

Waterworld

This Britannia park enjoys the facilities of the Cotswold area's own little Lakeland.



Situated within the Cotswold Water Park, close to the banks of the River Thames, and just over the road from the famous Trout Inn, St Johns is a well-established, attractive and popular park with a strong sense of community.

There are 134 plots on site and the residents enjoy the convenience of the amenities of Lechlade, about half a mile away and within easy walking distance. It's a lovely, bustling Cotswold village with an impressive 15th century church that can be seen from the park.

St Johns is ideal for those who want

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to enjoy an active retirement, not least because of its position in the Cotswold Water Park. This 40-square mile area boasts some 150 lakes, ten of which have SSSI status, dedicated to a variety of sports and activities, including fishing and sailing.

Around 150km of pathways, bridleways and cycleways criss-cross the area, which contains several country parks and a number of nature reserves. You will even find a bathing beach at the Cotswold Country Park at Shornecote.

You can go boating on the Thames, too, and there are plenty of historic houses and sites nearby. For horse racing enthusiasts, the Cheltenham course is not far away.

Big towns such as Oxford and Swindon are easily accessible, as is the M4 if you want to get to London. Transport links are excellent. ■

ST JOHN'S PRIORY PARK

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Prices £poa

- ▶ Ground rent £151.41 per month
- ▶ Council Tax £999.59
- ▶ Over 50s, retired/semi-retired
- ▶ Piped LPG gas
- ▶ Pets welcome

LOCAL INFO

- ▶ **Local amenities:** Shops, small supermarket, post office, library and bank in Lechlade.
- ▶ **Health:** GP, dentists and pharmacy in Lechlade and opticians in Fairford (5 miles); hospital with A&E in Swindon (11 miles).
- ▶ **Transport:** Occasional buses on Swindon-Carterton route from park gates; more buses from Lechlade village. The nearest train service is at Swindon on the

mainline to London, Bristol and Wales.
▶ **Food & drink:** The next door Trout Inn was once part of the 15th century priory; its garden is on the riverbank. Other eateries and takeaways in Lechlade.
▶ **Entertainment:** The Trout Inn has regular jazz, quizzes and other entertainment. The nearest cinemas are in Swindon and Witney (10.5 miles), with theatres in Cirencester, Swindon and Oxford. There are leisure centers in Faringdon (5 miles) and Carterton (6.5 miles).

What can I do around here?



News from nowhere

The great designer, writer and political activist William Morris lived at nearby Kelmscott Manor, which dates from around 1600 and is open on Wednesdays and Saturdays by timed ticket.



Eau de source

Follow the Thames Path to the source of the river. You probably won't see much water after the village of Ewen, but the path continues to the official source, with its marker stone.