

Forest Harbour Cottages

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Information for Guests

We hope you enjoy your stay!

U.S. Contact Information

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Cottage Contact Information

c/o General Delivery
130 Forest Harbour Parkway
Waubauskene, ON L0K 2C0
CANADA
705-538-1006 (Peninsula)
705-538-0803 (Waterfront)

Included In Your Rental

Linen and Towels: We supply bed linen and towels for the bath, beach, and kitchen. We also supply pillows and comforters.

Kitchens are fully equipped. We also provide cleaning supplies and “starters” of paper towels, salt, pepper and sugar.

Waterfront: We supply beach and lounge chairs, paddles and life jackets.

Miscellaneous: We supply hair dryers (one per Cottage).

Cleaning: We perform normal household cleaning at the end of your stay. **This does not include washing dishes or pots and pans, cleaning the fireplace, cleaning the grill, or putting out the garbage.** *We have budgeted four hours of cleaning for each guest stay in the Waterfront Cottage, and five hours in the Peninsula Cottage. Charges for cleaning beyond “normal” will be deducted from your Security Deposit, as per paragraph 4 of your Rental Agreement.*

Check In/Check Out

Check-in time is 2:00 PM for the Waterfront Cottage and 3:00 PM for the Peninsula Cottage; check-out time is 10:00 AM for the Waterfront Cottage and 11:00 AM for the Peninsula Cottage.

Cindy Pearson (home 705-538-0292; mobile 705-715-7734) is our property manager. Please call her regarding any maintenance concerns, including water supply issues, electricity, plumbing, boats, etc. Cindy will check you in and out. She may leave the door open; please call her when you arrive. Upon check-out, please lock the keys inside, tie the motorboat securely to the dock, bring the non-motorized boats well out of the water, and let Cindy know you are leaving. **The care of the boats is crucial.**

For housekeeping or babysitting services during your stay, feel free to contact Cindy.

Vehicle access to the Waterfront Cottage is down a dirt driveway to the left of the Peninsula Cottage driveway, behind a wooden gate marked “Private”. The driveway ends at the path between the Cottages across from the Waterfront Cottage (please do not drive across the path!). Please be certain that the gate is closed at all times, and that you park up at the road and not on the driveway.

IN CASE OF FIRE OR EMERGENCY CALL 911

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Inside the Cottages

Please do not put sanitary pads or any foreign articles in the toilets because they will cause an overflow and stop the septic tank from functioning.

Electric Heat: There are space heaters in every room. **PLEASE TURN OFF THE HEATERS WHEN NOT IN USE!** *In the Peninsula Cottage, please also turn off the dining room/living room heat when not in use by dialing the thermostat all the way down (left). Also, please unplug the space heaters when not in use, and dial in-wall heaters to "Off".*

Filtered Water: All tap water is safe for drinking. The additional faucet is connected to an added filter for those who prefer it.

Work Space: All the workspace in the kitchen is Formica. Please do not cut directly on it. Cutting boards are provided.

Kitchen and Laundry Appliances: Instructions for the kitchen and laundry appliances are in the drawer near the sink in the Waterfront Cottage and in a cabinet marked "For Guest Use" in the Peninsula Cottage. **Please note that front loading washing machines require less than 1/3 the detergent of top loaders.**

Peninsula Cottage Fireplace: **BURN ONLY DURAFLAME LOGS** or equivalent in the fireplace. Three logs are provided for you. **The fireplace flue is closed by pulling (and setting) and opened by releasing the wire handle inside the fireplace.**

Garbage: **IMPORTANT! PLEASE SEE PROCEDURES POSTED IN KITCHEN.**

Utility Breakdown: In case of failure of the water or electrical system or of any appliance, see the instructions in the cabinet or drawer. Please follow the instructions before calling for outside help. In case of power failure, check the two circuit boxes in the Peninsula Cottage: (1) above the microwave and (2) in the corner cabinet to the right of the microwave. In the Waterfront Cottage, the circuit box is behind the wooden doors in the bedroom off the kitchen. There are tools, vacuum cleaner bags, and light bulbs in the closet by the kitchen door of the Peninsula Cottage. Waterfront Cottage supplies are under the sink in the kitchen.

