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Thank you for choosing to stay with us! We are excited to welcome you to Cater Casa!

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# ABOUT THE HOUSE

We're so happy to host you and hope you feel right at home during your stay. This property holds a special place in our hearts. Originally owned by Ashley's dad, the home was lovingly renovated by Ashley and Andrew to create a space for their own family.

The fence in the backyard was built especially for our beloved dog, Onyx, and dreams of future children playing in the yard. This home is filled with special memories, hard work, and love. We hope you enjoy it as much as we do.

Whether you're here to explore the beauty of Northern Michigan or simply unwind, we want this to feel like your home away from home—a comfortable landing pad for all your adventures.

Thank you for staying here, and we hope your visit is as special as the space itself.

Warm regards,

Welcome home!

Ashley and Andrew - Cater Casa Super Hosts since 2021 |"Guest Favorite" on Airbnb

# OUR GUEST REVIEWS



What an awesome location and unit with everything you could want - a nice three-bedroom home with every amenity you could want including a great lower level that had a large entertainment center, sauna and games. The kitchen was great and the home is pet friendly both inside and out. The backyard is fenced in and allowed our dog to run without worrying about her leaving the premises. The host, Andrew, was very responsive, friendly and made it easy of us. The home is just a few minute drive from downtown Traverse City. We will definitely be back. Highly recommend.



Very clean! It was very comfortable at Cater Casa for me, my mom and grandma. It was so nice to have a fenced in back yard for our dog. We loved the sauna and all of the games to play when it rained! Andrew and Ashley responded immediately with any questions! Great people. Great house.



We had a great stay with Andrew and Ashley!
Their home was the perfect fit for our trip. It is convenient to downtown Traverse City, Mission Peninsula, and Sleeping Bear Dunes/the surrounding area. Andrew gave us a wonderful list of tips/favorites in the area - we loved everything we tried from the list. Huge thank you to Andrew and Ashley for hosting us!





## MEET YOUR HOSTS

We both grew up in Traverse City - it's also where we've chosen to return and raise our own family. We've got three kids (all born within 4 years of each other!) and two rescue dogs (an old, people-loving Bassett/Black Lab mix named Onyx and a little Sausage Dog named Geo). As a family, we cherish this city and all the exciting experiences that Northern Michigan has to offer, which is why we love sharing our local insights with guests to ensure they enjoy everything to the fullest.

Our greatest joy comes from making each guest feel at home, and nothing is more rewarding than welcoming back repeat visitors. Whether it's for relaxing, remote work, family events, or just for fun, thank you for trusting us with your valuable time away from home. Ashley and Andrew



# HOUSE GUIDE

- Spacious deck and backyard
- Entertainment Space/Game Room/Sauna
- Centrally located between Sleeping Bear and TC

#### PARKING DIRECTIONS

Please park in front of the garage. The driveway is a U-Shape easement (tempting to take), however, we only own the one side so please be courteous of the neighbors property and kindly stay on our half. The neighbor dogs may welcome you with a few barks as you pull up, but they are fenced and well-mannered after a minute.

#### TAP WATER

The house has well water and an in-house treatment system so the water is completely safe to drink.

#### HEATING / COOLING

The thermostat is located on the wall in the hallway between the living room and bedrooms on the main floor, allowing you to adjust the temperature for the entire house.

#### **INCLUDED SUPPLIES**

We provide two rolls of toilet paper per bathroom, as well as starter supplies for coffee, paper towels, spices, cooking spray, beach/sauna/shower towels, shampoo, conditioner, body wash, and more! If there is anything missing that you think should be there, please don't hesitate to reach out.









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#### PET FRIENDLY

We love our pets and know you do, too! We have a pet station with treats and food bowls. Please use the included towel to dry off pets on wet days and the doggie bags to pick up after them when they go outside.

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#### NO SMOKING

There is absolutely no smoking inside the house and if you do smoke outside, we ask that you dispose of butts properly and do not leave them behind.

