

Welcome to the Rustic Camp in Nature!

Embden, Maine

We hope you enjoy your stay and make the most of all the amenities and things to do in the area. We ask you to follow house rules, respect it as you would your own and leave it as you found it. Feel free to ask us about any outdoor recreation or activities nearby!

Contact: **Stav** 207-314-5051 (Host) **Justin** 207-441-1251 (Property Maintenance)

***Please do not hesitate to get in touch with us by text or call for anything! ***

Embden & New Portland, Maine

Welcome to the area! The Western Mountains are home to nearby Sugarloaf Mountain Resort, the Bigelow Mountain range and the Appalachian Trail. Check out the Historic Wire Bridge while you're here; bring a chair and lounge by the river. Route 27 Scenic Byway takes you through Kingfield, Carrabassett Valley, Stratton, Eustis, Chain of Ponds and eventually the Canadian Border. Kingfield is the nearest town with businesses right on Main St; restaurants, grocery store, gas station, bank, post office, etc. all within a 15 minute drive. This area is full of hikes, waterfalls and simple nature trails all within an hour. There is something to do no matter the time of year!

Table of Contents

Embden & New Portland, Maine 1

Basic House Information 3

Things to Note 4

General Rules..... 5

Safety Information 5

Heating/Cooling Information 5

Check-Out Instructions 6

Food & Dining 7

Places To Go 9

Things To Do 10

More Things To Do..... 11

Basic House Information

Key Pad

- Information for self-check in will be shared upon booking

Wi-Fi

- Network and password will be shared upon booking

Entertainment

- Games and cards are located on the shelf of the kitchen island and dresser, help yourself!
- Smart TV with access to Netflix, Hulu, YouTube, Amazon Video, etc.

*If TV won't connect to internet after first turning on, just follow prompts and should reconnect. If trouble persists, restart modem (next to the couch) and that will correct the issue.

Pets

- Well-behaved and trained pets (2 max) are allowed as guests with permission
- Do not leave unattended for extended periods of time
- Ask Host about dog sitting or boarding locally

Washer/Dryer

- Located in upstairs bedroom, if needed.

Outdoor Space

- We keep a few extra camp chairs on site, please return where you found them after use
- Help yourself to the wood supply next to the shed but please refrain from using an excessive amount in order to last us the entire season
- If you consume an excessive amount, please purchase some for the next person
- Wood is available on your way up, on Route 16 when you come through Anson on your right there's some for sale
- Charcoal BBQ Grill—We have some charcoal, lighter fluid and matches available if you did not bring your own. Please do not use lighter fluid on camp fire, only to start charcoal grill.

Trash

- Trash is located in the kitchen corner, right of the oven.
- Please remove trash and put it in the shed/old outhouse next to wood

Hot Tub

- We typically keep the temperature at 99 degrees when not in use. Feel free to turn it up about 20-30 minutes before you're ready to go in.
- We recommend 103 degrees while you're in there.
- It's **very important to close and latch the cover** and lower back to 99 when done.

Things to Note

Miscellaneous

- Pull string lights above kitchen sink
- Bedroom at the top of stairs: light switch on top right wall
- No access to Barn or Shed (only old outhouse attached to shed for trash)
- First Aid Kit and blow-dryer in downstairs bathroom cabinet above water heater
- Propane Lighting
 - TO USE: Each light has a metal handle on the left-hand side. To light, push in handle and turn upwards, bring grill lighter underneath mesh basket and light without letting the flame touch the mesh basket. Lights will illuminate and throw off heat. To turn off simply push in metal handle and turn back down.
- Propane Flat Top Griddle
 - TO USE: Remove wooden cutting board from cooktop. In cabinet below griddle there is a blue valve; turn that parallel with the propane pipe. Lift metal cooktop, light the three pilots with an aim flame. Turn all burners on – one burner handle is missing, just pop one of the other two onto it.
 - CLEANING: After use, scrape all grease and droppings into grease trap with provided Utensils. Shut off burners and close valve. Let griddle cool. While griddle is still warm, wipe down flattop with damp paper towels. Let griddle completely cool before putting cutting board back on top.

We Provide:

- Linens, pillows, blankets/comforters, towels, and face clothes
- Toilet paper (2 extra per bathroom) and paper towels (2 rolls)
- Outdoor firepit
- Charcoal BBQ Grill

Things to Bring

- Camp chairs

General Rules

- During your stay, you have full access of the camp, yard and trails. *Please do not access the detached barn/garage or locked shed as these areas are for owner use only.*
- *Woodstove is not in use at this time!* Please do not touch.
- *No smoking* or vaping inside the house (cigarettes or otherwise).
- *No fireworks* are to be used on the property. Maine law requires the consent of property owners to display fireworks on private property. The use of fireworks is NOT consented.
- *No parties or events without owner's written permission.*
- *No additional guests other than those accounted for in booking.*
- Please pick up and dispose of all pet waste. There will be a \$100 fee assessed if we find excessive pet waste left behind.

