Your Guide to Hosting with Can-Dine

Discover the support, possibilities and next steps.



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Can-Dine Host Guide 2026

Welcome to Can-Dine

Share what you love. Connect with others. Explore a new source of income.

Can-Dine connects people to local experiences in Cottage Country. We're building a network of local hosts, businesses and community organizations who share their skills, interests, stories and knowledge with others.

Whether you're exploring your first idea or already welcoming guests, you don't have to figure everything out on your own.

About This Guide

Discover how Can-Dine can support you as you shape your experience, plan the practical details, choose your price and prepare your listing. You'll also learn how booking requests and direct payments fit together.

Read from the beginning or go straight to the parts you need. If you already have a plan, use this guide as a reference—you don't need to follow a particular format to work with Can-Dine.

Support That Starts Where You Are

You bring your passion and knowledge. Can-Dine helps you shape an experience that guests can understand, enjoy and remember.

New to Hosting?

We can help you develop your idea, organize the activities and think through costs and pricing. If you need a place to host, we can explore possibilities in your local community.

Already Welcoming Guests?

If you already offer an experience, we can help you present it to a wider audience through marketing and promotion.

Currently Free to Join

Joining Can-Dine is currently free while we develop the platform and grow our host network.

If paid options are introduced, we'll explain the pricing and terms before you decide whether to continue.

Your Experience, Your Control

You decide what you offer, when and where you host, your group size and what you charge.

Your Role as Host

You remain responsible for planning and delivering your experience, communicating with guests and preparing a safe, welcoming environment.

How Can-Dine Supports You

Can-Dine provides advertising, promotion and practical support.

For experiences using our request-to-book option, guests submit requests through Can-Dine. You review and approve them, communicate directly with guests and arrange payment.



Payments and Responsibilities

Payments Stay with You

Can-Dine does not collect or process payments for independently hosted experiences.

You manage payment methods, deposits, cancellations and refunds. We can help you explore ways to organize those arrangements.

Understanding Our Roles

Can-Dine's guidance and promotional support do not replace your responsibility for operating your experience.

Our Host Agreement explains the relationship and responsibilities in more detail.

Share something you love, earn from your skills, and make hosting fit your life.

Shape Your Experience

Start with something you know, enjoy or love to share.

Can-Dine can help you develop it, step by step, into an activity that guests will enjoy, remember and want to tell others about.

Picture Your Guests

Think about what guests will do, who the experience will suit and what they'll take away. That might be a new skill, something they've made, a fresh perspective or a memory shared with others.

Make It Yours

We'll help you give your idea a clear purpose and opportunities for guests to participate. Your passion and personal approach are what make it yours.



Get Help Bringing Your Experience to Life →

Consider Safety from the Start



Your Knowledge and Abilities

Choose an activity that suits your knowledge, skills and ability to guide guests.

Possible Risks

Think about what could cause harm during the activity and who might be affected.

How You'll Manage Them

Consider what preparation, equipment and clear instructions will help you manage those risks.

Can-Dine's guidance can help you think through your plan; you remain responsible for operating your experience safely.

Read the Host Agreement →

Find the Right Setting

Choose a place and group size that suit your activity and the guests you want to welcome.

Can-Dine can help you organize the practical details into a clear plan. Our planning templates help you work through what happens, when it happens and what you'll need along the way.

Location and Group Size

Choose a setting that suits your activity and a group size you can comfortably host. Think about space, equipment and how much individual guidance guests will need.

If your home isn't the right fit, Can-Dine can help you explore suitable local businesses, community spaces and public venues. Availability, permission and arrangements will need to be confirmed with the venue.

Accessibility

Consider how people will reach the location and participate in the activity. Look for ways to make the experience more accessible, and describe any limitations clearly so guests can decide whether it suits their needs.

Get Ready to Welcome Guests

Plan the experience from the first welcome to the final goodbye.

Putting the details together helps you prepare and lets guests know what to expect.

Timing and Activities

Outline the main stages and total duration. Allow time to welcome guests, explain the activity, offer help and bring things to a comfortable close.

Supplies and Guest Expectations

List what you'll provide and anything guests should bring. Explain what's included and what they can take home—such as a cake they decorate.

Try It Out

Can-Dine can help you bring these details together before your listing goes live. A practice run helps you check timing, spot missing supplies and make adjustments.

Feel organized, confident and ready to share what you love.

Make Hosting Worthwhile

You set your price. Can-Dine can help you work through the numbers.

Know Your Costs

If you'd like support, we can help you budget for different group sizes. Hosting three guests may involve different costs than hosting fifteen.

Include supplies, ingredients and venue costs, along with your time for preparation, hosting and cleanup.

Knowing your costs helps you decide what to charge and whether you need a minimum number of guests.

Choose Your Price

Consider what's included, the value guests receive and the income you want to earn.

Can-Dine can offer guidance, whether you prefer a simple pricing formula or want to explore what similar experiences charge. You make the final decision.

Our aim is to help you choose a price that makes hosting worthwhile for you.

How Booking Requests Work

For experiences using our request-to-book option, guests request through Can-Dine. You review the request and confirm the arrangements.

1

The Guest Sends a Request

The guest selects an available date and time and submits the booking form.

2

Everyone Is Notified

The guest receives an acknowledgement that their request is awaiting approval. You and Can-Dine also receive notifications.

3

You Discuss the Details

Contact the guest as needed to discuss the experience, confirm arrangements and explain how to pay you in advance.

4

You Respond Through Can-Dine

Approve, decline or reschedule the request through your booking access. Once approved, the guest receives confirmation, and Can-Dine can see the updated status.

Booking approval does not mean payment has been received. Guests pay you directly.

Showcase Your Experience

Your experience gets a place on Can-Dine—and a page you can proudly share.

Get Discovered

Can-Dine creates a listing in our experience catalogue that introduces your activity and leads guests to its dedicated webpage.

Someone arriving for one activity may discover yours along the way.

What to Send Us

Share a brief description, useful photos or videos and the essential guest information.

You don’t need to submit your entire working plan—just enough to clearly and accurately explain what you offer.

Your Dedicated Page

Your page brings together your activities, photos and the details guests need to decide whether the experience suits them.

Think of it as your storefront within Can-Dine.

Help Guests Choose Your Experience

Give guests the information they need to picture taking part.

What Your Page Includes

- What guests will do and who it suits
- Location, duration and availability
- Price and what's included
- What guests should bring
- Accessibility and participation requirements
- Photos or videos
- How to request a booking and contact you

Make the Next Step Easy

For experiences using our request-to-book option, a Request to Book button leads to the calendar and form.

Guests can also contact you directly with questions.

Share Your Page

Share your link through social media, your website, emails, posters and community connections.

Your promotion and Can-Dine's marketing help more people discover your experience.

Your Next Step

You don’t need a finished plan to start a conversation.

Tell us what you’d love to share and where you could use some help. Use your own notes or plan—there’s no required format.

What Happens Next?

A Can-Dine specialist will contact you to learn about your experience, explore its potential and discuss how we can support you.

Whether you need help developing the activity, planning the details or preparing your listing, we’ll start where you are.

Let’s Make It Happen

There’s no cost to learn more, join Can-Dine or access our current host support while we develop the platform.

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