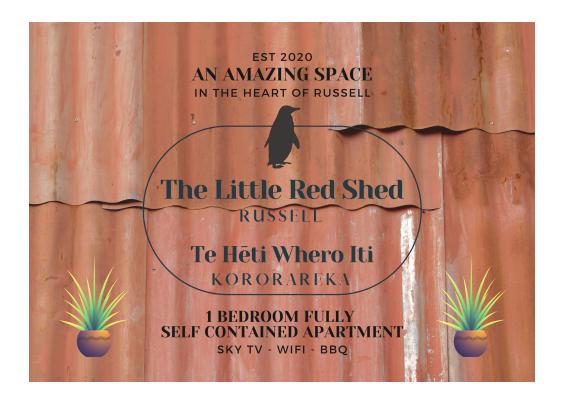
# WELCOME

To the true Kiwi shed experience in 'The Little Red Shed'



#### **ABOUT US**

We're stoked you have decided to stay with us, we hope you have an awesome experience whilst you're with us in Russell. There are plenty of great restaurants nearby, as well as loads of attractions to see whilst you are in Russell.

You will find a list of restaurants on page 2, plus details about our property in this manual. If you're here to go out in the Bay then you have come to the right place. It is a short 2 minute walk to the waterfront.

The shed is part of the historic property next door called 'Te Wharema' The White House circa 1840 where we live. She was formally owned by Rev Charles Baker, an Anglican missionary. Te Wharema contra to what most people think that it was a brothel, was a boarding house for children of the 'workers' in town during the whaling years. We have had many older people come and visit and tell us they stayed here as children. The Little Red Shed is one of the oldest remaining original sheds in New Zealand circa 1860. A lot of the corrugated iron on the outside is original. Nearly all of the materials used in the renovation are recycled from all over New Zealand

Hope this manual covers most of the bases. Now just kick back and relax. If you need anything please call Emma or Steve on 0272758881

## **SHED RULES**

We have a few rules which we'd like to let you know about. We know rules are boring, but we'd really appreciate if you could have a quick read.

- #1 Water, Our Most Precious Resource None of Russell is on a town water supply, therefore we collect rain water. Whilst this is all filtered and safe to drink, it can be in short supply and is fairly expensive so please have short showers, only wash a full load, turn the tap off whilst brushing your teeth, ensure the taps are turned off tight etc. Feel free to use the dishwasher when its full (Program 4) & washing machine when its a full load on the normal cycle.
- **#2 Please Be a Tidy Kiwi •** If you use any dishes during your stay or the BBQ, we would be grateful if you would clean them before check out. This would be of great help & helps us not charge a cleaning fee unlike most properties in the area. If you could also put your rubbish in the green bin outside the green side door and the recycling in the other bin we'd really appreciate it.
- **#3 Number of Guests •** Ensure total number of guests matches that on your booking. If you have more guests than you have booked for, you will not be covered under Insurance. This is bad for everyone! Please note that we also cannot accommodate animals.
- **#4 Lights & Heating •** We would really appreciate if you could turn off all lights, heating, fans & TVs when you leave the apartment each day, and on check out.
- **#5 Check Out is 10am •** If you do require a later check out please let us know in advance and we will try to accommodate you depending on other guests checking in. Please don't wash any of the towels or sheets as we send these off to a local supplier to save water. If you could leave the apartment the way you found it and put the key back in the lock box it'd be great.





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Russell, A true paradise in the Bay of Isands

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### SHED INFORMTION

**Entry** The key is located to the right of the green art deco side door through the white picket fence in a lockbox, please refer to your check in message for the code. We highly recommend keeping the key locked inside the lockbox during your stay so you don't accidentally lock yourself out or misplace the key.

**Parking** You are free to park your car along the street. There are no restrictions, its quite safe and there is usually plenty of space available. You can also park on the grass outside the shed or on the grass opposite.

