

Mountain Home

Camp-Infos (en)

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About the house

About us

We extend to you a warm welcome at «Duerrenberg», a house that used to be a farm, settled on the Laengenberg, a small mountain range of the Pre-Alps between Bern and Thun.



family of the owner around 1920 on the way to the cheese dairy

fountain in front of the house

In 1992, a fire destroyed the house. In just one-years' time, the farm building was rebuilt from scratch. The buildings on the south side were untouched by the fire, and you can still see the remaining part of the barn entrance.



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We are living here since March 1, 1993 – 27 years as tenants – and then we could buy the property as per May 1 2020. Since we both also like to travel individually by car, motorbike and sailing boat we quickly had the idea of offering the studio apartment (which was empty most of the time anyway) to other travelers.

If our guests wish, we are gladly available for a chat, to share a glass or to pass on some insider information.

Just knock on our door (upstairs) and tell us about your wishes!

Safety / Fire protection

Smoking is only permitted outside the building and we kindly ask you to dispose all smoking material in a proper and safe way. Next to the mailboxes is a fire extinguisher and in the kitchen closet you will find a fire blanket.





For safety reasons, there are cameras surveilling the entry areas of the house.

Check out

Please leave the camp until 11:00 h. You may ask for later check out in advance. We are ready to improve our skills so we kindly ask you for your feedback in one of the usual ways e.g. personal, by mail or on the booking site.



Please don't forget to regulate additional services, if you took advantage of them (e.g. laundry, firewood).



Housemates

We and other residents live in the house. In addition, there's an apartment for temporarely guests. We all are using the laundry room, that serves as your bathroom. A usual considerateness can be expected from all parties.

Hygienic Measures

We washed our hands on a regular basis already before Corona. We expect our guests to abide by the actual rules.

The bathroom is under a standard cleaning procedure – even not daily – by using common cleaners. You find there several items to help yourselves if necessary. Please tell us, if you miss anything.

Laundry

For your personal laundry, you can use the washer and dryer for a moderate fee; Marga provides instructions and detergent. If needed we can provide a clotheshorse and an iron.

Parking

Bicycles may be placed save and dry inside the garage (please use the door in the front, right of the letterboxes). There is an indoor solution for motorcycles as well; we can show you on request.

Power

The Swiss grid works on 230V AC. 80 % is produced at daytime by our own photovoltaic system. Adapters (no converters) can be borrowed.

Trash

There is a compost bin in the upper left corner of the garden for organic waste (please no citrus-, banana- or avocado peel).

We recycle **Aluminum, PET** and **tin cans separately.** In the garage you will find extra baskets. The same goes for glass that can be thrown into a recycle container next to the gym hall on the way to the village (weekdays only / separated by colors).

All other trash is put into the black trash bag inside the garage.



Water / waste water

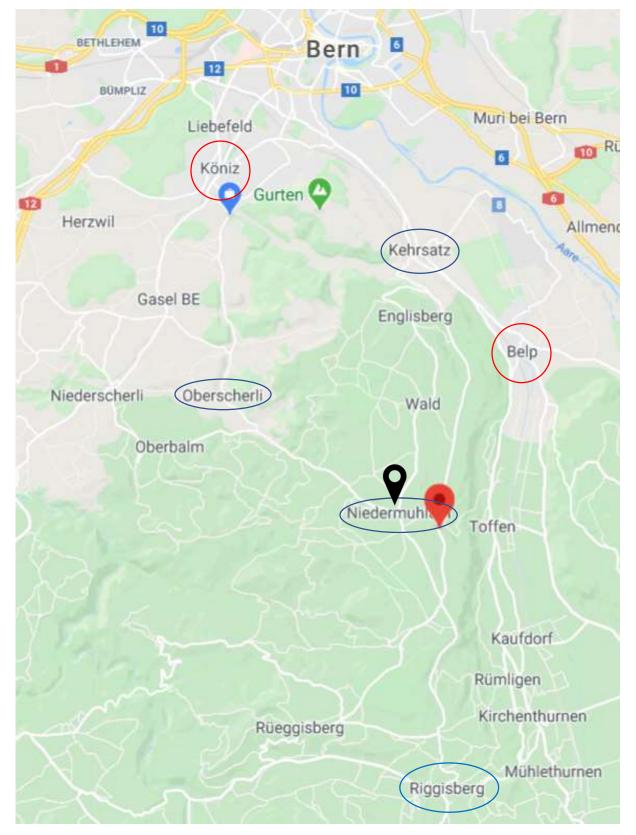
All water, included the fountain water is pure spring water that is safe to drink. It is quite calcareous, but that doesn't interfere with the taste. A bottle of it is in the fridge; it is best to refill the empty bottle at the fountain.

