

Tŷ Clai

Stay

Tŷ Clai is a Welsh townhouse and pottery in Abergwaun, Pembrokeshire. A stone's throw from the beach and the Pembrokeshire Coast Path. Hosting pottery workshops & creative retreats beside the sea, with curated interiors and gardens. Private pottery workshops can be arranged as part of your stay.

Location & Access

Address: 3 West Street, Fishguard, Pembrokeshire, SA65 9AE

Google location for parking to rear: [Link](#)

Parking

Parking is provided for two cars to the rear of the property. There is a lay-by to the front of the property which can also be used for off-loading of luggage.

Directions

From the Co-op in the center of Fishguard, follow the one-way road round. You'll see bus stops on your left and opposite on your right will be the lane to Tŷ Clai, this is just before you join the main high street (West Street). We are right at the end of the short lane - you should see a red shed with two parking spaces in front. This lane is narrow and if you have any trouble with access please call me on the number below.

Check in and Check out

- Check in is at 3pm and check out is 10am.
- The keys can be found in the lock box by the red door to the garden from the parking. You can enter this way into the property or from the front on West Street. We will text you the key code on the day.
- If you would like us to meet you on check in, please let us know your ETA and we can be there to let you in and show you around.
- On check out please lock the doors behind you and leave a set of keys in the key box.

Help

If you need anything during your stay please contact Emma on the number provided through airbnb - call, text or whatsapp.

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Key information

WIFI

The wifi name and password will be sent to you via airbnb message.

Heating

The heating is controlled by a Nest thermostat in the living room. It is preset to come on and off depending on the time of year. If you need to adjust it, turn on, and turn the dial left or right to adjust the temperature. If you would like us to change it, we can do this remotely, just call or send us a text.

TV

The TV is available for casting from your iphone or laptop. Ensure you have your favourite streaming apps to hand. Turn on the TV with the green button on the control or using the button on the right hand side of the TV. The TV will already be on the right channel. In your app click on the casting icon and press play.

Kitchen

The kitchen is fully equipped with a gas oven, large fridge, freezer and dishwasher. It is stocked with all the basics: tea, coffee, sugar, salt, pepper and olive oil, kitchen towel and dishwasher tablets.

Microwave / Dishwasher use

The microwave is located in the timber cupboard in the kitchen. All ceramics and kitchenware is suitable for the dishwasher but please don't microwave as there can be small bits of metal in the pottery. Use the glass pyrex dishes provided instead.

Woodburning stove

One basket of firewood is provided as part of your stay. Additional firewood is located in the rear store near the parking and is charged at £5 per basket (use the orange crate).

Copper bath

Enjoy a luxurious bath but watch out as it fills up quickly! Please don't clean with any chemicals as this can mark the surface.

Washer & dryer

This is located on the ground floor in the workspace. We recommend using the 1hr wash and dry function if needed. An iron and ironing board can be provided on request.

Hairdryer

One hairdryer is provided and is stored in the chest of drawers in a bedroom.

Linens / Towels

All bed linens and towels are provided. We kindly request that guests do not take towels to the beach. Please bring your own beach towels.

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Children

Please let us know prior to arrival if you need a highchair or travel cot. Please bring along your own cot bedding.

Dogs

Well behaved dogs are allowed. Please keep dogs off the furniture and beds and please don't leave them alone in the house during the day. Please bring along your own dog bed. Water and food bowls are available.

Workspace and workshop

Feel free to use the spaces on the ground floor for working or dining. In the ground floor workspace there is an extensive art, architecture and local interest library which you are welcome to read while you are staying with us. Please avoid using the machinery in the workshop to prevent any injury.

There is a remote control to turn the heaters on in the rear workshop - point at the heater and press the on/off button. Please turn off when you leave the space.

Garden

The garden has a pizza oven (located in the rear store), bbq/fire pit and outside dining tables and chairs.

Bins

A box for recycling can be found under the sink in the kitchen. If this fills up please sort this into the bins provided in the store next to the parking. Any black waste bags can be placed in the black metal container in the parking area.