If the electricity goes out, call Hydro One at 800-434-1235 and report it; our account number is 21890-84064. We have flashlights plugged into the receptacles in various locations around the Cottages. Shut off the hot water switch if there is no water pressure (the switch for hot water in the Waterfront Cottage is located in the bedroom next to the bathroom), so that the hot water element will not burn out, and call Cindy.

Telephone: Telephone calls in the immediate local area are free. Once we receive the telephone bills, we will deduct the charges for calls made during your stay from your Security Deposit.

Please allow 8 weeks, as per paragraph 8 of your Rental Agreement.

Outside the Cottages

Grounds: Please do not throw bottles, cigarette butts, or other trash on the grounds.

Firepit: There is an outdoor firepit for your use on the patio. Please use it for outdoor fires and otherwise, **do not build a fire of any kind on the property.** There are also two Mosquito Magnets for insect control on the property. Please contact Cindy if you think that they are not operating correctly.

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Grill: Weber charcoal grills are supplied. Please be certain your charcoal fire is completely out, and **please clean the grill after each use.**

Boat and Boat Use

The Province of Ontario has imposed regulations on boat operation. Please see <http://www.tc.gc.ca/BoatingSafety/menu.htm> for specifics. *It is vital that you read and follow these regulations for your own safety* if you chose to operate the motorboat.

Otherwise, you risk a citation. In the boat, you will find an orange box containing the required safety equipment. In the event of a boating accident, this box will float. It contains a flashlight, whistle, and rope. This box must not be removed from the boat or any of the equipment taken out except for use in a boating emergency.

Ontario requires that every person in a boat wear a life jacket. **We provide life jackets.**

Motorboat: Rental of the cottages includes the option to also rent with a 15 HP Mercury engine. The 15 HP requires no separate oil. We suggest you buy your gas and oil at Twin Bridge Marina (705-538-2295). **The gas tank is to be left full.** PLEASE REMOVE THE GAS TANKS FROM THE BOATS AT NIGHT AND BRING THEM UP BEHIND THE WATERFRONT SHED IN ORDER TO DISCOURAGE THEFT. We have also installed an alarm system. **DO NOT FORGET TO ARM THE ALARM SYSTEM.** If these procedures have been followed, you will not be held liable in case of theft.

If anything goes wrong with the boat or motor, take it to Brian Ramler at Twin Bridge Marina. If you do not know how to use the motor, ask Brian. You are responsible for any damage to the boat while it is in your possession.

Before you start the motor, be certain to open the air vent on top of the cap of the gasoline tank. You must keep the vent open while motor is running. Open the vent by turning the black cap to the left one or two turns to loosen it, but do not remove it completely from the gas tank.

When docking the boat, tie it to the left-hand (South) side of the dock. The nose (bow) must face out towards the bay (the motor towards the shore). This is to help to prevent damage.

Important Note: As of September 15, 2009, the law requires *ALL* motorboat operators in Canada to have a **Pleasure Craft Operator Card** (or equivalent), or risk expensive fines. There is no minimum age to get certified and no age exemption. The length of the boat does not matter, nor does the size of the engine. The Card is good for life, and is recognized across Canada and the U.S. Although there is an exception for renters, we strongly encourage you to obtain study materials, take the exam, and secure your own Pleasure Craft Operator Card; please visit www.boaterexam.com for more information, using discount code ONBM9. If you do take advantage of the renter exception, you will be required to thoroughly review, and sign, our boat safety checklist before you may use the motorboat(s). In this case, you must carry the checklist with you at all times while using the motorboat.

Other Boats: Four kayaks, a canoe, a rowboat and a paddleboat are provided for guests use on a first-come-first-served basis. Please be considerate of the other guests. Carry the canoe and kayaks out of the water when not in use. *We also offer a Hobie Cat sailboat for rent for an additional daily or weekly charge. Please contact us if interested.*

Fishing: Anyone 18 years or older who fishes must have a fishing license. Fishing licenses are available at Home Hardware in Coldwater (705-686-3375).

Bad Weather: In case of storm, tie the motorboats securely to the docks with the motor locked in the raised position and pull the other boats well out of the water.

