

Sister Oaks Cabin Information and Instruction

Address and Driving Directions

**33501 Angeles Dr.
Green Valley Lake, California**

GPS will become spotty (depending on cell service) as you drive up the mountain. As you pass through Running Springs you may pick it up again, but it could be spotty. Don't count on it!

From Los Angeles area travel I-10 East to I-215 North to I-210 East.

From San Diego area travel I-15 North to I-215 North to I-210 East.

On I-210 as you pass through San Bernardino you will see a sign for Waterman Ave. and highway 18 to Crestline and Arrowhead (exit #76) – DO NOT TAKE THAT EXIT. Travel approximately 8KM or 5 miles farther to the highway 330 exit directing you to Running Springs and Big Bear Lake.

Highway 330 will take you to Running Springs. There is currently construction taking place and there is a traffic flow stopping signal at the bottom part of the hill. You may be stopped for 15 minutes or so.

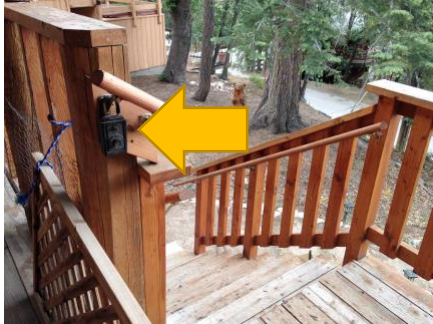
If you wish to stop at a Jensen's Grocery store you can exit to the right and will the store on the right side of the road in town. Rejoin the 330 and 18 highways heading toward Big Bear Lake (heading east or to the right out of town)

After passing through a small town named Arrowbear you will see an exit for Green Valley Lake on the left. It will have a left turn lane available from the highway onto Green Valley Lake road. There is also a big sign on the left side of the road marking the exit. Turn left and follow the road for about 8KM/5miles into Green Valley Lake.

Just before you reach town, Angeles drive is on the right. It's not really a turn but a fork in the road on the right. Turn right onto Angeles Drive and you will begin to travel up and behind the town. Angeles winds around and it is best to travel slowly since it is only about 1.5 lanes. Avoid taking turns that will put you on another road. This could happen at Falling Leaf Lane and at San Antonio drive. If you find yourself on the wrong road just backtrack to Angeles Dr....you won't get very far on either of those incorrect roads as all the roads dead-end.

Our cabin is located just 2 curves past San Antonio. The parking pad is on the right and the cabin is up-slope. There is an Earth Flag (or maybe California Flag) above the parking pad.

The key is located in a lock box attached to the top of the front stairs. The combination is **3350**. The key is in a small compartment behind the front panel. Here are photos of the lock box and location:



Start-up and Shut-down Procedures

WHEN YOU ARRIVE:

1. Turn on the Water

The water supply is turned off, using a stop/waste valve, when the cabin is unoccupied to prevent any damage from frozen pipes and unattended leaks. The water will be OFF when you arrive and **MUST** be turned off when you leave.

The stop/waste valve is in the front of the house under the front porch. The access door is a small wooden door in about the center of the wall with a roof shingle on the ground in front of it. Open the door... the valve will have a wrench attached to it. It will be in the off (back/down) position. Pulling the wrench handle toward you (forward/up) as far as it will turn.



Please re-latch door and keep the wrench clamped to the valve.

2. Adjust setting for the furnace

The furnace will be on, but the thermostat is set to 41 degrees. The thermostat is located on the wall between the downstairs bathroom and kitchen. To turn up the heat press the right arrow button to desired temperature. When you leave please lower temperature to 41 degrees by pressing the left arrow button.

THINGS YOU WILL NEED TO SHUTDOWN:

1. Shut off the water supply

Shut off the main valve in the front under the porch by pushing the wrench handle (back/down) away from you as far as it will turn. It is completely off when the wrench is at about 90 degrees to the pipe. There is a waste component to the valve so a stream of water will come out near the valve while the water is draining from the pipes in the house.

2. Adjust the furnace thermostat

Please set the temperature to 41 degrees by pressing the left arrow button until 41 is visible on the screen.

3. Trash disposal

We now have curbside trash pick-up for both trash and recycle! Pick-up is early Monday morning. Please be certain to use the bungee lock to keep the animals from rummaging through the trash. Please do not leave any trash bags outside of the cans.

