

EC Brighton: Homestay

DESCRIPTION OF LOCAL AREA

Many students choose to stay in host family accommodation as it gives them the opportunity to become a member of the family and generally learn about the British way of life and most of all, a daily opportunity to practise their English.

Students can enjoy the funky mix of traditional seaside shops and artists' studios whilst the Fishing Quarter offers its very own museum, modern art trail and Artists' Quarter. There are numerous trendy bars and whether you are after an award winning cuisine, veggie treats or a tasty beachfront brunch or simply a delicious cheap meal out, Brighton is bursting at the seams with every type of international cuisine on the menu.

DESCRIPTION OF ACCOMMODATION

Brighton homestay consists of mixed gender twin and single room accommodation. For those students choosing twin room accommodation they can expect to be placed with a student of a different nationality or they can choose to share with a friend. Each room will provide the student with storage space for clothes, a chair and desk (if not in the bedroom students will be able to use a designated area for studying) as well as good lighting, mirror, waste paper bin. Bed linen and towels are provided by the host family and they will also offer students one clothes wash per week and anything extra is at the discretion of the host family. Drying and ironing facilities will be made available to the student.

Whilst staying in a host family students will have access to communal rooms such as the lounge, dining area and kitchen although most students will **not** be able to use the cooking facilities and each family will advise the student on what a student has access to in the kitchen. Bathrooms will be shared with the host family.

Booking a superior homestay enables a student to have their own bathroom which will either be en-suite to the bedroom or located outside the bedroom however these facilities will be for the sole use of the student during their stay.

TYPE OF ROOMS

Single/Twin

BOARD STATUS

Half Board or Bed & Breakfast

ACCOMMODATION INCLUDES

- Communal Lounge
- Free Wi-Fi facilities

Bed linen and towels provided

AVAILABLE

Throughout the year

ACCOMMODATION ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DAY

- Arrival Day: Saturday
- Departure Day: Saturday

JOURNEY TO SCHOOL

EC Brighton is based at Dolphin House in Manchester Street which is situated in the centre of Brighton. Students should be prepared to travel by bus to school with the <u>average</u> journey taking between 30 and 40 minutes.



MEAL DESCRIPTION

Students can choose between half board and bed and breakfast. If a student has chosen half board they can expect to have breakfast and evening meal with the host family from Monday to Sunday. Breakfast can vary from one homestay to another and is usually provided on a self-service basis and will include cereals, toast, coffee and tea. Evening meals for most of the time will be with the host family and students will eat what the family eats.

For those students requesting bed and breakfast their host family will provide breakfast only and students will at most be able to use the kettle and microwave in the kitchen and should not expect to be able to use the cooking facilities.

Some students may have allergies to food or prefer a vegetarian diet or in some cases simply not like a particular food therefore it important that this information is shared and the information made available on the booking form so that the best match can be found when allocating a student to a host family. Homestay providers will also prepare their meals to accommodate any specific requirements relating to religious beliefs therefore it is important to mention this at the time of your booking.

NOTES

- No smoking
- Students will be given a house key.
- Families might have pets. Students should state whether they suffer from any allergies upon booking
- Some host families can take more than one student however please note that we will try our best for all the students to speak different native languages
- Due to health and safety regulations, most homestay bedrooms do not have locking doors.
- The homestay accommodates both male and female students.