

Frequently asked Questions

Do we serve evening meals? No, but we do have a good choice of restaurants within a short distance of Riverside barn. See below...

Are there any places to eat in Ribchester- Yes, We have 2 great places to eat in the evening. The White Bull is just 4 minutes stroll along the river and the Ribchester Arms is 7 minutes walk away. Please make a **reservation for a weekend meal**, as they are very popular. We also have a list of another dozen restaurants within a 10 minute drive of the barn inc. 2 Michelin starred restaurants.

For food in the day Ribchester has a café (5 minutes walk), sandwich shop and Spar shop

How far is Ribchester from?

Preston- 10 miles or 20-30 minutes car journey

Clitheroe- 8 miles or 15 – 20 minutes

Blackburn- 8 miles or 15 – 20 minutes

Blackpool- 25 miles or 40 minutes

Manchester- 45 miles or 1 hours drive/train

Forest of Bowland- 2 miles or 3 minutes by car

The Lake District- 1 hours drive

The Yorkshire Dales- 45 minutes drive

Do we except dogs? We don't allow dogs in the rooms themselves but the Ribble suite has its own private porch, which is central heated, and has a wood floor. For a dog that would be happy using this porch then this can be arranged by prior arrangement.

What time is checking in and checking out? Arrival times- Are from 4pm - 8pm. Guests can phone prior to their stay to arrange arrival outside these times. **Departure time** is 10.30am

Why can't I book for 1 night on a Saturday? We have a minimum stay of 2 nights over a Saturday. This is because Saturday is our most popular day to stay and many people choose to have a 2 nights or more break over a weekend. We also have a young family and this policy allows us to have Saturday afternoon off with them.

Do you except debit/credit cards? Yes. Using a debit card is free. To use a credit card incurs a **3%** surcharge for the transaction.

What public transport is there? Living in a village in the countryside means that we are not blessed with great public transport. The buses run every 1-2 hours in the week but less often on a Sunday. Our nearest mainline train station is Preston (10 miles) but a closer station can be reached at Wilpshire (4 miles). You can also connect at Wilpshire or Clitheroe to travel on the famous Settle to Carlisle railway.

What walks are there around Ribchester area? The Ribble way long distance footpath goes past our front door. We also have a wealth of books and maps at the barn describing walks in the Forest of Bowland.

