

The Cabins and Cottages at Shale Lake

Terms and Conditions

We look forward to making your visit to Shale Lake an enjoyable experience. Our accommodations feature 4 log cabins located at the water's edge of our 24 acre lake. Plus, we have 5 cottages perched on top of the highest man-made point in Madison County overlooking the lake and country side. And, we will be floating a cabin, "The boathouse", in the near future. The floating cabin will be permanently moored next to the wooded "point" on the southwest end of the lake. All so you can "get away and play".

Reservation Policy: Reservations are required at least 48 hours in advance for the Cabins and Cottages at Shale Lake. A valid credit card is required to guarantee your reservation. Full payment is required at the time the reservation is made. Our cancellation policy applies once payment has been processed.

You must be 21 years or older to rent one of our cabins or cottages. Your online reservation does not constitute a reservation until you have received a confirmation email notice from Shale Lake. All confirmation email notices will be sent during our regular business hours (Monday thru Thursday).

Daily Cabin and Cottage Rates: Our rates are based on dates requested and cabin type and are subject to availability. Rates may change without notice. All previously confirmed reservation rates will be honored. Holiday rates may be higher. Cabin and Cottage rates may be higher during "in season" periods and on Friday and Saturday nights and for single night stays.

Occupancy: All of our cabins and cottages have a clear maximum occupancy limit. Rates are based on 2 person occupancy. There is a \$20 charge per person per night for each additional person (over the age of 2) up to the maximum occupancy of each unit. No cabin or cottage will be rented for more than the maximum occupancy limit. There is no discount for single occupancy. There will be no refund for early departure.

No visitors to registered guests will be allowed in the cabin/cottage between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. No unregistered vehicles are allowed to park in the cabin/cottage area. Unregistered vehicles will be towed at the owner's expense. Visitors must park in the visitor parking area. Registered guests will be held responsible for damages or injuries caused by their visitors.

Quiet Time: Guests are asked to keep the noise level down between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. as a courtesy to the other guests. Shale Lake reserves the right to ask guest and/or their visitors to leave the premises for unsafe, loud or rowdy behavior.

Non Smoking: ALL of the cabins and cottages at Shale Lake are NON smoking. You may smoke on the porches. We provide outdoor ashtrays. Please use them and do not discard butts on the ground. Guests of cabins with evidence of interior smoking will be charged a cleaning fee of \$50 to \$200 to remove the smoke smell and replace smoke damaged items.

Housekeeping Services: For your convenience, all beds are made and an initial supply of bath towels, wash clothes, hand towels and a bath mat are provided based on occupancy conditions. An initial supply of bath tissue, paper towels, dish soap and regular coffee will be provided. It is the responsibility of the guest to provide their own additional comforts and supplies. Housekeeping is NOT provided daily. Housekeeping is not responsible for washing dishes.

Trash: There should be additional trash bags inside the trash can under the existing trash bag. Please do not leave full trash bags outside (raccoons). You can drop a full bag in the dumpster just outside the front gate or leave it in the screened in porch.

Pet Policy (including Dogs, Cats and Horses): Due to potential allergy conditions, we only allow pets in cabins 1-4. Pets are not allowed in the Cottages or the Boat House at Shale Lake. There is a \$25 non-refundable pet fee per pet per stay. For an additional charge, Shale Lake offers 12x12 covered stalls for boarding your horse overnight. Horses may NOT be tethered within 100 feet of a cabin or cottage. Horse trailers must be parked at the barn and may not be used for camping purposes. Check out our website www.shalehorse.com for more details.

Fishing and Activities: Registered guests are welcome to fish our stocked 24 acre lake. Fishing is catch and release ONLY. There is NO hunting allowed. There is NO ATV use allowed. There are NO firearms allowed on the premises (including BB and pellet guns). There are plenty of places to hike and explore, however the horse barns (at the top of the hill and behind the Winery), vineyard, out buildings and Winery (when closed) are STRICTLY OFF LIMITS.

Yes, guests may use the canoe or Jon boat AT THEIR OWN RISK. We have paddles available but you will need to ask for them. Just text 618-977-9916 and please leave them in the cabin. They tend to disappear if we leave them out! Please return the boats to gravel area where they are stored. Please do not leave them on the shoreline elsewhere.

The horses housed at Shale Lake are all boarders and privately owned. Sorry, we do NOT offer trail riding at this time.

There is no swimming allowed in the lake.

All activities at Shale Lake are at the Guest/Visitors own risk.

Children: A parent or legal guardian must accompany children under 16 to the water's edge. Children are not allowed to play in the parking areas or outbuildings. Please do not allow your children to play at other cabin/cottage sites. Children must be accompanied by someone 18 or over to ride on the rental bicycles including the surrey.

