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### Introduction

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### **Pre-Arrival**

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### **Key Collection, Welcome and Car Parking**

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Blencowe Hall Penrith Cumbria CA11 0DF

As you turn into the gravelled entrance drive, turn immediately to the left fork signposted Cazenovia Hall, Riverain & Wythburn Cottage next to the sandstone wall by the lane in front of Blencowe Hall. Follow the lane for a hundred yards or so and you will see a gateway on your left. Take this left turn and take the next turn to drive into the wood, Larch Retreat is immediately in front of you. OR Take this left turn and then take the second left turn to drive into the wood. Oak Retreat is immediately in front of you.

The what3words address for Oak Retreat is; ///scorching.studs.shepherds

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### **Oak Retreat Shepherds Hut**





Access to Oak Retreat is via a gated access track and parking is provided directly beside the hut.

- There are four steps up to the entrance to the hut with each step being approximately 22 cm high.
- There are double opening doors (outwards) with an entrance 1.3 metres wide. The door handles are 98 cm high from the top step.
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- The hut has ceiling spot light and 2 side lights.
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the step into the shower being 6 cm high. The shower has a moveable shower head and the shower controls are 118cm in height.





### **Outside Area and Facilities**

• The outside area has table and chairs, fire pit and a BBQ.



### **Additional Information**

- Heating is by mains electric from a wood chip biomass system and a wood burning stove.
- The Guest Information file is stored in the lounge area.
- Mobile phone reception is generally good.
- Wi-Fi internet broadband is provided, the wireless access code is on a yellow sticker on top of the Wi-Fi box and in the Guest Information folder.
- The beds have feather pillows and duvets with Egyptian cotton bed linen. Poly cotton pillows can be provided upon request.
- The property is no smoking throughout, although smoking is permitted in the outside areas.
- Dogs are allowed within the property and grounds.
- The fire assembly point is at the rear of the car parking area for Blencowe Hall.

### **Contact Information**

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Email: info@therowleyestates.com

Website: www.therowleyestates.com

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Local Accessible Taxi: Abbey Taxi 07789 023023 or Town Taxi 01768 868268

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