



WELCOME!

Dana and I are so glad that you are here, and we sincerely hope you enjoy your stay. We are here to help ensure your visit is the best it can be. Please do not hesitate to reach out to us if any needs should arise.

In addition to trail hiking, exploring, hot-tubbing, and fresh egg collecting from our chicken coops or just general overall being at ease; you can always venture off the grounds to explore some great nearby attractions. Some are listed in this book. We hope the information below will help bring enjoyment to your stay!

God's blessings to you and yours.

Steve & Dana



The Guest Information Book

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Contact Information

TC&B Cabin #1

766 Hickory Lane
Hilham, Tn 38568

TC&B Cabin #2

764 Hickory Lane
Hilham, Tn 38568

TC&B Contact Information

770 Hickory Lane
Hilham, Tn 38568
Steve's Cell: 615.944.4337
Dana's Cell: 615.238.4230

Directions to TC&B

- From the East: Nashville: Take I-40 E. to Cookeville
- From the West: Knoxville: Take I-40 W. to Nashville
- From the South: Access I-40
 - *Take exit #280- Route 56 North towards Baxter/Gainesboro*
 - *Head North onto Highway 56 to Gainesboro – approx. 17 miles*
 - *In Gainesboro, Take 53 North towards Celina*
 - *Travel approximately 12 miles. You will see a large sign on right that says "Welcome to Clay County"*
 - You will drive up and down a foot hill and then:
 - At bottom, turn right onto Dry Mill Creek Road: Travel SE for approximate 2.8 miles.
 - Turn right onto Turkey Town Road. Travel for approximately 2.8 miles
 - Just pass Turkey Town Church on the left
 - Road curves and gravel road (Hickory Lane) veers to right in curve.
 - Travel Hickory Lane for approximately 0.7 miles.
 - Turn right at 776 Hickory Lane at red gates and large 6' Rooster on right
- From the North (through Celina)

- Travel US 53 South
- Turn left onto Dry Mill Creek Road: Travel SE for approximate 2.8 miles.
- Turn right onto Turkey Town Road. Travel for approximately 2.8 miles
- Just pass Turkey Town Church on the left
 - Road curves and gravel road (Hickory Lane) veers to right in curve.
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Safety Items Per Cabins

1. Fire extinguisher
2. Multiple Smoke alarms
3. Carbon Monoxide alarm
4. First Aid kits
5. Be cautious when exploring. Remember, you are surrounded by woods and wildlife.
6. Highly recommend bug repellent when hiking during the non-frost months.

Cabin/Rental Rules

General

1. No kitchen scraps in sink drain; There is not a garbage disposal. The cabin uses a septic system.
1. No smoking anywhere inside cabins.
2. No candles, except during power outages, are to be used inside the cabin.
3. Do not leave trash outside uncovered (it will attract animals).
4. Please put all trash in trash bags. Do not put open trash in the outside trash can.
5. Quiet hours are defined between the hours of 10:00pm – 8:00am. Please be respectful of the area and keep outside noise to a minimum.
6. Outside visitors are not allowed during your stay at TC&B cabins or on the property without prior notice and approval by TC&B management. Outside visitors are defined as anyone who was not part the original guest count during the booking/reservation of your stay.

Offenses which results in immediate termination of stay

*****TAKE NOTE***** Failure to comply with the following cabin/rental rules will result in immediate termination of your reservation/stay and without refund.

- No shooting of weapons of any kind on property
- Illegal activity of any kind
- Repeated offenses to general rules listed

Right of Entry

TC&B management shall have the right to enter the premises (Cabins) by providing notice in accordance with the minimum State requirement for inspection, make necessary repairs, alterations or improvement, to supply services as agreed or for any reasonable purpose as deemed by TC&B management, to include any suspicions that an illegal activity is occurring.

Compliance with Law: The Tenant(S) agrees that during the term of the Agreement, to promptly comply with any present and future laws, ordinances, orders, rules, regulations, and requirements of the Federal , State, County, City and Municipal government or any of their departments, bureaus, boards, commissions and officials thereof with respect to the premises, or the use of or occupancy thereof, whether said compliance shall be ordered or directed to or against the Tenant(s).

To put it as simple as possible: If TC&B management suspects any guest(s) are performing any illegal activities on TC&B property, the authorities will immediately be called, and TC&B services will be immediately cancelled without refund.

Pet Information

Our cabins are pet free. No pets of any kind allowed except for Service Animals per the American with Disabilities Act.

If you have a service animal accompanying you during stay, as defined by the ADA, we gladly accept your service animal.

Emotional Support Animals do not qualify as service animals per the ADA and will not be allowed at TC&B.

If you have an ADA Service animal, please provide the following information prior to check-in:

- i. Is the service animal required because of a disability?
- ii. What work or task has the animal been trained to perform?

Payment, Security Deposits and Cancellations

Payments

1. Payment in full is required when you reserve your stay
2. Cash or credit cards accepted (Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover)

3. Your cabin can be reserved via:
 - a. AirBnB
 - b. VRBO / Home Away
 - c. Directly through Steve or Dana

Waiver of Liability

1. Acceptance of the Waiver of Liability is required at check-in and a printed copy in each cabin. **By staying in the cabin, you consent to this Waiver of Liability.** This waiver is also noted on AirBnb, VRBO/HomeAway and our website. A copy is in this document as well.

