



Dream House Country Inn

Bristol Vermont

Circa 1832

Dear Guests,

Welcome to our home! It's a 165 year old restored farm house that has been an Inn since 2010. Please consider it your home away from home while you are here.

Please enjoy our grounds, porches, gazebo and picnic tables. There are lots places to sit and relax around the property. During the warmer months we have bicycles available and there are also snowshoes available in winter.

The farm across the street has hiking/snowshoe/cross country ski trails and permits our guests to enjoy them whenever they want. Ask us for details.

There quite a few restaurants both in town and within a 15 minute drive – let us know if you would like a recommendation or need a reservation.

If you are in need of assistance and we are not around please do one of the following:

- Ring the bell on the wall at the entrance to our kitchen. If we are home, we will answer.
- Call us at 802.453.2805
- Text us at 973.464.1600 or 973.464.1603
- We are available 24 hours a day in case of an emergency.
- In the event of a life threatening emergency call 911

We make every effort to assure that you enjoy your stay so please let us know if there is anything we can do to make it better.

Your Comfort and enjoyment is very important to us so, here are a few things to help you make the most of it.

Check-out is 11:00 Am

Breakfast is served between 8 and 9:30 Am and fresh coffee is available in the dining room at about 7:15 every morning. Please let us know what time you'd like breakfast.

- If you are departing before 8am, we are happy to prepare a bagged breakfast for you if you let us know before 7pm the night before.
- Our Kerurig pod machine is always available if you are an early riser or prefer decaf coffee.

Refreshments Coffee, tea, bottled water and various snacks are available 24-7. You'll find the refrigerated items in the guest fridge by the Kerurig machine and in the dining room. Please help yourself.

If you'd like to takeout lunch or dinner and eat it at the Inn, we prefer that you use our dining room to consume your meal, it's available for you to use whenever you like. There are plates, glasses and utensils in the dining room for you to use. During the nice weather, you're welcome to eat outside on our porches or picnic tables.

Wi-Fi -To Sign into the free Wi-Fi network

Select the DreamhouseAP network and enter the password **dreambig**

If you need to print something (directions, Airline boarding passes etc) please let us know and we can help you connect to our printer.

Cell phone service can be a little weak depending on your provider. It tends to be stronger toward the front of the house, outside nearby the house and on the porches. If your phone uses *WifiCalling* you can set it to access our wifi network. This will provide a great signal regardless of where you are. (we have detailed instructions in this guest book and the guest living room). Please let us know if you need help.

We care about our guests health and safety, therefore **smoking and vaping are not permitted** anywhere in the Inn. It is permitted on the property provided it doesn't disturb other guests.

Temperature Control If you are here during the seasons that require heat for your room, you can control the heat by adjusting the black knob at the bottom of the radiator in your room. Turn it counter-clockwise to increase heat and clockwise to decrease or turn off the heat.

In Room Amenities Each of our rooms features a Smart HDTV with DirectTV, giving you access to hundreds of movies and shows. If your television is not working properly, please let us know and we will help figure out the problem.

There is a device charger in every room which will quickly charge cell phones, iPads, tablets and cameras. We include an adapter cable that will work with most devices.

The upstairs hall closet has clothes irons and ironing boards, various cosmetics and extra towels and blankets. If you've forgotten something at home, check in there you may find it.

More.. There are games including chess and backgammon, jigsaw puzzles and books in the guest living room, please enjoy! **Vermont Made Products** - Also we offer locally made honey and maple products for sale and a substantial discount over what you'd pay in the shops in the area, please feel free to browse in the glass door cabinet.

Outdoor Activities You're welcome to enjoy Cornhole, Croquet and outdoor Giant Jenga. Our gazebo is also available for your daily **Yoga** or **Meditation**!

The pages that follow contain info about our town of Bristol, various eateries in town and within a 15 minute drive. If you have questions or would like a recommendation or need a reservation, let us know.

You'll also find a list of some of the things you can enjoy in central Vermont. We have maps and would be happy to answer any questions you might have about activities in north and central Vermont.

We hope you enjoy your stay at the DreamHouse Country Inn. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to make your visit to Vermont a memorable one.

Cordially,

Sue & Steve Alario
Innkeepers


Welcome to Bristol Vermont and the DreamHouse Country Inn!

