



Maple Leaf House care home



*Live later
life well*

Nursing dementia and short-stay care in Ripley

Welcome to *the family*

You won't hear us spend much time talking about our home's design, our facilities or our location. Because those things pale in comparison to the amazing people at MHA's Maple Leaf House care home.

So, instead we'll start by focusing on the team, the families, the volunteers and the residents who have formed such a close-knit and mutually supportive community at our home.

Dedicated to supporting people living with advanced dementia, and equally devoted to the family members and loved ones in their circle of support, Maple Leaf House care home exists to fill the voids that dementia can so often create.

That means becoming a family when you're feeling isolated. Helping to connect to your loved one when you're finding it hard to reach them. Forming a circle of friendship and support when you don't know where to turn. And extending the skills and support that can help you to continue enriching the life of the person that means everything.



Our home manager, Sam Stone, explains in her own words:



Dementia can be really, really isolating for families. So we want people to know that they're not alone. We care for people every single day – it's just in our blood – and that extends to the families affected by dementia too. This is a community as much as a care home.



Delights on *your doorstep*

Located in a quiet community in the town of Ripley in Derbyshire, MHA's Maple Leaf House care home can be found just fifteen minutes' walk from the local marketplace, with its choice of local shops, takeaways and amenities.

We're also within easy travelling distance of Denby Pottery, with its café, garden centre and nationally renowned pots, plates and dishes.

We're fortunate to be closely connected to our local school and nursery, whose children enrich the lives of our residents with regular visits throughout the year. From carols at Christmas to hymns at Easter, intergenerational dances and regular 'special' performances to look forward to.

Safe and secure gardens encircle our home, with many residents taking their own allocated patch to tend throughout the year, bringing a kaleidoscope of changing colours and scents to the garden throughout the spring and summer months. A central courtyard, gazebo and patio areas ensure a choice of quiet spaces to savour the ever-changing sights and sounds of nature.

The greenhouse and kitchen garden ensure that tomatoes, blackberries, lettuces and all manner of herbs and vegetables are in abundant supply, often tended by our residents and their visiting family members, and always finding their way to our mealtimes, through the skilled hands of our talented chefs.



Derbyshire's best *biscuits?*

Whether it's the crumbly, buttery shortbreads or the large gooey cookies, we've been told Maple Leaf House is home to the best biscuits in Derbyshire, and who are we to disagree?

These sweet and savoury treats are just a small part of our ever-evolving selection of meals and snacks, but sometimes the care in these little things can speak volumes. It's all thanks to our unrivalled chef team, including Anette who has been at the heart of our home for more than twenty years.

As you'd expect, the same level of care and attention is baked into every other morsel of food that leaves the kitchens of Maple Leaf House. Whether it's the evolving seasonal menus, or the regular review meetings designed to welcome the ideas and input of our residents and their families.

With our ever-popular kitchen garden and greenhouse, it's perhaps no surprise that our meals are designed with the seasons, with the freshest ingredients often finding their way from plant to plate in a matter of minutes.



What you can expect at Maple Leaf House:

- Meals are freshly prepared by our in-house chef.
- Menus are designed around seasonal produce.
- Ingredients are sourced locally wherever possible.
- Drinks and snacks are on-hand 24 hours a day.

Take a look at our sample menu:

Lunch

Soup of the day, with a selection of sandwiches.

or

Cheese and potato pie.

Lemon drizzle cake.

Evening meal

Traditional roast pork with apple sauce.

or

Goats' cheese, spinach and tomato quiche.

All served with seasonal potatoes and roasted root vegetables.

Watermelon sorbet.





Where caring *is a calling*

Our 48 spacious en-suite bedrooms are purposefully designed to support the comfort and wellbeing of people living with dementia. Every bedroom enjoys its own unique view of the garden, and sits on the outer perimeter of a triangular shaped central hub, ensuring a connection to one of our lounges and dining rooms at the heart of our home.

There's a wide choice of facilities too, from the smells, textures, sounds and glows of our calming sensory room, to our very own reminiscence room, with its artefacts and interiors inspired by the 1980s and '90s.

Visitors to Maple Leaf House are welcomed by the floating aromas of fresh coffee and bakes, as they're greeted by a warm and welcoming café area – a favourite meeting place for our residents, their guests, along with our teams and local community.

As you'd hope, the devotion, compassion and respect shown to our residents and their families is second-to-none. And it's this deep sense of care which grows ever-stronger as our long-standing and loyal team grows closer.



Dad has been a resident for the last two years. During this time, the fantastic staff have gone above and beyond to make him feel comfortable, happy and safe. They have worked hard to understand and be empathetic to his individual needs. He and the other residents are stimulated daily by the amazing activities on offer, Dad loves a dance and a sing-a-long!

Family testimonial from [carehome.co.uk](https://www.carehome.co.uk)

Our commitments to you:

- You'll remain in control of your care and support. Always.
- You'll be supported by a caring, compassionate team.
- You'll benefit from proven and pioneering therapies.
- You'll be valued and respected in a like-minded community.
- You'll be free to make this home your own – inside and out.

Facilities

- Spacious en-suite bedrooms with call system.
- Dedicated chaplain for spiritual support or private reflections.
- Hairdressing salon for care and pampering.
- Comfortable lounges and communal areas.
- Landscaped gardens with patio areas.





Elvis

is in the building

When someone recounts the story of their starstruck encounter with Elvis for months on end, you can smile in knowing your time spent researching the best possible impersonators was time well spent. And that's just one of countless moments that enrich the lives of our residents at Maple Leaf House care home.

After all, living with dementia doesn't mean living without joy, entertainment and stimulation. Quite the opposite in fact. It's why we work hard to ensure every day feels different in our home, from the ever-popular (and often extravagant) theme days to time spent with visiting musicians, and our extra-special 'seize the day' efforts.

It's not uncommon to walk into the home accompanied by the sounds of Freddie Mercury and the raucous dancing of residents. Perhaps you'd experience one of our South Asian days, with people resplendent in their traditional clothing. Pyjama day also proves to be a particular favourite.

Of course, often what passes for fun is also a form of therapy. Music and dance are so central to exercise, connection and reminiscence. And it's these things that ensure our home is a place where everyone can live later life well.



Here for you...

Whether you're searching for yourself or a loved one, nursing dementia care or short stays, our team at MHA's Maple Leaf House care home will be here to help.

We understand that searching for a care home can be a confusing time for any family. So we hope it's reassuring to know that our doors are always open. Our advice is always generous. Our residents are always eager to welcome a new character into the fold. And our charitable ethos will always guide everything we do.

We'll be ready to support. Whenever you need us:



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Proud to be part of MHA

For more than 80 years, families have been choosing MHA to support the needs and aspirations of their loved ones in later life.

People have been forging friendships through our community programmes. Fundraising to drive our charitable goals. And spreading the warmth, comfort and spirituality that you'll find across every MHA care home, community and development.

It's always for one reason, which will *always* stay the same: helping older people to live later life well.



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