Cancellations

- 100% refund for cancellations more than 30 days before check-in date
- 50% refund for cancellations more than 14 days before check-in date
- 25% refund for cancellations more than 7 days before check-in date
- 0% refund for cancellations when notice is less than 7 days

** Cancellations must be made by 12:00 pm central time on the appropriate day

Check-In Instructions

- Dana and/or Steve will always attempt to meet you upon arrival. If we are unavailable, you will receive information via email or message as to the location of the key.
- The same house key operates all door locks for your cabin.
- Check-In time: 3pm
- Upon arrival please, text/email via AirBnb/VRBO or Dana's phone 615.238.4230.
- We provide a lockbox for each cabin (1 & 2) at the cabin for self-check-in. The lockbox requires a 4-digit code in order to open. Your cabin key will be inside. You will receive a Welcome email prior to your visit which will contain the 4-digit code to your lockbox.



Check-out Instructions (by 11am)

- Upon checkout, please ensure the following:
 - Turn off all lights, fireplace and TV
 - Place all dirty towels and washcloths in the bathtub / shower
 - Cover the hot tub
 - Close the umbrella
 - Cover the grill
 - Check the closet and furniture for any belongings you may have stored
 - Please do not make bed
 - Check refrigerator and kitchen cabinets for any food and/or drinks and dispose
 - Please ensure stove/oven is off
 - Gather all trash and place in outside trash can. Be sure lid is secure
 - Return key to lockbox and scramble numbers
 - *** Ensure you have log out of all TV streaming services, e.g., Netflix, Prime...etc

Continental Breakfast

- A Continental breakfast will be provided and waiting in your cabin.
- Typically includes, but not limited to:
 - Orange juice, Apple Juice, Coffee, Creamers, Oatmeal
 - Chips, Snacks, Candy
 - Fresh farm eggs
 - Fresh fruit when available
 - Homemade Blueberry Puff casserole

Fire Pit

- Use at your own risk.
- A private fire pit is provided with each cabin
- Please take note to the fire extinguisher location in the cabin prior to using the fire pit
- Children should not be allowed near fire pits unattended
- Never leave the fire unattended; the fire pit should always be supervised by an adult
- Keep your fire under control. Flames should not exceed 24" in height.
- Fire pits may be closed if burn bans are in place as determined by the Tennessee Department of Agriculture Division of Forestry
- Firewood is provided for your stay. Typically, we stock for your first evening. Additional firewood is located by the main building and is self-service. Firewood is for cabin fire pits only.
- A kindling splitter (tinder maker) is available at each cabin. Use this to start your fire easily. Using the provided 5-lb hammer, place a small log in the cylinder and whack it!
- Lighter and starter cubes are provided
 - Please use only one starter cube to ignite your fire

Trails

- Use at your own risk.
- TC&B sits on approximately 47 acres in a rural environment.
- Walking trails are located through-out the property.
- Please enjoy the trails but be mindful of your surroundings. Some parts of the trails are rugged and dangerous.
- Please be aware of wildlife, insects...etc. Not all are friendly.
- Trails will either connect or dead-end.
- **Please be aware of the Waiver of Liability at the end of this document. By staying in our cabins, you consent to this Waiver.**

Snakes in our area

Tennessee is home to 34 species of snakes, only 4 of which are venomous. In general, the best way to treat a snake is to leave it alone; walk away. Stay alert and understand that snakes can be anywhere during season (warm months). A snake will not bother you and will do all it can to get away from you if possible. Most bites occur because people try to handle them or accidentally step on them or get too close. It is important you pay attention to your surroundings when out and about on the TC&B trails or by your cabin.

In our area, there are two primary venomous snakes: *Copperheads and Timber Rattlesnake*

Copperhead



The copperhead is a thick, stout-bodied snake that is between 24" and 36" (61-90cm) long when mature. A record length is 52" (135cm.) Males are larger than females. Juvenile copperheads have a sulfur yellow tail. The body is typically the color of dead leaves of brown or orange and has chestnut brown cross-bands that are wide on the sides and narrow at the backbone. Most bands are connected though some will be unconnected. Sometimes the body has more grey

than brown or orange. The head is coppery-red and triangular, or heart-shaped, and is darker above the eye than below.

Copperhead bites are the most common of the venomous snake bites, probably due to its wide range. Sometimes the bite will be a “dry” bite, in which little or no venom is injected. Otherwise, left untreated, a venomous bite can be very damaging, and anyone bitten must seek medical treatment. Very few deaths occur as a result of copperhead strikes.

In most of its range the copperhead favors deciduous forest and mixed woodlands. They are often associated with rock outcroppings and ledges. Most of the time we see them in the gravel driveway or paths.

Timber Rattlesnake



Typical timber rattlesnakes measure anywhere from 36-58 inches (91-147 cm) in length with Klauber (1956) reporting the largest timber rattlesnake ever recorded to be 74 ½ inches (189.23 cm) collected near New Orleans, LA in the 1940's. Timber rattlesnakes are the 2nd largest venomous snake found in the eastern United States. Despite their size, they use cryptic coloration and concealment as their primary means of defense. Another distinguishing feature for the species is the rattle. These snakes will typically shed twice a year. One segment is added to the rattle after each shed.

Rattlesnakes are typically a docile species but will defend themselves if provoked. Timber rattlesnakes in Tennessee prefer remote, rocky, wooded slopes. Timber rattlesnakes tend to have an active season from mid-March to mid-October.

Plants that make you itchy

We are lucky enough here in TN to have five types of plants that make you itch. It's very beneficial to know these plants before you head out to the woods for a hike!

