

How privileged we are to live in a beautiful Alpine Village and do what we can, albeit in a small way, to help the environment we live in.

In your suite you will see we have gas water-heating, heat pumps for hot and cold air, double glazed windows and the heaviest quality insulation bats. A wide verandah keeps the sun at bay in the hot summer months and its warming influence can be felt in winter.

We use Jeymar Natural Bathroom Products made in the Wairau Valley near Blenheim. All guests are given small soap tablets for one nights stay or a larger one for two or more nights. The soap dispensers, shampoo bottles and body wash foam bottles are refillable to minimise waste and the toilets are dual flush. We use Enviro toilet paper. Spare towels are available in the bathrooms as new ones are not necessarily provided each day. When possible, to save energy and water, all linen is line dried hence our towels are sometimes crispy and not fluffy.

All cleaning products used in the suites are organic, the rubbish bags are 100% biodegradable, we do appreciate our guests leaving behind any perishables, plastic, glass or paper for us to recycle.

Your sumptuous breakfast ingredients are locally sourced with the preserves and stewed fruit all home made. Any left overs go to our daughters free range chooks for your lovely yellow yoked eggs.

We love to see birdlife in the garden and have planted many shrubs with berries for them to feed on in Spring and Summer, however in our cold winters food is sparse. So we give the Bell Birds sugared water to drink and hang fat balls imbued with bird seed for the wax eyes.

We spot spray or manually lift weeds from the garden and use the clippings from the lawn as a thin mulch. We also use a chipper and compost bin for appropriate garden waste which is spread straight back onto the beds. To explore the village and wonderful forest tracks, we encourage all our guests to use our bikes, another effort in reducing our carbon neutral footprint.

Our endeavors might be slight comparative to the world we live in, but any effort wherever possible is what matters in helping New Zealands Clean Green Image and reducing the worlds Carbon Neutral Footprint.

Thank-you for staying with us and being a part of our Clean Green Enterprise.