

Obtaining access to the house

Park in-front of the deck and go down the left hand side of the house; Entry is via the laundry room where you will find the lock box to the left of the door.

Enter the code into the lock box and push downwards on the latch (see red arrow below) and the lockbox will open from the top downwards



IMPORTANT NOTICES

SEPTIC TANK NOTICE – Please use bin provided for things that are not poo, wee or vomit.

All of us with septic tanks,
Give to you our heartfelt thanks,
For putting nothing in the pot,
Thats isnt guaranteed to rot.

Kleenex is bad, cigarettes too,
Feminine products are taboo,
With your kind cooperation,
Well keep our tank in operation.

KITCHEN---- While you are at the bach, feel free to make yourselves at home, using all kitchen items and utensils we have available. However, we would ask that you do not make any potent and/or strong smelling foods as when you leave windows will be closed and can retain the smells which could be off putting for the next guests. Please also inform us of any breakages so we are aware if things need to be replaced.

Please attempt to return things to where they belong (cupboards are labeled)

When cutting anything, please use one of the breadboards and do not cut directly on the kitchen bench surface else you will cut into the table top. Also don't put any hot pots or pans on the kitchen bench as this will burn the surface

Please bring your own toilet paper, coffee, milk & sugar. While we do often leave communal items, not everyone replaces what they use so its possible there may be none when you arrive.

SPA POOL – The spa pool is an optional extra for HomeAway (Bookabach) but included with other booking sites, if you haven't selected the optional extra via HomeAway, the spa will not be turned on as its on a remote timer.

After use, please ensure the timber blocks are placed on-top of the cover once again to ensure the cover does not blow away or get damaged, please be very careful with the cover as they are not cheap to replace.

After use, add 1 teaspoon of chlorine per person that was into the spa pool, i.e. if there were 5 occupants, add 5 teaspoons of chlorine. The chlorine can be located in the laundry cupboard below the sink. If you do not add chlorine, the spa water will likely go murky.

Please ensure kids are not left unattended and use common sense regarding safety.

NOISE – Please respect the few neighbours and the farmers; farmers wake up at 3:30am to milk cows so we ask you go inside from 11:30pm and close doors to retain any noise inside the house if you are playing music etc.

TRAMPOLINE – Please restrict kids to 2, or max 3 people on the trampoline at any time. The tramp is also a shared item between the granny flat and the house.

LAWN SPACE – The large lawn is a shared space between the house and the granny flat, feel free to kick around a ball or play some cricket with a soft ball to ensure no windows are broken.

TREE HOUSE – Please caution kids on safety of the treehouse or ensure they don't use it .

WATER & SHOWERING

The water is safe to drink and is town supplied.

A bath and shower are located in the bathroom, plus there is an additional shower located outside of the laundry which you are free to use as it also contains hot water. If you have booked the granny flat, there is also a shower outside the granny flat.

While we have an infinity hot water system, we don't unfortunately connect to mains gas, so if you could keep showers to an acceptable use (i.e. no longer than 10-15 minutes) it would be greatly appreciated to ensure there is enough hot water available for the next guests.

If you have returned from the lake or from a bike ride and are dirty or muddy for whatever reason, there is an outside shower located near the laundry door, this shower is also connected to the hot water system; feel free to rinse off outside.

RUBBISH & RECYCLING

Rubbish is picked up on Wednesday mornings around 6am and recycling shortly after.

The green bins can be used for all recycle items (cardboard, glass, plastic, etc) see side of bin for full list of recyclable items. The **black recycle bin is for glass only**.

Black Rubbish bags and stickers for the bags can be located in the third draw down in the kitchen, a half sticker can be used for a half full rubbish bag, else a full sticker is used for a full bag. If stickers (\$2) or bags are not available, please notify us and purchase on from either the Bull ring, or the Gull petrol station, else please take your rubbish with you.

Please ensure when you leave that you empty all bins and rubbish from the house, this includes any perishables in the fridge or pantry that could go off. Place all rubbish and recycling on the street curb and double check all bins (**including bathroom bins**) are empty.

BBQ & OUTDOOR FURNITURE

A Coal BBQ is located outside and you are welcome to use it, you will just need to supply your own charcoal, fire starters and lighter/matches (all available from the local supermarket) or replace any that you use if any is available on site.

Underneath the weber there is a silver lever. Move this from left to right multiple times to clear ash from the bottom of the weber. **Leave in the open position while cooking**, if these are not open your coal will not stay alight due to no air flow.

Close these once completed to ensure fire extinguishes.

There is a chimney starter to make things easier, simply place this in the centre of the BBQ filled with charcoal, place a firelighter or two under the chimney. Once coal is ignited and warm enough, simply pour coal into the BBQ and put the chimney on the grass until its cold so it doesn't burn the deck. There may be firelighters in the cupboard above the fridge.

