

The top 10 places to stay with your dog

We asked staff from four established accommodation guides to recommend their favourite dog-friendly places to stay, from hotels to campsites, b&bs to cottages. Here is their selection. Each of the guides has a pet-friendly search providing other options.

Alastair Sawday recommends properties from his new book, "Sawday's Dog-friendly Breaks in Britain" (£14.99) and the website sawdays.co.uk

The Cholmondeley Arms, Malpas, Cheshire

This former Victorian schoolhouse-turned-inn is as stylish as Beau Brummell inside. The glorious carved oak bar dominates the main hall and apart from the malted charms of Cholmondeley Best Bitter and Merlin's Gold, there are a staggering 200 varieties of ruinously good gin to discover. Your faithful friend will not go thirsty either, as dog beer (made from meat stock) is readily available. Food is hearty and delicious and rooms in the old headmaster's house behind the inn are calm, civilised and comfortable.

Three of them are dog-friendly, and dog beds are supplied too.

● **From** £60 per night for a double room with breakfast, dogs £10 per night (sawdays.co.uk/woof).

Russell's, Clapton, London

Be in the thick of edgy, vibrant, multicultural London in this pink Victorian b&b, bang on the high street. Owner Annette gives you imaginative breakfasts, there is a funky guest sitting room with vintage furniture and a resident whippet called Reggie, happy to share his treats. Annette is on hand for advice on dog walks, pubs and places to eat with your dog. The attractive, uncluttered bedrooms have good art on the walls including great Sixties and Seventies pieces. Two of the rooms are suitable for pets. There are very good cafés on the doorstep and nearby Hackney Marshes for walks.

● **From** £75 per night for a double room with breakfast (sawdays.co.uk/woof).

Criggin Cottage, Llanfairwaterdine, Shropshire

Ringed by the gentle hills of the Teme valley, this Shropshire self-catering hideout is a converted

outbuilding of local stone and wood, with a patio overlooking a secure sunken garden for summer barbecues and plenty of space for dogs to let off steam. The open-plan living area is cottage cosy; curl up with a book, dog at your feet, warmed by the log-burning stove. The easy-going owners, Mark and Rita, greet you with a hamper that includes fresh eggs, their own honey and homemade dog biscuits. Ask for advice on dog-friendly walks from the door – traipse the dales, stroll by the river Teme and enjoy the silence. A double dog bed is provided.

● **From** £450 per week (sleeps four). Dogs £10 per stay (sawdays.co.uk/woof).

Boutique accommodation specialist i-escape.com recommends

The Grosvenor Arms, Shaftesbury, Dorset

Under new ownership and recently reopened following a full redesign, the Grosvenor Arms sits in the heart of green-welly country, perfect