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#### NO PARTIES

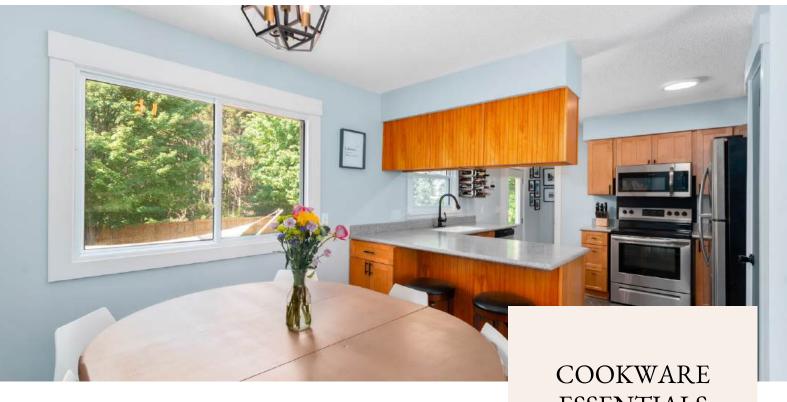
This home is made to bring family and friends together but please ensure that you adhere to the guest count entered into your reservation and respect the township quiet hours between 10pm and 8am.

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#### REPORT ANY DAMAGES

We know accidents happen. We would rather hear it from you before checkout so we can be prepared to fix or replace items during turnovers.

## THE KITCHEN



#### THINGS TO KNOW

We do our best to make sure that the house is stocked with all the basic cooking essentials. Whether you are needing some java to start your day of adventuring at the Dunes or staying in on a cozy winter night to make a feast for your family, we want to help make your experience as convenient as possible. If you notice there are any basic supplies that are missing, please let us know! We want this to be a place you can return over and over and over again so we are happy to keep it stocked the way you like it!

**ESSENTIALS** 

Pots and pans Microwave Toasters and ovens Crockpot Coffee machine Tea Kettle Coffee Grinder Dishwasher Blender Bowls and plates Cups and mugs Basic utensils Kid-Friendly Dishware **Grilling Supplies** Knives and cutting board Mixing Bowl Measuring Cup



## OTHER AREAS



#### **OFFICE SPACES**

There is a bright, airy workspace in the upstairs bedroom or a dedicated office space in the basement with a monitor if you need to focus. We provide options so you can be productive in the way that suits you best then take a break and experience Northern Michigan!



#### **BASEMENT**

The lower level of the house is a big hit for watching movies, playing shuffleboard, and relaxing in the sauna. Please feel free to utilize these amenities!



#### DECK AND BACKYARD

We have a grill, grilling supplies, camp chairs, a firepit, and lots of yard games. We want you to enjoy the great outdoors. If you need help finding anything, let us know! Please be sure to pick up after pets so future guests can wander carefree through the yard as well!



# CHECK IN CHECK OUT

#### CHECK IN: AFTER 4PM

You'll receive your unique entrance code on the morning of your arrival. Since it's self-check-in, you're welcome to arrive any time after 4pm at your convenience (whether it's 4pm on the dot, 11pm, or 2am the next morning). We don't require a specific time or walk through with us!

#### **CHECK OUT: BEFORE 10AM**

We try to make your getaway as stress-free as possible... so we don't have a huge departure checklist. We simply ask that you start the dishwasher with the dishes you've used and leave the house in good condition. You are welcome to leave linens as they lie and leave trash bags in their respective cans around the home.

We've gotten feedback that some people want a little more guidance (we're both first-born children - we get it). If you'd like, you are welcome to take the trash out to the cans outside the garage (though not necessary) or pile your towels in the bathtub (again, not required). We ask that you leave sheets on beds (you don't have to make them) so we can spot clean before washing.

Lastly, be sure to leave a five star review and book a future stay!





# TIPS FOR YOUR STAY

# 01

The lights in the backyard along the fence are set on a timer outside of the front door. Adjust the dial to set your preference - lights come on automatically at dusk and can be set to be on for a certain amount of time.

## 02

We recommend starting the sauna about 30 minutes before you intend to use it so it can get up to temperature.

# 03

Check out our add-on packages for decorations, special events, concierge services and more at TheCateredStays.com

Enjoy your stay!