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Area Attractions

Activities

- For an organized outdoor adventure testing skill and balance in a safe and controlled outdoor environment, try something new! **Treetop Trekking** is now available just 40 minutes away at the Horseshoe Valley Resort in Barrie. 705-835-7600 or (toll free) 888-733-8679. <http://treetoptrekking.com/barrie-features-courses.html>
- The **Big Chute Marine Railway**, near Coldwater, part of the Trent-Severn Waterway National Historic Site, is the only marine railway of its kind in North America, carrying boats up a hill on a rail carriage instead of raising them by water. 705-756-8802. http://www.pc.gc.ca/lhn-nhs/on/trentsevern/visit/lock44_e.asp
- The **M.S. Georgian Queen** offers a variety of cruises of Georgian Bay's 30,000 islands from the Penetanguishene Town Dock. 705-549-7795 or (toll free) 800-363-7447. <http://www.georgianbaycruises.com/>
- The **Miss Midland 30,000 Islands Boat Cruises** is a 2 ½-hour sightseeing cruise of Georgian Bay, departing from Midland. Dinner cruises are also available. (Toll free) 888-833-2628. <http://www.midlandtours.com/MissMidland/midland.htm>
- The **Georgian Bay Islands National Park** includes all or part of 59 islands along the southeastern portion of Georgian Bay and includes many scenic hiking, picnicking, boating, camping, and fishing opportunities. The park can be accessed by boat only; the easiest access is from Honey Harbour. 705-526-9804. <http://www.pc.gc.ca/eng/pn-np/on/georg/index.aspx>
- The **Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre**, near Midland, offers tours of its wildlife and wetlands. Hiking, canoeing, and kayaking are also available. 705-526-7809. <http://www.wyemarsh.com/>
- **Sainte-Marie among the Hurons**, also near Midland and associated with the Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre, is a living museum recreating a French Jesuit mission to the Hurons from 300 years ago. 705-526-7838. <http://www.saintemarieamongthehurons.on.ca/sm/en/Home/index.htm>
- **Discovery Harbour**, in Penetanguishene, is a picturesque 19th century British Naval and Military site on scenic Penetanguishene Harbour. The site includes 15 reconstructed buildings, an archeological dig, and two fully rigged replicas of 19th century schooners. 705-549-8064. <http://www.discoveryharbour.on.ca/dh/en/Home/index.htm>
- **Castle Village and the Enchanted Kingdom Park**, also near Midland, features detailed fairy-tale tableaux in near full-size houses. Includes a great playground for little kids, a big sandbox, nature walks, a haunted house (for older kids), and a gift shop. 705-526-9683. <http://www.castlevillage.ca/>

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Recreation

- The **Tay Shore Trail** is a 20 km paved Rail Trail providing excellent bicycle access along the Georgian Bay shoreline all the way to Midland. The trail is accessed just two miles from the Cottages off Coldwater Road in the town of Waubaushene. 705-534-7248 x235. <http://www.tay.township.on.ca/Community/TayShoreTrail/index.htm>
- We offer a **Hobie Wave** sailboat for rental, as well as a 19' Lightning sailboat. Contact us for details. Additional **Sailboat Rentals** are available at Quiet Waters Sailboats near Waubaushene. 705-538-2343. <http://www.sailboatsales.com/>
- **Motorboat Rentals** are available at Marsh's Marina in Waubaushene. 705-538-2285. <http://www.marshsmarina.com/>
- **Canoe and Kayak Rentals**, equipment and all outfitting needs are available at Swift Canoe & Kayak in Waubaushene. 705-538-0881. <http://swiftoutdoorcentres.com/stores/georgianbay.php>
- **Horseback Riding** is available at:
 - Rainbow Valley Equestrian Centre in Waubaushene. 705-538-0052. <http://members.midlanddirect.info/p/rainbow-valley-equestrian-waubauskene-rr/>
 - Sunrise Stables in Port Severn. 705-756-2142. <http://www.ibegin.com/directory/ca/ontario/port-severn/sunrise-stables-191-kings-farm-rd/>
- **Golf** can be found at several area public golf courses, including the Brooklea Golf and Country Club near Midland. 705-526-9872. <http://www.brookleagolf.com/>
- **Fishing licenses** are available at Home Hardware in Coldwater. 705-686-3375. <http://www.homehardware.ca/en/dealer-microsites/1372-8/contact-information.htm>