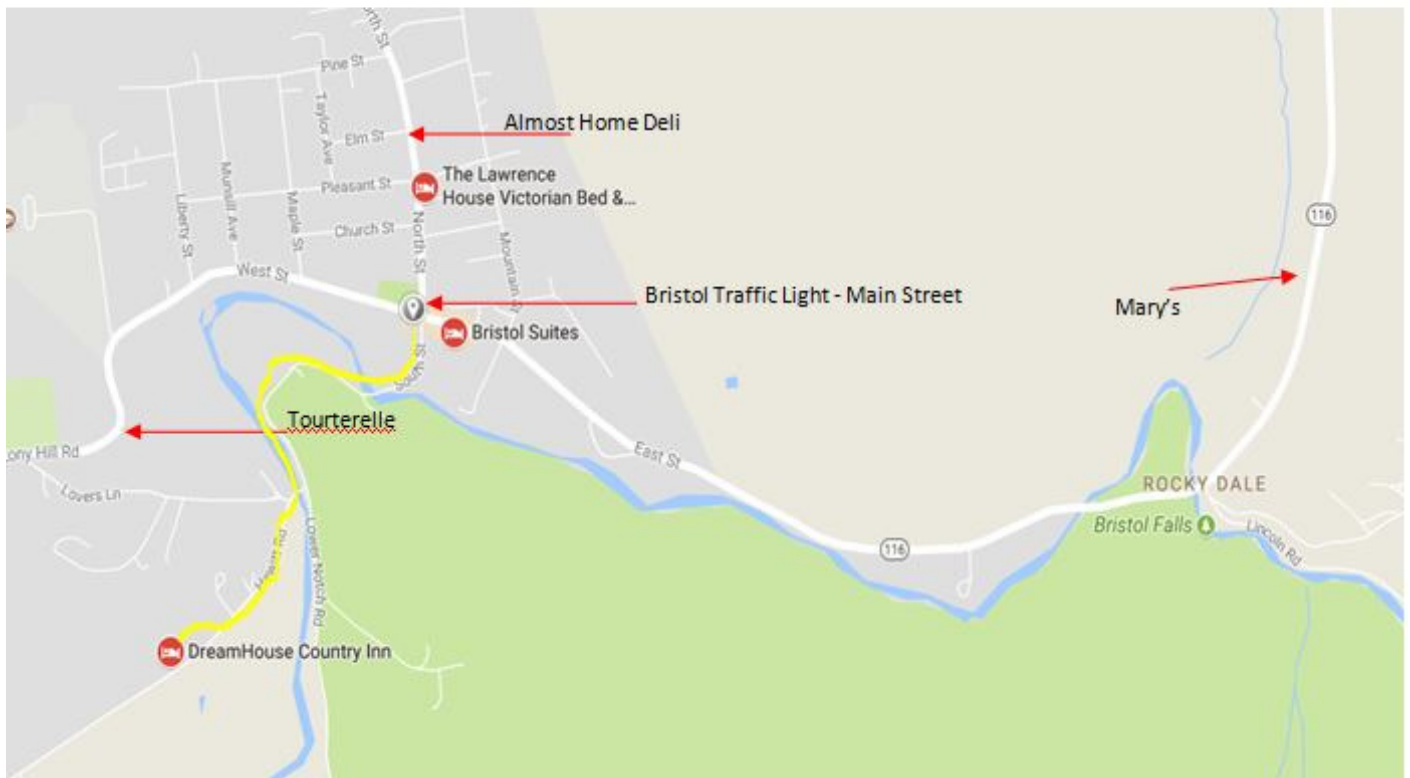
Directions from DreamHouse to Town of Bristol

- Turn left out of driveway
- Follow Hewitt Rd. over small bridge to dead end
- Turn left on to South St.
- Follow Street to traffic light in center of town



Contact Info: 802.453.2805 382 Hewitt Rd, Bristol Vermont

 Route from DreamHouse To Center of Bristol – Traffic Light



Shopping & Services Available in Bristol on Main Street

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| ❖ Groceries, Beer, Wine - Shaws Market – behind Main Street | ❖ Office Supplies - Kimbal Office Services |
| ❖ Pharmacy - RiteAid – Next to Shaws | ❖ Yoga – Yarn & Yoga |
| ❖ Florist - Scentsations Flowers & Gifts | ❖ Local Artists Gallery - Art on Main |
| ❖ 2 Convenience store with gasoline | ❖ Several other small shops |

Medical Emergencies - Porter Medical Express Care – Middlebury. 802.338.5678

Restaurants – Most of these offer dinner – some have limited hours/days open. For more info we have provided website address and a qr code which you can scan with phone or tablet to view their website.

