



Your Summer Guide to Staying at Knockshannoch Lodge

Welcome to Knockshannoch Lodge, your alpine home away from home. While we're known for our cozy winters, summer at Charlotte Pass is equally spectacular—offering crisp mountain air, vibrant wildflowers, and a network of scenic alpine trails. This guide includes everything you need to know for a comfortable and enjoyable stay at Knockshannoch during the summer months.

Lodge Amenities

Our lodge is designed to make your stay relaxing, comfortable, and convenient. Here's what you can expect:

Shared Lounge & Gas Fireplace

Unwind in our spacious guest lounge after a day in the mountains. The lounge features a cozy gas fireplace—perfect for curling up with a book or sharing stories with fellow adventurers. There are two separate sitting areas complete with tables and bay seats next to our gorgeous windows. If you have a bigger group, there are folded director's chairs to pull up to any of the tables in the lounge area.

There is also a bottom floor bathroom and gear storage area just beyond the main lodge entryway. Unfortunately, we do not have clothes washing facilities on site.

Fully Stocked Commercial Kitchen

Guests have access to a full commercial-grade kitchen. It includes:

- Multiple ovens and stovetops
- Microwaves
- Fridges and freezers
- Utensils, pots, pans, and dishware
- Dishwasher and cleaning supplies



Coffee Station

We provide a coffee pod machine, coffee plunger and kettle for guest use. **Please bring your own pods** (Nespresso-compatible) or coffee/tea bags to enjoy fresh coffee during your stay.

Our Rooms

Knockshannoch Lodge has a mixture of Queen Rooms (sleep 2), Standard Rooms (sleep 3) and Family Rooms (sleep 3-4). To fit four people into our Family Rooms, we add a floor trundle bed.

All of our rooms have ensuites. All linen is provided, including bedding, towels and extra blankets for chillier nights. All rooms also have heaters, body wash, soaps, a hair dryer, basin storage and a wardrobe.

The lodge sleeps a maximum of 21 people during summer but it is usually much quieter than that. It's not unlikely to have the entire lodge to yourselves on occasion.

To view images of our rooms - [please click here](#)

To view our summer room rates - [please click here](#)

WiFi and Connectivity

Mobile reception in Charlotte Pass can be limited. Telstra has the best connectivity, followed by Optus.

Knockshannoch does offer WiFi, it is the strongest in our lounge and kitchen areas. It can be patchy in your rooms so why not use that as the perfect excuse to unplug and unwind.

Food Options Nearby

While the Lodge is self-catered, there are some dining options nearby for nights when you prefer to dine out or grab a snack.



In Charlotte Pass Village:

- Stillwell Hotel Mexican Restaurant – Casual dining with a classic menu and alpine views. Please note: the **restaurant is not always open**, we recommend calling and booking prior to your arrival to ensure availability.
- Stillwell Café – Perfect for a light lunch, snack, or takeaway coffee.

In Perisher (10-minute drive):

- During summer, limited outlets may be open—check ahead for operating hours. Perisher is a convenient option for additional groceries or casual dining.

In Thredbo:

- The River Inn Brasserie – Laid-back meals with mountain views.
- Cascades Restaurant – Contemporary Australian cuisine.
- Thredbo Bakery – Fresh pastries, sandwiches, and great coffee.

In Jindabyne:

- Birchwood Café – Known for its wholesome breakfasts and excellent coffee.
- Bacco Italian – A local favourite for hearty Italian dishes.
- The Banjo Paterson Inn – Pub-style meals and live music.
- Woolworths, Alpine Grocer & BWS – Stock up on supplies before heading up the mountain.

With all restaurants and cafes, we recommend booking ahead as summer operations are not regular for most of the snow resorts. Be prepared to cook at the Lodge, just in case.

Parking Information

Please note that **there is no permanent parking on site** at Knockshannoch Lodge. However, guests are welcome to:

1. **Drive up next to the Lodge** to drop off luggage and food.
2. **Move your car to the Stillwell car park**, located just 100 metres away.

The Stillwell car park offers free parking and is only a short walk back to the Lodge.



Walks & Outdoor Activities

Charlotte Pass is the perfect base for exploring the Snowy Mountains National Park. Here are some of the walks accessible directly from the village:

Snowies Alpine Walk

This new 56km multi-day hike takes you through some of the best alpine terrain in Australia. Check out our [Hike & Stay packages](#) for accommodation and transport options for guests undertaking this spectacular experience. Many of the walks on this list are covered in the Snowies Alpine route.

Main Range Track (via Charlotte Pass)

A full-day walk for experienced hikers featuring panoramic alpine views and access to Australia's highest peaks.

Mount Kosciuszko Summit Walk

From Charlotte Pass via the Main Range loop or the shorter out-and-back route past Seamans Hut to conquer Australia's highest mountain.

Blue Lake Lookout

A rewarding moderate 9.5 km walk to one of only four glacial lakes in mainland Australia. Stick to the track to follow the same route home or adventure down the lesser marked loop to see more of the beautiful region.

Charlotte Pass to Guthega

A scenic alpine trail along the Snowy River offering sweeping views and wildflowers in spring and summer. This forms Day One of the multi-day Snowies Alpine Walk and includes walking the entire Illawong track. This 9km track can be completed as a loop with a stop for lunch at Guthega before returning home.

Mount Stillwell Walk

A short 4 km return mountain walk that leaves from the heart of Charlotte Pass village up towards a scenic ridgeline lookout. Keep an eye out for remnants of an old chairlift that used to run up the mountain.



Snow Gums Boardwalk

An accessible and easy loop leaving from the top of Charlotte Pass village highlighting the unique alpine flora, approximately 400m return with a few steps to a boarded lookout.

Visit the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Website for further details on these walks. We are in the [Kosciuszko National Park](#) within the [Thredbo-Perisher Area](#).

Preparing for Weather

Charlotte Pass is a high alpine environment, and weather conditions can change rapidly—even in summer. We are only accessible via Kosciuszko Road, which is managed by NSW National Parks and Wildlife. It is possible that in extreme weather conditions this road is closed. It is not unusual to get random snow storms, even in the peak of summer.

With that in mind, it's important to bring extra food and supplies in the extreme case that you're unable to leave the lodge during your stay.

If you're unable to get into Charlotte Pass at the beginning of your stay, we will work with you to shuffle your stay dates, credit or assist you in any way possible but please note we are unable to refund abandoned visits due to poor weather.

Hiking in the Snowys

Hiking, biking or walking in the region also carries its own risks with weather changes. Here's what to keep in mind:

- **Always check for Alerts:** Before departing, visit the [NSW National Parks and Wildlife](#) website to check for any safety or weather alerts.
- **Bring layers:** Even in warm weather, mornings and evenings can be cool.
- **Rain and wind gear:** Always carry a waterproof jacket and windbreaker.
- **UV protection:** The sun is strong at altitude, so pack sunscreen, sunglasses, and a hat.
- **Tell someone where you are going:** Send a quick text to a friend or family member with your intended walk location, just in case.

Closest medical clinic: Jindabyne Medical Centre

Nearest pharmacy and fuel station: Jindabyne



Things to Bring

- Food and drinks for your stay
- Nespresso-compatible coffee pods
- Walking shoes or hiking boots
- Reusable water bottles
- Warm layers (even in summer, temperatures can drop)
- Sunscreen and hat
- Torch or headlamp
- Phone chargers

Contact & Booking

For any questions during your stay or to make a booking:

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We look forward to welcoming you to Knockshannoch and hope you enjoy a peaceful, adventurous, and rejuvenating alpine summer experience!