Welcome to CASITA DEL SOL

WELCOME

Welcome to Casita del Sol, our home away from home in Vero Beach. This welcome book is intended to help you get acquainted with the area and the house. We've included all of our personal favorite restaurants, beaches, and more. You'll also find everything you need to know about the house, from air conditioning to the hot tub.





ABOUT THE SPACE

We've tried to think of anything you might want or need to ensure you have a totally relaxing stay. A hair dryer and pool towels are provided as standard and a washing machine/dryer are available so you don't have to worry about overpacking.

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CONTACT INFORMATION

Thank you so much for deciding to stay at our home!

We absolutely love it here and we want you to enjoy it just as much as we do! This is your home away from home for your entire stay, so we want you to feel totally relaxed. comfortable, and happy.

We are most accessible by text during the day, but please reach out to us at any time with questions or if there's anything we can help with.

All the best,

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DIGITAL CONTACT CARD:

1. Scan with your phone's camera and click the yellow link that pops up or visit bling.me/12HpDsjrvugk

- 3. Click 'Save Contact'
- 4. Click 'Save to contacts'
- 5. Click 'Done'







CHECK IN

Check-in time is **4pm**. Please contact us to request an earlier check in time and we will do our best to accommodate when possible.

DIRECTIONS

You can find the Casita by taking 20th St. East, then heading south on 20th Ave. You'll take that 4 blocks, then make a left (East) on 4th St. From there, turn left on 14th Ave (North) and then a quick right (East) onto 4th Pl. You'll see the little white Casita with a yellow door on your left.

Warning: all the streets in this area are numbered and they re-use all the numbers, so you'll want to pay close attention to Streets, Avenues, and Roads.

ADDRESS

1236 4th Pl. Vero Beach, FL 32962

Click <u>here</u> for Google maps directions

ACCESS INSTRUCTIONS

There is a keypad so the door code for your stay will be emailed to you prior to check-in.

-There is also a key in the lockbox hanging from the door. We prefer to use the keypad, but if the batteries go low the lockbox key is a great back-up. If you do use the key, please be sure to return it upon checkout.

-There are also keys in the back of the kitchen "junk drawer" (first drawer on your right in the kitchen). We just ask that you return those as well upon checkout.

There's a motion sensor light on the front porch if you get in while it's dark. When enter the front door, there's a remote on the wall that controls the dining room light/fan. The round middle button will give you light.

PARKING: You'll have a private driveway that accommodates up to 2 cars. We keep a fishing boat and truck parked at the house (but that is in the back yard). We regret that it's not available for guest use.

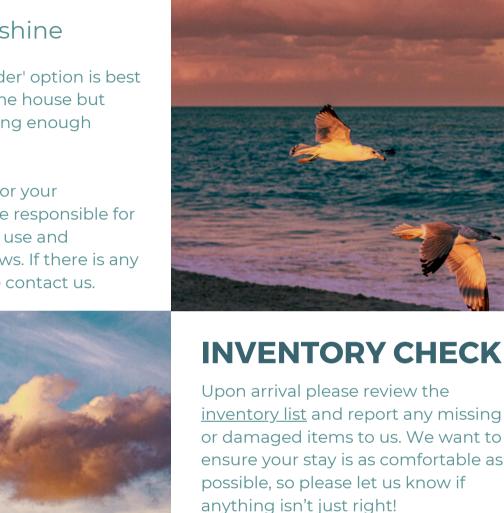
WIFI/INTERNET

IDs: Casita, Casita 5G or Casita - Sunroom Extender

Password: sunshine

The 'Sunroom Extender' option is best for the back part of the house but Casita should be strong enough anywhere you go!

Internet is provided for your enjoyment, but you're responsible for safe and appropriate use and complying with all laws. If there is any loss of service, please contact us.





CLEANING

We ensure the home is deep cleaned upon your arrival. Please let us know if you are not completely satisfied when you arrive so we can address it right away. There are no cleaning services provided during your stay. If you'd like to arrange additional cleanings while you're at the Casita, please reach out as we'd be happy to get it scheduled (for an added fee).

THINGS TO DO

Create the memories of a lifetime in one of <u>Florida's best places to visit</u>! Relax on gorgeous sandy beaches or explore a hub of art and entertainment at one of <u>America's 10 happiest seaside towns</u>. Here are just a few of our favorites:

<u>South Beach Park</u> 4.5 mi

<u>McKee Botanical Garden</u> 1.5 mi

Round Island Beach Park 9.5 mi

McLarty Treasure Museum 20 mi

<u>Jaycee Park & Boardwalk</u> 6.6 mi

Treasure Coast Drive-In Movie 13 mi

Summer Crush Vineyard & Concerts 9 mi

Jackie Robinson Training Complex 4.5 mi

<u>Schacht Groves</u> 3.5 mi

Shore fishing in Vero Beach or just a bit further north in <u>Sebastian</u> 20 mi

Find more things to do

FOOD & DRINK

- <u>Cafe 66</u> \$\$
- Green Marlin \$\$
- Mrs. Mac's Fillin Station \$
- <u>Pepper & Salt BBQ</u> \$
- The Kilted Mermaid \$\$

- <u>Fishack</u> \$\$
- The Barefoot Cafe \$\$
- <u>Ocean Grill</u> **\$\$\$**
- The Tides \$\$\$
- Taco Dive \$\$





KITCHEN



DISHWASHER

Just insert one dishwashing tablet in the flip box container on the inside of the dishwasher door. Press the program button of your choice (we use 'Autosense' with 'Heated Dry'), then press the start button.