#### **TELEVISIONS**

You are welcome to use the smart TVs on both levels. We provide Paramount+ but you are welcome to use any other streaming service with your own login. Please be sure to log yourself out, as we do not monitor this. (Many services allow you to logout remotely now).

#### **COFFEE MACHINE**

We have a Keurig Duo so you can have one cup or an entire pot. We provide:

- coffee grounds
- filters
- kcups
- coffee grinder
- french press
- milk frother
- stovetop tea kettle
- sugar
- sweetener
- creamer

#### WASHER AND DRYER

These are located in the unfinished portion of the basement. You are welcome to use the detergent and dryer sheets provided.

#### DISHWASHER

Please start dishwasher with used dishes from your stay before you leave. There are pods available in the pantry to the right of the fridge.



# APPLIANCES & ELECTRONICS



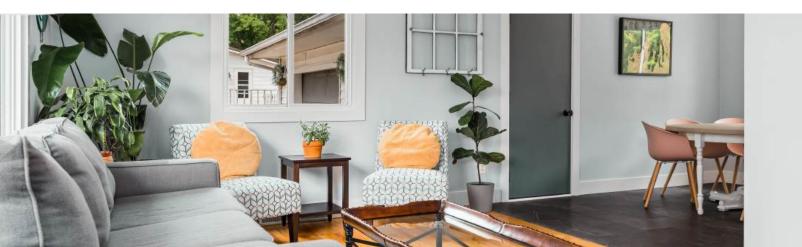
To help us keep the space clean, please use the designated trash cans throughout the house. If needed, you are welcome to take trash bags out to the black bin (green lid) that is located outside of the garage.





Recycling is encouraged. Please place paper, cardboard, plastic, and other recycling-friendly items in the green bin with the black lid.





## YOUR NEAREST



#### **GROCERIES**

- -Fresh Coast (Boutique Market): 7270 N Long Lake Rd
- -Meijer (Supermarket): 3955 US 31 S
- -Oleson's (Local Grocery Store): 3860 N Long Lake



#### **COFFEE SHOPS**

- -Fresh Coast Market: 7270 N Long Lake Rd
- -Red Door Coffee Shop: 19631 Maple St, Lake Ann
- -Aroma's: 10850 E Traverse Hwy



#### BAR AND RESTAURANTS

- -Boone's Long Lake Inn: 7208 Secor Rd
- -The Dojo (Weekday Sushi Take Out): 7738 N Long Lake Rd
- -Thatsa Pizza: 3860 N Long Lake Rd



#### **GAS STATIONS**

- -Long Lake Grocery (a little pricier but closest): 9352 N Long Lake
- -Speedway (towards TC): 704 W Front St
- -Grumpy's EZ Mart (toward Empire): 5101 E Traverse Hwy



#### DOG AND FAMILY-FRIENDLY TRAIL

Timbers Recreation Area (across the street): 7825 Timbers Trail





# EMERGENCY Information

In case of any sort of emergency during your stay, please contact the local officials immediately. *Emergency phone number: 911* 



EMERGENCY CONTACT

231-714-6584231-735-4421



MEDICAL EMERGENCY

Nearest Hospital is Munson Medical Center 1105 6th St, Traverse City, MI 49684



FIRE STATION STATION

Right around the corner at 8578 N Long Lake Rd, Traverse City, MI 49685

#### FIRST AID KIT

Located in the left-hand cupboard in the main floor's central bathroom.

#### FIRE EXTINGUISHER

Located under the kitchen sink and in the coat closet across from the front door.



#### TAXI/CHAUFFER SERVICES

Car Trek (Karaoke Cab): 231-620-2249

TC Wine Girl: 231-492-0048

Larger Groups:

Magic Shuttle Bus: 231-492-6144

WineandBeerTours.com: 231-499-2656

#### KAYAK/BOAT/WATERSPORTS RENTAL

Aussie Watersports: 231-932-1800 (aussiewatersports.com)

#### BICYCLE/SKI/SNOWSHOE RENTAL

Brick Wheels: 736 E Eighth St. (231-947-4274) (BrickWheels.com)



# Places TO SEE



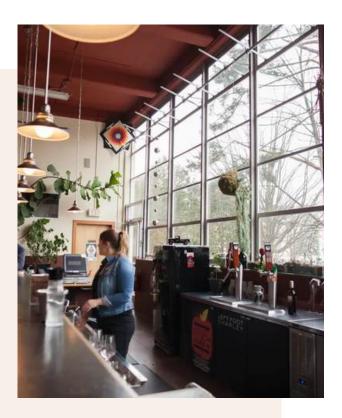
There are a few specific areas that really have our hearts. If you need some inspiration for where to go and what to do, look no further! We are also more than happy to help you customize these trips or brand new ones based on specific requests as well!



