Dart Creek Cabin ~ A Cozy 1 Room Cabin Lake Close - Guest suites for Rent in Crestline, California, United States

The listing is misleading! There are a few things you should know before you book:

1. The Wi-Fi is horrible, and cuts off every now and then. The Smart TV that is hooked up to the Wi-Fi also stopped working because the internet signal is simply not strong enough. There's no router in this place, so I'm guessing the Wi-Fi is in the main house, and this cabin just gets a little bit of that signal.

2. The backyard is NOT private. It's open to the main street and everyone going down the street can see you, and so can all the houses in front of it. Also, the entrance to the patio (where you access your cabin as well) is not closed. There is a bamboo curtain that does not close, so anyone in the driveway and main house can see you as well. If you don't have a problem with this, then that's great. But I do like complete privacy and the listing said it was private.

3. There is NO SIGNAL in this cabin! All you will have is Wi-Fi, which as I already mentioned, barely works. So if you need to make a phone call, unless you're using (Hidden by Airbnb) and magically have a bar or two of Wi-Fi signal, you can't do it. This is incredibly inconvenient, especially when we had trouble checking in and couldn't even call anyone for help! (The problem with checking-in continued below).

4. Your car will get damaged going up the driveway (unless you have a big

truck or higher car). No one told us the driveway was sooo steep. No matter how hard we tried, our bumper got badly scratched, we thought it fell off at one point. The driveway goes from level ground, to intense steepness right away. And it's on the main street so there's no where else to park. Coming down the driveway was the same thing, also it's not safe.

4. Checking in is not straightforward. I specifically asked Debra ahead of time what the instructions were to check in and all she did was give me a 4digit code to enter on the lock. I thought that was fine, but when my husband and I arrived late at night (it was also super cold!!) we tried the number so many times, and the door kept beeping and locking us out. We couldn't call Debra for help (because there's no signal), we couldn't use GPS to get to town (because there's no signal), and we were obviously given wrong instructions on entering the cabin. We eventually found our way to town, where we had phone service, and we stayed there for 3 HOURS calling and texting Debra. She never answered. Finally, we were so tired, we were going to go get a motel, but we decided to head back once more and try again. We went back and tried again, and it still didn't work. Then as we were walking away, my husband noticed a lockbox hanging on the side rail of the patio a few feet down. It had a place to put 4 digits, so he tried it and it opened and there was a key inside. Debra never mentioned a lockbox on the railing or a KEY! And the cabin door had a digital lock which required a 4-digit code, so we would obviously think that's where the code goes. We finally got in and rested for the night. Debra didn't get back to me until later the next day, saying she was out of the country and glad we got in. There wasn't much sympathy in her message, and I felt like she didn't care for our situation. This is just the vibe I got. I had called her about 50 times and messaged her for hours, and I didn't feel like it mattered to her all that much.

Anyway, the only reason I gave this place 2 stars is because the inside IS cozy and cute. It has nice little details, and it was comfortable to sleep in.

My favorite part was the fireplace, Debra left lots of fire starter and wood for the fire, which really helped since it was so cold. Also the area is nice and quiet. But my experience with the host and the misleading description really outweighs this.