



# Brooklinn Mill

## Holidays

### The Loft House Information

Here is some information which we hope will help you get the best from the Loft. If there is anything we haven't covered or you are not sure of please don't hesitate to ask; we really don't want you to go away at the end of your stay saying "I wish they'd...." Anyway, in roughly alphabetical order!

Back-yard	The back-yard is accessed via the steps down from the track. It makes a wonderful place from which to enjoy the view of the rivers and woods surrounding the mill. It is space shared between all the properties at Brooklinn Mill so please feel free to make use of this space during your stay.
Bed linen	<p>Your bed has a duvet and four pillows. We try to make sure that the duvet provided is appropriate to the time of year. However we know that what is warm to one person is cold to another, so your bed also has a woollen throw.</p> <p>Please do not take your bedlinen, blankets or cushions outside. If you would like to borrow blankets for picnic/ outdoor use please ask and we can find you some suitable spares.</p> <p>If you are staying for more than one week we will change your bedlinen in the middle of your stay.</p>
Books	Please feel free to browse the shelves in the living room, but please return the books after use for other guests to enjoy.
<b>Camping gas &amp; flammable liquids</b>	<b>Please do not store camping gas or any flammable liquids such as petrol in the Loft. Please store these items in your car at all times.</b>
Candles	<b>Please note: we do not permit the use of candles as we feel they present too great a risk of fire. Please use the tea-lights and holders provided.</b> Spare tea-lights are in the cupboard.

Cleaning on departure	Please leave the house in a clean and tidy state. Time is limited on changeover day and we really appreciate guests who have cleaned out the fridge, washed their dishes, taken out the rubbish and put away things where they found them. In fact, we love to have them back!
Check-out time	Check-out time is 1000 on the morning of departure.
Cleaning materials	There are cleaning materials and equipment in the cupboard in the bathroom and in the utility cupboards.
Cooker	The cooker is all electric and has a ceramic hob. It is easy to keep clean by wiping it with a damp cloth especially if spills are cleaned up quickly. Please use "Cif" and a soft cloth provided with the cleaning materials should it need a little more tlc. <b>Please do not use anything abrasive on the cooker. It will scratch.</b>  The manual for the cooker is in the appliances file.
<b>Cooking – Deep-fat frying</b>	<b>Please note: we do not permit deep-fat frying under any circumstances as we feel it presents too great a risk of fire.</b>
Dishwasher	The dishwasher is under the counter and next to the sink in the kitchen. Dishwasher tablets are stored under the kitchen sink. We don't use salt as the water is so soft here. The manual for the dishwasher, should you need it is in the appliances file.
Dogs	If you have brought your dog please remember that dogs are not allowed on the furniture or beds. If your dog is prone to chewing or other destructive behaviours please do not leave it unattended in the house.  There is a public right of way which passes by Brooklinn Mill which means that dogs do need to be kept under control.
Drying washing	There is a large airer stored in the utility cupboard by the front door.
Dustbins	There is a dustbin under the kitchen sink. When your bin is full or on departure, please take your bin bag to the green bins at the end of the track.
DVD player & DVDs	A DVD player is provided. Its manual is in the appliance file.

Electricity	Most of the electricity used at Brooklinn Mill is generated from the on-site hydro-electric turbine. We do not make additional charges for electricity, but ask that you use it responsibly.
<b>Emergency Lighting</b>	<p><b>There are two emergency torches/ night lights in the Loft – one in the living room and one by the front door. During normal operation they act as nightlights, automatically switching on in low-light conditions. They also automatically switch on when there is a power-cut and can be used a torch.</b></p> <p><b>Please return them to their holder.</b></p>
<b>Fire alarms</b>	<p><b>The Loft and Jute Store are equipped with mains operated smoke detectors. They also have battery back-up which means they still work in the event of a power cut. The alarms for the Jute Store and the Loft are linked – ie if one goes off they all go off!</b></p> <p><b>Please see the separate fire notices about where to assemble and what to do in the event of a fire.</b></p> <p><b>Please note we test the fire alarms weekly on a Friday. And will inform you if we are about to carry out a test.</b></p>
<b>Fire Blanket</b>	<b>There is a fire blanket on the side of the fridge unit.</b>
<b>Fire Risk Assessment</b>	<p><b>As providers of holiday accommodation we are required by law to undertake a Fire Risk Assessment. As part of this we have to evaluate the risks of fire to our guests staying here and ourselves working here. For this reason we have decided not to permit deep fat frying, the use of candles or the storage of certain items such as fireworks or camping gas in the Loft or Jute Store.</b></p>
<b>Fireworks</b>	<p><b>If you plan to let off fireworks during your stay please note the following:</b></p> <p><b>Do not store fireworks in the Loft. Please keep them in your car.</b></p> <p><b>Please let us know if you intend to have fireworks. We will agree with you where it is safe to let them off.</b></p>
Games	<p>There is a selection of games in the living room.</p> <p>We do try and check on a regular basis that all the pieces are there, however inevitably pieces do get lost/ broken. If</p>

