



Preserving Host Updates on Airbnb



This guide explains how Airbnb preserves Host data from API overrides.

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Overview

To prevent unintentional overwrites, we're introducing a feature to preserve listing updates made by Hosts through Airbnb's website or mobile app.

📌 How it works

Once a Host updates a listing on Airbnb, that attribute is locked from API updates. Any attempt to update it via API will not change the attribute's value. Instead, the API response will include a message indicating the field is locked. Locked attributes can still be read with GET APIs.

- From version `2024.06.30` onwards, you cannot read the value of locked attributes. An informational message will be shown in the API response.

Hosts can unlock attributes on Airbnb. Once unlocked, you can update them via the API as usual. Note, listing pricing and availability are not affected by this locking mechanism.

Lockable attributes

Editable attributes on Airbnb include:

Endpoint	Attribute
Listings API	name listing_nickname property_type_category

Endpoint	Attribute
	property_type_group amenities apt , street , city , state , zipcode , country_code lat , lng display_exact_location_to_guest listing_views directions check_in_option wifi_network , wifi_password house_manual check_out_tasks
Descriptions API	name summary space access interaction

Attempting to update a locked attribute will result in a successful request that doesn't persist changes. Here's a response example when updating a locked `listing_nickname` :

json

```
{
  "locked_attributes": [
    "listing.nickname"
  ]
}
```

You can view all locked attributes for an API-connected listing in the Partner Portal, under the listing's Overview tab.

Unlocking API updates

Hosts unlock attributes on the Airbnb website or mobile app by finding their listing, selecting preferences, and opting to manage from your app. This action unlocks all attributes simultaneously.

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