

# The Blue Cottage

1177 Huntington Point Road • Centreville, NS

The Blue Cottage is \$550 per week (for a full week) for an occupancy of 2 people. Each additional person is \$50 per week (i.e., 3 people \$600, 4 people \$650). There is a \$50 pet cleaning fee.

Please complete this form and return via email with an e-transfer of the full amount for the week to

charlesmacdonaldsociety@gmail.com,

OR by post and cheque to

19 Saxon Street, Centreville Nova Scotia B0P1J0

A receipt will be emailed to you.

## Cancellation Policy:

If you cancel 30 days or more before the first day of your stay, you are entitled to a refund of 50% of your contribution. If you cancel within 30 days of your stay, there will be no refunds.

Check in is Monday at noon, check out is Sunday at noon.

The Blue Cottage has two bedrooms upstairs each with a double bed.

Running water is gravity fed from a spring in the woods. We recommend bottled water for drinking. Bring your own blankets, bedsheets, towels etc. Basic kitchenware provided.

## Booking Information

Dates of arrival and departure \_\_\_\_\_

Names of all guests \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Number of guests \_\_\_\_\_

Pets \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

As members we all collectively own this property, please treat it with respect.

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## Member / Guest Agreement

The Blue cottage is one of five "Faerie Cottages" sculpted from concrete by Charles Macdonald in the 1930's. It is, in essence, a museum artifact, and as such, it is old, fragile, and does not have all the amenities of a modern cottage. It is located on a 2.5 acre property with frontage on the Bay of Fundy and provides a rare opportunity for a truly unique and tranquil holiday. It is owned and operated by a non-profit society whose primary goal is to preserve the memory of Charles Macdonald and his remarkable architectural and artistic accomplishments.

### ACCESS

We (the Guest) agree to give the Society access to the cottage, upon reasonable notice for purposes related to its status as a museum and maintenance.

### CONDITION OF COTTAGE

We (the Guest) acknowledge and accept that the cottage:

- Is in a "rustic" condition.
- Is on a shared, spring fed well, operated by a cooperative and as such, has a limited water supply. Care will be taken to conserve water so as not to deprive other cottagers of their access to water.
- Has an unconventional concrete construction which may be prone to dampness and leaks despite efforts to maintain the cottage in good repair.
- Has a fragile septic system. Nothing, other than what is absolutely necessary may be flushed in the toilet, and then, only as necessary.

### WATER

We agree to respect the limited supply of water and to limit our water consumption so as to enable other users of the water to maintain their supply.

### BUILDING INTEGRITY

We agree to respect the integrity of the cottage building as a historic site and not start or carry out any work to or on the building or site without the express consent of the Society.

### LIABILITY

The Society accepts no responsibility for any loss, injury or damage suffered by the Guest or visitor of the Guest. The Guest expressly waives any liability on the part of the Society, for any loss, injury or damage suffered by any person on the premises, during the period covered by this agreement. In the event of claim or potential claim by any person the Guest agrees to indemnify and save and hold harmless the Society from any damages or award of damages, unless those damages or award of damages are the direct result of willful negligence on behalf of the society. Damages to the premises occurring during the visit are the responsibility of the Guest.

Guest Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## What you need to know about the Blue Cottage

In 1997, a group of concerned citizens purchased Charles Macdonald's Concrete House in Centreville amid rumours of its possible demise. A short time later, Charlie's Blue Cottage became available, and was also acquired by the Society.

The cottage was in a reasonable condition having been restored by its owner Harold Whitman, after decades of neglect. The story goes, that it had been abandoned during a hurricane with Harold's frightened wife vowing never to return. Upon her death, Harold refurbished the cottage and, along with his Doberman Pincer, Bruno, spent his remaining summers at Huntington Point.

The now financially strapped Society began to allow holidays at the Blue Cottage at modest rates - not unlike Charlie's early activities with all of his "Point" cottages. Over the years the society has accommodated guests from Texas, New Hampshire, Ontario, Massachusetts, Quebec and, of course, from all over the Maritimes. These revenues were applied to and finally allowed for the retirement of the Blue Cottage's bank loan which was independent of the house.