Internet Free Wifi is included in your stay. The modem can be found in the
office in the front of the apartment. Network Name: The White House ●
Password: honeheke1

**Music & TV** There is a bluetooth speaker for your use. Connect to BC03. The TV in the lounge is a Smart TV and also has SKY TV connected. The bedroom TV is fitted with a chrome cast only (No arial) and can be used to stream your Netflix, spark sport etc.

**Kitchen** We have basic cooking utensils and equipment that you are free to use, but we would greatly appreciate if you could clean up prior to checking out. There's also condiments and cooking oil, coffee and tea.

**Laundry** While we do have a washing machine in the apartment please only use it for a full load of washing. If you need a dryer there is a laundromat located a short 1 minute walk away at Seaport Village opposite. Please note in Summer if water is at a premium all the laundries in town will close.

Amenities You will find an iron and board in the bedroom wardrobe. There is a hairdryer located in the bathroom under the sink, as well shampoo, conditioner, body wash & moisturiser. If you require anything else, please contact us. There is a 1st Aid Kit under the sink if you require it.

Games To help you enjoy your stay, we have provided you with some board games, feel free to use them but make sure to put all the pieces back in the box when you're done so nothing gets mixed up!

Museums • There is the Russell museum which is well worth a visit, along with Pompellier which is great to get more of a feel for the history of Russell reflecting our missionary background.

**Popular Tours** • While you are in the Bay you should check out the Russell Mini tour to give you a great guided tour of Russell. Guides will take you to all the popular spots and you will get some amazing photos on your journey. Don't miss going our in the Bay, its just spectacular. Explore NZ & Fullers do great trips. There is also the Tucker Thompson Tall Ship which is a great sailing experience along with a whole heap more. Go see Collette & co at The Russell Booking & Info Centre at the end of the wharf for great up to date advice and info.

**Cafe & Restaurant Recommendations** There are some lovely restaurants nearby which we recommend you check out. (Reservations are highly recommended)

#### Cafes

**Butterfish** - Waterfront Cafe, lunches & cabinet food. What a location. Sometimes open for dinner

York Street Cafe -Relaxed coffees, lunch & take aways

The Grazing Table - Home made Pies, Pizzas, Coffees & More. (New York Pepper Steak Pie is amazing)

**Pompellier Cafe** - Historic property cafe, great French pastries, lunches & coffees **Delish Coffee** - The best coffee & ice cream & very friendly service.

**Hell Hole** - Coffee & Bagels

Restaurants

The Duke of Marlborough Hotel - An icon of town, great spot to watch the sun set Hones - Relaxed Craft Beer & exceptional Pizzas. The friendliest staff in town

Gables - Waterfront Fine Dining

Tuktuk - Traditional Thai food

RSA - Returned Services Association - Bistro food & bar

Greens - Indian & Thai

The Swordfish Club - Bistro meals, good value & a great view

Seaside - Newest place in town

Omata - Vineyard with great views, platters & pizzas

Sage - Vineyard with fine dining. Highly recommend. They will pick you up in a minibus depending on demand

**Popular Areas** • Be sure to check out Long Beach, which is a popular hangout with a coffee from Carls coffee cart in the Summer or head over the hill to Tapeka for another safe beach with great rock fishing.

**Activities** • More popular activities in our area include sailing, fishing, parasailing and more

Shopping A few of our favourites

Max Kiwi - Waterfront apparel store

Bay of Islands Trading - Gallery, Art & gifts

**Groceries** • We have two popular grocery shops in our town both are Four Squares, one on the waterfront and a larger shop now on York Street is a short 2 minute stroll from your apartment.

**Markets** • Most Saturday there is a local craft market in front of Greens.

Taxis • We do now have a taxi in town. Call for details 021 396 398

**Hospital** / **Clinic** • In case of emergency dial 111. The closest hospitals are in Kawakawa and. Whangarei. They are located a 30 minute drive away from the apartment. For minor emergencies, there is the Russell Medical Centre located just down the road opposite the bowling green.

**Sirens** • All of our firefighters are volunteers in Russell therefore when there is a call out, you will hear a siren. This is nothing to worry about.