In Bristol	Scan for Website
Almost Home Market – Great sandwiches and other goodies to eat in or to go. On North Street. Thru Traffic light 2 blocks. http://almosthomemarket.net/	
Cubbers – New York style pizza, traditional Italian dishes, and a selection of fresh salads & subs- On Main Street https://www.cubberspizza.com/	
Bristol Cliffs Café – Sandwiches, baked goods on Main street – Not open for dinner http://www.bristolcliffscafe.com/	
Snap's – - On Main – A Vermont style Diner. Comfort food with a twist for lunch or dinner http://www.snapsrestaurantvt.com/	
Bob Cat Café – Brew pub with eclectic menu with house brewed beers Located at main intersection of town – Very Good! http://www.bobcatcafe.com/	
Mary's - Good food - Farm to Table – Fresh food sourced from our own on-site farm as well as other small, local farms Route 116 East out of town about 10 minutes. http://www.baldwincreek.net/restaurant/#marys	
Hatch 31 – Pub on Main Street – Live music most Friday & Saturday Nights – Pub food http://hatch31.com/	
Porky's Backyard BBQ – BBQ on Route 7 in New Haven serving fresh smoked barbecue from locally raised livestock. https://www.porkysbbqvt.com/	
Tourterelle – 10 minutes from Bristol on Route 7 in New Haven – fusion of classic French dishes made with local Vermont products delivers distinctive flavors to the Champlain Valley. <i>We highly recommend!</i> https://www.tourterellevermont.com/tourterelle-restaurant/	

Restaurants In Vergennes- 10 Minutes from DreamHouse

	Scan for website
3 Squares Café - Inventive American dishes with a local focus are presented in a vintage dining room & patio. https://www.threesquarescafe.com/	
Vergennes Laundry by CK - White-walled cafe preparing espresso & French pastries as well as a seafood-focused dinner menu. http://vergenneslaundry.net/	
Park Squeeze – Local hangout – good food daily specials https://www.parksqueeze.com/	
Black Sheep Bistro - Hefty portions of farm-to-table fare (many with a French flavor) crafted in a romantic atmosphere https://www.blacksheepbistrovt.com/	
Hired Hand Brewing Company - Lunch, dinner, house-crafted brews and beer cocktails - Served Wednesday 3-9pm & Thursday-Sunday from 11:30am - 9pm http://www.hiredhandbrewing.com/	
Bar Antidote - Serving Farm-to-Table Comfort Food, Creative Cocktails and Local Craft Beers https://barantidote.com/	
Starry Night Café - I Specializing in locally-sourced, organic and seasonal Vermont products, the Starry Night Café invites you to experience our unique and intimate historic buildings, artisan-crafted decor and our fresh, inventive menu. Located in Ferrisburgh – 25 Minutes from DreamHouse – But worth the Drive! https://starrynightcafe.com/	


Directions to Vergennes: - turn right out of our driveway. Go to end of street.

Turn right on to Rte 116. Go to stop sign. Turn left onto Rte 17.

Follow Rte 17 to Rte 7. Turn right on to Rte 7 North. Follow Rte 7 for about 4 miles..

Look for sign to Vergennes Turn left. Follow road about 1 mile into downtown Vergennes

Restaurants In Middlebury – 15 Minutes from DreamHouse

	Scan for website
Fire & Ice - American bar & grill stuffed with old memorabilia & known for prime rib & its salad bar. https://www.fireandicerestaurant.com/	
American Flatbread - Lively choice for craft beer & inventive wood-fired pizzas loaded with organic, seasonal toppings. http://americanflatbread.com/restaurants/middlebury-vt/	
Sabai Sabai Thai - Authentic Thai cuisine and sushi in downtown Middlebury www.sabaisabaithai.com	
Mr Ups Restaurant & Pub - Unpretentious bar & grill supplying comfort fare, plenty of TVs tuned to sports & a riverside deck. Locals love it! https://www.misterupsvt.com/	
Notte – Neopolitan Pizza Bar. a casual eatery featuring delicious small plates, salads, worldly pastas and thin-crust pizzas https://www.nottevt.com/	
Otter Creek Bakery - Craft Bakery/Deli/Coffee Shop located in the ♥ of Downtown Middlebury since 1986. https://www.ottercreekbakery.com/	
The Arcadian - Modern Italian in Middlebury. Simple life + Simple food. https://www.thearcadianvt.com/ We recommend!	
Coriander - locally sourced foods and a great atmosphere. https://www.coriandermiddlebury.com/	
Two Brothers Tavern - Classic pub with a long draft list upstairs & a sleek lounge with bands, trivia & karaoke nights below. http://www.twobrotherstavern.com/	

Directions to Middlebury: Turn Right out of our driveway. Go to end of street.