Summer Information

The mountains are a nice retreat when temperatures begin to soar in the valley. Temperatures at Sister Oaks are pretty consistently 20 degrees cooler than the valley floor, and so it can still be chilly in the evenings and early morning. Weather apps are somewhat unreliable since they don't have a gauge in Green Valley Lake area which is its own microclimate. That's also not to say it does not get warm at the cabin, the sun can be quite strong at that elevation, so please bring sunblock and hats if you plan to hike and always take plenty of water. Also, we have fans available to move the air around if necessary.

Beds, Bathrooms & Linens

All three bedrooms are upstairs. The master bedroom has a queen-sized bed and fireplace. The two smaller bedrooms have either a queen or full-sized bed. There are two bathrooms, one with a bathtub (upstairs) and the other with a shower (downstairs).

We ask that you bring your own bed linens and towels, as there are no laundry facilities at the cabin. However, in a pinch there are bed linens in each bedroom closet, and

there are towels under the bathroom sinks. At the end of the weekend you can either put them in the bathtub or in the duffle hamper hanging in the downstairs bathroom.

Kitchen & Food

The kitchen is equipped with necessary cookware, utensils and common spices. There is a very small general store in Green Valley Lake but you may wish to shop at Jensen's grocery store in Running Springs. If you do not stop on your way up, it's an easy enough drive (15 minutes) from the Cabin after you are settled. We have soups and other basic food available that you are welcome to help yourself to use. There is no dishwasher, so if you don't want to wash dishes you may want to use the paper paper/plastic products available. There is a microwave oven, coffee maker, espresso/cappuccino machine, French-press and teakettle.

Fireplace

You are welcome to build and enjoy a fire in the wood stove or fireplace upstairs. The wood stove is new and still being "seasoned" so we ask that fires are kept small until the real chill sets-in. Instructions are at the end of these instructions. In the upstairs fireplace the damper is usually closed so you will want to be sure it is open before starting the fire. Sometimes we have wood available but if you definitely want a fire, please bring firewood. Firewood is also available for sale at Jensen's in Running Springs and at the Green Valley Lake store in town. Please be sure the stove door and fireplace screen are closed when the fire is burning as the firewood gets very dry, so embers may pop.

Lights

In the Kitchen and eating area the lights are activated by a "twist" switch at the lowest point of the light fixture, they are both 3-way lights.

Each of the bedrooms has a light switch on the wall that controls a lamp in the room. (The light switch for the master bedroom is in the hallway outside of the door). Most rooms have both lamps and wall sconces. Some wall sconces have a ball switch on the cord of on the lamp itself like the hanging lights in the kitchen.

Telephone

We are working on reinstalling a landline at the cabin but it is not yet available. Cell service is pretty good for the major carriers.

Entertainment

There are 2 "smart" TVs, a DVD player, a CD player and a VCR. There is no broadcast reception but access to Netflix and Amazon Prime is via the smart tv button on the remote (it's the one that looks like a 3D box). There is some radio reception. Several board games are available in the living room armoire and help yourself to the books. If

you begin reading a book and wish take it home with you to finish, feel free. Please return it when you get a chance.

There is Wifi available. The name is SisterOaks and the password is airwaves. You can also use of the SisterOaks5G network listed using the same password.

There is an old ski slope area for “snow play” at the intersection of Falling Leaf Rd. and Angeles Dr. – about .5 miles from the cabin. We have some snow discs under the porch and several stores will have snow play items for sale.

Sister Oaks Journal

We hope each visitor finds their stay at Sister Oaks inspiring. We invite you to share some reflections about your stay in the cabin journal. Feel free to share inspirational thoughts, an enjoyable dining experience or a favorite hiking spot.

Parking

During the summer up to two vehicles may fit in the parking pad. During the winter only 1 vehicle will reliably fit in the parking pad. We will have the parking area cleared of snow before you arrive.

All vehicles that do not fit may be parked downtown and visitors shuttled to the cabin. Please do not park in the street, as it is a one-lane road.

Clean up

There are cleaning supplies and a vacuum cleaner in the closet under the stairs, across from the downstairs bathroom. Please be sure there are no food crumbs, it will attract the chipmunks into the house.

Smoking

Please, no smoking inside the cabin. There is an ash can on the front porch. Please flick all ash and dispose of cigarette butts in the ash can. There is always a high risk of fire in the forest, please be extremely cautious with all sources of fire.

Restaurants and Bars

Most restaurants in Green Valley Lake are closed at this time. We are not certain of the status of home delivery by restaurants in Running Springs.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or problems:

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