Movie Theatres

- **Galaxy Cinemas Midland**. Hwy 93, Midland (Mountainview Mall). 705-527-5927. <http://www.cineplex.com/Theatres/TheatreDetails/Galaxy-Cinemas-Midland.aspx>
- **Midland Drive-In**. 1299 Angela Schmidt Foster Road, Midland. 705-526-2411. <http://www.midlanddrivein.com/midlandhome.html>
- **Galaxy Cinemas Orillia**. 865 West Ridge Boulevard, Orillia. 705-326-3338. <http://www.cineplex.com/Theatres/TheatreDetails/Galaxy-Cinemas-Orillia.aspx>

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Dining

- **Henry's South Fish Restaurant.** 3282 Ogden's Beach Road, Midland. 705-528-1919. Casual. Large dockside outdoor deck as well as indoor seating. Excellent fish & chips. 20 minutes drive. Reservations not accepted.
<http://www.henrysfishrestaurant.com/wye.php>
- **Mill Street Bistro** (Italian/fusion/gourmet). 1 Mill Street, Coldwater. 705-686-3089. Indoor and outdoor dining. The most refined dining in the area. 15 minutes drive. Reservations recommended. <http://www.millstreetbistro.ca/>
- **Olympia Gardens** (Greek). 924 King Street (in the Best Western Highland Inn), Midland. 705-526-9307. Authentic cuisine, delightful atmosphere. 20 minutes drive. Reservations recommended.
<http://www.olympiagardens.com/olympiathesteakhouse.html>
- **The Riv Bistro** (Mediterranean). 249 King Street, Midland. 705-526-9432. Bustling atmosphere, great food. 20 minutes drive. Reservations recommended.
<http://www.rivbistro.ca/>
- **The Boathouse Eatery.** 177 King Street, Midland (Town Dock). 705-527-7480. Casual. Features a large deck overlooking Midland Harbour. 20 minutes drive.
<http://www.shopmidland.com/boathouse/>
- **The Dining Room at the Inn at Christie's Mill.** 263 Port Severn Road North, Port Severn. (Toll free) 800-465-9966. Fine dining. Terrific views, good food, pricey for the area. Five minutes drive, just past the Port Severn locks. It is also possible to take the motorboat there and park at the Port Severn locks. Reservations recommended.
<http://www.christiesmill.com/Chapter/14/Dining>
- **Arthur's Fine Family Dining.** 3 Beck Boulevard, Penetanguishene. 705-549-6262. Fine dining. 25 minutes drive.
<http://www.vanillalove.20fr.com/ArthursRestaurant/Arthurs.html>

Casual/Lunch/Takeout

- **Dam Grill** (pizza, hamburgers, and full menu dining, cocktails). 3279 Port Severn Road (at Bush's Marina), Port Severn. 705-538-1234. Terrific deck overlooking the Port Severn locks, and inside dining room as well. It is also possible to take the motorboat there and park at the Port Severn locks. Five minutes drive. <http://thedamgrill.com/?cat=4>
- **Driftwood Café.** 93 Port Severn Road North, Port Severn. 705-538-0334. Casual, outdoor dining, varied menu, dockside views. Five minutes drive.
<http://www.driftwoodcove.com/4.html>
- **World Famous Dock Lunch.** 4 Main Street, Penetanguishene (Town Dock). 705-549-8111. Great takeout place with picnic tables overlooking beautiful Penetang Harbour. 25 minutes drive. <http://www.facebook.com/pages/The-World-Famous-Dock-Lunch-Penetang/278909622170011>

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Area Shopping and Supplies

- **Coldwater Foodland** (nearest grocery store). 705-686-7700.
- **Foodland Midland** (24-hour grocery store, larger selection). 795 Balm Beach East, Midland. 705-527-4067.
- **Severn General Store** (convenience store). 3274 Port Severn Road, Port Seven (2 miles away). 705-538-1789.
- **Gianetto's Fruit Market**. 290 King Street, Midland. 705-526-2761.
- **Universal Game Farm**. 1551 Upper Big Chute Road, Coldwater. 705-686-3989.
- **Real Canadian Superstore**. 9292 Highway 93, Midland. 705-527-0388.
- **Wal-Mart**. Highway 12, Midland. 705-526-2111.
- **Twin Bridge Marina**. Waubaushene. 705-538-2295.
- **Marsh's Marina**. Waubaushene. 705-538-2285.
- **The Beer Store**. 16 Sturgeon Bay Road, Coldwater. 705-686-3370.
- **LCBO** (liquor store). 3238 Port Severn Road, Port Severn. 705-538-2500.