

Bella Rose Guest Instructions - Summary Sheet

We're happy to have you as our guest at Bella Rose. In response we ask you to make yourself at home and follow these simple instructions. More details are provided in the Welcome Packet.

Read the Welcome Book:

This page is a short, quick summary. You will find much more important information in the Welcome Packet:

- When You Arrive
- Where to Find What
- Before You Leave Checklist
- What To Do
- Restaurant Suggestions
- Stores Guide

Rules:

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2. No pets
3. No smoking anywhere in Bella Rose or outside any open door or window
4. Rinse off salt and sand in outdoor shower (behind utility room) before coming inside
5. Please do not sit on any inside furniture while you are wet
6. If you see water on the wood floor, please wipe it up
7. Complete a shell with your names and dates
8. Complete the "Before You Leave" Checklist before you leave

While You're Here:

1. **Thermostats:** Use the upstairs A/C to take the edge off of the heat, and use the room window A/Cs for desired temperatures. Turn up the A/C if you won't be on a floor for a while. This old house is not insulated so the A/C costs over \$150/wk if you aren't careful.
2. **Parking:** You can put a car in the driveway and fit two more in front of the house. Parking Passes for two vehicles are in the first drawer of the kitchen china cabinet.
3. **Trash:** If you want to get rid of trash during the week, set the cans in the street with the opening facing street on Wednesday night. Return empty cans to back yard.
4. **Keys:** There are two keys: one for all doors and one for all gates. Please keep all doors and gates closed while here. Lock all doors and gates whenever you leave the house.

Before You Leave Checklist:

1. **Return both Parking Passes (can't replace)** to the first kitchen china cabinet drawer
2. Leave a check made out to N&K Residential Cleaning on kitchen island for cleaning service (see amounts in instructions)
3. Leave beds that you have used unmade and used towels on the bathroom floor
4. Please start a load of towels in washer
5. If you have dirty dishes, start the dishwasher
6. Take all trash to outside can or home
7. **Air Conditioning:**
 - Upstairs bedrooms:
Turn off window A/Cs
 - Upstairs thermostat:
Push the bottom left button (Cancel)
 - Downstairs thermostat:
Push the bottom left button (Cancel)
8. **Turn off all lights,** stovetop and oven (Push all dimmer sliders all of the way up)
9. **Make sure all doors and gates are locked:**
 - Laundry Room door
 - Upstairs back door - hallway
 - Upstairs back door - middle bedroom
 - Upstairs front door - hallway
 - Downstairs back door - kitchen
 - Downstairs back door - dining room
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Maintenance and Utility Fund

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Welcome to Bella Rose

We're thrilled to have you as our guest at Bella Rose. God has blessed us with this beautiful (bella) home and we are thrilled to share it with you. We pray that God blesses your stay at Bella Rose and that you enjoy your time on this bella island. Here are a few comments and requests for you.

Kurt and Alice Rosenhagen

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8. Complete a page in the Bella Rose Visit Log Book

Contact Info:

Our phones:

Home – 281-333-3186

Alice's Cell – 713-202-0276

Kurt's Cell – 713-202-2808

Say hi to our friendly neighbors if you see them:

2002 Rosenberg: Lois and Allen Colson

2010 Rosenberg (blue house): Willie and Fres Pangilinan

Our yard guy (may work on yard while you are out): Bob Moore, 409-739-3371

Our Mailing Addresses:

Bella Rose: 2006 Rosenberg, Galveston, Texas 77550-7808

Home: 18627 Prince William, Nassau Bay, Texas 77058

Email: kurt@bellarose.info

When You Arrive

How to Get to Bella Rose:

Head south to Galveston on the Gulf Freeway (I45 South)
Across the Causeway bridge I45 becomes Broadway
Turn right on 25th Street
Bella Rose is about 3 half-blocks from the end on the left (between P½ and Q)

Parking:

Parking in front of Bella Rose is restricted to vehicles with Residential Parking Permits
Two Parking Permit Placards are in the first drawer in the kitchen china cabinet

