

Amesbury
ABBAY GROUP

STRONGLY INDEPENDENT QUIETLY REASSURING

Over five decades, our family has grown to understand that our residents want to live life as they always have, as independently as possible and in beautiful surroundings as well as spending time with friends and family. All in a place that genuinely feels like home.

We constantly strive to deliver this blend.





“My father’s move to Sutton Manor has removed all the factors from his life which were difficult and stressful, and added security, comfort and a great social life, and of course excellent options for the future.”

HOME WITH PEACE OF MIND



Our two elegant country houses in the counties of Hampshire and Wiltshire offer a choice of extraordinary retirement lifestyles in stunning locations.

Independent living at The Mews, your own home, cottage or apartment at Amesbury Abbey or Sutton Manor, offers as much or as little support as you would like.

If your needs change over time, then our residential, nursing or specialist care teams are on hand at the Abbey or the Manor.

Stunning homes, warmth, friendship, support and safety – peace of mind for you and your family.





STUNNING BACKDROP FOR RETIREMENT



Few backdrops for retirement can be as stunning as Amesbury Abbey and Sutton Manor.

Amesbury Abbey is a magnificent stately home set in 35 glorious acres with the Hampshire Avon flowing through. The Abbey's history is remarkable – even the iconic World Heritage site, Stonehenge, was a part of the estate before it was sold in 1915.

Inside, residents enjoy sparkling chandeliers and marble fireplaces with roaring log fires in winter. The elegant drawing room is the perfect space for drinks before lunch, or film showings and talks in the afternoon.

The Abbey's wonderful grounds are perfect for leisurely walks or exercising the dogs, and residents and guests enjoy private fishing rights and the historic Chinese Summer House built by Sir William Chambers, of Kew Garden fame.

The bustling town of Amesbury is a short stroll down the drive, with Salisbury and Stockbridge only minutes away in the car.





Sutton Manor is a Queen Anne manor house which was once owned by Hollywood film magnate, J Arthur Rank. Its 60 acres of parklands include a walled rose garden which was visited by Hollywood stars such as Dirk Bogarde and Marilyn Monroe and is still enjoyed by residents today.

Sutton Manor is just seven miles from the cathedral city of Winchester with excellent road and rail links to the south west and London.



*“We could not have asked
for better care and attention.
An extraordinary team.”*



AN EXTRAORDINARY LIFE

“My mother is part of a society made up of fellow residents and staff from which she has derived immense enjoyment.”



As beautiful as the buildings and grounds are, it is the people who make life at Amesbury Abbey and Sutton Manor so extraordinary.

With so many things to do and a community of like-minded people to discover, your social life is sure to expand considerably.

Our activities diary is always full, offering everything from yoga, art classes, piano recitals and talks to flower arranging, fundraisers and excursions.

Families are an important part of life here. They are always welcome, whether for lunch, supper, or perhaps an afternoon tea by the river, where we can arrange picnic tables and parasols.

“We were absolutely thrilled with everything, particularly the kindness you all show, all day, every day to everyone. Very special.”



A HOLIDAY HOME FROM HOME

Monte da Palhagueira, in the Algarve region of Portugal, offers everything our residents might need for a wonderfully relaxing holiday coupled with any support they may need.

The 22-acre traditionally styled village in the sun-dappled hills has beautifully landscaped grounds, swimming pool with wheelchair access and clubhouse, and an award-winning restaurant.



“All the essential ingredients for my happiness are provided. The knowledge one is cared for brings a sense of community – of family.”

INDEPENDENT LIVING



Across the grounds of Amesbury Abbey and Sutton Manor are traditional cottages and stylish apartments for independent living in retirement, with total peace of mind.

Our collection includes three-bedroom classic homes, two-bedroom thatched cottages and contemporary solo apartments, all set against the backdrop of spectacular landscaped estates.

Caring professional support is on the doorstep when and if you need it.

This is your home, without the worries of maintenance, cleaning, gardening and safety – bring your furniture, your paintings, your keepsakes, your style, even your pets.

While our homes, grounds and food are all exceptional, residents tell us time and again that it is the people who set us apart.

House managers are especially high on the honours list – like friends, they catch up daily with each and every resident. Whether it's for a five





minute chat or half an hour spent over coffee and cake, it's a relationship which becomes very special.

You are invited daily to enjoy a four-course lunch prepared by our chefs and served at the table by our professional waiting team. Enjoy a fruit juice or a glass of sherry in the drawing room, or on the terrace in warm weather, before lunch is served.

Your dishes might feature rare roast beef, homemade crab ravioli or wild mushroom risotto. Our chefs use the best local ingredients to deliver healthy, delicious food each and every day.



Lunch is the opportunity to catch up with friends before heading out for a walk or back home or to enjoy an hour with a book, or take part in a visit to the theatre, local garden or art gallery.

With household chores, maintenance and gardening also taken care of, you are free to focus on the things you love.

“Our mother lived contentedly at the Manor for 22 years - 17 independently and five in the nursing home.”