Whether it's summer, winter, family time, or a couple's retreat, there's a little bit of everything for everyone!

#### **GRAND TRAVERSE COMMONS**

The Village at Grand Traverse Commons
This is one of our favorite areas within
Traverse City. Created from the ruins of
the Historical Traverse City State Hospital,
this beautiful compound boasts delicious
restaurants, bakeries, local retailers,
coffee shops, a brewery, and a winery.
The buildings are stunning and the
history is haunting. You could easily
spend a half-day just wandering the
grounds. You can even sign up for a tour
to make the most of your time here and
learn everything you need to know!





# SOME OF OUR FAVORITE SPOTS WITHIN THE COMMONS:

- Red Spire Brunch
- Sugar 2 Salt Breakfast/Brunch
- Higher Grounds Coffee
- Spanglish (Lunch)
- Left Foot Charlie's Winery
- Pepenero (Fine Dining Reservations Strongly Recommended)

#### Activities:

- Historic Barns Park
- Botanic Gardens
- Fairy Garden
- Seasonal Farmers Market
- Bocce Ball at the Piazza

There are also tours available at: the villagetc.com/tour

# SLEEPING BEAR NATIONAL LAKESHORE

You absolutely cannot leave Northern Michigan without a visit to Sleeping Bear.

# SOME OF OUR FAVORITE SPOTS AROUND THE DUNES:

#### \*HIKING

- Empire Bluff Trail
- Pyramid Point
- Alligator Hill
- Dune Climb (great for families)

#### \*BEACHES

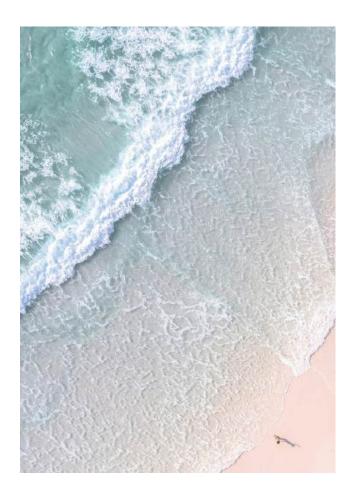
- Empire Beach (South Bar, has a playground, bonfire pits)
- North Bar Lake (two incredible beaches in one but quite a walk)

#### \*SIGHTSEEING

— Pierce Stocking Scenic Drive (an 8 mile driving loop with several stop offs for views. While all of it is beautiful, be sure to spend the most time at Lookout #9 - you'll get all the views without the hike)

#### \*NEARBY FOOD

- Cherry Republic Glen Arbor (snacks, samples, wine tasting, souvenirs, and ice cream)
- Boonedocks (big deck, live music)
- Art's Tavern (cash only)





WEST FRONT STREET, TRAVERSE CITY Obviously the downtown stretch of Traverse City has lots of local shops and restaurants. All of the dinner options downtown are fairly on par with one another. It will mostly just depend on food-type preferences.



# HERE ARE A FEW OF OUR FAVORITES:

- Towne Plaza (brunch)
- Red Ginger (Asian Fusion)
- Loco Boys (Tacos)
- Poppycock's (New American Fare)
- Slabtown Burgers (Stuffed Burgers)
- The Parlor or North Bar (Craft Cocktails)
- Little Fleet (Food Trucks)
- Peace, Love, and Little Donuts
- Cook's House (Fine Dining, Reservations far ahead of time recommended)

WINE TASTING TRAILS

#### LEELANAU PENINSULA WINE TRAIL

Leelanau is one of the two wine trails in TC. Some of our favorite stops for Leelanau wine tasting are:

- Shady Lane (best red wines in the area)
- Brengman Brothers
- L. Mawby and Little Big Wines (two wineries on one property!)
- Suttons Bay Ciders (okay, it's not a winery... but the views are STUNNING).

