



## Barclay Cottage Bed and Breakfast Virginia Beach, Virginia

**Virginia Green Lodging** is the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) initiative to promote pollution prevention (P2) practices in the tourism and hospitality industry. **Green Lodging** encourages hotels, resorts, and other hospitality operations to be aware of their impact on the environment and to take steps to reduce these impacts. **Green Lodging** is a non-regulatory program, and participation is completely voluntary and free of charge.

### Barclay Cottage

Located just a 3 minute walk from the beach in an historic neighborhood, Barclay Cottage is close to the activity and excitement of the Virginia Beach Oceanfront but provides an environment that melts away your cares and stress. Built in 1895, and welcoming guests since 1917, this award-winning bed and breakfast preserves the warmth and charm of yesterday, yet has every comfort expected by today's travelers.



**Green Lodging Activities.** When visiting Barclay Cottage Bed and Breakfast, you can expect the following practices:

### CORE ACTIVITIES for Green Lodging

- Optional Linen Service.** Sheets and towels are not automatically changed every day during your stay.
  - Train house cleaners on process of optional linen service
  - Purchase water efficient washers and dryers
  - Use non-phosphate, non-toxic, biodegradable laundry detergents
  - Minimize the use of bleach and chlorinated chemicals
- Recycling and Waste Reduction.** Green Lodging Facilities must provide recycling. Recycling should be highly visible and made available to guests with clear signage. A general commitment to reducing total amount of waste should be made.
  - Recycle: Glass, Aluminum Cans, Steel Cans, Grease, Plastic, Toner Cartridges, Newspaper, Cardboard, Packing Supplies, Fluorescent Lamps, Batteries, Electronics Equipment
  - Instruct housekeeping to save and reuse unopened items
  - Use dishware and glassware to minimize use of disposables
  - Non-bleached napkins and coffee filters
  - Purchase locally grown produce and other foods
  - Encourage suppliers to minimize packaging and other waste materials
  - Use two-sided copying and printing
  - Use electronic correspondence and forms
  - Purchase durable furniture and equipment
  - Purchase "low-VOC" carpets and fabrics
  - Use latex paint
  - Reuse/recycle/dispose of thinners and solvents properly
  - Use preventative maintenance on all appliances, HVAC systems, plumbing, and vehicles
  - Effective inventory system and labeling of last-in/first-out
  - Minimize use of pesticides and herbicides



- Water Conservation.** The facility must have a plan for conserving water that should consider plumbing modifications and landscaping.
  - Preventative maintenance of drips and leaks
  - High efficiency dishwashers
  - Use dry clean up methods over water-based methods
  - Low flow toilets and low flow restrictors on faucets and showerheads
  - Effective landscape management plan
  - Cisterns and drip line irrigation
  - Minimization of impervious areas
  
- Energy Conservation.** The facility must have a plan in place that encourages replacement of lighting and equipment to energy-efficient alternatives.
  - Use high efficiency compact fluorescent light bulbs in rooms and spotlights
  - Use high efficiency fluorescent ballasts and lamps
  - High efficiency heating & air conditioning and use ceiling fans
  - Use lighting sensors
  - Purchase *EnergyStar* computers and appliances
  - Use directional lighting in parking lots and walkways
  
- Green Events Package.** The facility must offer a “green” or “environmentally-friendly” package for conferences, meetings and other events. Even if the facility only offers occasional, small events, at least recycling will be provided.
  - Dolphin watching package




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For more information on **Barclay Cottage Bed and Breakfast**, see [www.barclaycottage.com](http://www.barclaycottage.com) or contact Stephen or Marie-Louise LaFond at [innkeepers@barclaycottage.com](mailto:innkeepers@barclaycottage.com) .

For more information on **Virginia Green Lodging** program, see [www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/lodging](http://www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/lodging).



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