The most common plant-based skin irritations are from poison ivy, poison oak, poison sumac, Virginia creeper and trumpet vine. While many states only have some of these itchy plants, Tennessee has the great honor of being home to all of them. With some of these, the well-known rule "leaves of three, let them be" applies. Poison ivy and poison oak have three leaves, however poison sumac, Virginia creeper and trumpet vine have more than three leaves per stem. Ultimately the reactions to most of these plants are indistinguishable from one another, but it is important to know which plants to look out for.

What is Contact Dermatitis?

Contact dermatitis is the catch-all name for skin inflammation from an irritant. With poisonous plants, this usually results in a burning, red skin rash which may appear up to 2-5 days after exposure and can last for a week or more. A hallmark of contact dermatitis from plants is raised, blistered welts.

Poison Ivy

The most common of all the poisonous plants is poison ivy. Poison ivy always has three leaves. Often the middle leaf is the largest and sticks out the furthest. Poison ivy leaves are frequently described as "serrated" like a knife or "mitten-shaped." Be on the lookout for red stems, however not all poison ivy has a red stem. Poison ivy can grow as its own individual plant, as a bush or as a vine. Its color is bright green in the spring and summer; however, it can turn red in the fall. This stuff grows everywhere!

Poison Oak

Poison oak has leaves of three like poison ivy, however the leaves are shaped like an oak leaf. If you see what looks like little oak trees growing but do not see a big oak tree around, that's a big sign you have spotted some poison oak.

Poison Sumac

Poison sumac is the least common in our area. Poison sumac has many leaves (7-13 per stem), and it loves the water. It most often lives in boggy areas around streams and creeks. It is not vining – it looks more like a small tree or shrub.



Figure 1 Poison Ivy, Oak & Sumac

Virginia Creeper

Virginia creeper looks a lot like poison ivy, however it has five leaves rather than three. It is extremely common. Far fewer people have reactions to Virginia creeper, however it is important to be aware of its nature and that some have strong reactions to it. Reaction to Virginia creeper is most common after touching the sap of the vine (such as during the removal of the plant as opposed to just touching the leaf), and reactions are more severe when they contact an open sore or wound.



Figure 2 Virginia Creeper

Trumpet Vine

For all of you old-school Southerners, trumpet vine is also known as “Cow Itch” because when cows would encounter it, they would later be seen scratching at fence posts. While certainly the most beautiful of all of the itchy plants, trumpet vine causes a reaction in A LOT of the people who come into contact with it, so I’d advise against putting it in a vase. It usually grows in shady, neglected areas and has red-orange blooms that look like a trumpet. The flowers are much larger than red honeysuckle plants – they are usually about the length of your thumb.



Figure 3 Trumpet Vine

Home Treatment

Not all contact dermatitis requires a trip to the walk-in clinic. Initial treatment for contact dermatitis involves cleaning the area and home treatments. First, clean the skin as soon as possible using soap and water or, if available, rubbing alcohol or a degreasing soap (like dish soap). To reduce itching and blistering, apply topical treatments like calamine lotion, cold compresses, and hydrocortisone cream. Oatmeal baths are also helpful in relieving itching. Do not apply any lotions/topical treatment to open or blistered skin. Antihistamines such as Benadryl can also help relieve itching – speak to a medical professional before giving antihistamines to children.

Emergency Medical Needs

- Each cabin is equipped with a first aid kit.
- Do not wait for emergency to determine you plan. Please review now.
- Here are some local medical facilities:
 - Fast Paced Urgent Care Clinic
No Appointments Needed
817 West Main St
Livingston, Tn 38570
931-219-2091
<http://www.fastpaceurgentcare.com/livingston-tn/>

Your Cabin Operating Information

Cabin #1



This charming 2-person cabin is the perfect couple get-away. This is a one-level, one-bedroom, 1 bath (shower only)

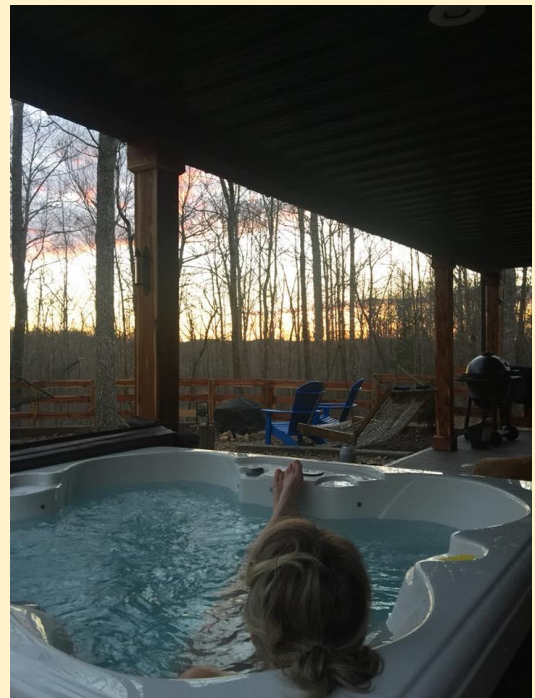


** More pictures at www.talleyscabins.com

Family Room

Television

- This TV is equipped with a Roku streaming device
- If you use any of the Roku apps with your log in information, please ensure you log off prior to exiting your stay
- Cable is not provided in this cabin



