

Pennard House

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FROM THE EAST AND LONDON

Take the M3 motorway from London and leave the motorway on the A303 signed to Exeter. Approximately 110 miles from London leave the A303 and take the A371 signed for Wincanton, Castle Cary and the Royal Bath & West Showground. At the first roundabout, follow signs for Castle Cary and Shepton Mallet on the A371. Continue on the A371 past Castle Cary (6 miles from A303) and Castle Cary Station (7 miles from A303). Half a mile after the station and just after a garage on the left, turn left just before the Brooks House pub, signed to Alhampton. Follow this road through Alhampton and on into Ditcheat (9 miles from A303). At the T junction in the village, turn left, and follow this road through the village passing the Manor House pub and the church. On the outskirts of the village, this road is signed as going to Glastonbury and East Pennard.

Follow the road and, at the Queen's Arms pub (11 miles from A303), cross straight over the Ilchester to Shepton Mallet Road. A couple of hundred yards further, take the first turning right signed to East Pennard. After about a mile, you will come to a T junction. The gates to Pennard House are on your left at this junction.

FROM THE NORTH - BRISTOL AND BATH

From Bristol take the A37 southwards and from Bath take the A367 southwards to Shepton Mallet.

In Shepton Mallet, there are traffic lights at the junction of the A37 (from Bristol), the A361 (from Frome) and the A371 (from Wells). (From these lights, it is about five miles to Pennard House.) From this junction, follow the A37 southwards towards Yeovil.

After about three miles, you will pass through Pylle. On leaving Pylle, there is a steep hill. At the very crest of this hill (4.2 miles from the Shepton Mallet traffic lights), there is a small crossroads where you turn right to East Pennard. (Take care not to miss this junction - it is shortly after the SLOW sign painted on the road and there is a small house on the right hand side of the road at the junction.)

After one mile from the turn off the A37, there is a turning to the left and the gates to Pennard House are on this junction.

FROM THE SOUTH WEST

From Exeter, take the A30 / A303 from Junction 29 of the M5. Just over 48 miles from Exeter (and after the turnings for Yeovil), you will arrive at the Podimore Roundabout, with its signs for tourist information and service area. Take the second left exit on the roundabout, signed A37 to Bristol and Shepton Mallet.

After about 8 miles, you pass a sign saying Wraxall. Do NOT take the first left turning signposted to East Pennard. Instead carry on, up the steep hill, and take the next turning left to East Pennard at the very top of the hill, beside what looks like an old toll house. After one mile from the turn off the A37, there is a turning to the left and the gates to Pennard House are on this junction.