

Cocoa Cottage Handbook





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Welcome to Cocoa Cottage

This Cocoa Cottage Handbook contains information in alphabetical order about our guesthouse and its environment intending to make your stay safe, comfortable and interesting.

For more detailed information please visit our website: cocoacottagedominica.com/guidebook/

1 Airport

The Douglas Charles Airport (DOM), locally known as Melville Hall Airport, is in the north-east of Dominica. It is about 70 minutes ride by car. Currently, all passenger flights arrive there.

There are Taxis at the airport (about 80-100 US\$), or you can reserve a taxi by WhatsApp, see Taxi section.

2 Banks

Local currency: Eastern Caribbean Dollar (EC\$), which is coupled to the US\$ with a fixed exchange rate of 2.7 EC\$ for 1 US\$.

Banks with ATM in Roseau:

- National Bank of Dominica (sometimes has problems with international cards)
- Republic Bank of Trinidad

3 Check-in and Check-out

Check-in time: 3pm – 7:30pm

Check-out time: 11am

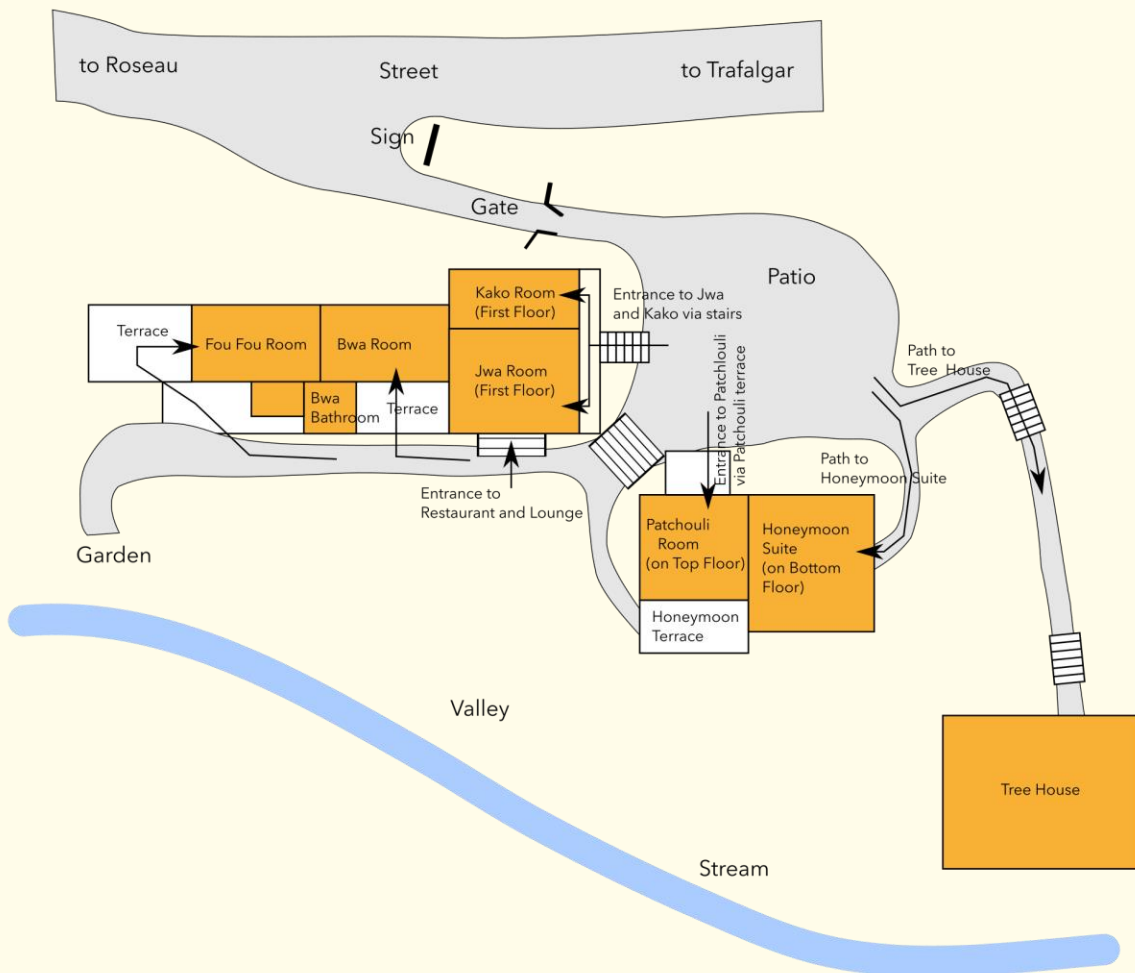
Please let us know well in advance if you arrive after 7:30pm. We will then supply you with instructions for self-check-in.