Games

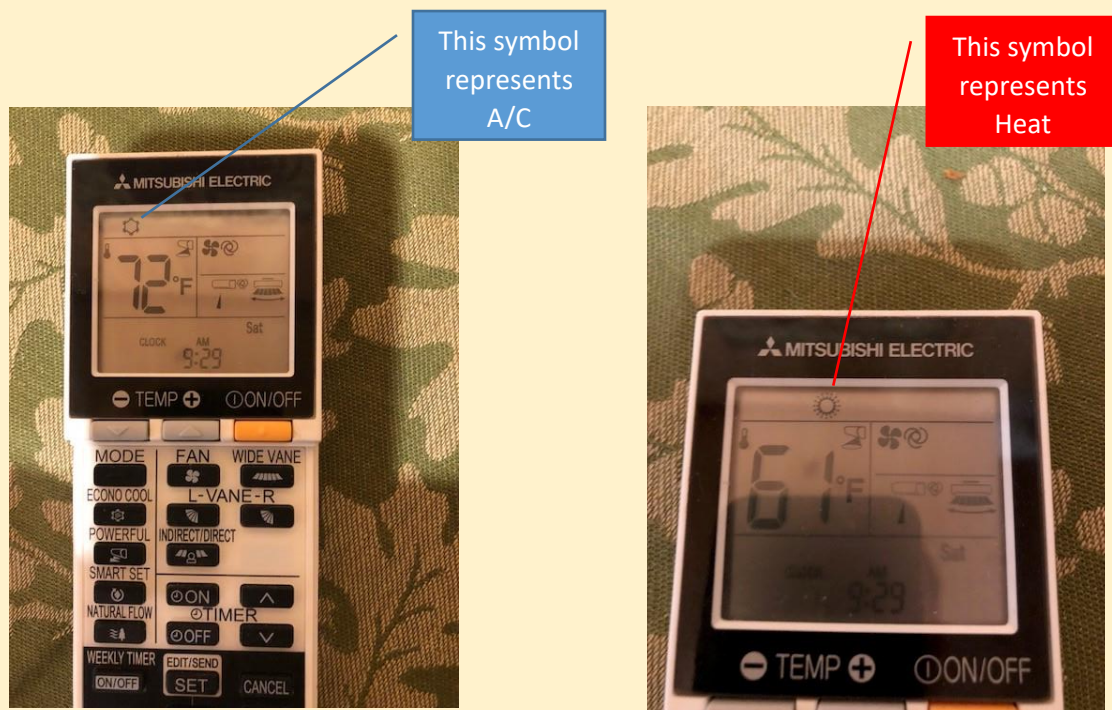
- Located in the TV Stand.
- Assorted board games, cards...etc

Lighting & Security System

- Ceiling fan and overhead lights are controlled by the light switch located by on center wall
- Security cameras are in the front of the building monitoring yard and driveway.

Central Heat/Air Conditioning

- Your cabin is supplied with a central air and heat
- The remote is located next to the hutch
- The bedroom has a portable A/C unit with its own remote
- Use the Minus and Plus sign on the remote to adjust temperature
- Use the Mode button to cycle through the options. Please only use A/C or Heat



WiFi

- Your cabin is provided with free Internet-WiFi: The WIFI password is located inside the tall kitchen cabinet closest to the front door. It is displayed on the backside of the cabinet door

Kitchen

- You cabin provides a fully equipped kitchen
- Coffee maker, utensils, steak knives, glasses, cups, plates, non-breakable dishes for outside dining, toaster, cookware, corkscrew, handheld mixer, waffle iron
- Dish soap, and kitchen linens are provided
- Compact microwave
- Compact 4-burner electric stove/oven
- Refrigerator / freezer
- *** Please note: There is not a garbage disposal

Laundry Room

- Full size washer and dryer
- Laundry pods and bleach are provided – Please do not eat our laundry pods.
- The breaker box is in the laundry room, but please call us if something is needed

Bathroom

- Towels, hand towels, and wash clothes provided
- Extra linens are stored in the bathroom closet
- Hand soap provided
- Toilet paper provided (it's really a must.... don't you think?)
- A tankless water heater is provided
- Water temperature is set to 120 degrees
- Hair dryer located under sink

Master Bedroom

- King size Temper-Pedic mattress
- Six standard pillows provided
- Quality sheets
- Extra blankets located in the bottom dresser drawer
- The clock has two USB ports for charging your devices

Outside

Hotub

- Use at your own risk
- This is a 2-person hot-tub
- Chlorine is used in this hot tub for sanitization at refill
- Temperature is set to 100-102 degrees and is adjustable on the control panel
- Please do not allow water level to fall below skimmer intake. Please contact Inn-keeper or fill with water from hose
- Water is drained, tub is cleaned, and filled with fresh water and chlorinated between each guest
- The hot-tub recycles automatically (comes on/off on its own)
- To use:
 - Press "Pump 1" to cycle water – slow
 - Press "Pump 1" again for full jets – fast
 - Do not press power-button b/c you will put the hot tub in economy mode and temp will drop. If you do, press the power-button again to return to normal mode
 - Press the light button to cycle through the light colors

BBQ Grill

- Use at your own risk
- Charcoal and starter-cubes provided and located by grill in the shed on back porch



Cabin #2

This cabin is a two-story, one-bath get-away. This cabin has two bedrooms, and one bath (tub and shower).