Safety Information

****Call 911 in the event of an emergency!****

Closest hospital

- Redington-Fairview General Hospital in Skowhegan. Please keep an eye on your pets and children at all times and do not let them outside unattended. Do not leave any food outside as it may attract animals.

Fire extinguisher

- Located in the kitchen.

Use of Woodstove Prohibited

- The woodstove in the living is not functioning. Please DO NOT use it. Enjoy the outside firepit!

Heating/Cooling Information

- There is an AC unit in the living room as well as the upstairs bedroom. *Please TURN OFF units* when spending extended periods of time outside or leaving the home for several hours. We appreciate you being cautious of energy use.
- Some windows should have screens, if not we have screen inserts in the living room.
- Rinnai heating unit under gun rack in the dining room is the primary heat and can be adjusted, be aware that the rooms upstairs may get hot if it's up too high. 68-70 degrees is the max necessary.

Check-Out Instructions

*****Check-out is promptly at 11am, please follow instructions below and leave the home as you found it*****

- *Remove all used bed linens and towels* and leave by washing machine in upstairs, leave comforters in rooms
- *Please empty the fridge* and take all food you brought home with you
- Dispose of all pet waste, please double-bag and leave it in the provided trash bins in the basement
- Empty all trash and dispose in the shed, bottles and cans can go in there separately
- Close and lock all doors and windows
- Ensure any fire in the firepit is completely extinguished
- Take a look around for personal items (Check bathroom, closets/drawers, under beds, etc.)
- Sign the guestbook! (Located on the dining room table)
- Lock the door on your way out and be sure key is back in lock box
- *Send your Host a message that you've departed*
- Have a safe drive home! We hope you will come back again ☺

Suggestions? This home is still new to us and we are working on making it perfect, please let us know if you have any suggestions for how to improve your future stay!

Review! Tell us about your stay and help prospective guests get a feel for the atmosphere and what you enjoyed most about the home and the area.

Food & Dining

Grocery Stores

- Mainely Provisions—Kingfield, ME
 - Small but well-stocked with lots of local products, their bakery items in particular are delicious. Strongly recommend you try the garlic provolone rounds warmed up in the oven until the cheese is melted!
- The Maine Beer Shed—Kingfield, ME
 - Craft beer store that also sells local produce
- Pinkham's Elm St Market—North Anson, ME
 - Small gas station/general store that also does some prepared foods like subs and sandwiches
- High Tide, Low Tide Seafood—Madison, ME
 - Seafood market with live lobsters, fresh oysters, fish, etc.
- Hannaford's—Farmington & Madison, ME

Restaurants (Call Ahead for Seasonal Hours)

- Kingfield, Maine
 - Rolling Fatties
 - Locally sourced food, burritos and burrito bowls
 - Kingfield Woodsman
 - Breakfast shop with all the staples
 - Longfellow's Restaurant
 - American, slightly upscale
 - Orange Cat Café
 - Coffee shop and café, drive thru
 - Anni's Market
 - Gas station outside, pizza/sub shop/take out staples
 - The Inn on Winter's Hill
 - Unique setting, rotating menu
- Carrabassett Valley, Maine
 - Tufulio's Restaurant & Bar
 - Casual Italian cuisine
 - Sugarbowl
 - Sports bar, pub food, bowling, arcade
 - Hug's Italian Restaurant
 - Reservations recommended
 - The Rack BBQ
 - Bottom of Access Rd, best après, live music, local bar
 - The Bag & Kettle
 - On mountain, famous for their signature burgers

- Alice & Lulu's
 - On mountain, specialty wine, meat and cheeses
- Shipyard Brewhaus
 - On mountain, casual restaurant
- 45 North
 - On mountain, located at Sugarloaf Hotel
- D'Ellies
 - On mountain, great lunch spot in and out
- Stroke's Bar & Grill
 - On the golf course, outdoor seating
- Stratton/Eustis, Maine
 - Coplin Dinner House
 - Fine dining, reservations recommended
 - The Stratton Plaza
 - Local bar, pub food
 - Looney Moose Café
 - Breakfast & lunch, homemade goods
 - Tea Pond Restaurant
 - Off grid, remote, fun experience
 - Backstrap Bar & Grill
 - Local bar, outdoor seating
 - Trails End Steakhouse
 - Live music, homemade specials, local bar
- The Forks, Maine
 - Kennebec River Brewery
 - Northern Outdoors
 - Pool, hot tub, lawn games
 - Inn By the River
 - Brunch, lunch, dinner
 - Boatman's Bar & Grill
 - Three Rivers Whitewater
 - Live music, karaoke, bonfires
 - The Marshall
 - Local bar, live music, fun place
 - The Kennebec Scoop (Bingham, ME)
 - Local ice cream shop

Places To Go

Sugarloaf Mountain

- Sugarloaf is about 35-40 minutes away, North on Route 27 to the Access Rd on your left
- Skiing, golfing, disc golf, mountain biking, zip lining, kayak and SUP rentals, etc.