GUESTS WHO FAIL TO OBEY THE RULES AND REGULATIONS, CAUSE A DISTURBANCE TO OTHER GUESTS OR THE WILDLIFE OR ENGAGE IN ANY ILLEGAL ACTIVITY ARE SUBJECT TO IMMEDIATE EVICTION FROM THE GROUNDS.

Winery: The Winery at Shale Lake is located at the entrance gate about 2500 feet from the cabins (there is a wooded trail) and approximately ½ mile from the cottages. With few exceptions, the Winery is open every Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Please see our web page www.shalewine.com for more information.

Check-In /Check-Out: A check-in document including gate code, parking and door code instructions will be emailed to the registered guest approximately 2-5 days in advance of the arrival date. The email includes directions to Shale Lake and instructions for using our electronic security gate, parking and key pad door locks. Please follow the instructions for holding on to the gate key pad which you will need each time you enter Shale Lake.

To check out, simply lock the door. The door code will expire automatically. Only registered guests will be given the codes to cabin doors.

Check-In time is 4:00 p.m. and Check-Out time is 11:00 a.m. Early check in and late checkout are available on a per cabin/cottage basis. Cleaning times for the unit determine the early and late availability and are not guaranteed. Please ask in advance of your stay if early check in or late checkout are desired. Please let us know in advance if you plan to arrive later than 7:00 p.m. Shale Lake is open 365 days a year; however the office is closed between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m., whenever the Winery is open and on all major holidays. Please text or call 618-

977-9916 for questions or issues during your stay. Please do not disturb the residents.

Parking: Each unit has a designated parking area. Larger units have two parking spaces. Additional guest owned vehicles must be parked in the visitor's parking area. Visitors must park in the visitor parking area. NO parking is allowed on the roadway or in the grass. There are no exceptions. Vehicles in tow must be left at the barn (horse trailers) or in the visitor parking lots. There is no turn around for towed vehicles.

Damaged or missing items: Shale Lake reserves the right to charge guests replacement costs for damage in excess of normal wear and tear to cabin/cottage interiors and provided furnishings. Guests agree to authorize Shale Lake to debit the credit card on file for reasonable replacement or repair cost of missing or unnecessarily damaged items.

Disclosures: Please note that no refunds are given on appliance or utility failures. For repair and maintenance, every effort will be made to remedy in a timely manner.

Cabin and Cottage guests authorize Shale Lake personnel access to rental cabins and cottages to verify that all the terms of this agreement are complied with or to perform any necessary maintenance.

Cancellation Policy: Cancellations made 14 days or more prior to the arrival date can be used as a credit toward a stay at a later date or refunded minus a \$25 cancellation/handling fee.

Cancellations made 14 days or less in advance of the arrival date will not be refunded but will be credited toward a stay for a later date. The cancellation/handling fee will be increased to \$75 for cancellations made less than 48 hours in advance or for no show/no call reservations.

Payment Methods: We accept Master Card, Visa, Discover, American Express and US currency only. All money orders and Traveler's checks must be in US currency. Personal checks are accepted as long as they are received at least 10 days in advance of the stay.

Lost and Found: Any items left in or around the cabins or cottages must be claimed within 90 days. Shale Lake will make a reasonable effort to contact guests about any items found. After 90 days, the item will be discarded. Shale Lake will be happy to return identified guest items for the cost of shipping.

Campfires: All fires must be in the fire rings and attended at all times. Please remember that campfires are dangerous. Use all due care while creating, maintaining, and extinguishing the fire. Shale Lake recommends keeping a gallon or more of water nearby to douse the flames should they get out of control and having a first aid kit available.

Wi-Fi: Wi-Fi is not yet available at the Cabins nor Cottages. There is wi-fi at the winery. If the winery is closed, the screened in patio door should be unlocked. Guests are welcome to use the tables and chairs to connect to the wi-fi. Signals are subject to change without notice depending on Shale Lake location from our wireless signal interface.

Risk Wavier: Notwithstanding any offer or provision of services by Shale Lake whether for fee or gratuitously, a guest and or visitor acknowledges that Shale Lake is not liable to him or her for any losses, injury or damage suffered by such member to his or her property or person, arising, whether through acts of negligence or otherwise, of guests, visitors, members or employees in their conduct. All guests and visitors acknowledge and accept that such liability shall be borne by him or her as the case may be, and further indemnify Shale Lake and hold harmless for all loss, cost and expense incurred by reason of the member's neglect or use of the premises or by reason of injury to person or property in or on the property of any other place from any cause whatsoever. All risks of any such injury, loss or damage shall be assumed by the guest or visitor who shall hold Shale Lake harmless or indemnified therefrom.

By making a reservation and visiting Shale Lake, you accept these terms and conditions.