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Milestone Barn Prices 2012 for availability see web site

Prices are for 4 people. No charge is made for dogs as they are part of the family. We trust our guests will leave our barn clean and leave no trace of their 'family' behind. 10% of the cost of your holiday goes to ['Many Tears Animal Rescue'](#) in South Wales Heating and Electricity are included in the price but we do not have log storage so you need to buy good quality seasoned wood if you wish to use the log burner Telephone 01629 584634 E-mail pat.richard@virgin.net (you will have to type this – link not working)

Facilities in our barn include broadband, a wide screen TV, DVD/CD player. Under floor heating and hot water by eco air source heat pump with an ancillary wood burning stove. We have a bio digester for waste water. The oak kitchen has a dishwasher, electric range cooker, large fridge freezer, washer/dryer, ample storage and oak and granite working surfaces. The bathroom has a mosaic floor with walk in wet room type shower and a bath. There is a king size bedroom and a twin room. All bed linen is included but you need to take towels and tea towels. The airy open plan living area has south facing large window and opening double doors on to stone paving and lawn. This rear garden is fully enclosed. The north elevation is mostly glass with far reaching views and there is drive parking for two cars. There are no stairs, full level access for less able visitors and a portable bathroom aid for use as required.

Milestone Barn, Quiet Lane, Hall Road, Gimingham, Norfolk NR11 8EZ

Our barn is in an area of outstanding natural beauty and on the [Paston Way](#), a mile from the sea. From our window, hares may be seen in the meadows and a Heron swoops over the pond. The cheeky Sparrows, Gold Finches, Wagtails and Long Tail Tits manage to evade the marauding Sparrow Hawk, as do the fat Wood Pigeons. We are told a barn owl nests in the old barns and the Swallows have plenty of open buildings to use for the summer.

The two nearest pubs with food are [The Vernon Arms](#), 1.5miles at Southrepps. (it is listed in Norfolk [doggie pubs](#)) and [The Crown](#) 1 mile at Trunch (real ale CAMRA but not much food). [The Ship Inn](#) at Mundesley is really dog and people friendly and has a garden over looking the beach..... more ↓

There is a pool and small leisure centre at Woodlands, Trimmingham – 01263 579208, not too far from our barn. Aylsham has a regular auction on Mondays. The nearest supermarket is [Morrison's in Cromer](#) and there is a [Sainsbury's](#) at North Walsham and both Tesco, Sainsbury's and Waitrose deliver to the barn.

Some places of interest follow:

We had a simply magical late winter evening walk on the dunes at Horsey Upwards of 300 seals were relaxing on the beach gathering strength for the breeding season. We sadly, were not able to visit to see the pups but absolutely nothing will stop us this year! This easily accessible David Attenborough photo opportunity, together with the unique birds, insects, flora and fauna of our special county, gives us so much pleasure. We hope we can share it with our guests for many years to come.



[Horsey Windpump and Horsey seals](#)

Horsey, Great Yarmouth, Norfolk NR29 4EF

Telephone: 01263 740241. Grey Seals may be seen on Horsey beach all year round but especially in winter.

[National Trust Felbrigg Hall, Gardens and Estate](#) Felbrigg Telephone: 01263 837444

★ [Blickling Hall](#) » One of England's finest Jacobean houses with a lovely garden and bluebell woods.

[★ Museum of the Broads »](#) The museum details the fascinating history of the Broads

[Alby Crafts »](#) Alby Crafts is set in four acres of beautifully tended gardens. It is home to many resident crafts people

[Bure Valley Railway »](#)The Bure Valley railway is an 18-mile roundtrip - the longest on any narrow gauge preserved line in East Anglia

[BeWILDerwood](#) We all loved this, especially our granddaughter Emily.

[Hoveton Hall Gardens »](#) Set in the heart of the Norfolk Broads are 10 acres of lakes, woodland and gardens

[Sutton Windmill and Broads Museum »](#)Sutton Mill is Britain's tallest windmill from which you can enjoy superb views of the surrounding country

[Wolterton Park »](#) The Hall dates back to the 1720s. It was inherited by the present Lord Walpole in 1989

[Wroxham Barns](#) Wroxham Barns is an interesting place for adults and children

[Cromer Museum](#) Small Victorian fisherman collection and geology collection

[Cromer](#)

[Bird and nature reserves](#)

We are so spoiled here in North Norfolk!

The historic city of [Norwich](#) is a vibrant regional capital - a modern cultural city with great nightlife, sophisticated shopping and good restaurants. Norwich is the most complete medieval city in Britain. It has also been voted one of the top 5 places to shop! There is also a thriving [arts scene](#) in North Norfolk.

