



## Lodge Information

### Lighting the Stove

The stove will take about 45 minutes to come up to cooking temperature.

Before you start, ensure the flue is open by turning the lever in front of the flue to the left. Move the lever on the right hand side back - towards the sink. Unwind the circular vent at the front to leave a one-inch gap to allow air to reach the fire.

Before you light the stove, remove any items resting on top or hanging over the guard! Your fire will take best if it is built towards the front of the stove, on an ash free area. Take one firelighter cube (you will find them in a tin on your dresser) and build "Stonehenge" out of briquettes: 4 briquettes on the bottom and 2 bridging the top. Balance 2 pieces of wood against the back of the structure.

Light the firelighter, close the door gently and leave for 15 minutes (set your phone alarm!) Once the briquettes are burning well, add a couple of logs to the pile. Check the fire and add wood every half hour.

If you want to use the oven, after the fire has been burning for 30 minutes or so, move the lever on the right-hand side forward to allow heat to circulate around the oven. The oven temperature can be controlled by moving the right-hand lever back, to reduce the heat. The thermometer on the front of the oven does not always work, but the oven does!

Pots, pans and the kettle can be put directly on top of the stove to heat. Should you need to move them from the stove please place them on the trivets provided and not directly onto the slate surface. Plates can be placed on the shelf just below the fire for warming.

There is more wood under the front deck. We recommend you bring it inside ahead of using it.

### Top Tips for Stove Use

Always keep a kettle of water on the stove top to use for washing up for when the boiler in the shower cabin at the back is not in use.

To extend the burning time of the stove, when you go to bed, we recommend that you reduce the air flow by closing the front air vent to just a narrow sliver of space, but not less than half a centimetre. Do not shut it tight as it will stick and may produce carbon monoxide.

No need to remove any ashes from the log burner during your stay - it is best to keep a bed of ash inside the burner, this will help retain heat better in the stove and assist in the overall burn of the fire.

### The Coromandel Hot Water Boiler

The Coromandel will take 45 minutes to heat the water in the boiler to a good showering temperature: 40-50 degrees.

Before you start, remove any items resting on the boiler. Do not hang anything over the guard as it will burn. Please take care as the boiler gets very hot!

Ensure that air can reach the fire by unscrewing the circular vent at the bottom - on the right hand side of the door. Light your fire on an ash free area using a firelighter and a Stonehenge structure of briquettes. Leave the door slightly ajar. The Coromandel has an excellent draw so check that the briquettes are burning well after 10 minutes. Add wood and close the door. Top up with wood as necessary and between showers.

Once the temperature reaches 40-50 degrees it will be hot enough to use. If it exceeds 60 degrees please use the hot water IMMEDIATELY! If the temperature continues to rise to 80 and above the safety valve will blow. This costs £100 to replace! Blowing the valve also means you'll lose running water to the lodge for the duration of your stay until repairs are made.

### Carbon Monoxide Alarms

For your safety, we have placed a carbon monoxide alarm on the top right-hand side of the dresser in the kitchen and one in the shower cabin to the left of the Coromandel.

If you hear an alarm in the night, it will be one of these. Press the central hush button to silence the alarm. Move everyone outside on to the deck and into the fresh air. Open all canvas doors and windows from the outside to ventilate.

Seek medical help if anyone is suffering the effects of carbon monoxide poisoning (headache, nausea), and advise that carbon monoxide poisoning is suspected.

Wait at least 5 minutes so the alarm can register if there is still gas. If the alarm does not sound again you can go back into the lodge.

### Fire Equipment

Fire extinguishers can be found next to the dresser in the kitchen area and outside the shower cabin. There is also a fire blanket on the left-hand side of the dresser.

## No Smoking

Smoking is not permitted, at any time, in the lodge or on the front deck. If you need to smoke, please use the back deck where there is a sand bucket or up on the BBQ platform.

Do not throw your cigarette butts on the ground as they can cause fires. Please put butts in the ash bin on the back deck, the 'Poo bin' under the front deck, or in the BBQ ash bucket.

## Emergency Exit

There is an emergency exit from the back of the lodge.