FRIDGE & FREEZER

You should not need to adjust any settings. If you run into any difficulties (i.e. it's not cooling efficiently), please let us know.

STOVE & OVEN

The stove and oven are electric. Please use the special glass cooktop cleaner we've provided to clean the stovetop. It works wonderfully and prevents build-up! If you're used to cooking with gas, it takes a bit longer to heat up with electric – so please just be patient. Once it's hot, it's really HOT so be mindful of your temp settings.

GARBAGE DISPOSAL

Please keep the strainers in both sides of the sink and empty them into the garbage. The garbage disposal is only there to break down smaller objects that slip through. The silver button on the right side of the sink controls the garbage disposal. Please ensure cold water is running when you use it and that there are no large objects in it. Do not place your hand in the garbage disposal hole for any reason (we've all seen what happens in scary movies when someone tries that)!

APPLIANCES

AIR CONDITIONING & HEAT

There are two ductless "mini-splits" that control the temperature in the house. There's a remote on the Dining Room wall that controls the temp in most of the house and one next to the light switch in the Sunroom that controls that one. Please ensure all windows and exterior doors are closed while the AC is running to allow it to operate at maximum efficiency. We recommend 72F / 22C, but set it to the temperature most comfortable for you during your stay.

FANS

Our home is equipped with ceiling fans to help keep you cool. Each fan is operated via a switch on the wall, except the dining room fan which has a remote near the door. We also like to keep a fan in the hallway pushing AC to the back of the house.

FIREPLACE

Our home has an electric fireplace. You can turn it on using the switch on the side. You can turn on just the light for ambiance or also add heat if it gets chilly. Please turn it off before going to bed or leaving the home.

BATHROOM BIDET

The bathroom has a bidet to leave you feeling squeaky clean. If you haven't used one before, do not turn it on if the seat is up or you're not sitting down...you'll definitely regret it! ③ Simply turn the knob clockwise or counterclockwise. Please ensure it's turned off once you've completed your experience (the dial should be set back to the middle).

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LAUNDRY ROOM



WASHER & DRYER

You'll find a washer and dryer in the utility room next to the kitchen. To operate the washer, simply select the program you want, place 1-2 'pods' or liquid detergent in the bottom of the washer, add clothes, close the door, and hit start.

CLEANING SUPPLIES

You'll find a broom/wet sweeper behind the door in the laundry room. There is also a cordless (and backup corded) vacuum in there. Be sure to empty the cannister on either regularly. The filter should be 'shaken' out every few times. On the cordless, twist the cover of the filter and the inside filter slips right out. On the corded, you just pop the top open. We just shake them both into the garbage and then put back into place.

MORE INSIDE

TELEVISIONS & DVD PLAYER

There is a TV in the Living Room,



Sunroom, and each of the bedrooms. Each has Prime, Netflix, Hulu, Disney and Apple+. If you get logged out for any reason, please just reach out and we'll share the username and password. Please use the 'Casita Guest' profiles. There is a DVD player in the Sunroom and a few DVDs in the right drawer of that TV stand.

BOARD GAMES / PLAYING CARDS

We keep some of our favorite games in the hutch in the dining room.

BOOKS

There are a few good books in the basket next to the settee in the sunroom. We love curling up on the chaise outside in the afternoon sun with a good book!

MUSIC SYSTEM

There's an AM/FM radio in the dining room.

BROKEN THINGS

We want you to enjoy your stay and totally understand that sometimes accidents happen! Should you break anything, please just let us know immediately - if it's minor we usually won't charge. If it's a larger issue (i.e. the TV screen!) we would like to align on any fees or impacts to your deposit before you leave to avoid any surprises later.

OUTSIDE

BACK DOOR

The back door only locks from the inside, so there is no key.

GRILL / BBQ

We try to keep the propane loaded, but if please just let us know if you run out. You can exchange it at any local hardware store or grocery store, and we'll be happy to reimburse you for the expense.

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SHED

We keep a few beach chairs in the shed as well as 2 bikes. The code for the shed is 888. Please keep it locked when not in use.

HOT TUB/SPA

Use of the hot tub is AT YOUR OWN RISK. Please be careful when entering or exiting. There is no barrier, so please keep an eye on children outside at all times. There is no lifeguard.

Please unlatch all FOUR clips before entering. We find it easiest to unlatch everything, flip the side by the stairs up, climb inside, then flip up the rest of the lid and lean it on the back side of the hot tub.

Before exiting, it's easiest to pull it back up and close the back half, then get out close the front half, then close all of the clips. There is a floating 'frog' that controls the chemical balance. If he flips upside down it means he wants to be refilled, so there are refills in the tall Laundry Room cabinet. Please notify us if refills are running short. Be sure to keep the lid on and closed when it's not in use to keep it clean and regulate the temperature.

