



ROTHAY MANOR

HOTEL & RESTAURANT

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CHESS HOLIDAY

MARCH 2013



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THE HOTEL

Set in its own grounds 1/4 mile from the head of Lake Windermere and 5 minutes from the centre of Ambleside, the Manor was built in 1825 as a private residence, and the drawing rooms and candlelit dining room are still those of an elegant Regency house. Owned and run by the Nixon family for over 40 years, it has gained a reputation as one of the country's



leading small Country House Hotels, being recommended in all the leading guides for the excellence of its service and cuisine whilst retaining a relaxed, friendly atmosphere.

All 19 bedrooms are en-suite with most having bath and separate shower. Individually decorated, they are spacious and comfortable with TV, tea and coffee making facilities, hairdryers, telephone and central heating.

A choice of well appointed Classic rooms; Superior rooms - most of which have a balcony overlooking the garden; Suites for those requiring more space and privacy. There is accommodation to suit everyone including families, wheelchair users and others with mobility issues.



The hotel restaurant has a long-standing reputation for excellent food and wine and is one of only 6 hotels to have been listed in the Good Hotel Guide since it began. Head Chef Jane Binns uses fresh local produce wherever possible to produce delicious, imaginative yet traditional menus and the hotel is well-known for the excellent Afternoon Tea.

Cumbria Tourism Award 2010 Finalist for 'Small Hotel of the Year' and 'Access for All' and 2008 'Taste Awards'.



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CHESS HOLIDAY

MARCH 17TH - 22ND 2013

Now into its 5th year, Rothay Manor is again planning for 2013. The main aim is for guests to enjoy themselves whilst increasing their knowledge of chess and gaining confidence in using various tactics.

The holiday will include:

- A seven-round Swiss Competition
- A look at some games from the past
- Four tutorial sessions covering: Opening principles; Middle Game; Endgame techniques; Chess Tactics (pin, skewer, fork and discovered check)
- Analysis of games played at the hotel.

Time will be made available during the holiday to ensure that you have the opportunity to see the breathtaking scenery of the Lake District.

The holiday is suitable for anyone from the inexperienced (ungraded) player to local club players, though not for anyone above I50 grading. Peter has experience of dealing with different levels of playing strength whilst in a group situation.



Leader

Peter Cloudsdale was born in the Lake District and has been playing chess for 50 years. He joined Windermere Chess Club and won both the Junior and Senior Cumbrian championships before moving to Norwich, and then later York.

An accredited ECF coach and teacher of chess for over 15 years, he is widely known in chess circles, is President of the Yorkshire Chess Association (YCA), promotes chess in 10 schools, is involved with the UK Chess Challenge as well as running the York Junior Chess Club.

He is an experienced tournament organizer, including an international blind chess event in York, the Yorkshire School Championships, 'The Viking International' and running a junior Evening League. With his experience and infectious enthusiasm, Peter will guide you to a better understanding of chess tactics whilst enjoying the relaxing and beautiful surroundings of Rothay Manor.



Programme

Sunday

3.15	Afternoon Tea & Introductions
4.00 - 6.00	Simultaneous display - Peter will play all guests at once.
6.30	Welcome Drink and Dinner
8.45 - 10.00	Chess Basics, incl notation, use of clock, and social game.

Monday

9.15 - 10.15	Tutorial Session
10.30 - 12.30	Round 1 of competition (60 m)
3.30	Gather for light afternoon tea
3.45 - 5.45	Round 2 of competition (60 m)
6.30	Gather in lounge for dinner
8.45 - 10.00	Analysis of games played

Tuesday

9.15 - 10.15	Tutorial Session
10.30 - 12.30	Round 3 of competition (60 m)
3.30	Gather for light afternoon tea
3.45 - 5.45	Round 4 of competition (60 m)
6.30	Gather in lounge for dinner
8.45 - 10.00	Analysis of famous chess games

Wednesday

9.15 - 10.15	Tutorial Session
10.30 - 12.30	Round 5 of competition (60 m)
	Afternoon free
6.30	Gather in lounge for dinner
8.45 - 10.00	Rapid Play Event

Thursday

9.15 - 10.15	Tutorial Session
10.30 - 12.30	Round 6 of competition (60 m)
3.30	Gather for light afternoon tea
3.45 - 5.45	Round 7 of competition (60 m)
6.30	Gather in lounge for Dinner
8.45 - 9.30	Prize-giving & discussion

Friday

	Depart after breakfast
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Prices

Classic Double or Twin	£510
Superior Double or Twin	£560
Suite Double or Twin	£585
Single - Gunroom	£550
Classic Double as Single	£600
Superior Double as Single	£665
Non-resident	£380

The 5-night holiday runs from Sunday evening through to Friday morning and all prices are per person and include full English breakfast, morning coffee, 3 course dinner and VAT @ 20% for the 5 night stay.