The bedroom doors and rear door are quick release: pull the white straps down to remove.

## Mains Lights

There are two overhead electric lights in the main living area and a reading lamp next to the sofa. These can be switched on from the pole at the front of the lodge. The reading lamp has an additional on/off switch on its lead. There are also electric lights in the shower cabin and loo cabin. Switches are on the right-hand side as you go in. Lastly, there are two electric bed-side lamps, one in each double bedroom.

## Coleman Lantern

There are two Coleman lanterns in each lodge. We recommend that you keep one of these on charge, using the socket and charger under the cabin bed, when you are not charging anything else. Do not put them on to or near the wood burning stove - they will melt!

## Solar Lamps

There are solar lamps in each lodge. Each has a charging point: one in the King Room, one in the Twin Room, one at the back between the bathroom cabins and one on the hook over the sink. Make sure you return all lamps to their charging points during the day; simply insert the lead into the top of the lamp and hook onto the bracket.

The on/off switch is the square button marked 'SUN'. One press for its brightest setting, press again to reduce in brightness, a third time for the lowest setting and a fourth to turn it off. The lower the setting, the longer the charge will last. On cloudy days, the lamps may not charge fully so might only work on their lowest setting.

## Noise

In consideration of others, please keep noise to a minimum after 10.30pm and before 8am. Remember that you are in a canvas lodge and noise will carry! Please use headphones if you want to listen to music. Most of our guests come to enjoy the peace and quiet of our site!

## Children

The lodge field is fenced but we cannot guarantee that a determined toddler or child won't find a way through, so please do keep an eye on them.

Children must be supervised at all times, especially near the wild swimming and boating lake and alongside the stream.

The banks behind the lodges are stable but will crumble if they are climbed on. Please do not let children climb on them.

## Clothes Washing & Drying

There is a bottle of hand wash underneath the sink. Please do not hang towels and clothes over the balustrade at the front. They are likely to mark and blow away!

You will find an overhead clothes dryer between the bathroom cabins, and a further moveable clothes dryer under the cabin bed. Clothes will dry best on the back deck if it is sunny. The moveable dryer fits neatly in front of the ladder in the shower room for rainy days, or overnight.

Do not dry clothes or towels on the fire guards - they will burn!

## Keeping Warm at Night

The lodge will hold its heat well, provided that all the windows are zipped closed from the outside, all the blinds are rolled down, back doors are zipped up and the front door is tied closed and sealed.

To zip the front door closed. Make sure all the Velcro seals are secure.

A good tip is to add a few extra logs to the log burner just before bed time (don't forget leave the circular vent slightly open - minimum 1cm) and push the right lever fully towards the sink - this will ensure a cosy, warm night throughout the lodge.

Please remember to bring in any cushions or blankets overnight or in wet weather.

## Rubbish & Recycling

Please recycle as much as you can. We have provided you with the following to help you with this task:

### RECYCLING BOX

Please use this for all washed tins, bottles, glass, hard plastic, cardboard & paper. No tissues please. There is an additional box for recycling under the tent, should you need it.

### KITCHEN BIN

After all your recycling endeavours, you should only have tissues, food & plastic wrappers left to put in this bin! Please remember to keep the waste bin covered.

### FAT & OIL

Please do not put fat down the sink. Instead use kitchen towels to soak up the fat, then put this in the bin.

### WASTE DISPOSAL

If you are staying for a week or more and you want to dispose of any bags of rubbish yourself, you will find black general waste bins in the shed adjacent to the table tennis area. All tied recycling bags should be left on the ground near those black bins. Please leave glass in the designated glass bin.

## Dogs

Please keep your dogs under control at all times, and on a lead when walking the land. We have three cats that will come to say hello! There are likely to be some small children and other guests on site who may not welcome canine visitors however friendly.

You are welcome to let your dog off the lead in our woods beyond the furthest lodge, Lynmouth. We cannot guarantee that the stock fencing on our neighbour's side of the stream is dog proof, so please be certain that your dog will return when called before you let them off the lead.

