



Virginia Green Lodging
Profile:



High Meadows Vineyard Inn

Bed & Breakfast

Scottsville, 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.

High Meadows Vineyard Inn

High Meadows Vineyard Inn is located 20 minutes south of Charlottesville and features seven guest rooms. The inn is a restored farmhouse and the innkeepers strive toward living as cleanly as possible. High Meadows Vineyard Inn is committed to environmental excellence and works to minimize environmental impacts whenever possible.

Green Lodging Activities. When visiting High Meadows Vineyard Inn, you can expect the following practices:

- 🌍 **Optional linen service** in rooms
- 🌍 **Recycling** opportunities for guests
- 🌍 **Water Conservation**
- 🌍 **Energy conservation**
- 🌍 **Green events**



DETAILS:

- 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
- Use linen service providers who employ "wet" versus "dry" cleaning
- Recycle glass, aluminum cans, steel cans, grease, plastic, office paper, toner cartridges, newspaper, cardboard, packing supplies, fluorescent lamps, batteries and electronics equipment
- Compost excess food wastes
- Track overall waste bills
- Use bulk soap dispensers and fill reusable shampoo bottles
- Instruct housekeeping to save and reuse unopened items
- Eliminate use of Styrofoam
- Use dishware and glassware to minimize use of disposables
- Disposable containers made of bio-based, recycled content, or compostable materials
- Use non-bleached napkins and coffee filters



- Provide condiments, cream and sugar in bulk
- Refill water pitchers to minimize single use bottles
- Implement effective food inventory system to minimize waste
- Donate excess food from events
- Purchase locally grown, organic and sustainable grown produce and other foods
- Filter grease
- Purchase recycled-content paper-towels and toilet paper
- Encourage suppliers to minimize packaging and other waste materials
- Purchase from vendors and service providers with a commitment to the environment
- Use two-sided copying and printing and electronic correspondence and forms
- Use “green” cleaners that are dispensed in bulk
- Purchase durable equipment and furniture and “low-VOC” carpets and fabrics
- Use reused building materials or those from sustainable sources
- Use latex paint and 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
- Use least toxic materials
- Minimize use of pesticides and herbicides and use integrated pest management
- Tracking overall water usage and wastewater
- Preventative maintenance of drips and leaks
- High efficiency dishwashers
- Use dry clean up methods over water-based methods
- Low flow toilets
- Effective landscape management plan
- Rain gardens, cisterns, and drip-line irrigation
- Effective storm water management plan
- Minimization of impervious areas
- Vegetative buffers around streams and ponds
- Track overall energy bills and set a numeric goal to reduce
- Use high efficiency compact fluorescent light bulbs in rooms and spotlights
- Use ceiling fans
- Use natural lighting and lighting sensors
- Thermal rated insulation
- Use directional lighting in parking lots and walkways



For more information on **High Meadows Vineyard Inn**, see <http://highmeadows.com>.

For more information on **Virginia Green Lodging** program, see www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/lodging.



Virginia Green Lodging program is a supporting partner of **Virginia Green**, the Commonwealth’s campaign to encourage environmentally-friendly practices is all aspects of Virginia’s tourism industry. Virginia Green is supported through a partnership between the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, the Virginia Hospitality & Travel Association, and the Virginia Tourism Corporation.

