



# Start your journey with us

Right now is a great time to start your journey in the growing glamping industry. Canopy & Stars was the first dedicated glamping booking agent and is the only company to offer a comprehensive new business consultancy service. With our years of expertise and data, we'll turn your wildest ideas into profitable places to stay.

- Longest-standing marketing and booking agent, established in 2010
- Curently work with over 850 successful places
- Exclusive collection less than 20% of applicants accepted
- Personal support from dedicated Account Managers
- 98% owner retention rate.

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Key: The journey Our consultancy services Everything you need to go from What we can advise you on inspiration to welcoming guests. Deciding build partners **EXPLORING FUNDING** We can find vou We can advise on experts in any kind any available grants of construction if you ASSESSMENT and investment aren't the practical type ocation advice an Research into pportunities, managir initial guidance concept he application proces Building a if you'd prefer Planning pre- application picture of your Takes 6-12 weeks and page 6/7 ideal space gives you an idea of likelihood full planning will be accepted Phase 1: Research & planning **DESIGN & SITE PLAN** Designs and site maps for CONSULTATION DESIGN WORKSHOP planning applications A free, informal cha about your ideas Future proofing your space page 6/7 page 6/7 BUSINESS PLAN CREATION & REVENUE PROJECTION Forecasts and assessments for your planning and funding applications

Engaging Parish Council Get local community on board to support planning apps

PROJECT MANAGEMENT Making sure you build process run

Land assessment surveys - environmental impact studies required during planning

FULL PLANNING

APPLICATION

Support throughout, or

complete management of

the complex process of

submission and amendmen

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Beginning the build Start with the infrastructure, literally work from the ground up

GUEST EXPERIENCE Help with the whole experience, from direction and welcome to check ou

> and feedback page 6/7

> > Guest management Think about your booking system and how you'll handle enquiries

> > > Finding an insurance provider

You'll need the right

for your business

level of Public Liability

insurance (among others)

a huge difference to media interest and bookings. We can put vou in touch with a few specialists

Taking quality photos Professional photography can make

feedback and final tips PRICING for crafting your site Our analysts create a strategic pricing structur page 32 MARKETING Specialist teams working

Our Business Development and Owner Support teams help your business evolve and thrive

CONTINUED SUPPORT

Welcoming your

Congratulations,

you're on your way!

first guests.

Phase 3: Go live with Canopy & Stars

with our database, socia

media and digital channel

bring your place to a huge

loyal audience

TOP TIPI

Inspection

We visit and give you

Trying your space Staying in your own space or having friends try it out for a couple of days helps you spot any little details you might have missed

**BOOKING MANAGEMENT** We handle any bookings taken through us from end to end, but you retain persona contact with guests

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relationships with a wid

range of media channels

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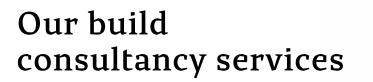
INTERIOR DESIGN

Give your space a unique

look and feel

Phase 2: Get building





We offer friendly, expert advice and specialised services. Bring us in right from the start or on that one issue you just can't find a way round.

### INITIAL CONSULTATION

It starts with a free, informal chat. We'll discuss your ideas and use our industry insight and market data to advise you on your best opportunity.

#### VIABILITY ASSESSMENT

On a visit to your site, we assess the feasibility of your plans and offer feedback on location, choice of space type and guidance on potential earnings.

#### DESIGN WORKSHOP

A collaborative session focused on bringing out your creativity, pushing your boundaries and making your place's design future-proof.

### **EXPLORING FUNDING**

We can advise on any available grants and investment opportunities or manage the application process if you'd prefer.

#### **BUSINESS PLAN CREATION**

We'll write full and thorough business plans for use in planning applications or funding bids.

### REVENUE & PROFIT PROJECTIONS

We provide strategic pricing advice, initial investment projection, guidance on running and maintenance costs and a ten-year forecast of revenue and profit. Useful for planning applications and necessary for funding bids.

#### **DESIGN & SITE PLANS**

With your preferred build partner, our inhouse team pull together designs and site plans required for planning applications.

### FULL PLANNING APPLICATION We can help you with planning or even

We can help you with planning or ever take on the whole process, from first submission to the last amendments, to make sure you're up and running on schedule.