If you are struggling with getting the BBQ started or are unsure of how to use one – take a look at these video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FLm1yXamSwE&feature=youtu.be&t=16>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wCF0cW-B4OE&feature=youtu.be&t=49>

Cushions for the outdoor couches are kept in the wardrobe of the second bedroom – please ensure that if it is wet/stormy that these are brought inside. When leaving the bach, please ensure all cushions are dry and returned tidily to the second bedroom wardrobe.

After using any outdoor furniture or the BBQ ---- please store it where you found it.

FIREPLACE

We leave a black bin full of firewood to the left of the fireplace, this should be enough firewood for about 3 nights. To light the fire, you will need some kindling or a bit of cardboard and paper. I find loading cardboard into the fireplace (crumpled or rolled up tight) with a firelighter (in cupboard above fridge) with a log or two placed on top does the trick, or if there is kindling, 4 pieces should do it with a log on top.

If you use the fireplace, ensure you clean up around the fireplace the day you leave, there is a sponge located behind the fireplace that can be used to clean the glass inside and out, just put it back when you're done cleaning.

***DO NOT** place anything (including timber or the black plastic bin) onto the tiled area around the fireplace. The only thing that can be on the tiles is the metal cleaning bin and the fire poker equipment.*

CLEANING

If you have paid for cleaning, please note that this only covers 2 hours of cleaning, i.e. mopping, wiping down surfaces, vacuuming, cleaning the shower and toilets, linen (if booked) etc. The cleaner will however empty the dishwasher if you put a load on.

The cleaning fee **does not include** stacking your dishes in the dishwasher, removal of rubbish and recycling, putting things back where they are supposed to be, etc.

Please ensure when you leave that you have left the place as you found it or better. Remember this is our holiday house that we are allowing others to enjoy, other guests and ourselves don't want to arrive to a messy or dirty house.

Please ensure that you empty bins in bathrooms.

Clean all your pots, pans & dishes, empty the dishwasher and dry if need be so you can pack everything back where it should go.

If you have forgotten to bring your own cleaning products; under the kitchen sink you will find cleaning products – please replace any that you may use up; in the first bedroom cupboard a vacuum cleaner & in the laundry a mop. Ensure surfaces are mopped or wiped and bins (including bathroom bins) are emptied and left clean. Plastic bags can be stored / located under the microwave.

If you used the fireplace, ensure you clean up (read fireplace below)

Before you leave checklist

- 1./ Cleaned all surfaces, bath, shower, mopped and vacuumed?
- 2./ Emptied all bins including bathroom bins and left clean?
- 3./ Removed all perishables from pantry or fridge?
- 4./ Closed all blinds?
- 5./ Put rubbish & Recycling out on the curb?
- 6./ Cleaned all dishes and emptied the dish washer?
- 7./ Turned off all heaters and heatpumps?
- 8./ Please close all blinds and doors.
- 9./ Closed all windows and doors and ensure locked.
- 10./ Did you use the granny flat, is it locked and windows closed with blinds down?

If you have hired Linen from us – please place all used linen in one of the bags you will find on a shelf in the laundry. Once you have finished filling these, please leave the in the laundry to be collected.

Lastly, place the keys back in the lock box, do a house walk around and ensure everything looks secure and all doors have been locked.

Alarm will be set between 12-2pm on departure date, so if you haven't booked a late checkout, please ensure you TXT 027 4909712 to advise what time you plan to depart.

Home Automation / Alarm System / Cameras

Don't be alarmed if the outside lights turn on/off at sunrise/sunset. The Bach has been fitted with a number of home automation features for convenience, security & energy savings.

The Alarm system will be unset prior to your arrival and will be set on your departure. If you are running extremely late for departure or the alarm goes off unexpectedly, please ring Barry on 027 4909712.

Cameras are present on the exterior of the house and granny flat as it can be weeks or months before we personally check in. If the alarm goes off, we are able to check remotely to ensure there is no problem on site. The cameras have also been used as proof of damage in the past where the spa pool cover was intentionally damaged by a guest.

Entertainment

You will find a stereo in the lounge with a 3.5mm aux, the SONOS speakers are not for guests to use, though it may speak to you if there are any major warnings or alerts in the house such as a leak on the bathroom floor from a flooded bath (that's what the white thing is under the basin in the bathroom)

Other cables such as iphone charger cable or aux cables can be located in draws under the TV or the bottom draw in the kitchen, provided they haven't been removed.

DVD's & the XBOX can be located in the granny flat (if you have booked it) to keep the kids entertained; there are also board games in the granny flat or in the laundry cupboard of the house.

The TV has been preloaded with movies for adults and kids; simply turn the TV on and make sure HDMI is selected as the input and scroll across to 'Video' and then down to 'Plex' and press ok. From there you can navigate through TV Shows, Movies and kids movies.