Do be aware that farmers are, by law, allowed to shoot any dog

that bothers their livestock. We would hope that our neighbouring farmers wouldn't do this but would prefer not to test them! Do not leave your dog unsupervised in your lodge at any time.

Please clean up after your dog. We have a bin under the lodge for the disposal of poo bags.

## Pet Shops

If you need any other supplies for your dog Pets Pantry is on the High Street in Combe Martin. Call 01271 882807.

## Vets

Argyll Vets in Ilfracombe is 15 minutes away. The address is 24 Highfield Road, EX34 9LZ.  
Call 01271 867711.

## Dog Grooming

Hair of the Dog, Hangman Path, Combe Martin EX34 0DN. 07866 507633.

## Car Park

To ensure a wonderful view from your deck, a safer environment for children and quieter surroundings for all, Longlands is a car free site.

We are very happy for you to drive your car down to your lodge to unload and pack up.

We would then ask that, for the duration of your stay, you leave your car in the car park and walk down to your lodge.

The footpath is marked from the car park.

## Longlands Larder

Our 24/7 Larder is in the white barn, just along from Lundy - at the bottom of the footpath from the car park.

Inside you will find a shared fridge with a marked & designated shelf for each lodge, should you need it.

There is also a kettle, a toaster and a Tassimo coffee machine with a wide choice of capsules for you to enjoy - it's on the house.

Please note that the lights are automatic, so you won't find a switch!

## Boating on the Lake

Feel free to make use of our rowing boat. She can usually be found moored to the jetty. Adults must accompany children in the boats at all times. Only one adult and one child per boat please!

Always wear a life jacket in the boats. There are boxes on the jetty containing life jackets in numerous sizes.

Do not venture too far past the far end of the island as the water quickly becomes shallow. For your safety, please do not boat after dark and only get on and off at the jetty.

## Wild Swimming

You can swim in the lake, but all children must be supervised. Please do not dive off the pontoon or boat.

## Stream-side Walk

At the lake end of the lodge field lies our stream-side walk.

There is a little "beach area" where the path dips down to the stream

that is perfect for pond dipping.

Please do not cross the stream as you will be trespassing on our neighbours' land.

## Woodland Walk

Another walk is into our Beech Woods, at the far end of the lodge field, to the left of Lynmouth lodge.

Please keep to the path in the woods as there are some places where banks overhang the stream and might collapse if they are walked on.

## What You'll Find & Where in the Lodge

### SINK UNIT

**Under Sink:** Washing up materials, bin bags, kitchen roll, hand wash

**Left drawer:** Aluminium foil, extra hand and tea-towel.

**Left cupboard:** Chopping board, colander, BBQ tools, bowl

**Right drawer:** Lighter, knives, tin, bottle and can openers, scissors.

**Right cupboard:** Pots & pans

### DRESSER

First Aid box, firelighters, matches, ice bucket, glasses, condiments, bread bin, teapot, milk jug, butter dish, tea, coffee, sugar, crockery, cutlery, melamine crockery, tray, egg cups, glass jug.

### SHELVES

Cafetière, espresso maker, placemats, coasters.

### UNDER THE CABIN BED

Blankets, cushions for deck furniture, cot side, high chair, charger for Coleman lamps, plug point for recharging phones.

### COOL BOX

Ice bricks for the cool box can be replenished from the freezer in the Larder. Please make sure you put 2 back to freeze when you take your 2 frozen bricks.

### FRIDGE

There is a white communal fridge for further cold storage, in the table tennis area, should you need it.

### HERBS FOR COOKING

We have planted a variety of herbs in the pot on the left of the deck, as you look out. You should find a selection of the following fresh herbs: Rosemary, Thyme and Oragano. Get creative with your cooking! If it's a particularly hot day outside, we would appreciate it if you could help us by watering those herbs lightly sometime after sunset using the watering can on the deck - the herbs with thank you kindly!

### BBQ

Your Kadai BBQ can be found on the BBQ platform on the righthand side of your lodge as you look up the hill. Just follow the steps up the grassy path!

If you need to dispose of ash, please use the ash bucket provided. Remember that hot ash can cause fires!