#### OLD MISSION PENINSULA WINE TRAIL

Old Mission is the second of the two wine trails in TC. Some of our favorite stops for Old Mission wine tasting are:

- Mari
- Bonobo
- Chateau Chantal
- Black Star Farms





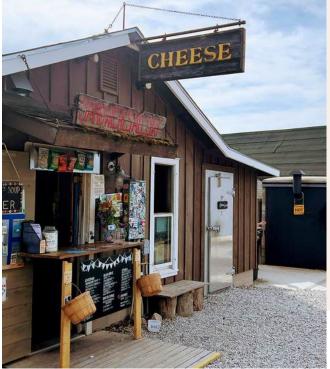
FISHTOWN (AKA LELAND)

This is the most adorable little fishing village. There are lots of little shops to wander through in between a tasty lunch and ice cream.

# SOME OF OUR FAVORITE SPOTS IN/AROUND LELAND:

- The Cove (Dining by the Dam)
- Trish's Dishes (Sandwiches)
- The Cheese Shanty (Sandwiches and cheese curds Go early as they close once sold out for the day)
- Harbor House (Ice cream and Souvenirs)
- Grand Traverse Distillery (Tasting Rooms)
- Van's Beach (Swimming, Stone Hunting).





# Things TO DO WITH KIDS

#### **MOOMERS**

The World-Famous Moomers is a fun place to get ice cream and admire the cow farm right outside. It's always a big hit for kids of all ages. The line may be long during the summer, but it moves pretty quickly so don't let that deter you!

#### HISTORIC BARNS PARK

Historic Barns Park and the Botanic Gardens are places we could spend an abundance of time. In this little area, there are masterful flower, butterfly, and Asian-inspired "secret" gardens, historic barns from the Old State Hospital, fairy gardens created by locals, trails into the woods that overlook the entire city, and a kid's garden with a couple fun activities. It's a great place for picnicking and exploring - and the best part is that it's completely free!

#### JACOB'S FARM

Jacob's Farm is a stunner for the summer and fall. With several play structures, lots of outdoor/flex seating, cocktails, cider, food, live music in the summer, corn mazes in the fall, it's a wonderful place that is fun for kids (and adults) of all ages!

# GLEN LAKE SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

Glen Lake Schools built a state-of-the-art accessible playground that is a blast for kids of all ages. During the summer months (when school is not in session), this is a great place to get some energy out. It's very large and has many different types of structures to keep kids interested for hours.







## **BEST RESTAURANTS**

#### **MODERN BIRD**

If you're looking for an excellent fine dining restaurant, Modern Bird is a wonderful option (reservation suggested). Every item on their menu is absolutely incredible.



#### MARY'S KITCHEN PORT

Locals are obsessed with Mary's Kitchen Port (to go only). They have the most incredible sandwiches which are wonderful for picnics or day trips. You can't do wrong with the gobbler!



#### GRAND TRAVERSE PIE COMPANY

If you're looking for a quick and affordable lunch that is unique to Traverse City, GT Pie Company is a must, with a menu similar to Panera Bread, but with a Traverse City twist. Don't skip out on their award winning pie!



#### **BUBBA'S**

If you're looking for a good burger downtown, Bubba's is the place to go. They boast fantastic burgers and equally good fries along with other menu items.



## **BEST WINERIES**



#### CHATEAU CHANTAL

This winery has been in business for over 30 years and has some of the most incredible views in all of Traverse City, overlooking BOTH bays. Enjoy a glass of wine indoors or on one of their two patios .

#### SHADY LANE CELLARS

The setting for this winery is absolutely stunning. Located on Leelanau Peninsula, this winery offers a variety of wines in their incredible tasting room and also offer tours of their vineyard.

#### **BONOBO**

Located on Old Mission Peninsula, Bonobo allows you to buy wine by the glass at the bar and enjoy beautiful outdoor seating as well as indoor seating options.