### PROJECT MANAGEMENT

We'll run your build, coordinating appointments with water and power services, builders and designers to make sure everything happens when it should.

### INTERIOR DESIGN

One of our designers works with you to create a unique interior style that will amaze your guests as much as the space itself.

### GUEST EXPERIENCE WORKSHOP

An intensive session planning your whole guest experience, from welcome to send off, looking at actions you can take to maximise occupancy, feedback ratings and advocacy.





### The Linhay -Rescued from Ruin

Caroline and Nick, owners of The Linhay in Devon, on the labour of love that turned a crumbling ruin into a place that delights their guests while supporting their work on the land

We think of ourselves as custodians of our little slice of Devon heaven, as Nick's father and grandparents were before us. The old building had refused to fall down for years and reviving it was our way of preserving a bit of the past while helping to secure the future. We felt it deserved a chance to show us how beautiful it could be, but knew that it could also earn its keep and help inspire people at the same time.

We thought of every way we could minimise the impact the space had on the environment and maximise the impact it had on guests. We wanted to show people how great it was to get close to nature and how simply it was possible to live. That meant being completely off-grid, using solar power for lighting, our own timber for the wood burner & local and charcoal, and even water from our spring-fed well, which makes the best cup of tea you'll ever taste. We also offer pick ups from the local bus stop and a shopping service to encourage people not to drive to us. Our guests have embraced this ethos and delight in the fact that they are closer to nature and feel they can really disconnect from the busy and sometimes crazy world outside.









### Design ideas & successful spaces

We use our market knowledge to find a space that suits your site and budget. Here are some designs to get you thinking and a few examples of successful existing spaces, but if you've got something wilder in mind, we'd love to help you make it happen.

#### **TREEHOUSES**

Nostalgic and magical - our most popular and profitable space type

#### CABINS

Year-round opportunities that offer huge scope for creativity in design

#### TEMPORARY STRUCTURES

Low-impact spaces, often easier to get through planning

### ONE-OF-A-KIND SPACES

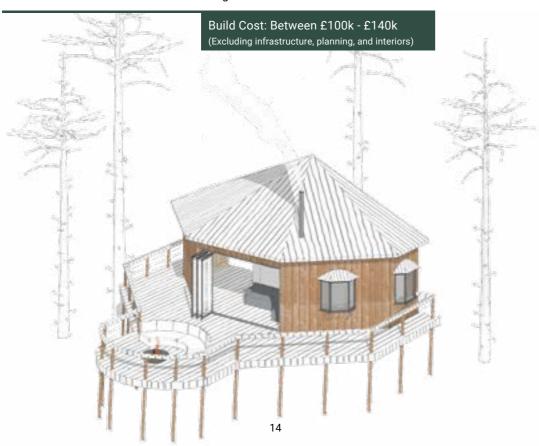
Striking designs that generate huge levels of media and guest interest

Inspiration | Treehouse

### Octagonal Couples Treehouse

### Sleeps: 2

Octagonal open-plan treehouse with kingsize bed, fully-fitted kitchen and en-suite bathroom. Bifold wall from living space on to deck. Firepit, hot tub and clay pizza oven at ground level.

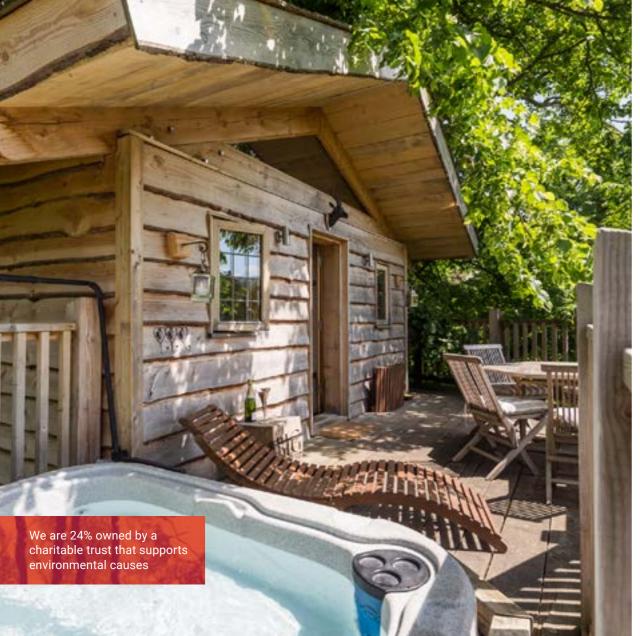


### Tiered Family Treehouse

### Sleeps: 4

Rooftop terrace, bifold living/dining space on to deck, full-glazed bedroom end walls, fully-fitted kitchen, hot tub and sauna in treetop bathhouse.