Due to our coastal weather the BBQ rack can get rusty but this should burn & brush off. You should find a brush hanging from the side of the bench. BBQ tools are in the lefthand sink cupboard.

## Taxis

For a taxi for up to 4 people, call Andy or Philippa on 07920 032293 or Anne & Paul on 01271 212212. For larger parties book a mini bus from Mark in Combe Martin on 01271 883711 or Tim in Woolacombe on 07825 163284.

## Petrol & Diesel

We have two garages almost on our doorstep: Kentisbury on the Barnstaple Road - turn right out of our drive and immediately left, following signs to Barnstaple. The garage is on the right. Please note that it does not sell unleaded petrol, just diesel. Combe Martin Garage sells both unleaded and diesel - turn right and head down the hill. It is one of the first buildings on the left.

In the Lynton & Lynmouth area, there is a filling station in Barbrook on the A39, before the left turning to Lynton. This is the only filling station in that area within a 10 mile radius!

On the way to Woolacombe you will find On A Hill Garage at Lynton Cross, or Spar Service Station on Woolacombe Hill.

And in Ilfracombe there is one at the bend of the High Street.

## Shopping

Please support our local shops rather than a big supermarket chain!

### MEAT

Our favourite farm shop, selling local meat and produce, is Bess Hill just 4 miles away. Turn left out the drive and pass the Lynton and Lynmouth turning on your left and Old Station House on your Right. Look out for a right hand turn at the top of the hill. Follow the road for a couple of miles until you see the Bess Hill sign on your left. EX31 4SW / 01271 850311

The butcher will happily deliver some quality, locally sourced BBQ packs of your choice directly to you, or leave it in the communal fridge if you're out - please call directly to make an order or pop-in in person.

### BAKERY

If you would like bread or pastries other than those that we offer then head to the Village Bakery in Combe Martin, near the Central, which should be able to meet all your grocery needs. EX34 0AL / 01271 883392

### CHEESE

West Country Cheese on Butchers Row in Barnstaple has one of the best selections of any cheese shop! Allow plenty of time for tasting and browsing! EX31 1GW / 01271 379944

### FRESH FISH

S&P Fish Shop, on the harbour in Ilfracombe, sell fresh fish caught on their own trawlers off the Devon coast. EX34 9EN / 01271 865 923

Alternatively if you are in Barnstaple visit Passmores on Butcher's Row for an amazing selection of shell fish and fresh fish. EX31 1BW / 01271 343677

### FISH & CHIPS

Black & White, near the sea front in Combe Martin, is currently the best. The portions are very generous!

## Medical

### SELF CARE

You will find a First Aid Box on the top shelf of your dresser containing basic first aid supplies.

### PHARMACIST

The nearest Pharmacy is Boots in Combe Martin. EX34 0AN / 01271 883357

### NHS DIRECT

Call 111 for expert health advice and information.

### MINOR INJURIES UNIT

Ilfracombe MIU open 7 days 8am to 7.30 pm, EX34 8JF / 01271 863448

Lynton MIU open 8am to 6pm week days, 11-4pm weekends, EX35 6BP / 01598 753310

### GP

The nearest surgery is Combe Coastal Practice, EX34 0JA / 01271 882406

### A&E

North Devon District Hospital is open 7 days, 24 hours, EX31 4JB / 01271 322577

For emergencies such as loss of consciousness, severe chest pain, serious injury or loss of blood, call for an ambulance on 999. Remember our post code EX34 0PD will take them to Coulsworthy House. Give map reference SS 616446 for the top of our drive.

**Our what3words address is: breeze.finalists.surely.**

## During Your Stay

We want your stay at Longlands to be perfect. Should you experience any problems please email your host on [info@longlandsdevon.co.uk](mailto:info@longlandsdevon.co.uk) so we can put it right as soon as possible.

## Before Leaving

If you want to share any of your adventures, we would love for you to add to the Log Book in your lodge, on the shelves next to the sofa.

Please could you vacate your lodge by 10am on the day of your departure.

But until then... have a Wonderful Time at Longlands!