

Short breaks, peace of mind

Respite Care at
our Care Homes



A warm welcome

The Orders of St John Care Trust (OSJCT) offers the opportunity to enjoy a short care break in a comfortable and friendly environment, supported by our professional team of carers.

During a period of respite with us your loved one will be invited to join our home's community and enjoy a short break tailored to their needs.

Respite residents have the opportunity to take part in activities, join excursions, or simply relax in the home and enjoy freshly cooked meals, whilst maintaining their independence in the knowledge that our team are there to support them throughout their stay.

Our respite residents are also able to book appointments with our visiting hairdressers and chiropodists as well as join day trips where available.

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What is respite care?

A respite or short-term stay may be needed for a period of recovery after an operation, accident or illness, or because the individual's usual carer is on holiday or a short break.

Respite stays, by their short-term nature, can perhaps be a little daunting at first for both our residents and their loved ones. At OSJCT, we know this, so we make every effort to make our respite residents feel welcome, happy and valued.

It is not unusual for short stays to be repeated, and often our respite residents decide to stay for the longer term once they have experienced life with us here at OSJCT.

As a relative, friend or carer, you can relax knowing that your loved one, patient or friend is in a safe, comfortable and friendly environment where they will receive high quality care that's respectful of their privacy and dignity.

“I thoroughly enjoyed my stay, the carers were brilliant and I had everything I needed. What a lovely place to be.”

Respite Resident



It's all about the care

Our residents are at the heart of everything we do and their wellbeing is paramount. We pride ourselves on delivering care to the highest standards. We try to learn as much as possible about each person who lives with us, so that we can provide them with care and support tailored to their individual needs and preferences.

Our mission

OSJCT is one of the UK's leading not-for-profit care organisations working solely to provide high quality care for older people.

Our care, is underpinned by the ethos of our sponsoring Orders, The Sovereign and Hospitaller Order of Malta and The Venerable Order of St John of Jerusalem.

Drawing on their 1000 year history of care, they nominate volunteer Trustees to help to ensure the quality of our care runs through everything we do.

“Everyone puts the residents at the heart of everything they do.”

**Relative of
Respite Resident**

Activities and services

At OSJCT, our approach to respite care is no different to our approach for our longer-term residents. We know that being able to keep up existing hobbies and interests is a great way of maintaining independence. We also believe in giving people the opportunity to try new things – it gives a great sense of achievement and often fulfils long held ambitions to just “give it a go”.

Our respite residents can take advantage of the wealth of activities available living with OSJCT, whilst

also benefiting from regular visits from health and social and medical professionals, such as Chiropodists or GPs.

Catering

A talented chef and kitchen team prepare tasty, home-cooked meals. The freshly prepared, delicious dishes are carefully balanced to get the best nutritional value, and cater for individual dietary requirements and preferences.



Activities may include:



Arts and crafts



Pets as therapy



Gardening



Baking



Gentle exercise



And more!

Get in touch to find the right respite care for you

We have over 70 care homes across four counties; Wiltshire, Lincolnshire, Oxfordshire and Gloucestershire. Each of our homes has their own unique character – just like our residents, but what they all have in common is the OSJCT ethos of care, where the individual person is at the heart of everything we do.



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“The carers gave me complete confidence that my mother was going to be safe and well looked after.”

Relative of Respite Resident