

### **Further information about Rye**

**Rye** is one of the most complete medieval towns in England and its architectural heritage has been carefully safeguarded since the 17<sup>th</sup> century. The little town, with its church atop the hill and cobbled streets, attracts many tourists and has a great deal to offer them, from an endless sequence of visual delights to many excellent eating houses. Close by there is everything from wildlife sanctuaries to natural seashores which have an almost Dickensian look. The town also has a number of art galleries, antique shops and potteries. There is a delightful town model which provides a brief but illuminating history of Rye, a town museum linked to the 13<sup>th</sup> century Ypres Tower, a museum of musical instruments and considerable evidence of the sea-faring aspect of Rye's history from old wooden warehouses to smugglers' inns.

**The house** is extremely well provided and we leave it looking like a real home. This may partly explain why a number of our guests keep coming back. The interior demonstrates very strong links with the east from wooden carvings to a genuine rickshaw.

Everything from banks to shops is within easy walking distance of the house. **The High Street** is barely 3 minutes away.

Much useful information about the town, including a town map, can be obtained from the website [www.rye-tourism.co.uk](http://www.rye-tourism.co.uk)

**The Rye Heritage Centre** at the bottom of Mermaid Street provides tourist information about Rye and the surrounding area.

**Beaches** 3 miles to the east at Camber are sandy and 3 miles to the west at Winchelsea are pebbly. Hastings is a seaside town 12 miles to the west and Folkestone a rather more elegant seaside resort some 20 miles east.

#### **Shopping**

**Budgens** – is a small supermarket opposite the railway station open Mon – Sat 8 am – 8 pm and Sun 10am – 4 pm and takes Visa and Mastercard but not American Express

**Jempsons** – is a large family-owned, award-winning supermarket 4 miles along the A268 at Peasmarsh open Mon – Fri 7 pm – 9 pm and Sat 7 am – 7 pm

**Elf Petrol Station** – across the river from the bottom of Mermaid St sells milk etc open daily 7 am – 11 pm

**Ashbees** is an excellent butcher's shop – and part of Rye's history - closed all day Tuesday

**Larger supermarkets** – Waitrose in Tenterden and Sainsburys and Tescos in Hastings

#### **Road and Rail Connections between London and Rye**

##### **By road**

Rye can be reached from London - either via the M25 and A21 to Hastings, turning left (east) onto the A268 at Flimwell or via the M25, M26, M20 to Ashford, turning west onto the A2070 and A259.

##### **By rail**

Trains from Victoria go to Ashford and Hastings. Change at Ashford onto the Hastings line or at Hastings onto the Ashford line to get to Rye.

#### **Ferry and Rail Connections between UK and Paris/Brussels**

Information can be obtained from Hoverspeed Ferries

[www.hoverspeed.co.uk](http://www.hoverspeed.co.uk)

and from Eurostar Rail

[www.eurostar.com](http://www.eurostar.com)

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