Embden Lake

- Public boat launch, swimming, boating, kayaking. Bring your own, no rentals nearby

Flagstaff Lake

- Large, beautiful lake about 45-50 minutes from the house. Bring your furry friends for boating, fishing, swimming, kayaking, picnics, etc. The lake is largely untouched so plan for a relaxing day on the water.

The Forks

- A little over an hour from the house
- Whitewater rafting community, kayak and tubing rentals, also a huge snowmobile trail system
- Restaurants, bars, live music

Shopping

- Downtown Kingfield—Check out the High Peaks Artisan Guild
- Nearby towns like Farmington, Madison and Skowhegan have quaint Main streets with small local shops worth exploring
- Check out Reny's "A Maine Adventure" in Madison or Farmington
- Antiques
 - The Red Barn—Anson, ME

Things To Do

Hiking

- Near Sugarloaf you can find the trailhead for many trails of the Bigelow Mountain Preserve, the range is part of the Appalachian Trail. Check online on sites like All Trails for mountain maps and more parking info.
- Other hikes nearby:
 - Burnt Mountain—Carrabassett Valley, ME
 - Mt Abraham—Kingfield, ME
 - Bald Mountain—Rangeley, ME
 - Saddleback Mountain—Rangeley
 - Pleasant Pond Mountain—Caratunk, ME
 - Mosquito Mountain—The Forks, ME
 - Moxie Bald—The Forks, ME
 - Mount Blue State Park—Weld, ME
 - Tumbledown Mountain—Weld, ME
 - Blueberry Mountain—Phillips, ME
 - Flagstaff Mountain—New Portland, ME

Waterfalls

- Reed Brook Falls—Kingfield, ME
 - Family friendly, one mile +/- round trip
- Poplar Falls—Carrabassett Valley, ME (Not accessible at this time)
- West Mountain Falls—Sugarloaf Golf Course
- Grand Falls—Eustis, ME
- The Ledges—Highland, ME
 - Off road vehicle required or hike a couple miles down dirt trail
 - Mini cascading falls/swimming holes along Sandy Stream
 - Ask your Host for more details on this local spot!
- Moxie Falls—The Forks, ME
 - Maine's tallest waterfall with well-maintained/accessible trail
- Houston Brook Falls—Bingham, ME
 - Short walk, easy/family trail
- Smalls Falls—Rangeley, ME
 - Publicized, rest stop, well maintained pathways
- Cascade Stream Gorge—Rangeley, ME
 - Narrow wild, ledgey trail along gorge with cascading falls
- Mosher Hill Falls—Farmington, ME

More Things To Do

Scenic Attractions

- The Wire Bridge—New Portland, ME
 - Historical site
- Quill Hill—Rangeley, ME
 - Scenic Lookout
- Ira Mountain—Kingfield, ME
 - Scenic Lookout
- Daggett Rock—Phillips, ME
- Freeman Ridge Bike Park—Kingfield, ME
- Titcomb Mountain—Farmington, ME
 - Hiking, biking, downhill skiing, cross country skiing

Swimming/Lakes

- Embden Pond—Embden, ME
 - Public boat launch and swimming beach
- Clearwater Lake—Farmington, ME
 - Public swimming access and boat launch

Rainy Day Activities

- Narrow Gauge Cinema—Farmington, ME
 - Movie theater, drive in
- Sugarbowl—Carrabassett Valley, ME
 - Bowling, arcade, golf simulator
- Local Libraries
- Museums—Kingfield, ME
 - Maine Ski and Snowboard Museum
 - The Stanley Museum

Snowmobiling/ATV

- If you brought your snowmobile, there are tons of trails in the area. Check out websites like mesnow.com for maps
- ATV trail access right from our driveway
- Ask your Host for more info!

Cross Country Skiing

- There is a cross country skiing trails near Flagstaff and also in Carrabassett Valley, check out Mainehuts.org for more information

Festivals

- *Sugarloaf Reggae Festival—Carrabassett Valley, ME*
 - *Music, parties, and entertainment at the base of Sugarloaf Mountain in April*
- Norridgewock Antique Tractor Festival—Norridgewock, ME
 - Usually in late June
- *Kingfield Days—Kingfield, ME (July 16th-18th)*
 - *Parade, family friendly events*
- *Summer Days—Carrabassett Valley, ME*
 - *Family friendly*
 - *August 7th*
- Blueberry Festival—Wilton, ME
 - Typically, the first weekend in August
- Lobster Festival—Rockland, ME
 - Ok, this is a bit of a hike (2 hrs). But may be worth considering if you are here around this festival because it is HUGE, lasts 5 days starting in early August
- *State Fairs (agriculture, truck pulls, demolition derby, vendors, etc.)*
 - *Skowhegan—Late August*
 - *New Portland—Mid September*
 - *Farmington—Late September*
- Common Ground Fair—Unity, ME
 - MOFGA (Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association)
 - Late September
- *Polar Blast—Eustis, ME*
 - *February*
 - *Snowmobile event/races*