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**[Julian Assange stays at Ellingham Hall, 16th December](#)**

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National and World press descended on Ellingham when Ellingham Hall became the new home for WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange. The Australian was fighting extradition to Sweden over sex allegations involving two women. He was released on bail on condition that he stayed at a fixed address. Vaughan Smith offered him temporary residence at Ellingham Hall.

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Assange believed the sexual assault claims were a political ploy because Wikileaks' publicised sensitive material from governments and high-profile organisations.

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In 2012 Julian Assange obtained political asylum from Equador and moved into their London embassy.

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