

Welcome to Dom Barborka

A short guide for a pleasant stay

Hello,

welcome to Dom Barborka. We are pleased that you chose our house for your stay in the Liptov region.

Dom Barborka was not originally designed as a standard apartment building intended exclusively for commercial accommodation. It is our family holiday home, which we decided to make available to guests during free periods.

For this reason, you may find some unusual furnishings, decorations and technical solutions that differ from those in ordinary apartments. I also live permanently in the house, so not all areas are accessible to guests.

The following practical information will help you settle in quickly and enjoy a calm, safe stay without unnecessary complications.

1. Keys and locking the main entrance

You have one key for the main entrance and one key for your apartment.

Please lock the main entrance door every time you enter or leave the house. This is important for the safety of all guests and the property.

When leaving, you may not know whether anyone else is currently in the house. I am often away, and in the past the house has sometimes remained unlocked and unattended for the whole day.

To lock the outside door, the key must be turned at least five times. Afterwards, please pull the door to make sure it is properly locked.

If you only need to step outside briefly - for example to smoke, take out the rubbish or bring out recyclable waste - there is a spare key hanging on a cord near the door. This saves you from having to return to your apartment for your own keys.

After locking the door, please always remove the spare key from the lock so that the door can still be opened from outside when someone arrives.

2. Footwear and personal belongings

Please wear indoor slippers inside the house.

There are carpets on the stairs and in the rooms, and we try to keep the whole house as clean and pleasant as possible for everyone.

In the entrance hall you will find two shoe racks, a bench for changing shoes and enough hooks for jackets and other clothing.

You may leave your belongings there. If the main entrance is properly locked, they will be safe.

3. Hot water and using the shower

During the summer months, the hot water is heated in the morning, at midday and in the early evening. It is then distributed centrally to all three apartments at a preset, comfortable temperature.

The showers are activated using touch-sensitive control panels. The water temperature has been tested over a long period and set for normal use.

Guests cannot adjust the water temperature individually.

If the temperature does not suit you, please contact me. However, please keep in mind that any change affects all three apartments in the house.

4. Automatic hygienic shower flush

The shower control panels have a built-in hygiene function.

Approximately 12 hours after the last shower, the system may start automatically and perform a short hygienic flush of the pipes. This function is preset by the manufacturer and helps prevent the growth of bacteria, especially Legionella.

For this reason, please always close the glass shower doors. Otherwise, water may spray into the rest of the bathroom during the automatic flush.

If the shower starts during the night and wakes you, there is no need to worry. Nobody is using your shower - it is only the automatic hygienic flush.

5. Ventilation and closing the windows

Please never leave the windows fully open when leaving the apartment.

If you want to ventilate the apartment while you are away, use only the tilt position. Each window has one section that can be tilted. In the kitchen, both outer window sections can be tilted.

The weather in the Liptov region can change very quickly. During an unexpected storm or rainfall, water can enter through an open window. In the main bedroom, it may even rain directly onto the bed.

Unfortunately, we have had bad experiences with this in the past. Before leaving, please check that all windows are either fully closed or safely tilted.

6. Waste and recycling

Please separate ordinary household waste from recyclable waste.

In Slovakia, many plastic bottles and cans are part of a deposit-return system. Deposit containers are marked with a large “Z” symbol. You can return them in a shop and receive the deposit back.

Please place other non-deposit plastic and glass waste outside next to the entrance, under the table, in the prepared cardboard boxes.

I regularly take this waste to the recycling containers on the street.

7. Wi-Fi

Wi-Fi is available throughout the house and within a limited range outside.

The login details are written on a paper card in your apartment.

8. Smoking and open flames

Smoking, using open flames or handling any source of fire is strictly prohibited throughout the house.

The house is equipped with fire detectors that may trigger an alarm immediately.

The designated smoking area is outside under the covered shelter, where seating is available for all guests.

9. Decorations and items in the house

Please do not handle or move the objects and decorations placed on the upper shelves.

Many of them are antiques or personal souvenirs brought back from different journeys. They are valuable to our family and cannot easily be replaced. Not everything can simply be bought at IKEA.

10. Renovation at the rear of the property

A garden pavilion is currently being renovated at the rear of the property.

For your safety, please do not enter this area.

11. Parking

Two cars can be parked very tightly in the courtyard. In practice, the simplest arrangement is one car in the courtyard and two more parked one behind the other along the pavement beside the fence. Please keep the driveway clear at all times.

No apartment has a permanently reserved courtyard space. The guest who arrives first may park there if they wish. Please coordinate courteously with the other guests when necessary.

12. We are here to help

Please do not view this short guide as unnecessary lecturing or a long list of rules.

Everyone has different living habits, and it is natural that the equipment and operation of an unfamiliar house may not be immediately obvious.

Experience has shown that clear information helps prevent misunderstandings and allows guests to enjoy a calmer stay without unpleasant surprises.

If you need anything, have a question or are unsure about something, please feel free to contact me at any time.

I live on the ground floor, to the left of the stairs.

Phone and WhatsApp: +421 911 745 003

I speak a little English. So far, however, we have always managed to communicate successfully with every guest.

Thank you for respecting our home and helping us keep it pleasant for future guests.

I wish you a beautiful, peaceful and trouble-free stay at Dom Barborka.

Ján Sipos