



Greening Jessie Mac's 2018

How Are We Doing?



Energy

What we did:

- Reinstated all of the shutters
- Draught proofed all of the windows & installed secondary glazing
- Sealed around all external doors & lobby door
- Replaced the old boiler (50% efficient) with the most efficient one on the market (91%)
- Replaced the old fridge with a A+++ one
- Replaced the ancient tumble drier with an energy efficient gas one
- Replaced the even older washing machine with an A+++ one
- Replaced lights with LEDs and low energy ones
- Put a thermostat on the hot water tank
- Put in a heating thermostat for the whole house
- We take part in WWF's Earth Hour each year & switch all lights off for an hour
- Donate free bed nights for every tonne (16) of CO₂ each year to local conservation groups

Results

Energy use per guest down by 41%

Energy used by lighting down by 71%

Please note – if you're ever cold, please tell us. We're happy to use energy but not waste it. Keeping you comfortable is our top priority.

Waste

What we did:

- Ask guests to fill in a breakfast menu the night before so we only cook exactly what we need.
- Put 5 separate waste recycling bins in the guest kitchen
- Old furniture is donated to charities or given away on Freebay or Freecycle
- Waste food from breakfast goes to our dog, the wild birds– any left over is recycled by the Council

Results

We are now recycling 91% of all of our/your waste

Social & Ethics

- Fairtrade** – we buy the following products: bananas, bags of sugar, fresh coffee, instant coffee and tea. Tea, coffee & sugar for room trays is also Fairtrade.
- Local** – sausages & bacon supplied locally, salmon from Dunkeld Smoked Salmon & free range eggs from Fife. Our Assistant Manager, Mairi, is also local, free range & totally organic.
- Volunteering** - our staff volunteer at Birnam Arts Centre & Loch of the Lowes nature reserve

Travel

- Guests arriving by public transport or under their own steam receive free tea/coffee & a muffin & free towel hire. Have compiled an information folder about public transport (in the lounge)

Wildlife

- We joined Scottish Wildlife Trust & encourage guests to visit Loch of the Lowes reserve.
- We put food out for the birds in winter, carry out RSPB annual bird survey, Osprey Watch, local swift & red squirrel surveys..