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Other useful Contacts

Tourist Information

The local Tourist Information Centre is situated within the library:

Address: Market Square, Fishguard, Pembrokeshire, SA65 9HA

Telephone: 01437 776636

Email: fishguard.tic@pembrokeshire.gov.uk

Website: <http://www.showmewales.co.uk/south-wales>

Taxi

Fishguard Taxis

Telephone: 01348 875129

Website: <https://www.fishguardtaxis.co.uk/>

Letterston Taxis

Telephone: 07360 144548

Buses

You can get the bus from Fishguard to Haverfordwest, St. David's and Cardigan. The bus stop is just opposite the lane to the rear of Tŷ Clai. The Celtic Coaster and Strumble Shuttle can be a useful way to get back to your car after a walk (Summer only). Celtic Coaster must be booked in advance - call Sarah Bell 07828 940955 to request. Information on all the local bus routes can be found here - [Website](#)

Doctors Surgery

Address: Fishguard Health Centre, Ropewalk, Fishguard SA65 9BT

Telephone: [01348 430207](tel:01348430207)

Website: <https://fishguardhealthcentre.nhs.wales/>

Accident & Emergency

Address: Withybush General Hospital, Fishguard Rd, Haverfordwest SA61 2PZ

Telephone: [01437 764545](tel:01437764545)

Emergency contacts

- Police / Ambulance / Coastguard - Call 999 or 112
- NHS - Non emergency health enquiries - Call 111

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Pottery

Private pottery workshops for guests can be arranged as part of your stay. Learn the fundamentals of pottery and leave with crafted pieces as a lasting memory of your visit. Email us in advance to ensure availability.

Our workshops include:

- All materials, tools and equipment.
- Glazing, firing, packing and postage of one creation per guest. There is a charge of £10 for additional pieces or particularly large pieces.

2 hour workshops

Our 2 hour workshops typically cover the hand building basics, such as hand-building, coil pots, and pinch pots - with the aim to construct a mug, vase by the end of the session (or let us know if there is something specific you would like to make or learn!).

- 1 or 2 people - £120
- 3+ people - £45 per person

Half day workshop (9-1PM or 2-6PM)

Our half day workshops are structured around a specific theme each year. This year it is [Welsh Vernaculars](#) - Click on the link to find out more.

- 1 or 2 people - £240
- 3+ people - £90 per person
- *We offer a 10% discount for guests on 4hr workshops*

Firing and Collection:

Your pieces will be glazed and fired after the workshop, ready in around 4 weeks. You can collect them from the studio, or we can post them within the UK. Please note that while every care is taken when packing, we cannot accept responsibility for any damage that may occur in transit.

Contact us

Email hello@tyclai.com to arrange a workshop for a date that suits you or for more information. If there is something particular you would like to make, get in touch to discuss how we could structure your workshop.

T&Cs

*Children under 12 need an adult accompanying them.

**For slab building workshops all clay will be prepped and dried for ease of working 4 days before the event. If for unforeseen circumstances you need to reschedule, Ty Clai is happy to reschedule the workshop provided a minimum of 5 days notice is given. Bookings are non-refundable.

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Local Tips

Abergwaun / Fishguard

We have captured some of the local walks around Fishguard, along with places to eat and drink on the map here: [Map](#).

Lower Town & Yacht Club - [Instagram](#)

Lower Town (Y Cwm, in Welsh), is the old fishing harbour of Abergwaun, with a meandering quay lined with quaint limewashed cottages. A beautiful walk takes you down from upper towns and around the estuary. Follow the quay to the end to find the Yacht Club, renowned for its lobster, crayfish or crab rolls (Open April to end September). Follow on instagram or facebook for evening restaurant and bar opening times

Nourish bakery, Fishguard - [Website](#) - [Instagram](#)

Delicious sourdough bread and pastries but get there by 9am as they sell out quickly!

Theatr Gwaun, Fishguard - [Website](#)

A former music hall, this small community-ran cinema and theatre has an eclectic programme of film, music, theatre and talks

Ffwrn, Fishguard - [Website](#) - [Instagram](#)

Ffwrn is a restaurant, bar and events venue. A converted church hall, its spacious open-plan layout provides a unique atmosphere for an evening drink and catching a music performance

Peppers, Fishguard - [Website](#) - [Instagram](#)

Great for a drink and live music

Cove Corner - [Instagram](#)

Great for coffee and breakfast!

Kayaking tour, Lower Fishguard - [Website](#)

These tours offer guided kayak trips along the Pembrokeshire coast, allowing participants to explore caves, paddle through clear waters, and see stunning coastal views

Local Beaches & Walks

Abermawr woods and beach - [Walk details](#)

A circular walk through bluebell woods and meadows takes you to a remote shingle beach. Combine with a visit to Aberbach beach and Melin Tregwynt, a working woollen mill with beautiful Welsh blankets and excellent cafe.

