport**
- **Moorland Hotel Haytor** is about 30 minutes from **Exeter Airport**
- **Simonsbath House Hotel - Tiverton** will be a more expensive taxi journey than **Barnstaple** but **Tiverton** is a short journey by train by around 2 hours if coming from Bristol. If coming from the west it is probably still an hour longer via Barnstaple
- **Damson Dene Hotel** is about one and half hours taxi journey from **Liverpool or Manchester Airports**
- **Palace Hotel** is about an half taxi journey from **Manchester Airport**.
- **Wild Pheasant Hotel** is about an hour taxi journey from **Liverpool or Manchester Airports**
- It is always advisable to book a taxi in advance but for some stations it is essential
- We cannot be sure of pricing but if you work on a minimum charge of £10-£20 and for journeys less than 30 minutes it is around £1 per mile and for those beyond 30 minutes it is £1.50 per mile.