VISITOR INFORMATION

Owner

William Cash

Address

Upton Cressett Hall Bridgnorth Shropshire WV16 6UH

Location MAP 6:M7 OS Ref. OS506 592

Birmingham 35 miles. Ludlow 17 miles. Three miles west of Bridgnorth off A458 towards Shrewsbury. Nearest village is Morville. See website for map.

Rail: Wolverhampton (1 hr 40 mins from Euston, trains at 23 minutes past every hour)

Taxi: (Brambles, 01746 767076).

Contact

The Administrator **Tel:** (Office) 01746 714616 **E-mail:** enquiries@ uptoncressett.co.uk

Opening Times

1 April–30 September, Sunday (2–5pm), Wednesday and Thursday and all BH Mondays (11.30am–5pm).

Last entry all days 4.30pm. Tearoom (including home-made cakes and sandwiches) open from 12–4.30pm. There is also a farm shop and gift shop. The historic 12th century church of St Michael, Upton Cressett, (www. visitchurches.org.uk), with rare medieval frescos, is adjacent to the manor.

Admission

Hall, gardens and guided house tour:

Adult: £6.50 Child (0-5 years): free Child (5-16): £3.50 Senior: (65 & over): £5.00 *gatehouse is normally open but please check website

Gardens only:
Adult: £4.00
Child (5-16): £2.00
Senior: £3.50

Special events

Owner led tours (including specialist history tours by Bill Cash) are available all year for groups (over 15) with tea and cake served in the Great Hall dining room.

Exhibition: Permanent ex

Permanent exhibition featuring the work of Adam Dant, archive photography from the restoration of Upton Cressett (1971-2011) and history of Cressett family.

Concerts, literary talks and open air theatre:

Please check website for all special events.

Banqueting and private events:

VIP lunches, dinners, banquets and other events (weddings, corporate away days etc) are available in the Hall or in a marquee on the Gatehouse Lawn or Moat Lawn.



UPTON CRESSETT HALL

www.uptoncressetthall.co.uk

Moated, romantic Elizabethan manor with 14th century Great Hall and turreted gatehouse set in unspoilt Shropshire countryside near market towns of Bridgnorth and Ludlow.

Located next to a fine Norman church, Upton Cressett's gatehouse, featuring original oak spiral staircase and rare 16th century ornamental plasterwork, has been likened to the Sissinghurst Tower. The property was admired by Pevsner and is included in Simon Jenkins' Best Houses of Britain who described it as an 'Elizabethan gem'. Country Life describes Upton Cressett as 'a splendid example of the English manor house at its most evocative'.

The Hall, the oldest dated brick manor in Shropshire, was the historic home of the Cressett family before Bill Cash MP and his family began living there in 1971. The young king Edward V stayed in 1483 from Ludlow on his way to the Tower. In the Civil War, Sir Francis Cressett was Treasurer to Charles I and Prince Rupert stayed in the gatehouse, as did Margaret Thatcher in the 20th century. The gatehouse has a secret tunnel and is also home to the Upton Cressett Foundation.

The Hall has fine 16th century furniture and portraits as well as modern art. Of special interest is the restored Great Hall dining room with a unique Tudor hand-painted ceiling, and main newel stair reminiscent of Knole, completed by the artist Adam Dant, winner of the Jerwood Prize. His unique series of murals and work in the Elizabethan garden have been acclaimed by Country Life as 'remarkable' and 'daring'. The extensive gardens are being transformed in a project led by the celebrated gardener and writer Dr Katherine Swift.

The spectacular gatehouse, one of the country's most romantic and luxuriously appointed hideaways, is also available for private let, being perfect for mini-breaks and honeymoons. The manor and grounds are available for weddings, receptions, events, concerts and filming. The property can accommodate groups (such as corporate retreats or art tours) of up to sixteen people in a unique, secluded and inspirational historic atmosphere.

KEY FACTS

No photography in the house.

Corporate retreats and events, including full dining facilities in the great hall dining room for up to 24.

Receptions for up to 200 can be hosted in luxury marquees in the moated garden or the Gatehouse lawn.

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Tea room on all daily open days and prebooked lunches for groups of over ten.



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