Strumble Head / Pwll Deri - [Walk details](#)

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Visit the lighthouse and take a walk around the dramatic headland with great views (you can see Ireland on a clear day) and opportunity to spot schools of porpoise and bottle-nosed dolphin, and seals in the rocky coves.

Llanychaer / Gwaun Valley - [Walk details](#)

Combine a woodland walk with a visit to Bessie's, an infamous pub which serves beer from a hatch in the family's front room or Bluestone Brewery. The Bridge Inn pub at the start of the route only takes cash.

Cwm-yr-Eglwys - [Walk details](#)

Park at Pwllgwaelod Beach and walk to Cwm-yr-Eglwys and back (stop at the Sailors Safety at the end for a drink or food.) Or just spend the day on Cwm-yr-Eglwys beach. Get there early - limited parking.

Mynydd Dinas (Dinas Mountain) - [Walk details](#)

The views from the summit of Mynydd Dinas can be magnificent. On an exceptionally clear day it is even possible to make out the Lleyn peninsula to the north and even the Wicklow Hills of Ireland.

Coed Tŷ Canol - [Website](#)

Ty Canol Wood is an atmospheric ancient woodland which can be accessed via an easy circuit walk. Wandering through the 6000 year old forest with dense moss covered trees and rocks.

Porthgain to Aberiddy - [Walk details](#)

Stop at Treath Lynn beach and the blue lagoon. Combine with food or a drink at the Shed or the Sloop Inn.

Pubs & Breweries

- Royal Oak, Fishguard - *average pub food but a great beer garden with a great view* - [Website](#)
- The Ship, Fishguard - *The Ship is one of the oldest buildings in Fishguard, dating from the 1780s, with the feeling that nothing much has changed inside since then. Children are not allowed but muddy boots and dogs are!* - [Location](#)
- Dyffryn Arms/ Bessie's, Gwaun Valley. *Old pub where you'll likely someone will pour you a pint from a jug and hand it through a hole in the wall* - [Location](#)
- Bluestone Brewery, Gwaun Valley - [Website](#)
- Gwaun Valley Brewery, Gwaun Valley - [Website](#)
- The Sloop, Porthgain - [Website](#)
- The Castle Inn, Cardigan - [Instagram](#)
- Cressely Arms & Feast street food - [Instagram](#)

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Good Food - Make sure to book in advance!

- Yacht Club, Fishguard - [Instagram](#)
- Melin Tregwent, near Abermaur beach - *for coffee, cake, sandwiches and soup (do a good kids lunch). Combine with Abermaur / Aberbach beach* - [Website](#)
- The Shed, Porthgain - *For great fish and chips* - [Website](#)
- Temple Bar Cafe, Nevern (closed in the summer) - [Instagram](#)
- Sailors Safety, Pwllgwaelod Beach - [Instagram](#)
- Grain, St Davids - [Website](#), [Instagram](#)
- Paternoster Farm, Pembroke - [Website](#), [Instagram](#)
- Old Point House, Angel - [Website](#)
- Runwayskiln, Marloes Beach - [Website](#)
- Llys Meddyg, Newport - [Website](#)
- Pizza Tipi, Cardigan - [Website](#)
- Câr-y-Môr - order and collect prepared seafood and seaweed products - [Website](#)

Kids

- Manor Wildlife Park - [Website](#)
- Carew Castle - [Website](#)
- Castell Henllys Iron Age Village - [Website](#)
- Bug Farm - [Website](#)
- Fishguard Library (upstairs in the townhall) has a small reading area with kids books and some toys.
- Fishguard Lota park [here](#) and [here](#) in Lower Town. There is also a play area on the beach in Goodwick ([here](#)) which you can combine with a walk or cycle along the sea wall.
- Hanger 5 - [Website](#)

Other things to do

- St David's day out visiting Oriol y Parc gallery ([website](#)), Goat St. Gallery ([website](#)) and St. David's Cathedral ([Website](#)).
- Spa experience at Menevia Spa, St. Davids - [Website](#)
- Wildwater Sauna - [Website](#)

Fishguard Calendar

- Late May Bank Holiday - Fishguard Folk Festival [Website](#)
- July-August - Fishguard Music Festival [Website](#)
- Late August Bank Holiday - AberJazz Festival [Website](#)
- September - On Land's Edge Festival [Website](#)
- October/November - Fishguard Bay Food Festival [Website](#)
- New Years Eve - Fishguards Renowned New Year's Eve Party [Website](#)