** More pictures at www.talleyscabins.com

Family Room

Television

- This TV is equipped with a Roku streaming device
- If you use any of the Roku apps with your log in information, please ensure you log off prior to exiting your stay
- Cable is not provided in this cabin

Games

- Located inside the antique dough box (table to the left of the TV)
- Assorted boards games, cards...etc
- Jumbo Jenga: Please play this on the rug or outside so when it falls it does not damage the hardwood floors. Yes, it will fall...but will it fall on your turn?

Lighting & Security System

- Ceiling fan and overhead lights are controlled by the light switch located by the front-door
- Security camera is located over the front door facing the driveway
- The woodstove light fixture is operated via a toggle switch on the cord

Fireplace

- Your cabins fireplace is a direct vent LP gas system
- The fireplace is remote controlled and self-starting. On the remote Press "on" one time to ignite. Press "Off" to discontinue.
- Although the fireplace could easily heat the entire cabin, its function is primarily for ambience.
- Please help us with cost: do not run fireplace and air conditioning at the same time

- Note: Fireplace is turned off from May to September

Central Heat/Air Conditioning

- Your cabin is supplied with central air and heat.
- The thermostat is located by stairs going up to the loft.

WiFi

- Your cabin is provided with free Internet-WiFi: The WIFI password is located inside the tall kitchen cabinet closest to the front door. It is displayed on the backside of the cabinet door

Kitchen

- Your cabin provides a fully equipped kitchen
- Coffee maker, utensils, steak knives, glasses, cups, plates, non-breakable dishes for outside dining, cookware, corkscrew, handheld mixer, dishwasher, toaster are included.
- Dish soap, dishwasher detergent, and kitchen linens are provided.
- Full size microwave
- Electric glass stovetop and oven
- Refrigerator / freezer
- *** Please note: There is not a garbage disposal

Laundry Room

- Stackable washer/dryer is provided
- Laundry cubes and bleach are provided. Please do not eat our laundry cubes.
- The breaker box is in the laundry room. Call us if something is needed here.

Back Bedroom

- Full size bed
- 4 Standard pillows
- Quality sheets
- Large closet is provided and stores some cabin supplies

Bathroom

- Towels, hand towels, and wash clothes provided
- Extra linens are stored under sink vanity
- Hand soap provided.
- Toilet paper provided (it's really a must, don't you think? It just helps everybody involved.)
- A tankless water heater is provided.
- Water temperature is set to 120 degrees.

- Hair dryer is located under sink.

Master Bedroom

- King size foam top mattress
- Six standard pillows provided
- Quality sheets
- Extra blankets located in the trunk at end of bed
- Light switch located at bottom and top of stairs.
- The clock has two USB ports for charging your devices.
- Please note the lantern style lights on each nightstand are operated via a toggle switch on the cord.

Outside

Hotub

- Use at your own risk.
- This is a 3-person hot-tub.
- Chlorine is used in this hot-tub for sanitization
- Temperature is set to 100 degrees and is adjustable on the control panel
- Please do not allow water level to fall below skimmer intake. Please contact Inn-keeper or fill with water from hose under deck
- Water is drained, tub is cleaned, filled with fresh water, and chlorinated between each guest
- The hot-tub recycles automatically (comes on/off on its own)
- To use:
 - Press “Pump 1” to cycle water – slow
 - Press “Pump 1” again for full jets – fast
 - Do not press power-button; doing so will put in economy mode and temp will drop
 - Press the light button to cycle through the light colors

BBQ Grill

- Use at your own risk.
- Charcoal and starter-cubes provided and located in back bedroom closet
- Lighter is in bottom kitchen drawer by stove or by starter-cubes

Things to Do!



Mitchell Creek Marina

The full-service marina makes it simple and comfortable for water enthusiasts at Mitchell Creek. There are more than 300 boat slips, a boat store, watercraft rental and accessory rentals and a first-class restaurant serving Southern favorites at lunch and dinner every day and breakfast on weekends.

The Boutique at Mitchell Creek is a specialty shop offering name brand clothing, decor, accessories and gifts with a surprising selection of quality merchandise. You can shop onsite or shop online.

<http://www.mitchellcreekmarina.com/>



**** Highly Recommended**

This is about a 35 minute drive.



Dale Hollow Lake

Dale Hollow Lake was recently named #1 in the “Top Ten Best Houseboating Lakes in North America” list by Pick A Slip. From fishing (6 of the top 10 world record smallmouth bass, according to Bassmaster, have been caught in Dale Hollow Lake) to floating to skiing to golfing, Dale Hollow Lake offers activities that are sure to please everyone. <http://www.dalehollow.com>



**** Highly Recommended**



Standing Stone State Park

Located in Standing Stone State Forest on the Cumberland Plateau. The park takes its name from the Standing Stone, a 12 foot tall rock standing upright on a sandstone ledge, which was supposedly used as a boundary line between two Indian nations. When the rock fell, the Indians placed a portion of it

upon an improvised monument to preserve it. The stone is still preserved in nearby Monterey, Tenn. This park has basketball, tennis courts and a swimming pool.

This is about a 20 minute drive.