* **These Permits cannot be replaced so you must return them before you leave!** *

Parking on the street in front of the house will fit a couple of cars with Permits
Orange cones are in the laundry room to help keep others from our spots

One car will fit in the driveway

You can pull your car in and close the gate behind you, Watch your head on the shutters
Additional non-permitted parking is available to the north of P-1/2 Street

Keys:

There are two Bella Rose keys: one for all doors and one for all gates

Front Gate:

While at Bella Rose, you can latch the gate without locking the double dead-bolt

Front Door:

The key turns the opposite direction from what you might expect

Trash Can:

If an empty trash can is in front of the house, take it to the back

There should be two trash cans in the back

Trash service is on Thursday (sometimes they run late and come Friday)

You can put cans in the street with handle facing street for emptying

Before you leave Bella Rose, please take all trash to outside can or home

Thermostats:

Set the thermostats (downstairs and upstairs) when you arrive to acclimate the house

Downstairs is in red (fireplace) room, Upstairs is in hallway

The thermostats are programmed to reset at certain times (around 10:00 am)

If you are going to be away from a floor for a while, turn up the AC

This old uninsulated house can cost over \$150 per week in AC if we're not careful

When you leave, push the bottom left button to cancel any changes you made

Where to Find What

Bed Linens - Middle bedroom closet

Beach Towels - Laundry room off back porch

Beach Chairs and Ice Chests - Shed in back yard behind utility room

Please wash all sand from what you use and let dry before returning them to shed

Thermostat, Downstairs - North wall of the Fireplace (Red) Room

Thermostat, Upstairs - Hallway at top of stairs

Internet Access - Wireless:

Look for: Bella Rose

The WPA Key is: rosenhagen

If Internet doesn't work, turn power strip off then back on in the middle bedroom

Electrical Breaker Box - On south wall of house in driveway

A breaker may pop if both ovens are on high

Cleaning Supplies - In cabinet under sink in bathroom or kitchen

Cleaning Supplies, Floors - Utility room (vacuum, mop)

Tools - In cabinet under stairs

Gardening Tools - In laundry room cabinet and in back yard shed

Ladder - Middle bedroom closet

Light bulbs - Master bedroom closet

Fireplace Instructions

1. Open cover below fireplace by lifting and pulling out from top
2. Check if main gas valve on pipe is open (look to left)
3. Turn gas valve to PILOT, hold in valve dial and push red igniter button until pilot ignites (look in left rear of logs)
4. Hold in valve dial a couple of seconds, the release and turn dial to ON
5. Push switch to On
6. Fireplace should start burning within a minute
7. Condensation may build inside glass, but it will burn off soon

When finished using fireplace:

- A. Push switch to off
- B. Turn gas valve to OFF

Before You Leave Checklist

Cleaning Instructions:

- Look around to make sure you have all of your things
- Take perishable food with you (cleaning service does not clean out fridge)
- Put trash in outside trash cans (see below)
- Clean or put dirty dishes in dishwasher and start dishwasher
- Leave beds that you have used unmade so the maid knows which ones to clean
- Leave used towels on bathroom floors so the maid knows which ones to clean
- Leave a check on kitchen island made out to N&K Residential Cleaning (see below for amount)
- Complete the Before You Leave Checklist (below) and leave Bella Rose by 10:00 am

Before You Leave Checklist:

- Return both Parking Passes to the first drawer of the kitchen china cabinet
These permits cannot be replaced so you must return them before you leave
- Leave a check made out to N&K Residential Cleaning on the kitchen island
(\$100 if 2 beds used, \$115 if 3 beds, \$125 if more beds or if you leave a lot of towels)
- Leave used beds unmade and used towels on bathroom floor so maid will know which to clean
- If you had a houseful, please start a load of towels in the washer for the maid to dry
- Complete a shell with your names, dates and any special event
- Take all trash to outside can or take home (The Cleaning Service does not remove trash)