[The Poppy line](#) Steam trains to Holt from Sheringham (about a mile walk into Holt from station) More ↓

We hope the information helps you plan your holiday (more links at the end too) but be assured that the wide open skies, gently rolling countryside and fabulous deserted beaches close to our barn will provide all the visual stimulation, rest and relaxation you may need to 're-charge your batteries'

More things to do: Click on any of the pictures on the following pages to see more information ↓



Great days out for children (large and small!) [here**](#)**

Fancy messing about on the river....

[Moonfleet Marine](#)

[Barnes Brinkcraft](#)

[Ludham Bridge Boats](#)

[King Line Cruisers](#)

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The Arts - visual and performing

[Norfolk Open Studios](#)

[Assembly House](#)

[Blickling Hall](#)

[Comedy Store at the Forum](#)

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[Norwich Playhouse](#)

[Norwich Puppet Theatre](#)

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[The Waterfront in Norwich](#)

For gardeners....

[Hoveton Hall Gardens](#)

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[Will Giles' Exotic Garden](#)

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[Norfolk Lavender](#)

[Peter Beales Roses](#)

[Oxburgh Hall](#)

[Sandringham House](#)

[Blickling Hall](#)

[Felbrigg Hall](#)

Other stuff!

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[100th Bomb Group Memorial Museum](#)

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[Norfolk Motor Cycle Museum](#)

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[Bure Valley Railway](#)

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[Virgin Balloons](#)

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[Breckland Balloons](#)

Some entries from the visitors' book

16th April 2011 - *Many thanks the barn was fantastic - really well equipped, cosy at night and an ideal base to explore the area - and we were really lucky with the weather - on the beach most days - in April !*

We really enjoyed Blickling as well - and we are stopping off at Oxburgh Hall on our way home. We hope we can come back to stay at the Barn again. Ron, Claire and Adam Cossor..... 7th May 2011 - Have had a great break

in your lovely barn. Good weather and breezy. Good food in all pubs. We and the dogs have had lovely walks. I am sure all who stay here will appreciate all the hard work you have put in converting Milestone Barn. Jill, Terry and Sue plus the Bichons..... 18th May – We had a great stay in the barn, lovely location and we had great weather.

Holt is a nice little town. We used your book on the broads to find interesting little unspoilt villages to visit. The beaches and nature walks were the highlight of our holiday. Wendy and David West and pooches.....25th -June What

a lovely place to unwind! Holly our Cairn terrier was made welcome at all the pubs and loved the dog part of Sea Palling beach. We were lucky enough to see seals at Horsey. Thank you so much Pat – another triumph. Phil, Avril

and Holly..... 2nd July – Pat and Richard, Rosie, Nellie and Lottie Scottie – our holiday week (The Priestley Pack - owners)..... 9th July – Thank you for a lovely week in your beautiful barn, the photos don't do it justice!

Everywhere is so very dog friendly. We will be back! Steph, Dan, Lisa Aaron and Nessie and Lola woof woof.....

20th July – 6th August – The Priestley pack back again..... 6th August – *Great holiday and barn is wonderful. Seal trips, train to Norwich from Gunton, Bewilderwood and Wells all fabulous days out. Lovely café in Kelling the Gallery and Reading Rooms. We loved Sheringham and we will certainly be back!* Andrew, Pamela, Harry and Lucy.....

13th August – *Thank you for allowing us to stay in your beautiful barn – It's in a great location for visiting an area we hadn't been to before. Elliot had a fantastic time crabbing and he enjoyed Dinosaur adventure at Lenwade. All in all, a truly great week had by us all. PS lovely welcome basket* Rachel, Rob, Elliot and Lucas.....

20th August - *Thank you for allowing our dogs and us to stay in your lovely barn, everything was super clean and comfortable. The dogs loved being able to come and go freely through the patio doors to the safe garden. We, and the dogs, enjoyed Cromer, West Runton, Overstrand and Mundesley beaches. We had a fabulous meal at Constantia Cottage Restaurant (Greek) in East Runton and nice cake and coffee at Rocket on the beach front at Cromer. Thank you for the scrummy bread in the welcome basket.* Mandy, Andrew, Dudley and Harry

27th August – *A lovely relaxing week, lovely weather, lots of walks. Beautiful barn and area – we felt right at home. We had a delicious meal at The Vernon Arms and recommend the take away fish and chips Friday 5-6pm by the pub. Pigneys nature reserve, Knapton and Bacton Woods are lovely walks for the dogs. We hope to return very soon.* Frank, Helen, Taff and Pip.....