	this is the case please do let us know.
Garden	<p>The garden is between the track and the road and is shared with all the homes at Brooklinn Mill. Please feel free to explore and enjoy the lovely views. It is a haven for wildlife, and has many wild-flowers in the early part of the year. The garden is accessed from the left hand edge of the parking area – heading for the oil tanks and compost boxes.</p> <p>It is not fenced all round.</p> <p>Please respect the plants and wild-life, by not picking/ damaging plants and leaving any wild animals/ birds alone.</p>
Heating	Your heating is provided by the heat pump system housed in the basement. There are valves on each radiator to adjust the level of heating.
Hot water	Your hot water is provided by an immersion heater. Please leave it on at the end of your stay.
Heat-pump	<p>The heat pump is housed in the basement. It runs on electricity and extracts heat from the water flowing from the dam. It works like your fridge, only in reverse! If you have ever put your hand near the back of the fridge and found it's quite warm there then you have experienced the heat-pump principle at work!</p> <p>Although electrically operated the heat-pump produces about 3.5 times the amount of heat relative to electricity it uses, and therefore is considered to be a renewable heating system.</p> <p>It runs on electricity generated from the on-site hydro-electric system.</p> <p>If you would like to see the heat-pump or to know more about how it works, please ask Tim.</p>
Iron and ironing board	The iron and ironing board are stored in the cupboard with the washing machine.
Maps and local information	<p>We have provided a selection of maps covering the local area and information about local walks etc. These are for your use during your stay, but please return them when you leave. They are stored on the shelves in the living room.</p> <p>The local tourist information centre sells a range of maps and local guides.</p>

	<p>There is also a file of local information such as details of shops, useful phone numbers, and places to eat. A town plan is included with the maps.</p>
Mill weir	<p>The weir is a beautiful feature of Brooklinn Mill and one which changes almost every day. You may well notice that the amount of water coming over it changes almost daily in response to rainfall. If there has been a lot of rain you may be lucky enough to see it in flood when it is truly spectacular – see, there are good things to do on wet days!</p> <p>Please remember the mill weir, pipe and any other equipment associated with the on-site hydro-electric scheme are potentially dangerous and therefore strictly out of bounds to guests.</p>
Parking	<p>There is parking for 1 car at the foot of the stairs (the right hand end of the space as you drive in)</p> <p>The centre and left hand spaces are for guests staying in the Jute Store. Additional car parking is available in the parking area outside the main mill building.</p>
Recycling	<p>There is a container for recycling in the utility cupboard, and we are happy to empty it at the end of your stay. Please only put in the following items:</p> <p>Cardboard  Paper – newspaper and magazines  Plastics – Rigid plastics e.g. milk bottles, yoghurt pots, drinks bottles. <b>No plastic film or cardboard juice/ milk cartons (tetrapak)</b>  Steel and aluminium cans and foil  Glass</p>
The river	<p>The river Ericht flows past the back of the mill on its way to join the Isla and then the Tay. It is an impressive sight at the best of times, but truly amazing in flood when the water will easily rise several metres. It is also one of the fastest rising rivers in the UK.</p> <p>If you intend to explore the river banks or to use the river for fishing, canoeing or swimming please take extreme care. If there has been prolonged or heavy rain, or thundery showers are forecast please be extra careful. It doesn't need to have been very wet here for the river to start to rise. Its catchment area is Glenshee and the hills get much more rain than we do down here.</p>

Security	Please remember to shut your windows and lock the door when you go out.
Spills, breakages and other damage	We expect you to take good care of the house and its contents whilst you are staying here. However accidents do happen and we would be really grateful if you can let us know promptly if anything does get broken or damaged. This is especially the case with spills on carpets or damage to upholstery where we may need to start treating it immediately or to make arrangements for professionals to be brought in to make good.
Smoking	The Loft is a no-smoking property.
Stairs	Please take care on the stairs. They can be slippery during wet/ winter weather.
Toilet rolls and other spares	Toilet rolls, kitchen paper, tissues, cling-film and foil are all provided for you. Spares of toilet rolls are in the cupboard in the bathroom All others are in the kitchen. Please let us know if you run out of any of these items.
Towels	Please don't take the bathroom towels outside. If you need towels for outdoor use please ask and we will try and help out.
Tumble dryer	There isn't a tumble dryer at the Loft.
TV	The TV has freeview. The instructions are in the appliance file.
Washing machine	The washing machine is in the utility cupboard. The instructions for it are in the appliances file.  A selection of soap-powders and fabric conditioner are provided and are stored next to it.
Wi-fi	There is a wi-fi connection at the Loft. The password for it is displayed on the kitchen wall. We are happy to offer wi-fi free of charge. Please note that it is shared with the Jute Store.
Vacuum cleaner	The vacuum cleaner is stored in the utility cupboard

