Introduction

Welcome to Elliscombe House

Situated in Higher Holton, near Wincanton, Elliscombe House is positioned in the southeast of Somerset, central to Wincanton, Bruton, and Castle Cary, almost on the borders of Dorset and Wiltshire. Built in 1901, this elegant Edwardian house was the former country residence of the Heathcoat-Amory family. In the midst of glorious Somerset countryside, sitting atop a hill, the house has a south-facing aspect and sweeping views across the mature grounds, and down the valley.

Elliscombe House has been lovingly restored to offer 31 tastefully furnished ensuite bedrooms, including 5 double rooms. Every room in the purpose-built bedroom wing has direct access to the garden, and there are elegant and comfortable reception rooms in which to dine, relax, exercise, socialise, and be creative. A newly built Orangery overlooking the delightful, landscaped gardens and patio areas is the perfect spot to spend time with friends and family.

The care provided at Elliscombe House will enable you to live as independently as you wish. We will attend to your individual needs so that you can focus on the things you enjoy without worrying about issues that can become difficult in later life.

We work with individuals and their families to create care plans that thoughtfully balance personalised care and support. We liaise with local health services to ensure that the best care, support, and therapies are available to our residents, all within the comfort and relaxing environment of our home.

At Elliscombe House we pride ourselves on our high standards in all aspects of life within our home. The Housekeeping, Catering, and Hospitality teams work together to maintain those standards. Our team of Chefs provides a fine dining experience, offering wholesome and nutritious home-cooked meals, using fresh, locally sourced ingredients.
Daily life at Elliscombe House is thoughtfully designed to support mind, body and soul in a nurturing environment. Our Activities team create exciting social programmes, tailoring our service to meet the unique interests and abilities of each resident whilst promoting independence.

Elliscombe House operates an open-door policy for visiting friends and families.
The staff team are genuinely committed to supporting residents and their families, and are always happy to offer advice and welcome visitors.

Please feel free to ring us or call in personally to see our beautiful home.
We hope you will find Elliscombe House ideally suited to meet your needs, now and in the future.

Relaxing Residential Care

Residential care at Elliscombe House has been designed to help you to continue to live life to the full.

Whilst we understand you do not need 24-hour nursing care, we can offer support with daily living activities, like washing and dressing, so that you can focus on the things you enjoy, making the most of life.

At Elliscombe House our residents have access to many on-site facilities including our hair salon and our spa bathroom, so why not treat yourself to an aromatherapy session or massage. All residents can relax with friends and family in our secure, private garden, our light-filled dining room, or one of several comfortable sitting rooms.

We recognise activities positively impact health and wellbeing. Should you attend any leisure activities outside of Elliscombe House, we will be happy to support this to continue. Our exciting social programme offers a wide choice of activities to suit everyone, promoting an atmosphere of interaction, fun, chatting and laughter. Our team of Chefs serve up delicious homemade meals at times to suit you, so you can truly look forward to mealtimes – no more preparing and washing up!

Our team of experienced care staff are committed to ensuring residents receive the highest standard of care and are treated with the utmost dignity at all times.

For your peace of mind, residential care at Elliscombe House is future proof. Should your needs change in the future, rest assured that the option to access additional care and nursing support within our home is available when required. We can also provide a referral for specialised dementia care.

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Respite Care – Everyone deserves a break

Everyone deserves some time out. Respite care at Elliscombe House supports both carers and those being cared for, to take a break from your usual routine and take some time for yourself.

Respite care can also be a valuable break for those being cared for. It provides a chance to enjoy a change of scenery, meet new people, enjoy some pampering and try out some new activities.

As a carer you will be able to relax and recharge your batteries, knowing that your loved one is receiving 24-hour, tailored expert care in a safe and comfortable environment.

Respite care is also ideal for those looking for convalescence, either following a hospital stay or an illness. At Elliscombe House we are committed to providing you with the care and support you need to get back on your feet.

At Elliscombe House we understand that finding the right care can be a daunting prospect. For this purpose, some of our residents have used a respite stay to simply consider Elliscombe House as their new home.