Wastewater is cleaned at our own microbiological wastewater plant. If you want to get rid of any chemicals or lactic acid substances, please let us know and we will help you to recycle properly.



Shopping

A small selection of food (e.g. bread, meat, dairy products) and everyday articles are available at the **dairy shop in the village Niedermuhlern** (ca. 1 km) | T 031 812 14 74 open Mo-Sa 06:00 - 11:30 h and 16:30 - 18:30 h (Sunday and hollidays 17:30 - 18:30 h).





The biggest selection of Super Markets, Pharmacies and other stores south of Bern can of course be found in the larger villages like Köniz and Belp, followed by Wabern, Kehrsatz, Riggisberg and Schliern. In Oberscherli, you can find a good bakery with other everyday items on offer at Haltenstrasse. In addition, you can find almost everywhere direct marketing places run by local farmers. It's worth keeping your eyes open 😉.

Bakery

Belp	Café Steibach, Neumattstrasse 8 T 031 819 15 65 Peter Fahrni, Hohburgstrasse 5 T 031 819 03 710		
Kehrsatz	Café Bistro Z7, Zimmerwaldstrasse 7 T 031 961 19 46		
Köniz	Gurten-Bäckerei Schwarzenburgstrasse 295 T 031 971 02 44		
Oberscherli	Jägerbäckerei und Café Haltenstrasse 328 T 031 849 01 86		
Riggisberg	Bäckerei Tea-Room Kurt Steiner Gurnigelstrasse 6 T 031 809 01 96 Bäckerei Konditorei Ernst Vordere Gasse 9 T 031 809 36 36 Kafi Riggi Grabenstrasse 3 T 031 809 24 32		

Cheese shop / dairy shop (check for special opening times*)

Niedermuhlern*	Käserei Niedermuhlern, Dorf 3 T 031 812 14 74
Belp	Chäs Glauser AG, Eggenweg 2A T 031 819 60 74
Oberbütschel*	Bernstrasse 115, 3088 Rüeggisberg T 031 809 12 56
Riggisberg	Käserei Stalder GmbH, Hintere Gasse 6 T 031 809 40 15

Butcher

Belp	Metzgerei Reber AG, Belpbergstrasse 14 T 031 819 01 89 Metzgerei Schwander, Mittelstrasse 1 T 031 812 20 36		
Köniz-Liebefeld	Lüthi & Portmann, Könizstrasse 235 T 031 822 61 41		
Riggisberg	Metzgerei Martin Schwander, Hintere Gasse 17 T 031 809 02 20 Alfred Reber, Plötsch 42 T 031 819 51 66		
Schliern b. Köniz	Konrad Hort, Muhlernstrasse 238 T 031 971 04 41		

Super Markets

Aldi	Belp, Wabern	
Соор	Belp, Kehrsatz, Köniz, Riggisberg, Wabern	
Denner	Belp, Köniz, Kleinwabern	
Landi	Belp, Köniz	
Lidl	Kehrsatz	
Migros	Belp, Köniz, Kleinwabern	
Liquor store	Portner in Riggisberg	



Regional specialties

Maybe something to take home for your family and friends?			
Guggershörnli	Innovative pasta variation from the Gantrisch area		
Belper Knolle	A unique cheese variation		
Bread and flour	Products from the flourmill Dittligmühle (exhibition mill)		
Beer	"Bärner Müntschi" or "Junker" by Felsenau brewery Bern, "Albertus" by Egger Worb; several craft beers e.g. from Thun		
Chocolate	Take your choice an try, not to get lost in the big offer ;-)		
Fondue	e.g. as ready to cook mixture from cheese shop Stalder Riggisberg		
Cervelat	THE Swiss sausage! In Basel it`s called "Chlöpfer" and in St. Gallen "Stumpen" – enjoyed cold with mustard and small bread or grilled on a stick.		
	<u>Our recommendation</u> : A great way to enjoy Cervelat is with a "Mütschli" (small soft bread) and mustard, best with a local beer and maybe even some cheese. Put it all in your backpack and start hiking towards Riggisberg. After about 250 meters— on the left at the end of the Bruchhölzliwald (Bruchhölzli forest) — is a bench with a breathtaking view of the Bernese Alps.		