Early luggage drop-off (Monday – Friday) is possible, please arrange details with our staff at +1 767 316-8746 (also WhatsApp).

The gate of the property is locked at night. We will supply you with a code if you have to check-in late. Your room key also has a gate key attached to it.



Rooms at Cocoa Cottage



4 Cocoa Cottage Environment and Safety

- There are steep slopes and elevated floors and porches with open railings at Cocoa Cottage. Beware of heights and watch small children!
- There are also uneven paths and steps. - Watch your step and proceed with caution!
- All our structures are built with wood - thus, it is strictly forbidden to use open flames in the rooms or public spaces. This includes mosquito coils, candles. Smoking is also not allowed.
- Birds, frogs, lizards, and insects are part of the rain forest environment at Cocoa Cottage.
- Rooms are designed for natural ventilation and are not soundproof. Please be considerate towards other guests – especially at bedtime.



5 Covid-19 related Information

There are no travel restrictions related to Covid-19.

Cocoa Cottage is “Safe-in-Nature” certified.

6 Electrical Power

230 V, UK socket Type G

7 Ferry

For ferry service between Dominica and the neighboring islands please check the schedule and fares at <https://www.express-des-iles.fr/> and <https://valferry.fr/>.

It is 15 minutes by car from the ferry to us. There are Taxis at the ferry (about 20-40 US\$), or you can reserve a taxi by WhatsApp, see Taxi section.

8 Guided Tours

For guided tours we recommend to contact (most numbers are also WhatsApp):

- Just Go Dominica (<https://www.justgodominica.com/>)
- Jason Nayan Bernard – especially Boiling Lake Tour (+1 767-295-8919)
- Elvis – especially Boiling Lake Tour (+1 767-225-1971, <https://www.evoyagedominica.com>)
- Geoffrey Charles (+1 767-285-7347)
- Nigel George – also Boiling Lake Tour (in Calibishie, +1 767-285-3179)
- Bertrand Jno Baptiste (aka Dr. Birdy) – especially Bird Tour (+1 767-245-4768)
- Adnan Laflouf – also full day taxi service (+1 767-277-8360)
- McClean St. Jean (aka Big Mama) – taxi rides or full day taxi service +1 767 225 9344, +1 767 616 5150

For diving, snorkeling, and whale watching we recommend to contact:

- Dive Dominica (<https://divedominica.com/>)
- Nature Island Dive (<https://natureislanddive.dm/>)
- PH Whale Watch (<https://ph-whale-watch-dominica.business.site>)

For canyoning please contact our next-door neighbor:

- Extreme Dominica (<https://www.extremedominica.com/>)

For Kayaking Tours in Soufriere, please contact:

- <https://www.avirtualdominica.com/dominica-directory/soufriere-outdoor-centre/>

9 Hot Springs

- Ti Kwen Glo Cho (Wotten Waven, +1 767-285-9131)
- Screw's Sulphur Spa (Wotten Waven, +1 767-440-4478)
- Bubble Beach Bar (Soufriere, +1 767-277-4733, simple hot pool at the beach)



10 Laundry

Currently, there is no laundry service at Cocoa Cottage. There are laundromats in Roseau:

- Island Wash: (+1 767-448-7865)
- Mr. Clean's Laundromat (+1 767-448-4885)
- Splash Out Laundry Services (+1 767-225-8542)

11 Meals

Meals are prepared on request and availability of chef only. Please contact our staff for reservation one day in advance. Costs of meals and alcoholic beverages are not included in the room rate. Rates are subject to change.