<http://tnstateparks.com/parks/about/standing-stone>



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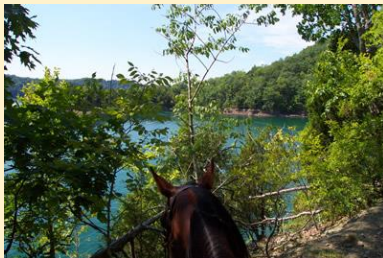
Cummins Falls State Park

An idyllic, but rugged, 211-acre day-use park located nine miles north of Cookeville on the Blackburn Fork State Scenic River on the Eastern Highland Rim. Located in the Cordell Hull Watershed, the area has been a scenic spot and swimming hole for local residents of Jackson and Putnam counties for more than 100 years. Cummins Falls is Tennessee's eighth largest waterfall in volume of water and is 75 feet high. <http://tnstateparks.com/parks/about/cummins-falls>

This is about a 35 minute drive.



**** Highly Recommended**



Red Oak Ridge

Located 8 miles north of Celina, TN off highway 53, hosts 18 miles of beautiful and scenic trails developed for horseback riding and hiking.

Dana and I haven't been here yet, but it's on our list!

This is about a 30-minute drive.



Mammoth Cave National Park

From the beginning, underground explorers doubted that they would ever find the end of Kentucky's Mammoth Cave. Currently measuring 350 miles long and 379 feet deep, Mammoth Cave is known as the longest cave in the world. Geologists estimate that there could be as many as 600 miles of yet undiscovered passageways.

This is a little farther out then the others from TC&B but worth the drive. Located in Cave City, KY the drive is about 1 hour 45 minutes. However, it's a great day trip that offers all kinds of things to do!

Check them out at: <http://www.cavecity.com/index.html>



**** Highly Recommended**

Other spots our guests have visited!

- Country Wood Accents: www.countrywoodaccents.com
- Grey Wolf Ranch- Horseback Riding: www.greywolfranchtn.com
- Sutton Store: www.granvilletn.com
- Nashville Musicians Hall of Fame: www.musicianshalloffame.com
- Cumberland County Playhouse: www.ccplayhouse.com
- The Doll House Museum in Cookeville, Tn 931.252.2755
- Upper Cumberland Quilt Festival: www.quilt-festival.com
- Dale Hollow Lake: www.dalehollowlake.org
- River's Edge Outdoor (kayak excursions): www.kayaktheobey.com
- Upper Cumberland Tourism Association: <http://uppercumberland.org/>
- Water-loo Waterfall: <http://www.waterfall-picture-guide.com/waterloo-falls.html>
- Virgins Falls in Sparta: <https://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/tennessee/virgin-falls-trail>

Towns / Restaurants / Grocery Store

Antiquing / Small Town Country Charm



If your passion is charm on the country style, check out the nearby quaint small country towns:

- Hilham (the smallest of small)
- Celina (the 2nd smallest)
- Gainesboro (a tad larger)
- Livingston (bigger, with some franchise stores)
- Cookeville (standard city and commerce)



Hilham, TN

Hilham is an [unincorporated community](#) in [Overton County, Tennessee](#). The community is situated around the junction of [Tennessee State Route 136](#) (which runs north-to-south) and [Tennessee State Route 85](#) (which runs east-to-west). Although not a census-designated place, Hilham is part of a [Zip Code Tabulation Area](#) (38568) that covers most of rural northwest Overton County and part of northeast [Jackson County](#). As of the 2000 census, the population of this entire area was less than 2000.^[2]

Hilham was established in 1797 by [Dartmouth](#) graduate Moses Fisk (1759-1840), who believed the site was the [geographic center of the United States](#) (at the time, the [Mississippi River](#) was still the nation's western boundary). Fisk platted Hilham so that roads radiated out from the center of the community to the north, south, east and west, believing that Hilham would eventually be the ultimate crossroads of the new nation. In 1806, Fisk established one of the first female academies in the southeast at Hilham.^{[3][4]}

The 11,000-acre (45 km²) [Standing Stone State Park and Forest](#) is located 5 miles (8.0 km) north of Hilham along TN-136.

Celina, Tn

Celina was founded in the 19th century and named after the daughter of local pioneer entrepreneur and educator, Moses Fisk. In the late 19th century, Celina prospered as a logging town, receiving logs that had been cut in the forests to the east and floated down the Obey River.

- Turn LEFT onto Hickory Lane from the cabin and travel 0.7 miles
- Turn LEFT onto Turkey Town Road
- Travel 2.8 miles until you intersect with Dry Mill Creek Road at Stop sign
- Turn LEFT onto Dry Mill Creek Road. Travel 2.8 miles until you intersect with Hwy 53.
- Turn RIGHT and travel 5.7 miles to blinking light intersection in Celina.
- Turn LEFT onto Hwy 52 also known as Brown St.
- Travel .6 miles to 4 way stop sign.
- The square of Celina will be toward your left

**** Celina is about a 25-minute drive from TC&B.**



Scott's Bestway Grocery Store

- This is the closet full grocery store to TC&B
- Wonderful country folks who put your groceries in your car!
- Follow the directions above to Celina, TN
- At 4-way stop sign, turn right onto East Lake Av
- Travel .7 miles to Scott's Bestway on the right



Brenda's Country Cooking

The name says it all. Good home-style cooking.

4703 Clay County Highway
Moss, Tennessee 38575
Phone: 931-258-3929



Celina Movies & Pizza

5270 Burkesville Highway
Celina, Tennessee 38551
Phone: 931-243-7492



Dale Hollow 1 Stop BBQ

5774 Burkesville Highway
Celina, Tennessee 38551
Phone: 931-243-4445



Doris' Diner

711 Brown Street Celina, Tennessee 38551
Phone: 931-243-6868



Gone Country Cafe

302 Dow Avenue
Celina, Tennessee 38551
Phone: 931-243-6302



Los Primos

Mexican Restaurant
820 E. Lake Ave
Celina, Tennessee 38551
Phone: 931-243-4670



Ollie's Place

710 East Lake Avenue
Celina, Tennessee 38551
Phone: 931-243-6363

TC&B: We love Ollie's. Good home cookn'.