Agricultural direct sales (a few examples near the house)

Bächlers	Well assorted kiosk with, amongst other things, fruits, vegetables, fresh meat and (legal!) hemp products, like extracts, oils, teas Muhlernstrasse direction Köniz, Bach 125a, Oberbalm www.baechlers.ch Cash & TWINT		
Ziegenhof	Farmer shop and bistro with goat cheese specialties, but also other regional products. Wuhrweg 24, Oberscherli www.broennimanns-ziegenhof.ch		
Chüeweid	self-pick strawberry field. Untere Längenbergstrasse direction Kehrsatz www.chueweid.ch		
Rohrer Gemüse	Farmer shop with fruits, vegetables, Ice Cream, canned products, Pasta, etc.		
	In spring fresh asparagus from Belp Engeweg 25 und Käsereistrasse 9a, Belp www.rohrergemuese.ch		
Gmüesgarage	Self-serve shop from different farmers and nurserys with fruits, vegetables, Pasta, herbs, flowers; meat (frozen only). Seftigenstrasse 400, Wabern www.gruenesband.ch/slm/ Cash and Credit Cards accepted.		
	Along the main road, you will find, according to the season, many more direct marketing places. They are always worth a short stop.		



Gastronomy (check the web for actual opening times)

Restaurants

Here is a small selection near us; ask us for more insider tips! * our favorites

Bachmühle *	very stylish ambience and great food; a few outside seating places.		
\$\$\$ - 3 km	Bachmühle, Niedermuhlern T 031 819 17 02 www.bachmuehle.ch		
Löwen	Traditional restaurant in		
\$\$ - 3 km	Hauptstrasse, Zimmerwald T 031 819 19 72 www.loewen-zimmerwald.ch		
Bütschelegg \$ - 4 km	Swiss and Tamil specialties (Rösti, a Swiss potato dish) with different curries. a place very popular for a leisurely stroll; large outside seating area. Bütschelegg 112, Oberbütschel T 031 809 03 24 www.buetschelegg.ch		
Rössli Hasli * \$\$ - 5 km	e.g. huge Cordon- Bleu; local gastronomy just above the village of Riggisberg, small outside patio with a great view. Längenbergstrasse 70, Riggisberg T 031 809 01 17		
Viva	Restausant with a nice panoramic view and a large patio.		
\$\$ - 5 km	Bernstrasse 1, Rüeggisberg T 031 809 33 66 www.restaurantviva.ch		
Bären	traditional restaurant with a garden patio		
\$\$ - 7 km	Oberbalmstr. 219, Oberbalm T 031 849 01 60 www.baerenoberbalm.ch		
Rössli Gasel *	Very good, diverse kitchen plus «Flammkuchen», a specialty from the Alsace (F)		
\$\$ - 9 km	Schwarzenburgstr. 581, Gasel T 031 842 06 51 www.rössli-gasel.ch		
Dörfli	versatile menu with everyday food, including Pizza and Indian cuisine.		
\$ - 10 km	Dörfliweg 8, Schliern T 031 971 99 90 www.doerflischliern.ch		
Osteria *	very small Italien restaurant, but great and comfy atmosphere		
\$\$ - 10 km	Dorfstrasse 10, Belp T 031 819 40 50 www.losteriabelp.ch		
Lamm Wislisau	between Riggisberg and Schwarzenburg		
\$\$ - 10 km	Wislisau, Rüschegg T 031 738 81 37 www.lamm-wislisau.ch		
Rondell *	portuguese specialties and a daily menu		
\$\$ - 12 km	Könizstrasse 260, Liebefeld T 031 972 69 69 www.rondell1.ch		
Landhaus	Swiss and Alsacian food; dining room, Rôtisserie, Bar, Patio		
\$\$\$ - 12 km	Schwarzenburgstr. 134, Liebefeld T 031 971 07 58 www.landhaus-liebefeld.ch		
Hirschen *	-seasonal, fresh and regional		
\$\$ - 17 km	Thunstr. 10, Allmendingen b. Bern T 031 951 21 56 -www.hirschen-allmendingen.ch		