Turn left on to Rte 116. Follow Rte 116 about 1 mile to fork in road. Bear right at fork on to River Road. Follow River Rd. past Lincoln Peak Winery to Rte 7. Turn left onto Rte 7. Follow Rte 7 into Middlebury (2 miles).

Wine Beer and Cider Tastings

Wineries Nearby

Lincoln Peak Winery – Route 7 in New Haven – 10 minutes from DreamHouse. Award winning wines. All grapes grown locally. <https://lincolnpeakvineyard.com/>

Shelburne Vinyard – 30 minutes north on Route 7 – Excellent wines great location – great pizza across the street too! <https://www.shelburnevineyard.com/>

Hard Cider Tasting

Woodchuck Hard Cider – Exchange street in Middlebury. Taste hard ciders made from a variety of apples, pears and other fruits. http://www.woodchuck.com/
Citizen Cider – Located in Burlington – 45 minutes from DreamHouse. The first hard cider made in Vermont – also offer a seasonal maple cider https://www.citizencider.com/
Boyers Orchard and Cider Mill – Monkton – 15 minutes from DreamHouse – ciders range from semi-dry, champagne style, bourbon barrel aged & sweet ice ciders. Large selection of apples in the fall. They also grow grapes and produce wine. Tastings are available for everything. http://boyersorchard.com/
Vermont Hard Cider – Middlebury – 15 minutes from DreamHouse – http://www.vtciderco.com/

Vermont Beer

Vermont has the largest number of Kraft breweries per capita of any state in the US, so providing info on each on will take several pages. Fortunately the Vermont Brewers Association has a great website that has details of 56 of Vermont's breweries.

<https://www.vermontbrewers.com/>

You can also download their app at the apple app store or google play.

If you're just looking for a local place to enjoy some great brews and perhaps a quick bite to eat, here are a few recommendations.

BobCat Café – Bristol – great beer and food

Otter Creek Brewery – Middlebury – tasty beer and good bbq – 15 minutes away

Hired Hand Brewery – Vergennes – cool place good beer and food - 15 minutes away

Fiddlehead Brewing Company – Shelburne – small tasting room – **Folino's** next door serves what may be the best *wood fired pizza* in Vermont – 30 mins away and worth the drive!

Attractions and Activities

So much to do and never enough time!

Bristol is located in the center of Addison County nestled between the beautiful, rolling farmland of the Champlain Valley and the western slopes of Green Mountains. This great location enables easy travel to all central Vermont has to offer.

Bristol is known as the “Gateway to the Green Mountains”. There are 4 routes (locally known as gaps) to take you from here into the heart and over the top of the Greens. You can drive them, some bike them or hike them. Any way you go over, you’ll see tons of great scenery including waterfalls, streams, awesome vistas and more.

A quintessential Vermont small town, Bristol is located on the New Haven River and for much of its history was a thriving factory town known for the Bristol Manufacturing Company aka Bristol coffin factory. At one time the factory employed over 1000 workers and produced various types of finished wood products including caskets. You can visit the site of the main factory on South Street just outside of town.

Summer Outdoor activity options are endless. Our rolling hills, lakes, rivers, numerous streams and The Green Mountains make this an ideal location for fly fishing, hiking, bicycling, motorcycling and all kinds of boating. Psst, we’ll even tell you where the best swimming holes are!

Late spring through the fall there are numerous farmers markets and up-pick apple orchards and berry farms. You can also visit local maple syrup producers during early spring to see how it’s done!

Central Vermont has an average winter temperature of about 22 degrees Fahrenheit, making it a great place to ski, snowshoe or sled - the perfect winter playground! We can get up to 120 inches of snowfall annually.

Twenty minutes from the DreamHouse, you’ll find the Middlebury College Snow Bowl, an excellent location for great family skiing offering terrain for all skill levels. Near there, is the Rykert Nordic Center where you’ll find over 35 miles of varied scenic trails for cross country skiers, snow shoers and snow bikers of all abilities. Rentals and lessons are available.

If you want the big mountains, Mad River Glen and Sugarbush, are about 30 minutes away.

Don’t forget about fall, our most popular time of the year. The fall colors just don’t get better than right here in Vermont.

