

Stoke Gabriel Lodgings

at Badgers Retreat

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We are looking forward to your forthcoming visit to Stoke Gabriel Lodgings and thought that some directions to help find us may be of use to you. SATNAV postcode setting is TQ9 6SX but please be alert to the fact that some older versions may direct you to Orchard Close in Ashprington, half an hour away on the other side of the river!!

Travelling from the M5 motorway you have the choice of accessing Stoke Gabriel from two directions: from Totnes or via Torbay. We always now recommend travelling via Torbay as the new Kingkerswell By-Pass, opened in December 2015, has speeded up the traffic flow to and around Torbay quite dramatically.

Again: Please do not rely on entering our postcode into a SatNav as some of these models will direct you to Ashprington, half an hour away on the other side of the river.

Via Torbay: If travelling from the M5 at Exeter continue west on the A38 until the road splits and bear left onto the A380 (signed Torquay). The road by-passes Newton Abbot and arrives at traffic lights at the end of the new dual carriageway. Move into the two right hand lanes and turn right following the signs to Paignton & Brixham. Again follow the A380 up the hill, across three roundabouts and then down a series of hills until you approach the crossroads with the A385. At the traffic lights turn right on to the A385 (signed Totnes) and travel for approx half a mile, then take the second on the left into Stoke Road. There is the Parkers Arms Pub and St Collaton Carvery on the far corner of this junction. Travel 2 miles in to Stoke Gabriel Village.

Via Totnes: The route above is the shorter of the two options but it can be busy at times. The alternative is to continue on the A38 after leaving the M5 at Exeter and stay on the A38 until the Buckfastleigh exit where you bear left on to the A384 to Dartington, then left again at the Dartington roundabout on to the A385 and into Totnes.

(Point A (see next paragraph)): Pass through Totnes on the A385 (signed Paignton), across the Brutus Bridge and at the far side of the river Dart, take the second exit at the roundabout continuing on the A385 towards Paignton. Passing through countryside as soon as you approach the outskirts of Paignton (30mph limit) please take the first turning on the right into Stoke Road. There is the Parkers Arms Pub on the near corner of this junction. Travel 2 miles in to Stoke Gabriel Village.

Travelling from Plymouth and all points in Cornwall, head east through Plymouth on the A38 Devon Expressway signed to Exeter and the M5 north. From Plymouth Sainsbury's on your right (main access road into Plymouth) travel 15 miles past Lea Mill, Ivybridge and South Brent to the first junction after South Brent (Marley Head Junction) signed A385 Paignton, Dartington & Totnes. Bear off the A38 to your left, travel back across the A38 and take the first exit left at the roundabout continuing on the A385 to Dartington (5 miles). Once at the mini roundabout at

the centre of Dartington, cross straight ahead towards Totnes and follow the instructions marked from "Point A" in the previous paragraph.

Once in Stoke Gabriel Village, pass the garage/petrol station on your right and continue on the main road until you see the Baptist Chapel, a green coloured building on your left. Here the road narrows and bears round to the left, passing Maddicks Orchard on your right before splitting into New Road and Paignton Road. Bear left into Paignton Road. At the date of this letter we have not yet received planning consent for our roadside signs (we are in a conservation area) so please follow the next instructions carefully. Approximately 80 yards down this section of Paignton Road after (all houses on the left in order) Long Hay, Highfield, Silver Springs, The White House and South Bank. The next house is Rivallyn. STOP by the Rivallyn house sign and you will see a public bench ahead of you with a small sign "Orchard Close" above the bench – again all on the left side of the road - and with a steepish tarmaced drive in between you and the bench. ENGAGE FIRST GEAR and turn left to proceed up this private drive, bearing left as you drive to the very top of Orchard Close. Using first gear will enable you to negotiate the long drive without having to race at it, or having to change down mid-hill. On reaching the top you have arrived at Badgers Retreat. WELCOME. Please turn right and park as far as you can along the forecourt. Helen and I will be waiting to welcome you to our home.

Kind Regards

Helen & David Littlefair