

About us

Road House was founded circa 1895 hiring rowing boats from our moorings and has operated narrowboats on the Monmouthshire & Brecon Canal for over forty five years, including 26 years under the former owner John Smith until April 2011. John designed our boats to give easy handling and manoeuvrability on this canal.

Our fleet of five cruiser style narrowboats are carefully fitted out to make maximum use of space and provide comfortable and well-equipped accommodation whilst retaining a traditional feel. Equipment includes electric freshwater toilets, full-sized electric fridge, gas cooker and quiet central heating with radiators to give cosy dry heat for comfort when required. New as of 2019 and well maintained engines means no lifting of deck boards to make daily checks.

Our base here at Gilwern, four miles from Abergavenny, is just off the A465, within easy reach of the A40 and motorways. If you plan to arrive here by railway, we can collect you from Abergavenny Station, which has good links to the main network via Newport.

Gilwern is ideally and approximately mid-way along the canal, 20 miles below Brecon and 13 miles above Pontymoile, thus you can choose between a cruise to Brecon, incorporating the locks, tunnel, lift-bridges and the more spectacular scenery, or the more secretive, peacefully-isolated winding waters southward towards Pontymoile.

We are a small, friendly, family run business and we can assure you of our closest attention at all times, and all the support you may need, especially if canal boating is new to you. We have been canal enthusiasts ourselves for many years, and are very happy to talk to you about our boats or the canal.



Nigel, Sally and Ashley Curtis.



Additional services at our premises:

**Double/Twin accommodation, En-suite,
Self-Catering Kitchenette, Balcony.**

Gift & Craft shop.

Hand Made Jewellery, Hand Made Cards, Hand Crafted Glass Art, Original Paintings/Prints, Photography, Canal Art & Goods, Welsh Souvenirs & Gifts, Local Literature & Maps, Welsh Confectionery, Greetings/Post Cards, Stamps, Duck Food, Ice Cream.

Off road car parking available

Road House Narrowboats Holiday Hire

On the Monmouthshire & Brecon Canal

Telephone: 01873 830240

Proprietors : Nigel & Sally Curtis

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www.narrowboats-wales.co.uk

2 - 5 berth traditional cruiser style narrowboats available for weekly or short break hire.



Spend time cruising within the spectacular scenery and peaceful surroundings of the Brecon Beacons National Park.

**Relax and experience what we believe to be the
quickest way to slow down!**





Cruising Information

Gilwern – Brecon
Includes 6 locks
20 miles - 12 hours

Gilwern – Pontymoile
No locks
13 miles - 7 hours

Pontymoile – Five Locks
This section is slower,
but navigation worthwhile
and possible with care
- ask us

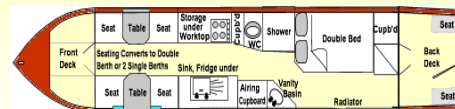


Our Current Four Boats.....

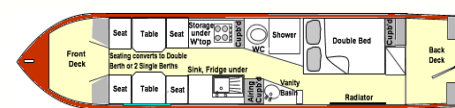
Gilwern Lady - 32ft x 7ft • 2 - 4 berth • Sleeping options: fixed double bow • fixed double bow + up to 2 singles aft



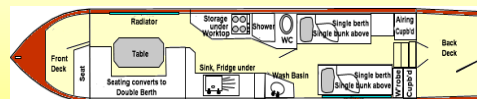
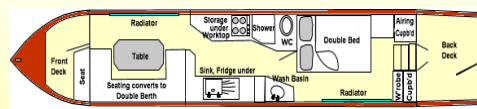
Gilwern Princess - 36ft x 7ft • 4 - 5 berth • Sleeping options: fixed double aft • fixed double aft + dinette double bow • dinette double bow + up to 3 singles aft (includes 1 bunk)



Gilwern Queen - 36ft x 7ft • 4 - 5 berth • Sleeping options: fixed double aft • fixed double aft + dinette double bow • dinette double bow + up to 3 singles aft (includes 1 bunk)



Gilwern Duchess - 42ft x 7ft • 4 - 5 berth • Sleeping options: fixed double aft • fixed double aft + dinette double bow • dinette double bow + up to 3 singles aft (includes 1 bunk) *Top*: arranged as 4 berth doubles. *Bottom*: arranged 4 berth with single bunks aft. (Special arrangement available for 5 berth)



As of 2019 all our boats are fitted with New Beta 30 – 1123cc Diesel Engines.

COMING SOON FOR 2020:

Gilwern Countess. - 42ft x 7ft • 4 berth • Sleeping options: fixed double bow + dinette double aft.
Further details TBA once complete.

Experienced and Novice boaters equally welcome.

The size and design of our boats makes them easy to handle, even for the novice. We offer a full handover on your arrival prior casting off and tuition part way down the canal to ensure that everyone is comfortable prior your departure.



Prices and Availability.....

For current prices, special offers and availability please view our web site or call us for details and information. The prices and availability page is updated on a regular basis, and you can also confirm your reservations, book and make payments on-line.

Remember! The boat is your accommodation, transport and entertainment for the duration of your holiday.

Fuel, gas and bedding are provided in our all-inclusive prices starting from under £600.

Up to two dogs are welcome.

Fishing is permitted during your hire period.

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