3rd September – *Congratulations on creating such a delightful and comfortable property for us all to enjoy – really ideal for dog lovers and their wards. We were fortunate with the weather and had regular visits to the local Trimingham beach where Aggie and Freckie (who is now very much enjoying a normal life after her initial puppy farm experience) We enjoyed our visits to Sheringham, Cromer and The Felbrig Hall Estate (NT). All in all we have had a very nice break.* John, Dorothy, Aggie and Freckle.....

1st October – *Love the cottage, very quiet. Thank you for the welcome goodies – really appreciated. Had a wonderful week, weather has been excellent, saw seals at Winterton, love the beach at Walcott. Pip, Tess and Barney loved the beaches and we all had a great time. Hope to return soon.* Sue, Colin, Chris, Jim and Pip, Tess and Barney xx.....

8th October – *Pat and Richard, your barn is stunning, yet so practical. We really appreciated the welcome pack, a very nice touch and it gave us a chance to try Turkey eggs. Trimingham beach felt like our own personal beach, so quiet and we loved The Ship Inn at Mundesley. Many many thanks for sharing your lovely barn.* Kate & Jane & dogs

15th October – *We had a wonderful time in Milestone barn. The weather was beautiful the entire week – warm enough for paddling at Mundesley. We went on the Poppy Line steam train, were joined by two seals on Horsey beach, refreshed ourselves at Waxham Barn and even went swimming at Woodlands in Trimingham. The Muckleburgh Collection is good and Thursday was a special day for Emily (aged two and a half) with a trip to Bewilderwood (only 20minutes away). A fantastic wood with climbing frames, slides, mazes and much more. Great for all ages. We went rock pooling at West Runton had fish and chips at Wells, then a walk with the dogs through the pinewoods. We cooked some great mussels from Cley on Sea, ate them in front of the log burner, so finished off a fantastic week in style. A memorable holiday for children, parents, grandparents and doggies alike – Thank you Milestone Barn.* Carole, Al & Emily.....

22nd October – *First of all a big thank you for the welcome basket, very much appreciated. It is the most wonderful cottage we have ever stayed in and when we get back – I will be really 'off' our house. The weather was kind to us until Tuesday when it rained but didn't keep us in. We walked and walked until the dogs and our legs were too tired to go any further. We arrived at Cromer where it 'fined' up and Barney and Gelda refused to walk any more so we made our weary way 'home' End of a beautiful holiday. Thank you so much! Barney and Gelda, Sheila, Ted, Tracy and Wayne.....*

29th October – Well,

what can we say? We loved the cottage in Dorset and we were hoping Milestone barn would be as good and we weren't disappointed!! The barn is lovely, the area is gorgeous, the people are so friendly and quite frankly, we don't want to go home. We have been to Horsey three times and we were over the moon to see the seals. It was an absolute joy. There are just so many dog friendly pubs, cafes, shops, we were overwhelmed. It is worth booking at The Vernon Arms if you want to take your dog as bar seating is limited. Weather has been brill and we have had a super week. We have had to make a choice between here and Dorset and Norfolk has stolen our hearts. Thank you for the welcome basket – the chooks weren't laying so we didn't get to sample their wares but that is country life for you. Thank you so much for a lovely place to stay. PS. The info about the conversion of the barn is really interesting and what an achievement! Liz, Darren and Maisie Moo (choc lab)..... 12th November – Walked dogs at both beaches: Trimingham and Mundesley, collected mussels off the tidal breaks – they tasted fantastic. I think the barn is SO well converted – I'd like to know more about the air pump heating and eco drainage.... Dogs woke too early – thanks to the cockerel. (more time to explore says Pat) Andy and Jane (humans) Daisy and Arthur (canines)..... Christmas/New Year 2011/2012 -Thank you once again for creating such homely cottages and sharing them with others! I'll be in touch when we can fit in return visits to Torridon/Norfolk or first visit to Dorset. Our very best wishes to you and your family for 2012. Chris and Colin..... 14th January 2012 – Thank you for the lovely welcome basket – the eggs here are to die for! We really enjoyed a trip to Heacham and had an amazing meal at the Orange Tree at Thornham – great food and very kind to the dogs. We had fun in Holt and Sheringham and had a lovely walk in Pigney Woods. We had good fun watching the dogs tackling the sea. Mrs. Patmore woz ere! Lesley, Da'both, Bertie and Freddie (The actress in Downton Abbey) She has visited our Dorset cottage too. She has rescue dogs and is a supporter of Many Tears!21st January – What a wonderful place. The dogs loved the beach, we went every day and we all can't wait to come back. Jackie and Suzi, Airdales and GSx 25thFebruary – Another lovely week here in Norfolk. We have been lucky with the weather – no rain. We intentionally had a very chilled week. We have a new doggy addition with us this time and he loved the beach and the sea. As always, we are very sad to be going home. Liz, Darren and Maisie and new addition Rudy.....