GARBAGE & RECYCLING

Garbage day is Tuesday, so please be sure to put the bins out Monday evening. Most paper, plastic, glass, and aluminum are recyclable. You can put them all together in the recycling bin (just rinse out any food items). Sometimes they don't pick up one of the bins until Wednesday, so don't worry if that bin doesn't get picked up right away.

LAWN SERVICE

The lawn service mows 2-4x a month based on growth, but the day of week varies.

BED LINENS / TOWELS

There are bath and beach towels in the linen closet. We do ask that you only take the colorful large beach towels to the beach and remember to bring them home! We also have spare sheets for each bed and lighter/heavier blankets so you can make adjustments to ensure you're comfortable.

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NEIGHBORHOOD

We think the neighbors all around us are fantastic! Mike and Margaret are across the street and pop outside a lot, so you'll probably meet them first. Most of the neighbors have dogs (all either fenced or leashed). There are great sidewalks throughout the area so walking and riding bikes is enjoyable.

WATER

We have city water and are used to well water, so prefer to use a Brita pitcher for drinking. There are extra filters in the kitchen cabinet for that. The icemaker uses unfiltered city water, so feel free to either fill ice trays with water from the pitcher or purchase bagged ice if you prefer filtered water.

MAIL

Please feel free to have mail forwarded if you're staying for an extended period. Margaret across the street collects our mail while we're not there so junk mail doesn't accumulate, so please just let her know if you'll be using the mailbox for your own purposes. If any letters for Wil or Allana make it through, we'd really appreciate if you'd please just leave them in the drawer of the black console table under the TV in the den (next to the front door).

HOUSE RULES



The most important rules are to have fun, relax, and enjoy your time here! However, we do have a few guidelines to make your stay as great as possible:

QUIET TIMES

You'll be staying in what we lovingly call a "sleepy old Florida" neighborhood. Although you'll hopefully have no sense of time, we ask that you are respectful of our neighbors and their schedules. Pease try to keep a modest noise level from the late evening into early morning hours.

SMOKING

No smoking or vaping is allowed in the home. You may smoke or vape outside with all windows and doors closed.

<u>PETS</u>

- Please don't allow your pets on the furniture.

Please clean up after your
 pets and ensure they are
 staying within the boundaries
 of 'The Casita' when they do
 their business.

There is a 4' fence, but there's a few inch gap at the bottom for ease of landscaping. If your pet is a jumper or digger, please keep a close eye on them outside.

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CHECK OUT

Check-out time is 12pm.

Please contact us if you need to request a later check out time and we will do our best to accommodate when possible.



When you leave, please ensure the following simple tasks are done: -take the garbage & recycling out to the bins

-put all dirty dishes in the dishwasher and start the cycle -return any keys to the kitchen "junk drawer" and/or lockbox

- turn off all lights
- pick up, bag, and place any pet
 waste in the outside garbage can
 return all furniture to original
 location

-lock all windows and doors -Contact us if any items from the inventory list went missing or were broken during your stay

DEPOSIT: The property is inventoried upon each guest's departure. Any missing and/or damaged items (replacement cost) will be deducted from your deposit. Any missing and/or damaged items that exceed your deposit will be billed to you.

We hope you had a wonderful vacation and wish you safe travels back home. We'd love to see you again next year! Please contact us directly and remind us of your most recent visit to enjoy a special discount as a repeat guest.

SAFETY INFORMATION

HURRICANE INSTRUCTIONS

Please put the patio umbrella and cushions in the shed. There are steel hurricane shutters in the shed as well (code is 888). We are in Michigan so don't always know when the weather takes a turn. If you hear that a hurricane may be coming, please let us know and we can arrange for someone to install the shutters for you. If a bad storm comes quickly, please take shelter inside and stay away from windows. Visit https://ircgov.com/emergencyservices for the latest information on evacuation routes and shelters.

SECURITY CAMERAS

We have exterior security cameras for the safety of our guests and property. They are pointed at the front and back doors. None of the cameras face the interior of the home in any way and there are absolutely no cameras inside of the Casita. The home is in a safe neighborhood, but we like the added peace of mind they provide!

EMERGENCY NUMBER

For emergency services call **911** immediately.



EMERGENCY EXITS

There are 2 exits to the home: the front door and the rear door. Please ensure every member of your party knows where they are and create an evacuation plan should an emergency arise.

FIRE EXTINGUISHER

The fire extinguisher is under the kitchen sink.

SMOKE & CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS

There is a combination smoke and carbon monoxide detector in the laundry room and each bedroom.

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FEEDBACK & SUGGESTIONS

We hope you loved your stay and are already planning your next visit to Casita del Sol! We'd greatly appreciate you leaving a review on our website (or wherever you made your reservation).

Please let us know if there's anything we can do to make your stay more comfortable.

If you have suggestions for how we can improve upon the Casita, please let us know! If anything didn't meet or exceed your expectations, we'd love the opportunity to make it right.

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