Non-playing partners are welcome, and the cost for them is £30 less than above. A limited number of places are available for non-residents, with all items of the holiday and Dinner each evening included.

We ask for a deposit of £150 per person which can be made by cheque or credit card. This is non-refundable unless the room is subsequently relet, and cancellation insurance is available.



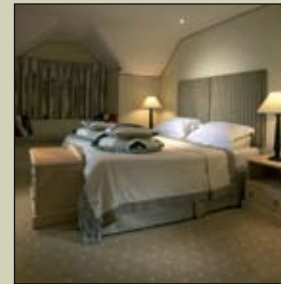
Rothay Manor is a privately owned Country House hotel in the heart of the Lake District, set in one and a half acres of beautifully landscaped gardens.

Owned and personally managed by the Nixon family for nearly 40 years, the hotel has long been renowned for the warm hospitality, comfort and personal service which is complemented by excellent cuisine.



WHERE GUESTS FEEL THEY ARE AT HOME

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Each of the bedrooms and suites are individually designed, combining both traditional and modern furnishings. All rooms are en-suite with generous bath towels and fine quality toiletries, telephone, television, hair drier, tea and coffee making facilities and all are non-smoking.

Of the 16 bedrooms seven are superior rooms, most with a balcony overlooking the garden and views to the fells beyond.

There are 3 spacious suites, ideal for families or those who prefer extra privacy, two of which are in the grounds close to the main building, while the Fairfield Suite is situated in the new wing.

The Loughrigg Suite and a ground floor bedroom are fully accessible for wheelchair users.

The 'Honeymoon Package' or 'Celebration Package' makes Rothay Manor the ideal place to celebrate any special occasion.

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Rothay Manor's restaurant continues to win many accolades, and the cuisine is complemented by a personally compiled wine list with fine wines from around the world.

The chef sources fresh, local produce wherever possible and menus are prepared with flair and imagination to the highest of standards.

Dining at Rothay Manor – whether for lunch, dinner or a private party - is treated as an experience to be savoured to the full and the dining room, with tables laid in a classical style, is elegant and spacious yet comfortable.



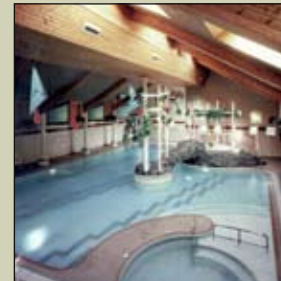
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A wide range of outdoor activities is available nearby - sailing on Lake Windermere, water sports, golf, riding the bridleways, cycling the National Parks cycle paths, mountain biking, fishing (the hotel has a free fishing permit), and of course, exploring the fells and lakeshores on foot for which we can provide a specially prepared picnic lunch.

For the less energetic, a gentle game of croquet or boules on the lawn; a day exploring Lake Windermere by ferry; or indulge in a pamper day at a nearby beauty suite, where guests also have complimentary membership of the leisure facilities at the Low Wood Club, 1½ miles from the hotel.

The heritage of the area is revealed in a variety of museums, art galleries, theatres and historic buildings – including the famous Bridge House in Ambleside.



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SPECIALISED HOLIDAYS - From autumn through to late spring a range of Special Interest Breaks is available:- Antiques, Bridge, Gardening, Lake District Heritage, Music, Painting and Walking.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR - For the Festive Season we offer both a traditional 4-night Christmas House Party and a 3-night New Year House Party. Between Christmas and New Year, why not take advantage of our relaxing 3-night 'Post-Christmas Revival' break?

PRIVATE PARTIES - Whatever the occasion, Rothay Manor offers the perfect venue for a family celebration, with a private lounge and dining room for your exclusive use.

MEETINGS & CONFERENCES - For small, informal meetings & conferences the air-conditioned Brathay Room can accommodate up to 22 people.

Non-Residents are welcome for Morning Coffee, Lunch, Afternoon Tea and Dinner.

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