

BRYNGWYN HALL, POWYS

Good luck finding a free slot at this soothing antidote to the corporate shooting 'super lodge' hotel. Guests tend to return regularly, drawn by the charming, expert hospitality of Lady Linlithgow at the 18th-century family home she has painstakingly restored to glory since inheriting a derelict building in 1987. Elegant candlelit dinner parties here inevitably segue into late-night antics in the billiard room. On the sporting front, Bryngwyn lays on one of the finest simulated game shoots around, with 16 scenic drives, including two lines of grouse butts. For the real McCoy, Lady Linlithgow's little black book can help arrange days at some of the top Welsh shoots, with Long Mountain, Llanarmon, Three Valleys and the Bettws Hall portfolio all within striking distance. Visit: bryngwyn.com

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