



The Refuge at Knoll Farm

COVID Policies:

Knoll Farm & Refuge adheres to Vermont's strict health protocols for our staff and guests. We take seriously your health, our health, and the health of this land. Upon your arrival to Knoll Farm, each person in your group will need to complete a [self-certification form](#) indicating that you meet at least one of the following conditions:

- You are fully vaccinated (it has been at least 14 days since you received your final vaccine dose)
- You are not vaccinated, but have received a negative COVID test within 3 days of your arrival.
- You have had COVID within the last 3 months, and you have recovered and have no symptoms.

As our guests, we ask that you please practice good hygiene and make use of our wash and sanitize stations placed throughout the property, practice social distancing of 6 feet, and please do not visit if you have symptoms or illness or have been around someone who has.

Mask wearing at Knoll Farm is mandatory when sharing space with the public and interacting with staff. As of July 4, mask wearing is highly encouraged, but not mandatory, in spaces that are designated for your group only, which includes the yurt village and barn dining area.

Yurts may be shared between guests that are fully vaccinated or are from the same family.

Accommodations:

The Refuge is a cluster of small and medium-sized yurts set in a forest glade at the top of a large meadow overlooking the farm. The yurts have futon or foam mattresses on platform beds, no bunk beds. Each yurt has a desk and chair, and 2 or 3 windows plus a skylight. They are light and airy. Beds are made up with sheets, pillow and blanket.

The yurts are comfortable, have doors, and decks surrounding them for relaxing and a beautiful fire pit for campfires at night. You will have the experience of being in nature, with birdsong, stars, weather and, yes, the occasional spider or mouse.

Our beautiful adobe bathhouse, centrally located to the yurts, has 3 sinks, 3 hot showers with private changing rooms, and 2 flush toilets. Just outside the bath house is a hot tub which we will prepare for you in the evenings.

Power/Lighting in the village:

Six of our yurts and our bathhouse are equipped with electric lights and outlets. The other five yurts are lit with solar lanterns that also have USB ports. The walking path from the barn to the village is lit at night by solar lanterns.

Yurt/bed details:

We have 11 yurts. Five of them are private with one double bed each. Four of them are shared, with two double beds in each and two are for groups, with four single beds each.

Linens and blankets:

Our yurts are equipped with sheets, pillows and a blanket. During the early season (mid-May - early June) and late season (mid-September - October) we encourage you to bring an extra blanket or sleeping bag for chilly nights. All of our blankets, bedding, pillow cases and covers are washed between use. All surfaces in yurts are fully sanitized after each guest.

Layout of the village/barns:

The yurt village where you sleep is about a 5-8 minute walk from the farm where you park and have meals. This keeps it peaceful, and views are stunning, and it also means you will be active during your time here. The walk is either on a gravel road, or through a meadow. Both walks are on a hill, so it is necessary to be comfortable and able to walk on uneven ground, up and down hills. We do have a solar-powered vehicle to take people up and down the road whenever needed. We encourage you to bring good walking shoes, and a daypack or bag in order to carry essentials with you and minimize the number of times you need to go back to your yurt during the day.

Parking and arrival:

When you arrive at the farm you will be directed to the parking lot and greeted by our staff. We will bring you and your luggage up to the yurt village in our truck or our solar vehicle where we will give you a short orientation to help you get the lay of the land. After the initial trip you will mostly be walking to and from the main farm area (10 minutes on a gravel road or through a meadow). The solar vehicle is available for your use if you are not comfortable or able to make the walk up and down to the main area.

Wifi/cell service:

There is wifi on the porch of our office building. The rest of the farm has a good cell signal.

Packing list:

We suggest that guests bring the following:

- Comfortable walking shoes
- Flashlight or headlamp
- Bathroom kit
- Towel and washcloth
- Sunscreen and bug repellent
- Sleeping bag or extra blanket (in May and October)

Getting to the farm:

We are located at 700 Bragg Hill Road in Waitsfield, VT.

The Mad River Valley:

The Mad River Valley is a popular destination year-round. Our location is central to gorgeous swimming holes and waterfalls, mountain bike paths and hiking trails. For more information about the area please take a look at the Chamber of Commerce Web Site

<http://www.madrivervalley.com/>