



## Accommodation

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*Clockwise from top:  
Premier Inn;  
Holiday Inn Express  
Doncaster; Regent  
Hotel, exterior and  
bedroom; Danum  
Hotel; bedroom in  
Crown Hotel; Ramada  
Encore at Robin Hood  
Airport; Best Western  
Premier Mount  
Pleasant Hotel*



If you think a day trip isn't enough to see what Doncaster has to offer, we might tend to agree. Thankfully we've got plenty of welcoming accommodation to make you feel right at home here in Doncaster.

Not only do we believe we have the best to offer, it's **official!** Doncaster's own **Best Western Premier Mount Pleasant Hotel** was voted the best hotel in Yorkshire. This four star hotel has been in the same family ownership for decades and attention to detail is evident everywhere. Our other four star hotels are equally sumptuous: the **Crown Hotel** in **Bawtry** offers stylish, modern rooms set in an old coaching inn, while **Ye Olde Bell** in **Barnby Moor** is just on the Doncaster border.



We've got some wonderful three star hotels too, such as the **Regent Hotel**, which has welcomed stars such as the **Beatles** - check out the framed visitors' book page signed by the Fab Four next to reception. Other great three star hotels include the **Danum Hotel**, celebrating **100 years** in 2009, or the **Earl of Doncaster**, a fantastic **art deco** building. The **Holiday Inn** is built in the grounds of **Warmsworth Hall**, a beautiful Georgian country house; this is now used as a conference facility for the hotel, as well as making a stunning venue for weddings.



Budget accommodation is also well catered for and many **national brands** are represented, such as Holiday Inn Express, Ramada Encore, Premier Inn and others.



If you're after **guest houses** or **Bed and Breakfast** accommodation, you'll find great value for money and a warm welcome. And, we also have a selection of **self-catering** and **camping** possibilities too, so you won't be disappointed.

We hope you enjoy your stay with us!





## Symbols and Ratings

All the accommodation featured in this guide has been quality-assessed by either VisitEngland\* or the AA, or has recently applied for a rating and is awaiting assessment. Please be aware that ratings may change throughout the year.



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Both assessing bodies now assess hotels and guest accommodation (including B&Bs) to the same criteria and award one to five stars. The star reflects the overall quality of the experience.

Assessors book in as you would, as a normal guest and test all the facilities and services.

A quality score is awarded for every aspect of the experience including the comfort of the bed, the quality of the breakfast and dinner and, most importantly, the cleanliness. They also score the warmth of welcome.

Places that 'go the extra mile' to make your stay a special one will be awarded a high star rating and may achieve a Gold or Silver Award for Guest Accommodation and Hotels, or a Gold Award for Self-catering.

Higher star-rated accommodation tends to have more spacious bedrooms and bathrooms, and in hotels a higher staff to guest ratio, so service should be very attentive. At five star, you can really expect to be pampered in luxurious surroundings!

## Hotel Categories

**Hotels** have a minimum of six bedrooms, but more likely to have 20+ rooms.

**Small Hotels** have a maximum of 20 bedrooms and likely to be more personally run.

**Country House Hotels** have ample grounds or gardens, in a rural or semi rural location, with emphasis on peace and quiet.

**Town House Hotels** are in a city/ town centre location and are of high quality with a distinctive style. High ratio of staff to guests.

**Metro Hotels** are found in city/ town centres, offering full hotel services, but no dinner. Will be within easy walking distance of a range of places to eat.

**Budget Hotels** are part of a chain of branded hotels offering clean and comfortable en suite facilities, 24 hour reservations and a consistent level of facilities. They are not awarded a star rating.

**Hotels have to provide certain additional facilities and services at the higher star levels. These include:**

- ★ Dinner served five nights a week.
- ★★ Dinner available every night of the week.
- ★★★ All bedrooms en suite  
Room service available  
Permanently staffed reception.
- ★★★★ 24-hour room service  
50% of all en suites with bath and shower.
- ★★★★★ Some permanent luxury suites  
Enhanced services such as concierge.

Of course, many lower star-rated hotels may offer some of the above, but just do not meet all of the expectations for the higher star ratings. Sometimes a hotel has exceptional bedrooms and bathrooms and offers its guests a very special welcome, but cannot achieve a higher star rating because, for example, it does not offer dinner every evening (two star), room service (three star) or does not have the minimum 50% of bathrooms with bath and shower (four star).

## Guest Accommodation Categories

**Guest Accommodation** is the category which encompasses anything from one-room bed and breakfasts to the larger places found in our coastal resorts, which may offer dinner and may be licensed.

**Bed and Breakfasts** generally accommodate no more than six people. It's like staying as a special guest in someone's home.

**Farmhouses** offer bed and breakfast and sometimes dinner, always on a farm.

**Guest Houses** tend to have more than three rooms and may offer dinner to their guests. Some may be licensed.

**Restaurants with Rooms** are just that. The restaurant is the main business and they will be licensed. They generally offer a small number of bedrooms with all the facilities you would expect and breakfast.

**Inns** are pubs with rooms which serve food in the evenings, as well as breakfast. Sometimes access to guest accommodation may be restricted during the day, but you will be advised on booking.

**Room Only** may or may not offer breakfast. Accommodation may be annexed and is likely to be fully en suite. If breakfast is offered this may be in the form of a tray placed in the room in the fridge, a breakfast pack available for separate purchase or a continental self-service option.

**Guest accommodation owners have to provide certain additional facilities and services at the higher star levels. These include:**

- ★★★ Bathroom/shower rooms cannot be shared with the owners. If bedroom not en suite, then wash basin in bedroom
- ★★★★ At least 50% of bedrooms en suite or private bathroom
- ★★★★★ All bedrooms en suite or private bathroom

Sometimes a bed and breakfast or guest house has exceptional bedrooms and bathrooms and offers guests a very special welcome, but cannot achieve a higher star rating because, for example, they do not have any en suite bedrooms, nor can they easily put wash basins in the bedrooms (three star). This is sometimes the case with period properties. They might not have the minimum 50% of bathrooms with bath and shower (four star).

Of course, you will find accommodation with 100% en suite bedrooms at all the star ratings, so refer to the descriptions in this guide to help you make your choice.

## Self-catering and Camping Categories

For **self-catering accommodation**, the layout and design of the accommodation and the range and quality of the kitchen equipment is assessed, as well as the quality and comfort of the bedrooms and bathrooms and most importantly, the cleanliness.

**Holiday, touring, and camping parks and holiday villages:** VisitEngland awards star ratings reflecting the overall quality of the park from one to five stars - five stars being reserved for parks of exceptional quality.

\*VisitEngland is the **official tourism body for England. VisitEngland assesses more than 23,000 accommodation businesses across nine different VisitEngland schemes. These assessments are provided by Quality in Tourism on VisitEngland's behalf.**