

# Lakeland luxury

BREATHTAKING VIEWS. DRAMATIC LANDSCAPES. ADD TO THAT COMFORT BEYOND THE NORM AND STYLE BEYOND EXPECTATION AND YOU HAVE THE HOWBECK AND WINDERMERE SUITES IN THE HEART OF THE LAKE DISTRICT

The Howbeck and Windermere Suites, which make up the Luxury Lakes Hotels Partnership, sit next door to each other in Windermere Village, a stone's throw from Bowness-on-Windermere, one of England's most popular tourist destinations. In both hotels it's apparent that no stone has been left unturned when it comes to detail. The Howbeck exudes comfort and friendliness, while Windermere Suites oozes style. In total there are 19 rooms or suites to choose from, but whichever one you choose, you will be left feeling relaxed, refreshed and rejuvenated. These are truly five-star luxury retreats, but without the pomp and ceremony often associated with stuffy hotels.

## Windermere suites

Windermere Suites is officially the UK's Funkiest B&B following the AA Hospitality Awards held in London on 10th June, where excellence and service are acknowledged within the hospitality industry.

The hotel is the brainchild of Colin and Vicky Monk who have recently completed this stunning £1.6million development. Here boutique style elegance meets private retreat comfort. "Our aim is to provide a unique place to stay", explains Vicky. "All our rooms are unique, have a classic, contemporary look and are finished to the highest standards". It comprises eight lavishly appointed individual suites, each one delivering on style thanks to contemporary designer furniture, amazing interior design and bathrooms you can only dream of. From the moment you open your door to the moment you leave you will be cosseted in style from every angle. Every fitting, every furnishing, every technical element is designer quality. Each suite boasts fabulous mood lighting throughout, king size designer beds, a 42" wall mounted LCD TV, underfloor heating, an oversized shower and a double air bath. But there the similarities end. Each suite has its own personality, its own look and feel. You could stay in all eight and think you had stayed in eight different hotels.

At Windermere Suites the emphasis is on privacy. Guests can truly indulge in the luxurious, spacious quality and submit to the romantic allure. So whatever the occasion - a quiet weekend for two, a honeymoon or an anniversary - every effort will be made to ensure

that it is unforgettable.

You'll enjoy a hearty Cumbria platter or Continental breakfast served every morning in the relaxing comfort of your own suite, not to mention room service right up until 10pm should you want a drink or delicious snack. However, if you would prefer to sit down to dinner, the Howbeck offers an award-winning restaurant where the dishes are prepared using fresh, local produce wherever possible.

Another fascinating element of Windermere Suites is that it is a 'living furniture showroom', where you can experience first hand some of today's leading furniture designers. If you like what you see many of the items are available for you to order at hugely discounted prices compared to the high street. So it is possible to take a little bit of Windermere Suites' luxury home with you. The perfect way to try before you buy.

## The Howbeck

Next door to Windermere Suites sits the the Howbeck, one of Windermere's top luxury, small hotels, a delightful retreat where the warmth and friendliness of the Howbeck team are always apparent. From the moment you arrive you will be made to feel welcome, to feel at home, leading one delighted guest to describe the Howbeck as "once discovered, never forgotten".

The Howbeck provided the blueprint for the success of Windermere Suites. There are ten spacious rooms, all designed with comfort and style in mind and then there's the Retreat. The Retreat was added just over two years ago. It's a luxury suite with a difference; it's furnished to a very high standard and gives a level of privacy not normally found in luxury B&B's. It has its own patio with fountain and table and chairs so that you can relax and take in those warm summer evenings... and breakfast and dinner can be served in the suite at a time to suit you. The Retreat proved to be a massive success, enjoying over 90 percent occupancy levels, leading to the development of Windermere Suites.

Each of the remaining ten spacious rooms has been designed with comfort and style in mind. Every room has superb en-suite facilities, including cozy towelling bathrobes and hairdryers. There is also a DVD/CD player in every room, 8 channel satellite TV



and wireless broadband, so you don't even have to go out! Although being in the heart of the Lake District, it would be a travesty to miss its amazing scenery and magnificent landscapes.

The restaurant at the Howbeck restaurant is the perfect place to start and end your day. Whether you're planning to hike, cycle, sail or simply sightsee, what better way to set yourself up than with a hearty Cumbrian platter. After a long day on your feet, unwind over a candlelit dinner, prepared wherever possible using local Cumbrian produce.

Whatever your reason for visiting the Lake District, the team at the Howbeck will go to every

length to make your stay comfortable, to see that you are looked after and we are confident that you will not be disappointed.

## Gateway to the lakes

Whether you choose to stay at The Howbeck or Windermere Suites, the opportunities to explore are endless. Ambleside, Conistone and Keswick are all within easy reach by car while a trip to the fells and mountains of the Western Lake District will take no more than an hour. Windermere itself is easily accessible from the M6, and for those not arriving by car, Windermere Train Station is only a five-minute

## Competition

For your chance to win a two-night stay at either Howbeck or Windermere Suites, simply email your name quoting Windermere to competitions@businessdestinations.co.uk

TERMS & CONDITIONS:  
The prize must be taken before 31 December 2009, is subject to availability and excludes Bank Holidays. There is no cash alternative. Closing date for entries is 31.8.09.



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