### Case Study

### Lime Treehouse, Worcestershire

Nightly rates: £260 - £375 Avg occupancy: 80%

Sleeps: 4

Owners Emma and Richard have given Lime Treehouse a rustic feel with some lovely touches of luxury, such as a hot tub on the deck and a bath inside. They've used the open-plan interior very cleverly, with cupboard beds for the kids that don't get in the way if they aren't needed by couples, maximising appeal to two different markets.

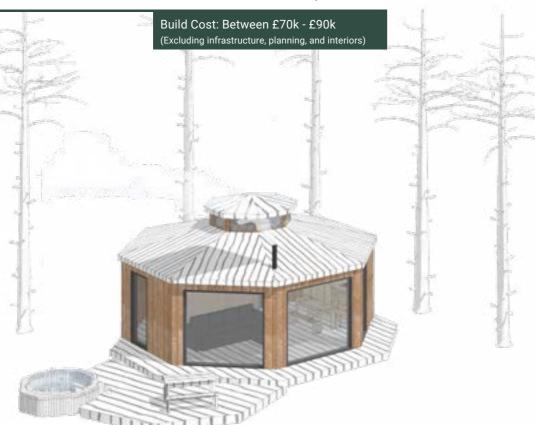
They joined us in 2014 and have welcomed a total of over 2000 guests. Building on the success of Lime Treehouse, they created a second space, privately sited and in a similar style.

Inspiration | Cabin

### Traditional Couples Cabin

### Sleeps: 2

Open-plan cabin with king-size bed, fullyfitted kitchen, en-suite bathroom and openair deck with hot tub and firepit.

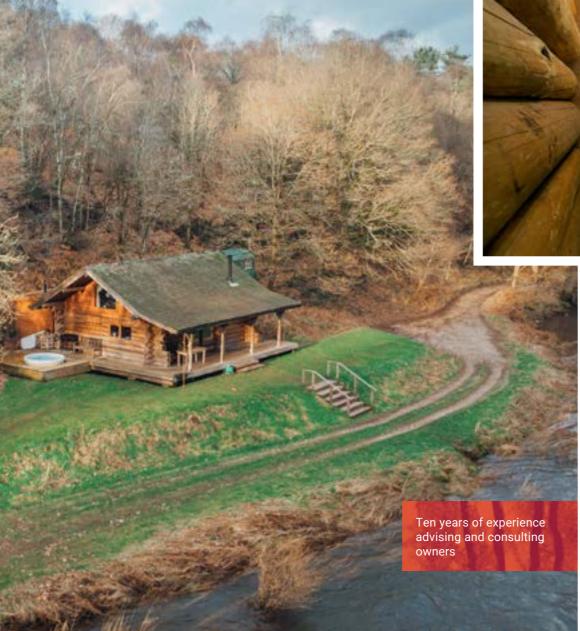


### Modern Family Cabin

### Sleeps: 4

Large master bedroom with bathtub and floor-to-ceiling glazed walls, cabin beds for two additional guests, openplan kitchen/living/dining space, outdoor shower.







### Case Study

### The Lodge, Cumbria

Nightly rates: from £270 Avg occupancy: 87%

Sleeps: 6

The Lodge was built by Mark Holden-Hindley on the Edenhall Estate in Cumbria. It has a hot tub out on the deck and a classic log cabin look, but by far the most important feature is the setting. It really is completely secluded on a bend of the river, making people feel like they've disappeared into the wilderness.

Mark joined Canopy & Stars in 2011 and The Lodge has been incredibly popular with families and groups of friends ever since. The revenue has helped him develop other areas of the estate, including further glamping spaces and some more traditional self-catering units.