“It was apparent from the moment my mother arrived that she had joined a very special community, and that wonderful care and unfailing support continued throughout her long and peaceful stay”



RESIDENTIAL AND NURSING CARE

We believe care is primarily about the warm, genuine, compassionate people who deliver it at any level. We are supremely proud of our team of professional carers and qualified nurses as well as our army of support staff, gardeners, chefs, and administrators who each care personally about, and for, our amazing residents.

Accepting residential or nursing care can be a difficult decision. We understand that, and work with you and your family to make the move as simple and painless as

possible, whether you are at Amesbury Abbey or Sutton Manor.

With familiar furniture, rugs, paintings, photos and keepsakes around you, you can soon relax in your new home, safe in the knowledge that help is right at hand if or when you might need it.

First-class residential and nursing care in a safe, warm and welcoming environment is a given at the Amesbury Abbey Group. So is a superb team determined to deliver as many personal touches as possible to brighten your day.



CONVALESCENT AND RESPITE CARE

Whether you are recovering from a bout of illness or an operation, or giving your family a break from caring, respite and convalescent care is a delight for us to deliver. Many of our short-term guests become permanent residents in time having experienced our care first-hand.

DOMICILARY CARE

We can help you to organise practical help, either on a permanent basis or for the odd occasion, and a little help can go a long way to preserving your independence when living at The Mews.

END-OF-LIFE CARE

It is an honour and a privilege to support anyone on the emotional journey to the end of a life. Our nurses and carers are specially trained to ensure compassionate and sensitive care for those in their last days. We pride ourselves on giving individuals and their families the ability to say goodbye with the utmost dignity and peace. There will be sadness of course – but also gentle laughter, re-living memories, re-telling tales, or simply just holding hands, with someone always close.



WHY WE ARE CHOSEN

There are so many reasons our residents choose to come and live independently with us: beautiful grounds, a warm, family environment and welcoming community, and ideal locations both in the historic town

of Amesbury close to Stonehenge, and just outside Winchester, the original capital of England.

We asked some of our residents to talk about why they chose to live with us and what sets us apart.

“Moving here just felt right. I don’t want to sell a house again, ever, so I’m very glad about the arrangement here. The staff and grounds for me are outstanding.”





“We didn’t look anywhere else. We decided it was better to move while we could rather than wait until we were too old. It’s everything we wanted it to be, and we are very pleased. It was the best decision we could have made.”



“Most of us have moved from much larger properties and it’s difficult to contain yourself in a small space, but it was absolutely the right thing for us. The abbey arranged for us to have wardrobes fitted and bookshelves and lots of other bits and pieces. It was very smooth and very easy, and everything was done beautifully.”

“We have a little dog and bringing her with us was one of the most important reasons for our choice. She adores the grounds – and the pigeons and squirrels, and the other dogs!”

“It’s a great advantage to have the town so near when you live at Amesbury. You can get most things there; it’s within walking and scooter distance, and there’s always someone to help you.”

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“We have a wonderful maintenance chap who gets on with things quickly. John can turn his hand to anything.”

“I already knew several people living here, including my best man. Moving here has been a great success.”



MAKING THE RIGHT DECISION

Decisions about your retirement lifestyle or care needs are some of the most important you will make. Your home is a very special place and change can be daunting. You want to make the right decision for your future when no one can really know what that holds.

That's why our aim is always to offer you as much independence as you favour with as much support as you feel you need – all with flexibility built in to make that work for you over time.

Once you join our community, however the future unfolds, you stay amongst the same friends, with the same staff around you, in the surroundings you know and love.



“A dearly happy community. Our move here in approaching old age has proved one of the soundest that we have ever made!”

We believe that, over 50 years, our family has crafted something unique and special – but we would say that! We would be delighted to welcome you to visit and see if you feel the same way. You can take a quick tour or come for lunch or for afternoon tea as many times as you'd like. It would be a pleasure to meet you and learn how we might be able to support your retirement lifestyle or care needs, helping you make the right decision about your future.

Decisions taken calmly are always the best ones. Choosing where you would like to spend your future as and when you feel the time is right can be hugely reassuring. That decision made, there is no rush, no obligation and no cost. You simply add your name to our waiting list until you feel you're ready to make the move.





“You can rest assured that you will be exceptionally well taken care of, for there is little the family leaves to chance.”



THE AMESBURY LEGACY

OUR DIFFERENCE

Our mother, Mary Cornelius-Reid AM MBE, was a night sister at Winchester Hospital in the 1960s and 70s, and recognised the need for nursing homes offering premium quality care in peaceful, gracious surroundings. We, her children Naomi, David and Rosemary, continue her legacy to this day.

As a family business, we have been delivering exceptional support and care for nearly five decades. For our family, The Amesbury Abbey Group is so much more than a business, it's a way

of life and one that we have grown up with. We are as passionate and dedicated today as our mother was 50 years ago.

Our aim is for you to live life to the fullest with total peace of mind, and for your lifestyle choices to include as much or as little support as you want or need, both now and in the future.

We understand that you want to live as you always have, as independently as possible in beautiful surroundings, enjoying your family and spending time with your friends. To live in a place that genuinely feels like home.



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AND ROSEMARY



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