#### SUTTONS BAY CIDERS

If cider is more your speed, Northern Michigan has several great options, including Suttons Bay Ciders. With incredible views and beautiful tasting room, this is a must for cider lovers.

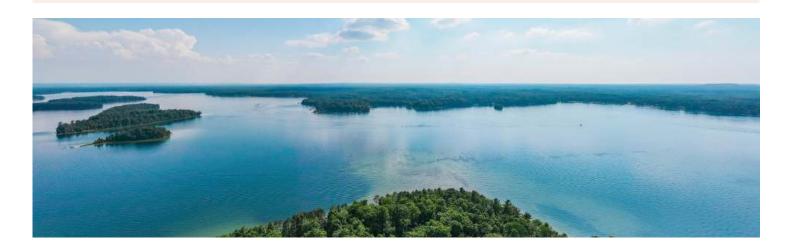


Stayed for a week and couldn't be happier. Was a great location for our trips to Sleeping Bear Dunes, the M22 drive and Traverse City area. Accommodations and amenities were just as described, and the fenced in yard was great for our dog to play and get her energy out.

Communication was also very fast and friendly when messaged. 10 out of 10.



Our family/dog had a great time at this property. Felt very comfortable. Clean kitchen. Nice mattresses. Great backyard for the dog. We spend most of our time in the finished basement. There was a great area in the basement to set up my computer to spent some time working during our stay. Kids had a great time with the shuffle and dart boards. Easy to let the dog outside due to it being a walkout basement. Definitely worth the stay.



#### **GET IN TOUCH WITH US!**

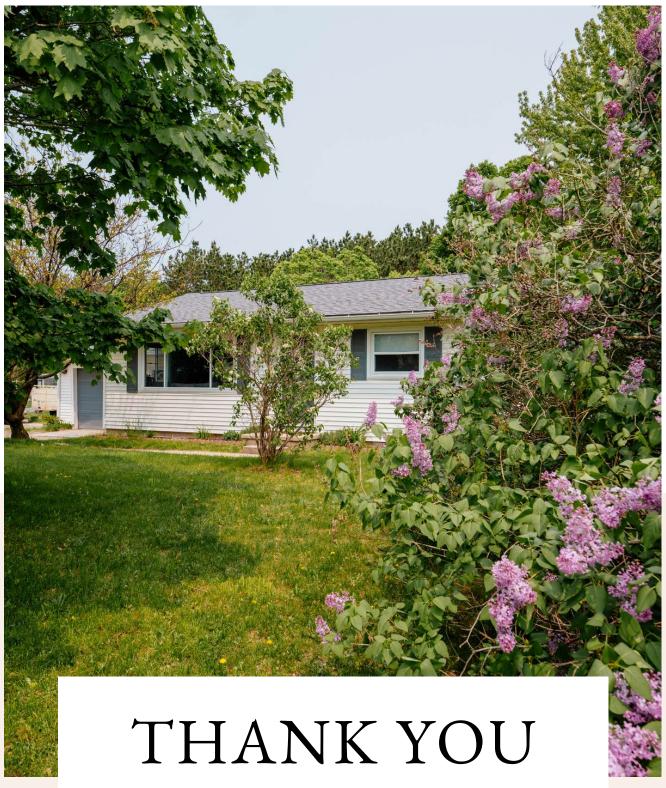
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## AFTER YOUR STAY

LEAVE A GOOGLE REVIEW



- ▼ TELL YOUR FRIENDS AND BOOK AGAIN
- VISIT US AT THECATEREDSTAYS.COM

# The Catered Club

We love hosting you at Catered Stays, and we'd love to welcome you back!

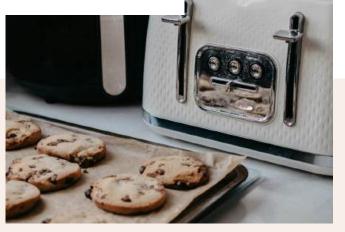
Whether it's a cozy weekend away or another celebration, we'll have everything catered to your needs once again.











Enjoy 20% off your next reservation at any CateredStays property when booked within 14 days

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