Inspiration | Temporary structure Inspiration | Temporary structure

### Couples Shepherd's Hut

Sleeps: 2-4 Temporary structure with a master bedroom and two singles/sofas, fullyfitted kitchen, shower room, compost loo and large outdoor deck. Build Cost: Between £35k - £55k (Excluding infrastructure, planning, and interiors) TEATTCE STREET tuning fur gent sea me

### Case Study

### The Nancy Blackett, Somerset

Nightly rates: £100 - £130 Avg occupancy: 85%

Sleeps: 2

A clear focus on providing an idyllic couples retreat and great use of location gives Nancy Blackett a strong identity that really appeals to guests.



Inspiration | Floating cabin

# A-frame floating cabin

Sleeps: 4-6 Cabin on pontoon with mezzanine bedroom, shaded roof terrace, picture windows and rowing boat.

Build Cost: Between £140k - £200k (Excluding infrastructure, planning, and interiors)

### Case Study

### The Raft at Chigborough, Essex

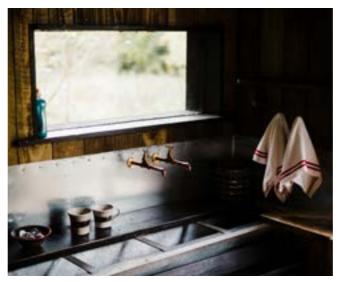
Nightly rates: £195 - £300 Avg occupancy: 80%

Sleeps: 2

A floating cabin with separate hot tub raft was always likely to attract guest attention and press coverage. When The Raft at Chigborough joined Canopy & Stars in 2013 we placed it in Time Out, The Times, iPaper and The Telegraph and it took an enormous number of bookings in its first few months. Thanks to our site optimisation, social media and targeted marketing, we've maintained high levels of occupancy since launch and owner Paul has been able to build two more spaces, one of them another floating pod accessed by chain bridge









### One-of-a-kind Case Study

### Humble Bee, Devon

Nightly rates: £135 - £220 Avg occupancy: 83%

Sleeps: 2

Humble Bee is the sort of unique idea that we just love and a great example of what happens when you let your creativity run free. Owner Yvette's first space was a giant Bird Box and she one-upped herself with the creation of this three-storey beehive.

The design made the space easy for us to place with the press and it has now featured in the iPaper, The Sunday Telegraph, Lonely Planet and Stylist among others.

### What makes a great space?

For us, a great space is a combination of a beautiful exterior, a creative interior and an inspiring guest experience.

We can give you advice, support and contacts to make every aspect of your site a delight for guests and keep them coming back year after year to see your latest innovations.





# As your business partner

When you join Canopy & Stars, our specialist teams become an extension of your business.

#### MARKETING

Engage our huge audience of loyal guests through our site, newsletters and social media platforms to bring you bookings. A dedicated digital team works to achieve top ranking in Google for key industry search terms.

#### **GUEST EXPERIENCE**

Field enquiries, talk to potential guests, gather feedback and take on all the admin, to save you time and stress.

#### OWNER SUPPORT

Monitor your stats, advise on your pricing structure, look for opportunities, answer your questions and provide personal support to help your business run smoothly and successfully.

#### PΕ

Use our longstanding relationships with a wide range of media, including The Guardian, The Times, The Telegraph, iPaper, Metro, Cosmopolitan and features on the BBC and Channel 4, to gain valuable exposure for your place.

#### BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Leverage industry insight and our extensive experience to help you plan new spaces, develop your site and grow your business.

#### OUR OWNER COMMUNITY

Become your friendly network of likeminded owners. The Canopy & Stars tribe meet regularly at owner gatherings throughout the UK and have access to helpful information and market insight on our online Owner Hub.





### Why work with us

- Our inspected & selected collection is a mark of quality
- Run your business your way
- Personal support on all aspects of your business
- Over 850 successful spaces
- Over ten years of experience in the glamping industry.

## Why our owners love us

- We're real people, getting to know them and providing personal support at every step of the journey
- We're employee-owned
- 24% of all profits go to our charitable trust
- O No problem is too big, too small or too weird!
- We plant a tree for every booking we take
- We're part of Sawday's, a trusted travel company for 25 years.

