

MANOR HOUSE

luxury

Standing tall since the 15th century, TEMPLE GUITING MANOR is a venue steeped in history, even earning itself a mention in the Doomsday book! As you can imagine, things have changed over the years, with conversions and modernisation, but the luxury appeal has never faltered. Read on to discover the wonder of the charming properties on the Temple Guiting Estate.



THE EVOLUTION OF A GUEST RETREAT

Owned by Steven Collins and his family for over twenty years, Temple Guiting Manor was intended to be a weekend holiday home. Over the years, Steven has added a barn and outbuildings to the estate and had the gardens renovated, using the services of local contractors, Ptolemy Dean (who worked on Westminster Abbey) and Jinny Blom.

As the children grew up, their visits to Guiting Manor reduced and so, in 2009, they decided to rent the house out. It has now become a fully functioning accommodation business offering exclusive use to groups of guests, with a team of staff helping to create a bespoke experience.

Set over 14.5 acres, the estate allows for up to 32 guests at any one time. They have a variety of sleeping options, including the six-bedroom Manor House, the converted barn with five suites and the one-bedroom Peacock Shed. There are also two smaller barns with four bedrooms between them.

ROOMS WITH A VIEW

No matter where you stay, you'll be delighted by the carefully constructed interiors. Each room is adorned with antique finds and tasteful artworks sourced from galleries and art fairs around the world. The vibe is stylish and a little quirky, but always putting comfort first – you won't get a better night's sleep anywhere else!

Step outside and you can breathe in the fresh air of the large dry stone-walled gardens, magnificent water features and gently rolling fields offering views out over River Windrush. And if you fancy a dip, the outdoor pool is heated, allowing for year-round swimming.

ENDLESS BESPOKE OPTIONS FOR YOUR STAY

Choosing Temple Guiting Manor instead of a traditional hotel allows you to customise your stay. You can work with the team to create an itinerary that works for your whole group, which is ideal for special occasions like birthdays and anniversaries. And you can discuss meals with the chef, ensuring every dietary preference is catered for and nobody leaves hungry! On-site activities may include tennis coaching, swim lessons, archery, falconry, mixology and cookery.

And if wellness is important to you, you'll find no end of options! The Temple Guiting Manor retreat includes a private, well-equipped gym and a treatment room offering massages and facials. There is also a small studio for yoga and Pilates lessons and a personal trainer available who can create a full exercise programme or guided one-off workout sessions.

IT'S ALL ABOUT YOU

Associate Director, Caroline Höristmann says: "It's all about the experience - from the moment guests book and the fact we can create pretty much anything for a client within reason. Every stay is unique and made to their brief, then executed to perfection. It's also the small touches that make an impact, like using British produce wherever possible, including gourmet PRESS smoothies, organic teas, local coffee roaster's ground coffee and luxury Votary bathroom amenities to make them feel spoilt."

And she's been asked for some very fun added touches in the past: "Clients often arrive by helicopter, which we can arrange in one of our fields. We have also been asked to create a petting zoo for a children's party and tree-planting for a celebrity guest's anniversary after they were married with us."

WHERE TO FIND TEMPLE GUITING MANOR

Situated in the stunning Cotswolds, Temple Guiting Manor is just 15 minutes from Stow on the Wold. It is close to Daylesford Organic and Soho Farmhouse, with train links into London from Moreton-in-Marsh and Cheltenham. It's a gorgeous getaway just close enough to civilisation to feel connected, but tucked away enough to feel truly relaxed.

