

We hope you will have a great stay in our cottage and that it will be an enjoyable experience for you. We would ask that you pay attention to the following house rules; both to better your enjoyment and that of people to come.

CHECK-IN / CHECK-OUT

Unless agreed otherwise: Check-in time for arriving guests will be 0300 p.m. Check-out time for departing guests will be 1200 p.m. Please note that the property needs to be checked by local property manager Mr. Luděk Ondruch or Mrs. Helena Ondruchová. Please let us know when you plan to depart so we can arrange with them the time when they will come to the premises.

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

- √ 150 Firemen
- √ 155 Ambulance (emergency)
- √ 158 Police

Let's hope you will not need any of them:)

In case of any questions or problems please call

- √ 602261848 Jana (Czech, English)
- √ 603154447 Gordon (English)
- √ 774919211 Luděk (Czech only)
- √ 608919211 Helena (Czech only)

GENERAL

Please take care of the house. We take pride in keeping the house immaculately clean for your enjoyment, and while we expect to clean up after your departure, we would ask that you co-operate and try to leave the place as you found it. In particular, the following rules should be followed:

- No smoking.
- No shoes in house. Please remove your shoes on entry. We provide some slippers for your feet, we recommend you bring your own, or simply some heavy socks.
- In the coal cellar we have provided a special pair of slippers which you should use only for that room. Remember to wash your hands after loading the furnace! ©
- Sweep ashes around fireplace regularly these are easy to track around the house.

Use your common sense and judgment in your stay. The house is probably different from what you are used to so please do make assumptions or take things for granted. Please be especially careful on the stairs up to the attic and down to the cellar. The outdoor stairs in winter can become icy and dangerous. Watch you head on light fixtures and rafters in the attic. Beware the fireplace metal fixtures can become very hot, and the top of course

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can become quite warm so not a good place for a candle! We take no liability for any injury, damage to your property, loss of belongings in connection with your stay here.

Household items: the house contains a number of 'moveable' items such as furniture, beddings, kitchenware, pictures, appliances and more. All items are to remain in the house and all loss/damage is to be reported. You are responsible for any loss or damage to such items, apart from normal wear-and-tear items like light bulbs, etc.

WATER

The tap water is drinkable – in fact very good. You do not need to purchase bottled water. Please be aware that the hot water can be very hot! (especially, if the central heating is on) Please test the water especially in the shower

The water tank is about 60l, which means if there are a lot of people you will need to stagger your showers, and/or take very short showers (unless you like cold showers!)

ELECTRICITY

All electricity use is included in your rental, but we would ask you to please conserve electricity where possible: switch off all lights and TV when leaving for any time; be sure to switch off the electric hob & other kitchen appliances when not in use; the outdoor lights (and Christmas lights if that time of year) should be switched off when you go to bed.

KITCHEN AND COOKING

The kitchen is provided with basic utensils, cookware and housewares. Please report and breakages/malfunctions. We realize that accidents happen, so as an exception to the general rule about breakages, we will not hold you liable for glassware/tableware damage unless clearly excessive or intentional.

We provide a 2-burner electric hob for basic cooking. Normal cooking precautions apply – switch off entirely when done and be aware that the surface stays hot after you switch off for some time. Please do **NOT** heat any pans 'dry' – a layer of oil, water or similar is required

There is also a toaster, electric kettle (a second kettle is under the sink if you are having a serious tea party!), an electric juicer, and an electric grill for toasted sandwiches and similar.

You are welcome to consume any foodstuffs you find (typically tea, coffee, condiments, spices, etc.) and anything you leave will be considered a donation to future occupants!

LAUNDRY

We provide bedding and some towels, but for larger parties we recommend bringing some of your own. If you are coming from abroad and this is impractical please let us know and we will be happy to supply. There is a laundry machine in the front bathroom. The operation should be self-explanatory, if you need assistance please phone. For drying, use the folding rack provided and place in the larger back bathroom. In summer of course you can dry outdoors.

HEATING

There are two sources of heating of the house: the fireplace in the sitting room and the coal-fired and electric central heating.

Central heating: The central heating has a boiler operated by both electricity and a traditional coal furnace. The boiler heats the water which in turn is sent to radiators throughout the house. When you arrive, we will start the heating and explain its operation. Electric heating is of course more convenient, but more expensive, and you will be

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charged a surcharge for heating this way. We do not charge for coal use. It is your responsibility to maintain the coal in the furnace. If you have any trouble with the system, please phone rather than fix it yourself.

