

LINDEN HOUSE

BOUTIQUE BEDROOMS



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Linden - the lime tree, genus *Tilia*. Its flowers, containing aromatic oils, are used in herbal teas and perfumes and are said to have soothing properties. And so it is with Linden House, a peaceful guest house, rated a rare 5 star by Visit England. It is situated in the ancient village of Stansted Mountfitchet with its famous 1066 Castle and Windmill, yet only two miles from Stansted Airport and forty minutes to central London and Cambridge from the village train station.

Our nine Boutique bedrooms have been recently renovated at great expense with the guidance of an award winning interior designer. They are spread over two early Victorian half-timbered buildings linked by an attractive terrace. There is a friendly bar with traditional coppertop tables, still used by the local community, that gives the feeling of a traditional inn. Next to it is a panelled meeting hall with high tables and a breakfast/dining room, The Vine Restaurant can seat up to fifty guests. Cheerful warmth radiates from the woodburning stoves, and the walls are hung with art that ranges from Seventeenth Century Dutch flower studies to works by contemporary Baltic Abstract Expressionists.

With a choice between the restaurant and outdoors, the terraces at the Vine are a great spot for summer evening drinks. Relax with some food and drink and on a sunny day this spot is an absolute gem. Of course there's always something to have a look at inside too with some stunning artworks on display.

THE ROOMS

All boutique style bedrooms have flat-screen TVs, DVDs, iPod docks and free WiFi. They are graced with an eclectic and sometimes eccentric collection of antique furniture and artworks. Look out for the mirrors, the cabin trunks and quirky light fittings! Each room has a unique bathroom featuring either a roll top bath or drench shower, luxury Duck Island toiletries and bathrobes. The bedding is of the finest quality, as are the good sized towels. Lighting is subtle, controlled by dimmer switches where possible. Care has been taken with the colour schemes, with the accent upon peaceful harmony.

Courtesy trays include our signature home-made biscuits. Hallway fridges hold unlimited supplies of milk and spring water.

All our rooms are named after wine varieties that can be found on our award-winning wine list created by our in-house international wine connoisseur and wine judge, Tanya Mann. Choose your room and reward yourself with a matching glass!



Room One: Opus One

A stylish room in our house brings to mind that wonderful classic Bordeaux created by legendary winemaker Patrick Leon, mentor of our in-house wine expert.

A roll-top bath, shower above, with curtains in the manner of a four-poster, stands in the room itself. Antique furnishings includes a fine desk with marquetry inlay and a comfortably worn leather club chair.

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Room Two: Icewine

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A complex dessert wine. The grapes are not picked until they are frozen solid in the winter

This is a pretty, light coloured room with an antique kneehole desk and a super-king sized bed. The bathroom is enormous and houses double sinks and a lovely bath with shower.



Room Three: Barboursville

A term used in Virginia for the Bordeaux blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Cabernet Franc. Our wine list proudly presents a vintage from the Barboursville Winery.

A major photo-opportunity for our guests! This is a stunningly beautiful room. Its main feature is the central chimney stack of wonderfully mellow brick, against which stands a huge sink. There is a banded Georgian dressing table and curtained slipper bath, all standing on polished oak boards.

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Room Four: Barolo

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The red king of Italy, a spectacular wine that shows potential after ten, twenty or thirty years in the cellar. Classic style as this room

If you like a stroll around a bathroom, this is the one for you. It is the size of many a hotel bedroom and equipped with a large shower, double sinks set onto a marble-topped table and a roll-top bath. In the bedroom there is a lovely old leather sofa and a writing desk that serves as a dressing table. The windows look over the rear terrace.



Room Five: Grand Rioja

The red Spanish Queen. Like the antique lampshades in this room, the wine ages gracefully, which is why we stock older vintages in our cellars.

This is an arresting room, dominated by its wood-panelled four-poster bed and free-standing bath. Antique portraits stare down from above the dressing table. The toilet room is surprisingly spacious with an eye-pleasing illuminated alcove where sits the great sink.

Room Five: Grand Rijia







Room Six : Chassagne Montrachet

Room Six with own private terrace: Chassagne Montrachet

A Chardonnay of immense character from Burgundy, as noble in character as any Pinot Noir or Nebbiolo.

Set at the back of the house, this room has a traditional four-poster with its own chandelier! There are a couple of comfortably worn leather bucket chairs and an impressive gilt mirror. French doors open onto a terrace with table and chairs.



Room Seven: Timorasso

A very rare grape from the Piedmont region, impossible to buy in this country. We will be the first to import it, and it has aromas and an after-taste of linden blossom.

This is a smaller room with sash windows. The bedstead is of old wood and is particularly noteworthy, even in this house of magnificent beds. There is a large separate shower room.