Dana loves their chocolate gravy and fried potatoes!

Home of the Elephant Burger

Other items in Celina: Subway, DQ, Family Dollar, Churches, Dollar General, Copland's Hardware, Hair Salon, Copeland's Garage (oil change, tires) and antique stores on the square.

Livingston, TN

Livingston was named after [Edward Livingston](#) (1764–1836), who served as [Secretary of State](#) under [President Andrew Jackson](#). In 1833, in a close and controversial election, the residents of Overton County voted to move the county seat from the town of Monroe to Livingston.



Steel Coop: <https://steel-coop.com/>



Wayne's Restaurant: <https://www.facebook.com/waynesgrilllivingston/>

** Livingston is about a 20-minute drive from TC&B.

Gainesboro, TN

The Gainesboro vicinity was a popular destination for [long hunters](#) as early as the 1770s, as natural salt licks drew rich game to the area. In the 1790s, [Avery's Trace](#) passed nearby, with travelers along the road lodging at [Fort Blount](#) about 10 miles to the west. Gainesboro was named after [General Edmund Pendleton Gaines](#) (1777–1849). It has been the seat of Jackson County since 1820¹

- Turn LEFT onto Hickory Lane from the cabin and travel 0.7 miles
- Turn LEFT onto Turkey Town Road
- Travel 2.8 miles until you intersect with Dry Mill Creek Road at Stop sign
- Turn LEFT onto Dry Mill Creek Road. Travel 2.8 miles until you intersect with Hwy 53.
- Turn LEFT onto Hwy 53 and follow to Gainesboro



Bull & Thistle Restaurant <https://www.bullandthistle.com/>

** Gainesboro is about a 25-minute drive from TC&B.

Cookeville, TN

Cookeville is a city in [Putnam County, Tennessee, United States](#). Its population at the 2010 census was 30,435.^[5] It is the [county seat](#) of [Putnam County](#) and home to [Tennessee Technological University](#). It is recognized as one of the country's [micropolitan areas](#), smaller cities which nevertheless function as significant economic hubs. Of the twenty micropolitan areas in Tennessee, Cookeville is the largest; the Cookeville micropolitan area's 2010 Census population was 106,042

- Turn LEFT onto Hickory Lane from the cabin and travel 0.7 miles
- Turn RIGHT onto Turkey Town Road: Travel
- Turn LEFT onto TN-85: Travel to flashing yellow light in Hilham
- Turn RIGHT onto Standing Stone Highway
- Follow into Cookeville and enjoy the beautiful country side along the way

** Cookeville is about a 45-minute drive from TC&B.



Crawdaddy's West Side Grill

A local hotspot, Crawdaddy's is "like a slice of New Orleans right in the middle of Cookeville," as their website describes. They offer lunch, dinner and a delicious brunch on Sunday mornings. Many of their entrees are Cajun-Inspired, but they don't limit themselves to just that. Their menu offers a wide variety of choices! Some of their more popular items include appetizers such as their Gator Bites, Pesto Goat Cheese and Bayou Shrimp Dip. Some of their most popular entrees include the Carpetbagger Filet, the French Cut Pork Chop and the Pesto Grilled Chicken.

Check out their website [here](#).



** Highly Recommended



Father Tom's Pub

Father Tom's is a local secret located on the West Side of Cookeville's town square. They have a limited menu, offering your classic pub food with new age grub as their website advertises. They also offer a wide variety of [beer on tap](#) that is often from locally-owned or smaller breweries. They are known for hosting various events throughout the year including beer and wine tastings.

Check out their website [here](#).



Mauricio's Italian Restaurant

Mauricio's is a more upscale Italian Restaurant also located on Cookeville's West Side. They offer traditional Italian cuisine, old music from the '40s and '50s, and a great atmosphere. The restaurant is located within an old house that was built in 1910 and features several dining rooms with fireplaces and an outdoor patio. Visit their website [here](#).



**** Highly Recommended**



Seven Senses Food & Cheer

Another unique restaurant that you will not find in any other city is Seven Sense. They offer a Southern American restaurant style food and they were named "for its ability to take you beyond the norm and out of the box, to new boundaries you've not sensed before." They serve lunch and dinner and have different happy hour specials throughout the week. On Wednesday nights, starting at 7:30 p.m. they offer a TTU Pride Night with a variety of discounted beers, wines, and food for college students, faculty, and staff with a valid TTU ID!

Visit their website [here](#) to see their discounts, menus, and more!



Spankie's

Spankie's is an old college favorite. It's located practically on Tennessee Tech's campus, right across from campus housing. They are a locally owned restaurant striving to be different from your average cookie-cutter chain. They pride themselves on affordable college food and their most popular items include the Chicken Spankies and the Grouper Dianne. They also offer wide variety of entertainment which includes acoustic solo acts on Tuesdays and Thursday nights and band acts on the weekends.

The live music also makes it a great place to go hangout with friends. You can check out their website [here](#) for more information.



The Back Room Bistro

This bistro style restaurant features the freshest, highest quality locally grown. They pride themselves on using local farmers to produce their menu items and use organic products whenever it is possible. Their menu offers a wide variety of sandwiches and salads,

while also featuring several quiches and soups. They also have daily and seasonal specials that vary from time to time.