Dinner is served at 6pm, everyone eats at the same time family-style.

Breakfast starts at 8am.

Breakfast	15 US\$
Dinner	25 US\$
Juice	3 US\$
Beer	3 US\$
Wine	7 US\$ per glass, 25 US\$ per bottle

On Saturdays and Sundays our Italian Chef Rossella Fanucci serves Pizza between 4pm and 8:30pm.

Pizza	from 45 EC\$ (~17 US\$)
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12 Outdoor Activities

Here is a list of recommended outdoor activities:

- Boeri Lake
- Freshwater Lake
- Middleham Falls
- Scotts Head
- Titou Gorge
- Trafalgar Falls
- Emerald Pool
- Boiling Lake

For more details see <https://cocoacottagedominica.com/category/all/nature/>

13 Parking

There is street side parking on the public road only.

Please do not park in the entrance way to Cocoa Cottage.



14 Public Transport

For public transport watch out for vans with an “H” at the start of the license plate number. Stops of the different lines in Roseau can be found at <https://www.avirtualdominica.com/project/getting-around/>

15 Rental Cars

We recommend that you get a rental car. For rental cars we recommend to contact (most numbers are also WhatsApp):

- Road Runner Car Rental (+1 767-617-5337)
- Courtesy Car Rental (<https://dominicacarrentals.com/> +1 767-448-7763, +1 767-275-7763, +1 767-235-7763)
- Happy Car Rentals (<https://www.happycardominica.com> +1 767-276-4594)
- Mr. Essa Laflouf (+1 767-265-8333)

You can arrange the pick-up and drop-off point with the rental car company.

16 Restaurants

- Brunch'n Munch Restaurant in Trafalgar (+1 767-617-5912)
- Bubble Beach Spa Bar in Soufriere
- Brew Box Bar and Restaurant above Roseau
- Chez Wen Restaurant in Scotts Head (+1 767-615-5452)
- Hi Rise Café and Bar in Roseau (+1 767-449-9830)
- Ka Tai Bar and restaurant in Roseau (+1 767-448-0567)
- Lacou Restaurant in Roseau (+1 767-613-3017)
- Le Petit Paradis Restaurant in Wotten Waven (+1 767-276-2761, +1 767-448-5946)
- Ocean's Edge Restaurant South of Roseau at Dive Dominica (+1 767-616-7077)
- Petit Paris Restaurant in Roseau (+1 767-275-7777)
- River Rock Cafe and Bar Restaurant at Trafalgar Falls (+1 (767) 225-0815, +1 767 448-347)
- Rossella Fanucci Italian Pizza (+1 767-276-9070)
- Ruins Rock Café Café and Bar in Roseau (+1 767-440-5483)
- Ti Kwen Glo Cho (4 km) Bar, dinner upon reservation only (+1 767-285-9131)
- Water Bar Bar close to Trafalgar Falls (+1 767-245-6436)

For more details see <https://cocoacottagedominica.com/category/all/restaurants-and-bars/>

Please reserve well in advance, especially for dinner. Restaurants will close if there are no guests.

17 Snorkeling

Recommended snorkeling spots are

- Scotts Head
- Bubble Beach in Soufriere
- Champagne Reef



- Toucari Bay

For more detail see <https://cocoacottagedominica.com/category/all/nature/snorkeling/>

18 Taxis

For taxi service from and to Cocoa Cottage, or full day taxi tours, we recommend to contact (most numbers are also WhatsApp):

- McClean St. Jean (aka Big Mama) +1 767 225 9344, +1 767 616 5150
- Adnan Laflouf +1 767 277 8360, +1 767 276-0515
- Ryan Burton (especially for airport pick-up) +1 767 295 7705

19 Travel Guide

Paul Crask, Dominica

<https://dominicatraveller.com/>

<https://www.bradtguides.com/destinations/north-america-caribbean/dominica/>

20 Water

The tap water at Cocoa Cottage is suitable for drinking. Hot water at Cocoa Cottage is generated by electrical heating – please use environmentally responsibly.

21 Wifi and Internet

Network: cocoWiFi
Password: c0c02018

Network: cocoWiFiFLOW
Password: c0c02018FLOW

