

Housing requirements for Music in the Vineyards Musicians.

All our musicians generally stay for one week. They arrive on a Monday and depart the following Monday.

What is required for our artists is a private bedroom and bathroom and if possible a space for the person to relax or practice their instrument. They have a very full rehearsal schedule so they are out all day rehearsing and then performing in the evenings at the end of the week. Somewhere for them to prepare light meals and to have breakfast is also necessary. They do expect to provide their own food during their stay and will be grateful for kitchen facilities. If you would like to invite them to join you for an evening meal during that week it will be very gratefully received but is not obligatory. All our musicians have their own cars provided by the festival so you are not asked to take them anywhere but they do need somewhere to park. If you are willing to provide laundry facilities, they are also sometimes welcome as some musicians spend the summer months on the road going from festival to festival and welcome the opportunity to clean their clothes. They also like the opportunity to iron their concert attire.

Most of our musicians are either single or couples and don't often have any children to consider, we are not looking for family accommodation but places for one or two people. Some of the musicians know each other very well and are happy to share a house together. We do have pianists staying every week so if you have a piano that you don't mind being used that would also be much appreciated.

If you have specific requirements for the accommodation such as how to use the TV, any Wi-Fi; any plumbing issues; the hours when they can access the kitchen; where they are expected to keep food and if there are laundry facilities then we advise that you put these in an information sheet for your guests. In the attached form we ask for details about the house and I am happy to visit you prior to the musicians stay to look at the space and go over any concerns you may have before they arrive. I will give the musicians all the information you supply but you may also want to communicate this separately. On the following pages is a sample information sheet for guidance which you can adapt for the rules of your house.

If any problems occur in your home during the musicians visit I request that you contact me at the Music in the Vineyards office first and I will address the matter directly with the musicians. This helps to avoid any difficulties and enables the problem to be resolved quickly and amicably.

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Please see below for sample guidelines for use of your house.

SAMPLE FORM for MITV Musicians
Guest Rules For (Address)

[Revise as applicable for your home]

1. Smoking is NOT allowed
 2. People other than those in the Guest party set forth above may not stay overnight in the property.
 3. The owners are not responsible for any accidents, injuries or illness that occurs while on the premises or its facilities. The Homeowners are not responsible for the loss of personal belongings or valuables of the guest. It is agreed that all guests are expressly assuming the risk of any harm arising from their use of the premises or others whom they invite to use the premise.
 4. Guests will take the utmost care of the property and keep all furnishings in good order. Guests agree that in case of an accident of any kind, they will replace or repair the items involved.
 5. Use of Kitchen facilities
Appliances are only to be used for their intended uses. The kitchen is to be kept clean and grease free and any unused food must be removed from the refrigerator at the end of the stay.
 6. Guests will leave the home clean at the end of the stay. Guests will ensure a high standard of cleanliness and any garbage will be stowed in the proper garbage or recycling receptacles provided.
 7. Pets are NOT allowed.
 8. Parking
PARKING – Parking is limited to _____ vehicle(s). Vehicles are to be parked in designated parking areas only. Parking on the road is not permitted.
 9. Housekeeping: There is no daily housekeeping service. Linens and bath towels are included; we do not permit towels or linens to be taken from the property.
 10. Air Conditioning / Heating
The air conditioner will start automatically when the temperature is over 75 in the house, but if you want to adjust this adjust the thermostat on the inside device of the AC.
 11. Maintenance of the garden/Watering the plants
The plants in the house should be watered daily. The landscape will be worked on every week byat
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- TV / Wifi
Instructions for how to use the TV remote are alongside the TV.
The wifi password for guests is:
There is internet service but it is on a metered rate so please, no streaming. Unfortunately, we cannot connect to cable at our location.
OR We do not have internet service at the house.
12. Hot Tub/Swimming Pool: *Instructions as necessary.*
 13. [Fireplace]: The fireplace is a non-vented propane gas log fired firebox. Please do not throw any paper or other combustible materials in the fireplace.]

14. Water and Septic: The property is on a well and septic systems. The mineral content in the water is high. During a drought, the well water may have an odor. The septic system is very effective; however, it will clog up if improper material is flushed. DO NOT FLUSH anything other than toilet paper. No feminine products should be flushed at any time.

15. Spare Keys

Our spare keys are kept with _____ and can be contacted by:

Name:

Address:

Emergency Contact Information: