



# Luxury for Christmas

Treat yourself to a festive season full of decadent indulgence at The Black Swan.



If you believe Christmas should be spent enjoying the finest food, drink and accommodation North Yorkshire has to offer, The Black Swan in Helmsley is just the place.

This Christmas and New Year, their decadent packages promise to demand nothing more of you than ultimate relaxation. Thoughts of hours spent huddled over a hot stove will gladly become distant memories the moment you step through the door of this beautiful four-star country boutique hotel.

For £1,285 per couple (sharing a twin or double room) or £840 for a single room, you can enjoy a magical three-night Christmas stay complete with open log fires, exposed beams and cosy lounges. The price includes accommodation, Christmas Eve dinner,

Christmas luncheon and evening buffet, Boxing Day dinner, some wines, other goodies and full English breakfast throughout your stay.

The hotel's fabulous reputation for fine dining ensures that you will be feasting on delicious festive menus and many other treats along the way, as well as fine wine and a few tots of good spirits should you wish. A combination of outstanding Yorkshire produce, creatively styled with incredible flavours, will make every meal one to remember.

Your three-night stay begins with the delights of a miniature afternoon tea, served from the charming tearooms. Later that evening a seven-course dinner will be served in The Gallery, the hotel's three AA rosette restaurant. The restaurant also doubles up as

one of the homes of the Helmsley Galleries, which has one of the finest collections of original art work for sale in the north of England.

Christmas Day luncheon is a fabulous four-course menu with a delicious choice of dishes and is accompanied by live saxophonist Jon Taylor. In fact, live music is a special highlight of your stay, with live performances on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and Night, as well as Boxing Day, with well-loved artists such as Val Boyers, a regular guest musician at the hotel.

And The Black Swan's festivities don't end there. Not only are additional nights available for £225 per couple on a bed and breakfast basis, but the New Year package is another truly luxurious offering.

For £815 per couple (sharing a double or twin room) or £540 for a single room, you'll enjoy a two-night stay in a classic room, a pre-dinner reception, a seven-course gala dinner and full English breakfast. Additional nights are available for £225 per couple on a dinner, bed and breakfast basis.

After arriving on the afternoon of Wednesday 30 December, you'll be greeted by a sweet treat and a glass of champagne by the fire in one of the snug lounges. Later, you'll settle down to a leisurely three-course dinner accompanied by singer Brian Dales.

On New Year's Eve, the celebrations commence at 7pm with a champagne and canapé reception in The Garden Room followed by a seven-course black tie gala dinner. Magician Mark Waddington will keep the party spirits high. After dinner, you'll dance the night away to live band Perfect Stranger before welcoming in the New Year at midnight with a traditional piper and a round of Auld Lang Syne.



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Whenever you choose to stay, you'll be spoilt with the wealth of natural beauty that surrounds the hotel. The iconic Black Swan stands proudly at the head of Helmsley's market place and has enjoyed its reputation as a place with a warm welcome and fine hospitality for well over 500 years.

Helmsley is one of the prettiest market towns in Yorkshire and has a superb location on the edge of the North York Moors. The 12th century Helmsley Castle ruins and the adjoining Helmsley Walled Gardens are ready to explore – the perfect location for your Boxing Day stroll.

If you yearn for a more arduous activity, the miles of unspoilt countryside on the doorstep are ideal for keen walkers. The popular seaside towns of Whitby and Scarborough, as well as the historical city of York, are also within easy driving distance so you'll never be stuck for something to do.

For more information and to book, contact the hotel on 01439 770466 or visit [www.blackswan-helmsley.co.uk](http://www.blackswan-helmsley.co.uk).

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