

## White Spruce Cottage

## Rental Agreement

The owners hereby rent to the rental guest the property described as follows:

White Spruce Cottage  
3 White Spruce Way  
Wilmington, NY 12997

This rental agreement starts the day that you book White Spruce Cottage and place a deposit on-line or via phone.

- a. The first rental payment is due at booking, and the second rental payment is due 30 days prior to your arrival. Reminders will be sent to guests prior to the due date of the second payment.
- b. Check-in is no earlier than 4:00 PM on the date stated on your rental invoice, and check-out is no later than 10:00 AM on the date stated on your rental invoice.
- c. Upon request, during our slower seasons, we may be able to arrange an early arrival or late departure. However, please understand that during our busy season, on the day of your arrival, our housekeeping and maintenance staff are working hard to prepare the home for you. After your departure, our staff needs time to prepare the home for the next guest. Therefore, during our busy seasons, we may not be able to accommodate your requests for either an early arrival or a late departure.
- d. White Spruce Cottage safely and comfortably sleeps 6 guests. Due to safety and legal constraints, at no time may renters have more than 6 people staying at WSC. Renters may be subjected to eviction if it is discovered that more than 6 people are staying in the home.
- e. Your reservation is secured when you, the rental guest, make a deposit online or via phone to secure the reservation and then make your final payment 30 days prior to the first day of your reservation. Failure to make your final rental payment may result in your reservation being cancelled.
- f. You, the rental guest, understand and agree that you will be held responsible for any damage that you or someone in your party causes inside or outside the home during your stay. We are not referring to a broken glass or dish, because accidents do happen. By damage we are referring to items such as a broken door or window, a pet-chewed wall, a smashed television, or a broken hot tub cover. If such damage does occur, then the guest

that reserved the home is responsible for contacting the homeowner immediately. The reserving guest will also be responsible for paying for that damage.

- g. The rental guest shall at their own expense provide the following utilities and/or services: food, beverages, firewood, and charcoal.
- h. The owners will provide the following utilities/services/amenities: heat, electricity, air conditioning, hot and cold water, bed linens, bathroom towels, hot tub towels, hot tub robes, and kitchenware.
- i. As a courtesy, the owners provide the following items to get guests through the first day of their reservation: toilet paper, paper towels, dishwasher soap, laundry soap, dryer sheets, hand soap, shampoo, conditioner, coffee, tea, cream, and sugar.
- j. On the last morning of the rental period, prior to leaving, it is asked that the rental guest lock the rental home and then lock the home keys in the lockbox by the front door.
- k. When the rental guest leaves the home at the end of the reservation, it is asked that the rental home will be left in the same condition as when the rental guest arrived, with the exception of reasonable wear, tear and guest usage. Please do not move any heavy furniture or appliances without permission.
- l. The rental guest shall not make any material or structural alterations to the rental property.
- m. The rental guest will not attempt to access either the closet under the stairs or the boiler closet in the master bedroom.
- n. It is expected that all guests at WSC follow the hot tub rules and expectations outlined below:
  - i. It is respectfully requested that all rental guests shower before each use of the hot tub. Showering prior to entering the tub helps the tub chemicals remain balanced and the tub water clear. In addition, it is strongly suggested that guests shower after using the hot tub as the chemicals used can dry out the skin.
  - ii. It is expected that rental guests will keep the water level as it was prior to arrival. Getting in and out of the tub and excessive use will cause the water level to go down, and if the level drops below the filter, then the heater and or pumps can be damaged as a result. Guests may be charged if the heater or pumps are damaged due to low water. Please feel free to contact the owner(s) if water needs to be added to the hot tub during your stay.
  - iii. Guests shall not have more than 6 persons in the hot tub at a time.

- iv. There will be no unsupervised children under the age of 14 allowed in the hot tub at any time.
- v. Please keep the hot tub cover secured when not in use. It is windy sometimes in Wilmington and the cover could blow off and be damaged.
- vi. Please do not sit, stand, or put anything on top of hot tub cover. Replacement for a broken cover is approximately \$300 and rental guests may be charged accordingly.
- vii. During the winter months please use the provided snow broom to remove snow from the hot tub cover.
- viii. Maintenance may be required on the hot tub during your stay (water tests, equipment tests, etc.) If maintenance is required, you will be contacted by the owner to schedule an appropriate time.
- ix. WSC's hot tub is regularly inspected and preventative maintenance performed so that it is in proper working order for guests. However, if a mechanical issue arises prior to or during your stay it may be necessary for a maintenance person to drain the tub and change parts. Such an occurrence is very rare, and if it does happen the hot tub should be up and running again in a few hours.
- o. It is expected that pet owners will only bring house-trained, well-socialized pets to WSC. Please do not allow pets on the furniture without a pet blanket/towel to protect the furniture. It is further requested that guests clean up after their pets, both indoors and outdoors (waste removal), and sweep/vacuum prior to departure. Guests are responsible for any damage caused by a pet.
- p. Smoking inside White Spruce Cottage is forbidden. Smoking guests are expected to smoke outdoors and clean up all discarded cigarette butts.
- q. Before checking out on the last day, it is asked that guests put all dirty dishes in dishwasher and start it. It is also requested that guests start a small load of bed linens or towels before departing.
- r. Guests must take good care of the rented premises, including any and all equipment and fixtures. Guests agree to inform the owners of any maintenance or mechanical issues that arise during the rental period. The owners will make every attempt to fix any issues in a timely manner.

- s. The property owner/manager/maintenance person may need stop by to inspect the property during your stay. If this becomes necessary the owner will contact the rental guest to schedule an appropriate time.
- t. The owner is not responsible for injury due to icy steps, walkways, driveways, or falling icicles and/or snow. In winter months, guests shall be aware of possible icy and snowy conditions, and must take care to not stand under overhanging roofs where icicles and/or snow may fall. Snow shovels are provided for guests to keep the walkways, stairs, decks, and firepit area clean. Sand is also provided for guests to use on the decks, steps and walkways as needed.
- u. Guests must adhere to the Town of Wilmington Noise Ordinance: Wilmington enforces a strict noise ordinance after 11:00 PM.
- v. WSC provides cable TV and free Wi-Fi. If the internet or cable is not working, it is expected that guests will contact the owners. The owners, in turn, will contact the cable/internet provider immediately and attempt to resolve the issue in a timely manner.
- w. Guests acknowledge that his/her cell service may or may not have a strong enough signal to make or receive calls or text messages.

## **Cancellation Policy**

**No cancellations or refunds are issued due to weather related events, even if the area is experiencing heavy rain, wind, snow, ice, etc.**

- If a guest requests a cancellation, bookings canceled at least 30 days before the start of the stay will receive a 100% refund.
- Bookings canceled between 14 and 30 days before the start of the stay will receive a 50% refund.
- Bookings canceled 14 days or less before the start of the stay will receive no refund.