Linen

You need to bring your own linen, this includes sheets, pillow cases and towels; else we can supply linen for a charge.

Granny Flat

You will find the granny flat (big grey totalspan garage) to the right hand side of the deck, to the back of the house. The granny flat needs to be booked if you wish to use it for additional guests or for a place for the kids to have their own space. If you have not booked the granny flat, other guests may be staying there, so please consider their privacy.

Guests automatically gain access to the granny flat if they have 8 or more guests booked.

DO NOT OPEN THE GRANNY FLAT IF YOU HAVE NOT BOOKED IT

How to use the TV

- 1./ Switch on the TV by pressing the red power button on the remote control.
- 2./ Wait until the media centre has booted to the following screen



- 3./ Press the left arrow (see in red below) on the remote control until it is on "TV", then press the centre "OK" button between all the arrows.



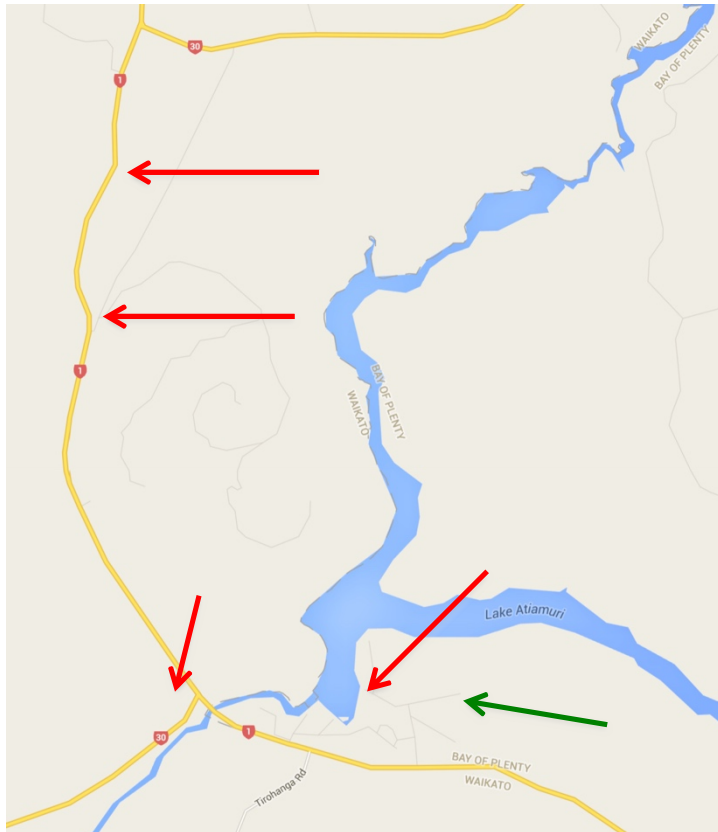
- 4./ Choose your channel using the up and down button and then press the "OK" button in the centre to full screen the channel.

You can either press the Up / Down arrows to change channels, else the "Back" button to see a list of channels to choose from again.

- 5./ If you wish to watch pre loaded TV Shows or Movies, simply go to "Videos" and then down to "Plex" and press OK and then navigate to the show of your choice.

What's in the immediate vicinity? (see <http://www.atiamuri.co.nz>)

- 1./ The “Bull Ring” which is about 5 min drive or 5.8km's north on SH 1.
Serves breakfast/lunch/dinner (including takeaway)
Has a bottle store and bar on site
A small shop for bread milk and any supplies you may have forgotten
- 2./ The “Beez Neez” is around 6km's north on SH 1 (before the petrol station)
Great family friendly bar in a log cabin.
Great food and available in takeaway too.
- 3./ Boat ramp for Atiamuri Lake
- 4./ Waikato cycleway (Grade 2 EASY) – see <http://nzcycletrail.com/trails/waikato-river-trails/>



What else is there to do in the area?

- 1./ Orakei Korako (geothermal park and cave)
29.5KM away (23 mins) W: <http://www.orakeikorako.co.nz/> P: 07 378 3131
- 2./ Polynesian Spa (natural thermal hot pools & spa)
44.9KM (38 mins) W: <http://www.polynesianspa.co.nz/> P: 07 348 1328
- 3./ Skyline (Cable car & Luge plus resterant with amazing views)
47.7KM (41 minutes) W: <http://www.skyline.co.nz/rotorua/> P: 07 347 0027
- 4./ Taupo DeBretts Hot Springs (water slides and hot pools)
42km (31 mins) W: <http://www.taupodebretts.co.nz/> P: 07 378 8559

In the coffee table draw are further pamphlets, please do not take these with you
For other activities and discounts/best value for money, pre-book tickets through <https://www.bookme.co.nz>