There are several major attractions just a short drive away. Some of the favorites are the Shelburne Museum, Vermont Teddy Bear Company, Lake Champlain Chocolates, revolutionary war sites like Mount Independence or New York's Fort Ticonderoga, Lake Champlain, The Ben and Jerry's factory and Burlington's Church Street Marketplace - an uncovered outdoor pedestrian shopping and dining mall.

Here's a partial list of other attractions – ask us if you'd like more details or are looking for something special we haven't mentioned,.

UVM Morgan Horse Farm

World famous home of 60 registered Morgan horses operated by University of Vermont to perpetuate and improve Vermont's official state animal. Guided tours, video presentation May 1 through October 31, daily 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Admission: Adults \$3.50, teens \$2.00, twelve and under are free. 802-388-2011.

Lake Champlain Maritime Museum

A complete history and archaeological record of Lake Champlain with collections, a working forge, and a 54-foot replica of the Philadelphia Revolutionary War gunboat. Open daily 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., May through October. Located in Vergennes, VT 802-475-2022.

Vermont's Covered Bridges

Virtual Vermont Internet Magazine has what is believed to be the Web's only complete presentation of photographs and historical information on Vermont's Covered Bridges. Five of them are located right here in Addison County.

<http://www.virtualvermont.com/coveredbridges/index.html>

Geiger of Austria Fashion Outlet

Famous Geiger wool clothing for less. Located on Pond Lane just off Exchange Street, Middlebury. 802-388-3156.

Vermont Soap Company

Manufacturers of the world's finest hand-crafted natural bar soaps. Factory seconds and factory tours available. Usually open 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. 616 Exchange Street. 802-388-4302.

Prescott Galleries

Gallery for the original Lincoln, VT oil paintings and Fine Art Limited Edition Prints by landscape painter Reed Prescott. Gallery hours are May 1 to December 31. Tuesday, Friday and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. All other times by appointment by calling 802-453-4776. North of Middlebury off of 116.

The Vermont Folklife Center

Located on the roundabout in Middlebury. A fascinating place to discover and learn about the folk art and traditions of Vermont. Open Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. year round. Saturdays also from Memorial Day through October. 8 Main Street. 802-388-4964.

Chimney Point Historical Site

Early Native American campsites and French Colonial Settlement. Museum explores this heritage through to present day. Addison, VT. 802-759-2412.

Mount Independence

Revolutionary War fort site named for the Declaration of Independence. Remains of stockade, fort's foundation, block houses, gun batteries, and hospital. May 28 to October 10. Located in Orwell, VT. 802-948-2000

Rokeby Museum

Home of four generations of the Robinson Family, known for their sheep farm and boarding house but more importantly for being abolitionists. A major stop on the Underground Railroad. Open May through October, daily 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Just outside of Vergennes on Route 7 in Ferrisburgh. 802-877-3406.

Fort Ticonderoga Ferry

Enjoy a Lake Champlain boat ride, short cut between the Green Mountains and New York Adirondack mountains. Daylight operation. Continuous 6 minute crossings. Since 1787. Larrabee's Point, Shoreham, VT Route 74. 802-897-7999.

There are 3 other ferries that cross Lake Champlain and they are great for a sightseeing trip or as a way to get to I87 (Northway) to make your trip home.

Charlotte ferry - left off Route 7 follow signs

Downtown Burlington – follow signs

Plattsburgh ferry – North of Burlington near Grand Isle

Danforth Pewter

Pewter spinning is a traditional Vermont art. See it here Monday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. June through December. Located on Seymour Street in Middlebury. 802-388-0098.

Using Wifi Calling to Improve Cell Service

If your cell phone is not receiving a good signal in the house you can try using it outside on the front porch - that usually improves it.

Most newer phones both Android and iPhone have a wifi calling option which will improve your cell phone signal strength significantly while inside the Inn.

It's simple to turn on and will work automatically when you are in range of our wifi.

Steps to Activate

First go to settings on your phone and connect to our wifi.

In Settings: Connect to the network called dreamhouseAP

Once you are connected now activate **wifi calling**

- In Settings
 - Scroll down until you find **Phone**
 - Touch phone then scroll down till you find **Wi-Fi Calling**
 - Follow prompts to activate
 - You may be asked to confirm your address and phone number because of certain requirements for 911 services.
 - Say yes or accept to all questions.
 - When finished go back to your main settings page and toggle **Airplane Mode** on then off.
 - You'll see the word wi-fi on the top line of your phone to indicate wifi calling has been activated

If you need help getting it to work- just ask Us