

## The David Hunt Foundation

Businessman David Hunt, together with his partner of 35 years Catherine Mackenzie, retired a few years ago to East Preston, West Sussex. Catherine was diagnosed in 2018 with breast cancer, now in remission, then in 2020 was diagnosed with incurable non-smokers lung cancer and is still receiving treatment at Worthing Hospital.

David became involved in charity work and in 2012 was nominated and voted the Community Star of the Year award for services to local charities.

In 2021 together they founded the David Hunt Foundation, they purchased a property called 'The Crabshack', which is a two bedroomed timber framed 100-year-old fisherman's cottage close to Rustington seafront in West Sussex. The property required complete renovation which was completed at the end of the year.

The aims of the foundation are to offer 2 – 5 nights free holiday breaks to adults going through, or recovering from, serious illness (in particular cancer, cardiovascular disease, Parkinson's and mental health issues). The cottage is offered to those who otherwise might not be able to afford a holiday break due to their financial brought about by their long-term illness.

The applicants would be required to fill in a short questionnaire.

The cottage:

- Sleeps 3 (1 double and 1 single bedroom)
- Property completely refurbished with all new furniture
- Fresh linen and towels provided
- New kitchen and bathroom
- Off-street parking for 2 cars
- Private patio and small garden
- Approved pets allowed
- Unfortunately there is no wheelchair access

The area:

The property borders the vibrant village of Rustington with its coffee shops and restaurants together with its traditional bakers, butchers and greengrocers ... not forgetting Waitrose and Iceland.

When the tide is out why not take a walk along the sands to Littlehampton and its newly built sports centre, golf course and par 3 course, sea fishing and a boating lake plus many more activities.

You could try the Harbour Lights café restaurant alfresco eating overlooking the river Arun which enters the sea at Littlehampton ... see all the local fishing boats and pleasure craft, you may even spot a dolphin or a seal. Buy local caught fish landed daily at the fish stall weather permitting.

Comments from previous guests:

"I cannot tell you enough how grateful we are for this weekend away ... we wish we could stay longer ... your home is beautiful and your kindness of letting us stay as well as giving Mr Teddington (a teddy bear) to our son Oliver overwhelms us." Amy

"The Crabshack is such a beautiful place of rest and relaxation ... we have been so spoilt with the personal greeting, the softest towels and bedding I have ever felt ... we had an amazing 3-night

break ... the house was so thoughtfully stocked with fresh flowers, fruit and even a tub of ice-cream in the freezer.” Rachel

Plus, many more.



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