Fireplace: The fireplace is very efficient and will keep the sitting room quite warm and also warm the attic. To start a fire, use the fire starters provided and a few small pieces of kindling wood. Push the flue lever at the base of the door all the way to the right (full open position) and slowly add wood, smaller pieces first until you have a raging inferno! When you want to slow the burn, especially at night, push the lever to the left. **WARNING**: The door and flue handles can get very hot – use the fire gloves provided for all work on the fire once started! Please collect wood only from the woodpile in the front of the house (**NOT from the basement**), in snowy or rainy weather you should bring indoors additional loads of wood to dry out first. If you need further kindling, there is a small woodpile in the basement, used for the central heating, and you can chop your own with the axe provided.

TV / DVD / MUSIC

Please note that owing to the valley, TV reception is not very good, and we do not offer ordinary TV

In the attic, we have provided a DVD player (region 2) which you are free to use. While we encourage you to bring your own DVDs, we have left a small selection of DVDs (English and Czech), please leave these in the house

In the master bedroom there is a TV with VHS video player, again which you are free to use and we encourage you to bring your own tape.

If you are desperate to see the World Cup or some other TV event, we recommend a visit to the local pub U Maleřu in Dolní Bečva centre (about 30 min walk, see below) There is also a portable radio/CD/cassette tape player which of course you can move to any area of the house. The device is also battery-driven, however you need to provide the batteries. Please take normal security precautions if taking outdoors.

PARKING

There is a suitable parking place next to the cottage or behind the cottage next to the road.

RUBBISH

Upon your departure please dispose of the rubbish into the containers located close the cottage across the street from the little chapelle.

CLEANING

Please clean the cottage before your departure. We would appreciate if you leave the cottage in the similar conditions as it was when you have arrived.

TELEPHONE

There is no telephone in the cottage. Cell phone signals from all Czech networks are weak; the best points are in the front bedroom and portions of the attic (depending on the network)

There is a telephone box down the road near the shop, and of course in the centre of the village.

SHOPPING

There is a small grocery shop at the bottom of the road (at the turn, you passed to get here) This is open from 0800 – 1600 on most weekdays, Saturday 0700 – 1030, closed all day Sunday and Monday afternoon. The selection is pretty limited, for substantial shopping we recommend the Bila supermarket in Rožnov close to the bus/train station.

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POST

There is a post office in the centre of the village, next to the bus station on the main road on your left as you drive towards Rožnov. Open from 0800 – 1600 Mon – Fri.

CHURCH

There are catholic services in the church in the centre of Dolní Bečva each Sunday at 8.00 A.M. and 9.30 A.M. The local church was built in 1905 and is devoted to Saint Anthony of Padua.

FIRST AID AND EMERGENCIES

There is a first-aid-kit with basic supplies in the corridor hanged on the wall across the toilets. In case of health related emergencies, the closest hospital is in Valašské Meziříčí located at U nemocnice 980, tel. 571 758 111.

RESTAURANTS

There are several good places to eat in the area. We would recommend to you our favorite ones which are the following:

"Koliba pod Horu" – on the left side of the road when you are arriving to Dolní Bečva from Rožnov. Nice atmosphere and traditional local cuisine. Open daily 0900-2200. Very popular on Saturdays – dulcimer live music from 1900-0200. Tel. 571647167

"Rožnovský Rynek" – located in the centre of town in Rožnov on Palackého str. 484 (next to the wooden gate opening the path to the Wallachian Museum). The interiors of this restaurant has been inspired by Rožnov's square in 1799. So you can admire local decorations while enjoying local specialties cooked based the old recepies. Open Mon-Thu 1100-2300, Fri 1100-2400, Sat 11.30-2400, Sun 11.30-2100. Tel. 571 656 089.

"**El Greco**" - located in Rožnov on Hradišťko 285. The restaurant offers Greek specialties. Seating outside available in summer months. Open daily 1100-2300. Tel. 571657572. Also features Pirate's Pub which is open 1700-0500.

"Pizza Al Capone" – located in Rožnov – Pasáž Rosava. Home deliveries. Open Mon-Sat 1100-2400, Sun 1500-2400. Tel. 731 841 644 or 571 649 069.

"**U Maléřů**" – located in the centre of the village. Traditional village pub with simple food. Play pool or football while drinking local beer Radegast or listen to your favorite songs from juxbox. Open 1000-2200. Tel. 571 647 247. Also features Peklo (the Hell) open late.

If you have any comments and/or suggestions you would like to share with us please send us an email at comments@moraviacottage.com

ENJOY YOUR STAY IN OUR COTTAGE AND PLEASE COME TO VISIT US AGAIN!

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