Check out their website [here](#) to see their menus and learn more about what all they do to help local farmers!

** The above information extracted from www.theodysseyonline.com Author: Kate Moffitt

Insects in the Upper Cumberland

Everybody loves ladybugs, right? There so cute, harmless and just so fascinating to watch. Well, unless you are in the cabin rental business and reside in the Upper Cumberland area. You see, around late October to November, ladybugs/ Asian Lady Beetles start looking for a place to hibernate for the winter. Some of you might recall from your grade school biology that the ladybug is a “good” bug because it eats aphids and scale insects. Its current use in the National Park illustrates its “good” bug status.

Unfortunately, ladybugs & stink bugs have no sense of boundary, and the Upper Cumberland and TC&B area is occasionally hosting to a vast population of them. They do not enter indoors on purpose, but accidentally, its nature.

The ladybug/stink bug is attracted to warm, sunny surfaces such as the sides and roofs of buildings, and they accidentally enter inside tiny cracks and window runners to start their hibernation. The ladybug is a small reddish or greenish bug, with a smooth surface and black spots. They do not harm humans, nor do they post a health or food threat. Lady bugs/stink bugs are common around Nov-Dec.

During the summer months you might come across scorpions. Yes, believe it or not Tn has scorpions. Scorpions are mostly found in higher elevations like the Smoky Mountains and Plateau, however, they can be found in the valley from time to time and here at TC&B. Again, we spray often to keep the pest away, but sometimes one will slip in.

Our cabins have been methodically sealed. We have gone to great lengths and efforts to seal as many cracks and crevices as possible to keep these critters out. However, even with all this, during the ladybug season, it is not uncommon to have a handful that have found their way into the cabin over a few days of stay. The best way to deal with this is the use of the handheld vacuum supplied in the cabin.

If you encounter the march of the ladybug/stinkbug during your stay, please give us a call and we will assist you to best of our ability. We want your stay to be as enjoyable as possible.

TC&B ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

******TAKE NOTE**** By staying in our cabins, you / guest agree to this Waiver of Liability**

The guest(s) does (do) hereby acknowledge that he/she/they are staying at a camping facility and that certain dangers are inherent to camping and hiking activities. The guest(s) acknowledge(s) that the property contains rustic cabins and that grills, open fire pits, hot tubs, and other amenities that are available for the use and convenience of the guest(s). The guest(s) must comply with all posted rules regarding the use of the property and its amenities. The guest(s) shall exercise care and caution around grills, open fire pits, and the hot tubs, and shall not allow minor children to use same except under adult supervision. The use of the grills, open fire pits, hot tubs and other amenities is at the sole risk of the guest(s), and Talley's C&B, Inc. (herein "TC&B") shall bear no liability for any injury or damage to person or property occurring on or arising from a guest(s)'s use of the grills, open fire pits, hot tubs, or other amenities.

The guest(s) also acknowledge(s) that the property contains many acres and hiking trails. The property is meant to afford a natural experience to the guest(s) and, as such, is kept in natural condition. While on the property (including in the camping area or even the cabins) a guest may encounter wildlife such as snakes or other dangerous animals or insects; and a guest may encounter land conditions that are unsafe to traverse or hike. The use of the hiking trails and all of the property is at the sole risk of the guest(s), and TC&B shall bear no liability for any injury or damage to person or property occurring on or arising from a guest(s)'s use of the property and hiking trails. The guest(s) shall exercise care and diligence in the use of the property and hiking trails and shall comply with any posted rules or advisories related thereto.

The guest(s) acknowledges that he/she/they desire to utilize the property, hiking trails, cabins and other amenities at TC&B and that he/she/they will exercise care in such use. The guest(s) further acknowledge that he/she/they have no medical condition that would preclude their use of the property or exacerbate such condition by the use of the property.

The guest(s) does (do) hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless TC&B, its employees, and its agents from any liability for any injury or harm to the guest(s) or damage to personal property that may occur while the guest(s) is utilizing any portion of the property, hiking trails, cabins, camp sites, amenities, or any other areas or activities of TC&B.

The guest(s) does (do) hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless TC&B, its employees, and its agents from theft or damage of any kind to guest trailers, vehicles, boats...etc while staying at TC&B.

Things We Still Want to Do!

If you have any suggestions, please let us know!

General

- ✓ Create trail-maps
- ✓ Landscaping

Cabin #1

- ✓ Build or curtain closet in bathroom
- ✓ Expand landscaping, finish all flowerbeds
- ✓ Build low level cedar deck around hot tub
- ✓ Build low level cedar deck in back yard around picnic table
- ✓ Poly interior doors
- ✓ Build headboard for bed
- ✓ Finish out utility room
- ✓ Install flamed LED Tiki Torches

Cabin #2

- ✓ Cedar split-rail fence down driveway
- ✓ Install flamed LED Tiki Torches
- ✓ Complete flowerbeds around drive and by walkways

Cabin #3

- ✓ This cabin is in design and will be built down the trail past the main building across the trail intersection. Clearing will start soon. Opening targeted for April of 2021.

The Barn

- ✓ The right unfloored open bay will be closed in and turned into a general gift shop containing woodwork items for sale – primely from cedar. Boy...is this kid dreaming or what?

*** Feel free to give us suggestions to make the place better! Money helps too 😊