During a respite stay at Elliscombe House family and friends are welcome to visit at any time, and can join their loved one for mealtimes or arrange outings with them. Respite guests are very welcome to further extend a stay, pending available rooms, and/or rebook for another time.

If you would like more details about respite care, please speak to one of our team who will be happy to discuss your options with you.

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Nursing Care

Clinical excellence underpins the care we provide at Elliscombe House, and we offer 24-hour qualified nursing care and support.

Our nursing team has excellent knowledge of lifelong conditions and backgrounds in a range of relevant specialisms and care settings, including rehabilitation and care of the elderly. We maintain our high standards by ensuring that all staff and the person-centred care they deliver are overseen by qualified nurses.
The nursing team is supported to maintain, develop and refine their nursing skills via training, thus ensuring their practice is evidence-based and current.

Elliscombe House uses a range of carefully selected eco-friendly modern care technology to allow us to provide the best quality, personalised care for our residents. Our approach to nursing care is based on the use of personalised thoughtfully developed care plans that are formulated with individuals, their families and the health care professionals known to them. We liaise with local health services to ensure that the best therapies, support and care are available to our residents, all within the comfort and relaxing environment of our home.

At Elliscombe House, the nursing team are committed to providing exceptional, person centred compassionate clinical care and support to all our residents.

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The Dining Experience

Mealtimes at Elliscombe House are an important part of the daily life of our home.

Our wholesome and nutritious meals are locally sourced and freshly prepared in our kitchens, and we cater for all dietary requirements. Specialist menus are created to meet all our residents' needs, with an alternative to the menu always available. Our chefs welcome menu suggestions and recipes.

Residents can choose to eat in our spacious dining room, enjoy fine dining with friends or guests, or in their own rooms.

Drinks and snacks are available throughout the day and night. The residents of Elliscombe House can also enjoy a tipple from the Bar.

Our exclusive restaurant evenings form part of Elliscombe House's social calendar, and are always popular with residents who enjoy the atmosphere and experience of silver service. The evenings offer the opportunity for residents to spend time and socialise with friends and family. Our restaurant menus include everything from smoked salmon to medallions of beef fillet, with blue cheese and smoked oyster sauce. From hog roasts in the summer to warm home-made mince pies and clotted cream in winter, when it comes to food, Elliscombe House presents with pride.

Health & Wellbeing Activities

We consider coming to Elliscombe House to be the start of a new beginning.

We recognise that activities positively impact physical and mental health and that keeping busy is vital for physical and emotional well-being. At Elliscombe House we offer a rich and varied choice of activities to suit every preference, from regular visits from favourite pets to musical performances, and from murder mystery dining to arts and crafts or themed country days. We are confident our Activities Programme is bustling and has something for everyone.
We can offer keen gardeners a plot of their own to tend in our extensive grounds. We also arrange regular trips out - perhaps to the theatre or to the pub for a quick tipple.

At Elliscombe House our residents want to support the local community, from welcoming regular visits to our beautiful home and supporting events within our grounds, to attending fetes and fundraisers.
An example of some of our most popular activities:-

- Live Music
- Dancing
- Singing
- Painting
- Travel Talks
- Yoga & Aerobics
- Visits from Schools
- Classic Films
- Poetry Readings
- Pub Visits
- Care Animal Visits
- Arts & Crafts
- Live Comedy
- Cookery
- Cinema Visits
- Cocktail evenings

At Elliscombe House, everyone has their own unique story to share. Our residents are the heart of our home and their vibrant personalities and absorbing, inspiring stories bring Elliscombe House to life. The friendships that are made here are a testament to the great sense of community and depth of caring that is shared by all.

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How to Find Us

Easily accessible from the A303, Elliscombe House is situated outside Wincanton, at the top of the hill in Higher Holton with a large sign marking the entrance. Once entering our grounds, please proceed up the driveway, passing Elliscombe Park, parking in the car park before the house.

There is an entry bell inside the porch at our main door, where someone will be pleased to welcome you into our beautiful home.

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