# The Wild Hart Privacy and Cookies Policy POLICIES AND PROCEDURES



The Wild Hart understands and respects the importance of your privacy and we are committed to safeguarding your personal information.

#### **PRIVACY**

In providing our service to you, we must collect personal information from you and this policy outlines how we treat your personal data after it has been collected by any of our channels which include our website, office and any future digital services or channels as they evolve.

#### What information will we collect?

We may collect all or some of the following information relating to you or other members of your party:

- Names and contact/address details including telephone number and email address
- Personal information necessary to complete the booking form including personal details and dietary requirements (which may disclose your religious beliefs
- Credit/ debit card or other payment details (including card number, cardholder name, expiry date)
- Special requirements such as those relating to any disability or medical condition which may affect the chosen arrangements.

You are responsible for ensuring that other members of your party are aware of the content of this Policy and consent to your acting on their behalf in all your dealings with us.

Some of the information we collect (such as about health or religion) may be considered "sensitive personal data" under the Data Protection Act 1998. We collect it to cater to your needs or act in your interest, and we are only prepared to accept sensitive personal data from you on the condition that we have your positive consent. We will seek this consent when necessary.

## How will we collect this information?

We will only collect personal information from you by specifically asking for it:

- When you book with us
- When you communicate with any of our team by email or phone
- When you subscribe to our newsletter
- When we use cookies (see our Cookies Policy below).

#### What will we do with it?

- We will use your personal information and details from our application process to complete your booking with us
- We will also use your details to manage your arrangements, send you notifications and communicate with you generally
- We may need to disclose your information where required by law, where such a request is made by a legal authority
- We may from time to time contact you with information about news, special offers, brochures, forthcoming events or competitions. If you do not wish to receive such information, you may ask us in writing not to receive it

We would also like to store and use your personal details for future marketing purposes (for example, emailing you our newsletter). All details you give us in connection with your booking will be kept (with the exception of card details) but we will use only names and contact details for marketing purposes unless you have indicated that you do not wish us to do so.

We have taken all reasonable steps to have appropriate security measures in place to protect your information. Outside the European Economic Area, controls on data protection may not be as wide as the legal requirements in this country. The transmission of information via the internet is never completely secure. We exclude our liability for personal data lost in transmission to the website.

## What can I do?

If you do not agree to our use of the information as set out above, you should inform us as soon as possible by writing or by email at helen@thewildhart.co.uk
In accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998, you may ask us in writing for a copy of the information we hold about you (for which we may charge an administration fee) and to correct any inaccuracies in your information. We aim to respond to you within 21 days from the date of request.

You can also choose not to provide us with some of the information we request, however as a result we may not be able to complete your arrangements.

## **Opt-Out Policy**

Subscribers can opt out of receiving further information from us at any time. You will also be given a fast and easy option of opting out on all communications. Email us at helen@thewildhart.co.uk to unsubscribe.

#### **COOKIES**

Please note that in order for us to provide you with optimum service, we use 'Cookies' on our website.

#### What are cookies?

A cookie is a text-only string of information that a website transfers to the cookie file of the browser on your computer's hard disk so that the website can remember who you are. Cookies will typically contain the name of the domain from which the cookie has come, the "lifetime" of the cookie, and a value, usually a randomly generated unique number. Two types of cookies are used on this web site - session cookies, which are temporary cookies that remain in the cookie file of your browser until you leave the site, and persistent cookies, which remain in the cookie file of your browser for much longer (though how long will depend on the lifetime of the specific cookie). Cookies allow us to obtain information regarding users of our site which essentially helps us to provide you with a better user experience and tailor our services to your individual needs. We may collect information such as your IP address, online activity, web browser details and online activity. We will not however collect or store any of your passwords or other highly sensitive data.

By using our website with your browser settings adjusted to accept all cookies, we will take this to mean that you want to use our products and services, and that you consent to our use of cookies and other technologies as described in this Policy.

## **Browser settings**

Most browsers have options that allow the visitor to control whether the browser will accept cookies, reject cookies, or notify the visitor each time a cookie is sent. You may elect to reject cookies by adjusting your browser's settings, but doing so will limit the range of features available to the visitor on our site and most other major websites that use cookies.

We use the following types of cookies on our website:

## Strictly necessary cookies

These cookies are essential in order to enable you to move around the website and use its features. Without these cookies the website cannot function properly.

## **Analytical cookies**

These cookies collect information about how visitors use a website, for instance which pages visitors go to most often, and if they get error messages from web pages. These cookies don't collect information that identifies a visitor. All information these cookies collect is aggregated and therefore anonymous. It is only used to improve how our website works.

## **Marketing cookies**

Marketing cookies are used to allow us to interact with you once you have left our website, displaying you adverts for example.

#### **Further information**

To find out more information about cookies, please visit www.allaboutcookies.org **Protecting your information** 

We take website security very seriously and we are committed to safeguarding your personal information. We take a number of administrative and technical steps to ensure the security of the information you provide to us.

#### **External Links**

Please note that our website contains certain literature and hyperlinks to websites owned by third parties. This privacy statement covers websites owned and controlled by us only. Links to other websites and any information collected by these sites are not covered by this privacy statement.

# **Updates and Changes**

As our privacy statement may change due to developments in the law we encourage you to re read this from time to time so you are aware of any changes in how we gather and use your personal information. Any changes to this Policy will be posted on our website and/or made available on request.