Take Aways

Hardly any delivery service to Niedermuhlern. There are a few options though in Riggisberg, Belp, Köniz etc. Ask us about tips (or check www.takeaway.com, www.eat.ch, www.mypizza.ch).



Tea-Rooms

See "bakery"

Bars

z'Heimetli	Rustic Bar, Tu – Sa opens after 4 pm Rubigenstrasse 46, Belp www.linde-belp.ch	
bim Nachbar	Bar-Restaurant-Lounge mit barfood and housmade Ice Tea Bläuackerstrasse 1, Köniz <u>www.bimnachbar.ch</u>	
Schichtwechsel	Bar-Restaurant-Lounge with barfood and a small,but well assorted beer menu Waldeggstrasse 47, Liebefeld www.schichtwechsel.ch	
Ride In	Biker Bar,, open mostly only on fridays www.ride-in.ch	
Housi's	Biker Bar, occasional concerts, open Tuesdays to Saturdays Dorfstrasse 5 Uetendorf http://www.housis-toeffspass.ch/Housis-Bikerbar/	
Bschüttloch	For more information inquire with us.	



Excursion destinations (just a few possibilities in the area)

* = in walking distance

Aare	Walk from Rubigen to Münsingen – around the Aare River. Dinghy boat ride from Thun to Bern or from Thun to Rubigen or Bad Eichholz		
Belpberg	View of our Mountain home from the Belpberg, just opposite from our place		
Bern	Historic Old town, Shopping, Gastronomy and nightlife		
Borisried	Great view to the west, all the way to the Jura Mountains		
Bütschelegg *	short walk and then a tasty dessert at the restaurant		
Dittligmühle	showcase mill www.dittligmuehle.ch		
Fähribeizli	on the river Aare; boat shuttle Bodenacker takes you across the river and back		
Fallenbach *	group of historic typical farm buildings; order your fresh bread: during summer time they bake traditional bread in the stone oven every last Saturday of the month		
Grünes Band	Flatly Kehrsatz or biking route 888, which starts at the airport Belpmoos.		
Guggershörnli	A conglomerate mountain, also called Guggershorn, located just above Guggisberg; spectacular stairway up to the overlook (info board)		
<u>Gurten</u>	"Park in the Green" on top of the local Bernese mountain. Hike (about 30 mins) or take the "Gurtebähnli" from Wabern		
Höheweg *	Gürbetaler Höheweg (Mountain trail), 27 km along the Längenberg from Kehrsatz to Wattenwil. Technically not very demanding but the sheer hiking time of 7 to 8 hours requires to be in good shape. Just ask – we can help you divide the hike in a north and south section.		
Klosterruine (*)	Cluniazenser monastery in Rüeggisberg: an intermediate stop on the Jacob's trail. Hiking propositions and more info under: www.jakobsweg.ch		
Musse:um *	A 5.3 km Entschleunigungsrundweg ("calm down flatly") in the wonderful area between the Taveldenkmal (Tavel monument) and Bütschelegg.		
Naturpark	All Infos: www.gantrisch.ch (e.g. Gäggersteg)		
<u>Sternwarte *</u>	Niedermuhlern – especially the 'Uecht' – are located in the Dark Sky Zone: this enables you to have an unobstructed view to the sky and the stars. The observatory "Uecht" is offering public guides every Wednesday.		
	A new observatory is planned in the near future under the guidance of Mario Botta, the well-known architect and passionate astronomer.		
Thun	a leisurely walk through the old town, walking up to the castle or along the lakeshore to Hünibach; by boat to Spiez and then a walk back to Thun.		
Tavelmemorial *	View of the Alps from Längenberg; memorial for the well-known Bernese writer Rudolf von Tavel (1866 – 1934)		
Animalpark	A stroll through Dählhölzli, on the banks of the river Aare. Along the must-see vivarium, you can observe animals from the north of Europe. The famous bear pit is also close by. www.tierpark-bern.ch.		