- Turn off all room window air conditioners
- Upstairs thermostat - Push the bottom left button to Cancel any settings you made
- Downstairs thermostat - Push the bottom left button to Cancel any settings you made

- Turn off all lights (**Push all dimmer sliders all of the way up**)
- Double-check that the stovetop, oven and their lights are off

- Make sure all outside doors and gates are locked:
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Bella Rose What To Do

Here are some ideas of how to spend your time on the island:

Water

Beach, Close - Walk up Rosenberg to the Seawall and find a great spot
Beach, Large - Drive south, turn left (east) on Seawall Blvd and drive 2 miles to Stewart Beach
Beach - East Beach, End of Seawall Blvd and turn right
Beach - West Beaches, Pocket Parks, Just head west on Seawall and keep going
Schlitterbahn Water Park - Near Moody Gardens
Palm Beach Water Park - Moody Gardens

Non-Water Activities

Galveston Historic Pleasure Pier - Amusement park on old Flagship hotel pier, 25th and Seawall
Moody Gardens - Manmade beach, aquarium
Golf - Moody Gardens Public Golf Course

Museums

Railroad Museum - Strand at 25th
Bryan Museum (Texas and SW US Collection) - 1315 21st
Elissa and Texas Seaport Museum - North on 22nd past Strand
Ocean Star Drilling Museum - North on 19th past Strand
Seawolf Park and Submarine Tour - North on 51st past Harborside

Tours and Entertainment

Ike Tree Sculptures - Self-tour using map and Guide (download at www.bellarose.info)
Galveston Duck Tour - Seawall at Rosenberg (25th)
Bishop's Palace Tour - Broadway at 14th
Moody Mansion Tour - Broadway at 26th
The Grand 1894 Opera House - 2020 Post Office, www.thegrand.com, Great plays & entertainers

Shopping

Strand Shops - Strand between 19th and 25th
Restaurants, Groceries, Stores - See Restaurant Suggestions and Stores Guide sheets

Transportation

Trolleys - Currently shut down due to Ike damage,
When running, catch a trolley on pavestone platform at Rosenberg and Avenue Q
Island Transit, 2500 Seawall, www.islandtransit.com, 409-797-3900
Bicycle Rental - Island Bicycle, Seawall and 18th, 409-762-BIKE

Bella Rose Restaurant Suggestions

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Galveston has more good places to eat than you have meals to enjoy during your stay. Here are a few places we've tried or heard recommended. Let us know in the Bella Rose Visit Log Book about these and other places you try and we'll check them out. Our favorites are starred (*).

Walking Distance:

Fish Tales - Corner of Rosenberg & Seawall - Seafood, burgers, etc; A bit pricey for lunch
Bubba Gump Shrimp - On Pleasure Pier - Nice balcony over beach
Chick Fil A - Seawall at 25th
Wendys - On Seawall Blvd just east of Rosenberg (turn left)
Blvd Seafood - Seawall at 28th - Higher end, good food

On The Seawall:

The Spot - Seawall at 32nd - Great burger joint, similar to Fuddrucker's, hand-dipped ice cream
Miller's Seawall Grill - Seawall at 18th - Good breakfasts, Chicken fried steak, etc
Bennos Cajun Seafood - Seawall at 12th - Boudin and Red Beans are very spicy
Gorditas Mexican - Seawall at 7th - Good real Mexican, cash only
Mario's - Seawall at 6th - Italian, Pizza
* Gumbo Diner - Seawall at 36th - Great gumbo, Good diner food, Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner
Gaidos - Seawall and 39th - Seafood, Historic (been there forever), a little pricey
* Ritass - Seawall and 61st - Fantastic frozen custard, Well worth the drive
* Jimmy's on the Pier - Seawall and 90th - Good food, Nice view over water, Casual
Café Michael Burger - West of Seawall, 11150 FM3005 - Gourmet burgers, German, Balcony

In Town:

