



Greening Jessie Mac's

How Are We Doing? Year 5



Energy

What we did:

Reinstated all of the shutters
Draught proofed all of the windows
Sealed around all external doors
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 & run projects with guests
Donate free bed nights for every tonne (16) of CO2 each year to local conservation groups

Results

Energy use per guest down by 37%
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 and local hens – any left over is recycled by the Council

Results

We are now recycling 90% of all of our/your waste (Feb 2016)

Social & Ethics

Fairtrade – we buy the following products: bananas, bags of sugar, fresh coffee, instant coffee and tea. Tea, coffee & sugar for rooms trays is also Fairtrade.

Local – sausages & bacon supplied by Dunkeld butcher, salmon from Dunkeld Smoked Salmon & free range eggs from Fife. Our new Assistant Manager, Mairi, is also local, free range and totally organic.

Volunteering - our staff volunteer at Birnam Arts Centre & Loch of the Lowes nature reserve

Travel

We've gone down from 2 cars to 1 and a bike and 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 an annual bird audit.