Herzroute



Ride an e-bike for one or more leg of Veloroute 99. Bike rental: railway station Thun and Restaurant Landgasthof Bären Laupen (reservation necessary under <u>www.rentabike.ch/herzroute</u>).

Also possible to rent a bike at Stebi's Check Point GmbH in Burgistein. www.stebis.ch/vermietung



many hiking ideas under www.wanderplaner.ch (also as an App)



- > Gurnigel Morgetegrat Leiterepass Gurnigel
- > Gurnigel Leiterepass along the Gantrisch massif to the Stockhorn
- > Gantrisch Panoramaweg, 15.4 km (Gurnigel Bad Gurnigel Berghaus Selibühl – Horbühlpass – Zollhaus)
 Different Entry- and Exit-possibilities www.gantrisch.ch/panoramaweg

Maps available e.g. by the App of <u>www.swisstopo.admin.ch</u>

Our favorites nearby:

Don't forget to talk to us about many more suggestions, even those a bit further away. The Bernese Oberland, the Jura Mountains and even the Canton of Wallis are not that far away.

Especially for bikers, we have a few goodies to share! Moreover, who knows, we might even be able to go sailing together.



Emergency services

Emergency phone number **112**

Number 112 connects you to the police. You can call this number from any phone, with any provider and with any SIM-card.

There are more emergency phone numbers. You can again call these numbers from any phone.

Police	117	
Fire department	118	
EMS	144	emergencies
Toxicological Info	145	(or +41 44 251 51 51) poisoning

Medical emergencies

Emergency doctor	r 0900 57 67 47	(CHF 3.23 per minute on a Land line)
Pharmacies	031 819 56 81	(Extra charges for out of hours operation)
Dentist	0900 57 67 47	(Emergency consultations)
Eye doctor		(ophthalmologist at the train station in Belp) (ophthalmologist hospital Belp)

Public transportation

There is a common tariff regulated zone in the wider area of Bern. You will find all necessary information here <u>www.mylibero.ch</u> (only available in German and French). Don't forget, that coming back to Niedermuhlern at night might be quite difficult with the means offered by public transportation. When we go to Bern, we park our car in the Köniz or Wabern area and take the bus or tram from there (there are way more options of returning back home later at night).

The legal limit in Switzerland when drinking and driving is 0.5 per thousand

To keep the overview when it comes to public transportation, we recommend the download of the following App: **ÖV Plus-App** The integrated function «**lezzgo**» even lets you avoid the buying of a ticket: just activate it when boarding and deactivate when leaving your means of public transportation. You can find all the info right in the App:





Postauto (overland bus)

Different Post Bus lines connect Niedermuhlern (www.postauto.ch) with Köniz and Wabern, where you can connect to all the lines of Bernmobil, as well as to Riggisberg, where you again will find more Post Bus lines. Starting in Riggisberg, there is the Bus Line going across the whole Gantrisch region. www.busalpin.ch

Bernmobil (city bus)

There is a dense tram and bus line system. Check it here www.bernmobil.ch.

Train

Tickets are valid for all trains, be it BLS or SBB

Weatherforecast

We are not responsible for the weather! However, these Apps might help you plan your next day:

www.srf.ch/meteo www.meteoblue.com www.landi.ch/wetter

Webcams

There are three webcams on the "Sonnenturm" of the Uecht that allow you a permanent view to the west, east and south. This allows you to check the weather in real time. You can find the links here: www.niedermuhlern.ch.

Newspapers / regional News

Berner Zeitung	decent regional section www.bernerzeitung.ch
Der Bund	More city-oriented. All other columns identical with Berner Zeitung www.derbund.ch
TeleBärn	regional TV station www.telebaern.tv
Radio Bern1	regional radio station www.radiobern1.ch
Radio RaBe	alternative radio station for Bern www.rabe.ch
SRF	a collection of private and state TV stations www.srf.ch