* Shy Katz Deli - Avenue L at 16th - Great local cafe, Best Reuben ever, Desserts (Mon-Sat, 7a-3p)
Courtyard Café - Market (D) and 26th - German, 5 menu choices change daily
Mosquito Café - Winnie (G) and 14th - Great menu, A bit pricey
Sunflower Bakery - Post Office (E) and 14th - Good breakfast and brunch, poor bakery goods
* The Donut Palace - Broadway (J) and 21st - Great breakfast tacos, apple fritters
* Farley Girls - Post Office and 8th - Unique and home cooked choices
Smooth Tony's - 415 9th - Burgers, sandwiches, beer, Nice patio seating

* Henry's - Broadway (J) and 28th - A dump of a place but great food at great prices
* Shrimp & Stuff - Ave O and 39th - One of our favorites; Good fried seafood at reasonable prices
* Queens Bar-B-Que - Ave S and 34th - Great BBQ
DiBellas - Ave P and 31st - Italian
Leon's Bar-B-Q - Broadway and 54th

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Mexican

- * Las Fuentes Taqueria - 23rd at M (near O'Connell HS) - Mexican, Best carne quisada I've ever had
- Apache Mexican Cuisine - 511 20th (near Strand) - Good regular TexMex
- Taquilo's - Post Office at 21st - New Tex-Mex
- The Original - Market (D) and 14th - Mexican, local favorite
- * Mi Abuelitas - 1728 45th - Great Mexican breakfast food
- Riveras - Broadway and 49th - Mexican, local favorite
- Nopalera Grill - Broadway and 50th - Mexican, Local favorite when it was Taco House

Upscale

- * Saltwater Grill - Post Office (E) and 20th - Great food
- * Rudy & Paco's - Post Office (E) and 20th - South & Central American, pricey, nicer attire
- * M&M Restaurant - Church (F) and 24th - Great food

Strand Area

- * Stuttgarden Tavern - Burgers, brats, European food, Tons of draft and bottled beers
- * Yaga's - Strand (B) at 23rd - Burgers, pizzas, Great food! Slow service
- * Shrimp N Stuff Downtown - 23rd north of Strand - Good seafood, Indoor and Courtyard
- Riondo's - Strand at 24th - Great Italian
- Nono Tony's - Harborside at 21st - Nice, higher end
- Olympia - Pier 21 (Harborside at 21st) - Greek
- Willie G's - Pier 21 (Harborside at 21st) - Seafood on the bay, part of Landry's chain

Breweries and Bars

- * Galveston Island Brewing - 8423 Stewart Rd - Nice outdoor area, good beer choices
- Beerfoot Brewery - Near Seawall and 28th - Bar with Pool Tables
- Brews Brothers - Strand at 24th - Great burgers, Good beer choices
- Island Pier Club O and 17th - Good local dive, Jeff Bibler's favorite

See handy list of area restaurants at www.b4-u-eat.com and enter 77550 or 77551

Bella Rose Stores Guide

Here are some nearby shops where you can get what you need (grouped in order of closeness):

Beach Stuff

Beach Break Surf Shop, Seawall and 24th - Beach Stuff, Bike rentals

Murdocks - Seawall and 22nd - Beach stuff, Grab a drink and sit on balcony over water

Ohana Surf & Skate, Seawall & 28th - Beach stuff

Island Bicycle, Seawall and 18th - Rent bikes, tandems, boogie/surf boards, fishing gear; 409-762-BIKE

Surf Specialties - Avenue R and 37th

Groceries

Arlan's - Market (D) and University (5th) - east side, near UTMB

Krogers - Seawall and 57th - nice store

Convenience Stores

Goodies Liquor, Seawall and 24th

St Joseph Food Store - 23rd at Ave O

7 Days Food Store - Seawall and 34th

CVS - Broadway and 25th

Walgreens - Seawall and 3rd

Supplies

Family Dollar - Broadway and 22nd

Academy - Seawall and 45th

Big Lots - Broadway and 59th

Target - Broadway and 61st

Walmart - Seawall and 67th

Hardware

Chalmers True Value - Broadway and 20th

Home Depot - Broadway and 61st