Room Seven: Timorais







Room Eight: Petite Verdot

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An obscure grape used in Bordeaux to give structure to fine wines, this variety is now being used to excellent effect on its own in the USA and elsewhere.

A medium-sized, pleasantly furnished, cozy room with generous shower room at the peaceful rear of the house. As in other bedrooms, the Chesterfield bed is super king-sized and warmed by a Davey Down duvet and mattress topper.



Room Nine: Coates and Seeley

A truly lovely English sparkling wine. Enjoy your complimentary glass in your room and be tempted to top up by the glass or bottle in our restaurant.

More of a suite, this guest room is situated on the top floor, with its own landing, in what were once the attics; it is the only room replete with beams. The door opens onto a comfortable little sitting room with leather club chairs and a fine free-standing mirror. The bedroom has a marvellous antique bedframe and other antique pieces. In the spacious bathroom are two sinks, a shower and a rolltop bath.

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THE VINE BAR • ENO DINING AT LINDEN HOUSE

Two menus available, our bar menu features English pub classics such as fish and chips, burgers, light snacks and Sunday Roasts. The Restaurant menu features English with a twist. The first Saturday of the month is our special taster menu evening with eight specially prepared courses.

Surprisingly, unlike in the USA or Italy, the ancient Greek word oinos (later simplify to “eno”) has never really entered the British gastronomic vocabulary, but we believe that to receive a completely pleasurable dining experience the food must be matched with the perfect wine - hence our eno - logo. We seek on your behalf a symphony for your palate. Immerse your senses and enjoy the moment.



Coates & Seely is a family-owned company producing award-winning sparkling wines in England in the Champenois tradition. It was founded by lifelong friends Nicholas Coates, an ex-financier based in Hampshire, and Christian Seely, the CEO of AXA Millesimes (owner of, inter alia,

Pichon Longueville Baron, Chateau Suduiraut, and Quinta do Noval). Its vineyards are based on the chalk

soils of the Hampshire Downs in Southern England, just a mile and a half from Coates' home, where they enjoy the same soil composition and a similarly cool climate to that of the Champagne region of France. Using French wine-making expertise and advanced wine-making technology, Coates & Seely's sparkling wines have successfully united French craftsmanship with a unique English terroir and have been met with immediate and international critical acclaim.



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A new confidence in painting. This type of art work is spontaneous and deeply expressive. These radical creations redefined the nature of painting.

ART EXHIBITION at Linden House

Tanya Mann, wine expert and newly established co-owner of Linden House, has mounted the first exhibition to grace its dining room. *"I have chosen an artist unknown in this country but highly regarded in the Baltic states. Ramin Nafikov was born in Russia to artist parents and studied at classic art school there, but moved to Riga, Latvia, where he could express himself more freely via abstract art. After more studies at the Academy of Arts, he launched an impressive career. Nowadays his work can be seen throughout the Baltics."* Ramin's works, five of which can be seen at Linden House, are abstract expressionist paintings of subtle composition and colouration.

(This genre is very popular at the moment, following the highly acclaimed show at the Royal Academy, featuring Rothko, Pollock, de Kooning, et al.) It's easy to see why he has had a dozen solo exhibitions in both Moscow and Latvia, as well as contributing to thirty group exhibitions. "I like to call my art expressive formalism" says Ramin. "My paintings express emotion; formalism because I am looking for its form". "This is the first of many exhibitions at Linden House" says Tanya, "which, I hope will feature local artists, too. Follow us on #ArtLinden on Twitter."



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"If you are prepared to spend as much on your bed for the night as on your flight, then Linden House makes a luxurious and convenient stopover for passengers flying to and from Stansted Airport."

The Telegraph

"Best of all, its nine rooms have been fitted out thoughtfully and with some originality, with a nice balance of modern style and distressed antiqueness: there are big comfy beds, high-end bed linen and toiletries, well-appointed modern bathrooms with ample showers, along with TVs, DVDs and iPod docking stations and free wifi. Londoners, especially, take note."

THE INDEPENDENT

"The house itself boasts six awards for excellence, including Britain's Finest and Fine Individual Hotels. Formerly an antique shop, the property is presented to perfection with sash windows and oak flooring and other such fine details. Swathed in rich colours and soft furnishings, Linden House is pleasing to the eye and with reviews raving everytime."

secret Escapes

"Nothing plain about Stansted," finds Jo Fernández. "I was still charmed by its exposed red brick chimney breast rising through the centre, large comfortable chocolate-velvet Chesterfield bed and open bathroom with double-ended roll top bath (thankfully, the toilet is separate) – both of which make it popular with honeymooners, I imagine, not to mention the proximity to the airport..."

EveningStandard

"An Inspector calls: Linden House is more than an airport hotel and deserves to fly"

Daily Mail

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