

# **EC Bristol: Homestay**

All homestay providers are English speaking and enjoy sharing their homes with our international students.

Students will enjoy Bristol, a vibrant university city in the South West of England. The city of Bristol is diverse and multicultural with a rich history in shipping and engineering. Our homestay providers reflect this diversity.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF ACCOMMODATION**

Staying with a homestay provider is both exciting and rewarding. Homestay providers offer the best insight into daily British culture and life. This interaction helps students communicate better, faster and allows them to pick up words and phrases used in daily situations.

The homestay consists of mixed gender accommodation with single or twin room. Each room is furnished with a bed, desk/table, chest of drawers or a wardrobe, mirror and a waste paper basket. Some rooms have TVs.

Additionally, students will have access to common areas such as the lounge, kitchen and dining room. It is important that rooms and living areas are kept neat and tidy. Students also have access to a shared bathroom.

Bed linen and towels are provided by the homestay provider. Our homestay provider will offer one wash per week - anything extra will be at the homestay's discretion.

Internet access is available and telephone access is restricted to incoming calls only.

Homestays are arranged via our Accommodation partner, Hosts International, who are registered with the British Council.

#### **TYPE OF ROOMS**

Single/Twin

### **BOARD STATUS**

Half board (breakfast and evening meals)

#### **ACCOMMODATION INCLUDES**

- Phone
- Bed linen provided
- Towels provided
- Internet access available

## ACCOMMODATION ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DAY

- Arrival Day: Saturday
- Departure Day: Saturday

#### **JOURNEY TO SCHOOL**

Our homestays are typically 25 minutes to 40 minutes from the EC Bristol school. Students use public transport (bus) or walk to school. Bristol's public transport is managed by First bus. A weekly Bus Pass for Zone 1 & 2 is approximately £20 per week. Bus Passes can be purchased at EC Bristol.

#### **HOST FAMILY LOCATIONS**

Homestays in Bristol are located in different areas of Bristol such as Bedminster, Southville, Brislington, St George, Redland, Bishopston and St Andrews to name but a few.

#### **AVAILABLE**

Throughout the year

#### **EMERGENCY NUMBER**

+44 (0) 7713 561436



#### **MEAL DESCRIPTION**

A variety of food is provided. Homestay providers may adjust the type of food offered when taking into consideration religious beliefs. It is important to mention this at the time of your booking. Vegetarians, or people with food allergies should specify their eating options upon booking so this can be shared with their host prior to arrival.

Breakfast varies from one homestay to another. It is usually self-service and includes bread, coffee and cereal. Hosts are encouraged to offer students whatever is typical for their home.

Students will eat whatever the hosts eats and we encourage them to set the table or clear up after dinner. Dinners are usually quite early in Britain but hosts will inform the student of the time when they eat. It is important that the student informs the host beforehand should they be late or not having dinner.



#### **NOTES**

- No smoking
- Homestay providers might have pets. Students should state whether they suffer from any allergies upon booking
- Students may be given a house key
- The homestay accommodation is mixed gender.