Currently the cottage entertains "member/guests" by the week only, (full weeks) for a donation of \$550 (plus \$50 for each additional person), and for \$400 during shorter weeks (plus \$50 for each additional person), from June to the October. It is the Society's main source of revenue other than through grants. All proceeds from the Blue Cottage go towards maintaining both the Blue Cottage and the Concrete House at 19 Saxon Street in Centreville.

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## Welcome to The Blue Cottage

Check in always at noon and check out is at noon. As a member-guest of the Charles Macdonald House of Centreville Society we hope you will enjoy your stay at Huntington Point.

- Water is from a spring-fed well and shared with 5 cottages. Wastage will drain the system. Please use bottled water for drinking.
- The Septic System is primitive. Please flush only when necessary and with a minimum of paper.
- The outdoor shower is propane heated. Please read the enclosed instructions. The controls are sensitive and there is a delayed response.
- There may be water seepage in a rainstorm that pools near or under the beds or near the upstairs chimney. Despite remedial effort, it is a 90-year-old concrete structure with a mind of its own. Don't leave articles on the floor in those areas.
- Please separate recyclables (blue bags) and garbage (clear bags). Compost may be deposited green bin outside. Garbage should be bagged and left in the shed.

The Blue Cottage is a Provincial Heritage Property, maintained solely by revenues generated by member-guests like you, and donations left in the mailbox at the end of the driveway.

In the event something doesn't work, and you can't fix it, please contact us immediately.

Geof Turner - (902) 679-0000 or Kevin West - (902) 542-3208.

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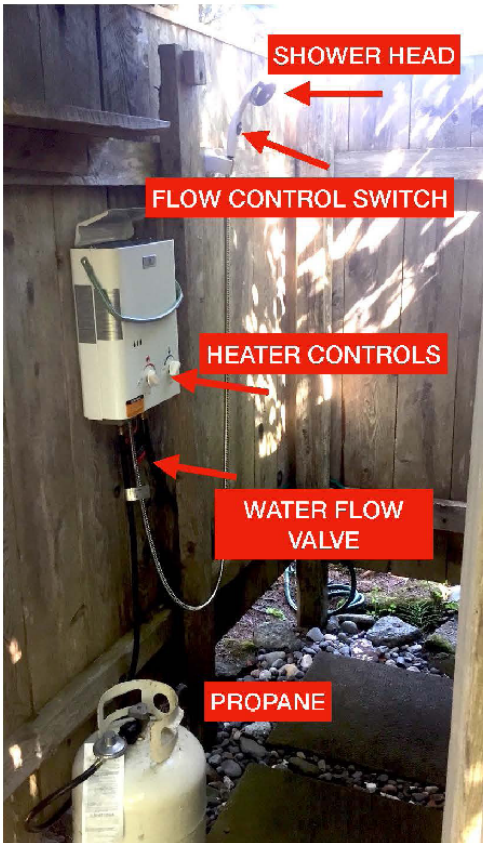
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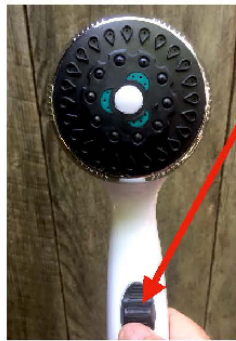
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## SHOWER INSTRUCTIONS



Turn On Gas

Open Water Flow Valve  
"DOWN"



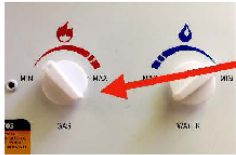
Toggle Flow Control Switch To "ON"

The flow of water automatically lights the heater

When Finished Toggle Flow Control Switch To "OFF"

Close Water Flow Valve

Turn Off Gas



Settings are sensitive and there is a delay ...

**BE CAREFUL ADJUSTING !**

The water source is shared by 5 cottages and is in limited supply

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## Guest Checkout List

Thank you for visiting, and we hope you enjoyed your stay in this unique cottage.

Below are a few things to check off before you leave.

1. Make sure you have all your belongings that you brought with or purchased while here.
1. Please put furniture, lamps, dishes, kitchen ware, etc. back where you found them.
2. Throw away any extra food.
3. Place your recyclables and garbage in the shed.
4. Make sure both doors are locked tight.
5. Put the 2 sets of keys back in the lockbox and lock it.

These are just a few things to help keep the place nice for the next guests.

Cheers,

The Charles Macdonald House of Centreville Society  
Board of Directors

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