

AFM FERGUSON CABINS

Private Retreat Facilities

Gifted to Atlanta Friends Meeting in 1983 by Dwight Ferguson, the Ferguson Cabins include seven wooded acres and several cabin structures on a mountainside site with a dock on Lake Burton. From the dock, a beautiful view of the lake and surrounding mountains bring a sense of peace and simplicity.

The cabins are about 2.5 hours' drive from the Meetinghouse in the North Georgia mountains and are open to Friends for family, individual, group and committee retreats. Dwight's intent was to encourage fellowship by providing a place for Friends to step into the natural world, where there is a sense of peace, gathering, contemplation and play.

There are two cabins with full kitchens, Dwight cabin and Irene cabin. Both cabins have a stove, refrigerator/freezer, dishes, pots and pans, board games and puzzles. Dwight cabin has a screen porch for open air sleeping, a woodstove and piped cold running water which can be heated on the stove for cleaning and bathing. A sofa opens to a double bed and there are 4-5 mattresses for sleeping on the floor. The newer Irene cabin has hot running water and a toilet on the main level. It has a ceiling fan, baseboard heat and a double bed, a single bed and 2-3 mattresses in a loft. A bathroom on the lower level of Irene includes a walk-in shower and is open to all.



Dwight Cabin



Irene Cabin

Dwight cabin is the most accessible, with no steps through the screened porch door and one step into another door. The bathroom on the lower level of Irene is accessed from an inclined gravel walkway. For larger groups, there are two more structures with electricity, Treetops and Squirrel House, and there is an outhouse if the other bathroom facilities are occupied.

The dock, located on Lake Burton is a short walk down the driveway and across the road from the cabins. The lakefront includes a small area with a gentle slope into the lake, a picnic table, a campfire ring, canoes and a little boathouse containing a kayak, paddles and life vests.

There is minimal or sporadic cell phone and internet reception. The town of Clayton is about 1/2 hour away with grocery and hardware stores, restaurants, and coffee shops.

This special place is a unique gift that is truly a Quaker blessing of simplicity, walking lightly on the earth, and finding and connecting with nature and the Light.

Arrangements for Use of the Ferguson Cabins

Call or text the schedule manager:

Joan Thompson at 404-273-3489 to make a reservation and discuss your arrival/departure times.

Suggested donation:

\$13 /adult/night for Dwight cabin and bunkhouses, including use of toilet/shower on the lower level of Irene cabin. \$20 /adult/night for Irene cabin. Payments and donations can be made by PayPal to “Atlanta Friends Meeting - Ferguson Cabins”

Cleaning and departure protocol:

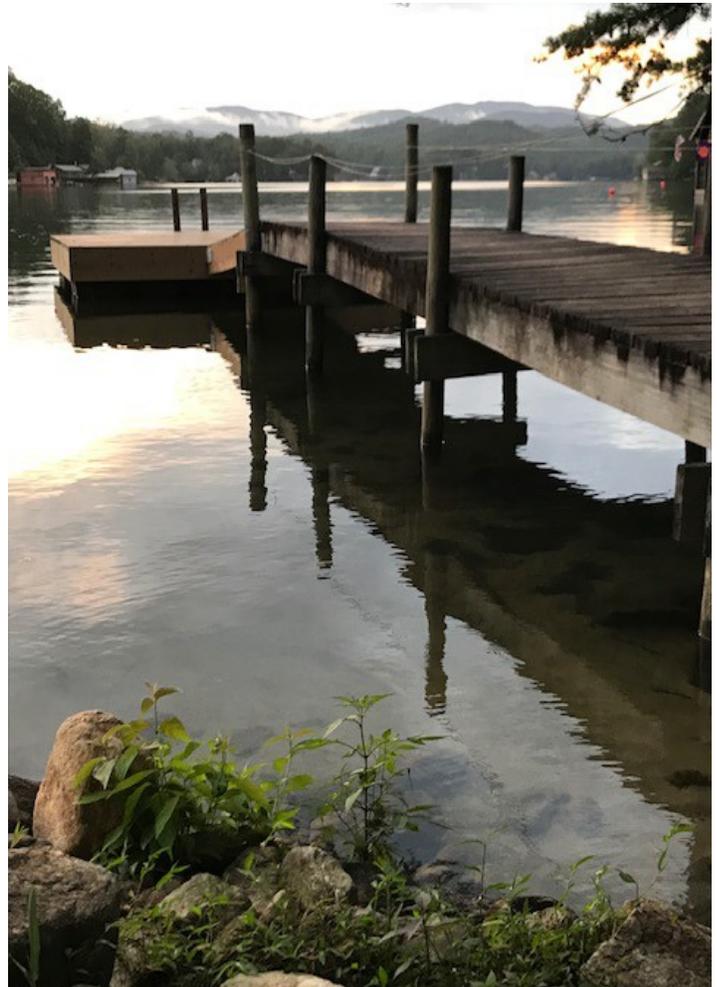
Bring your own cleaning supplies to wipe down kitchen, bathrooms and door knobs, dry and put dishes away, sweep floors, close windows, turn off lights, take all food items and trash with you when you leave, return keys and report issues to the schedule manager.

+ Dwight cabin and Irene cabin’s lower bathroom: Confirm that dehumidifiers are on.

+ Irene cabin: Leave heat on low in cold weather.

Suggested packing list includes:

Bedding, kitchen and bath towels, soap, washcloths, dish soap and cleaning supplies, garbage bags, toilet paper, bathing suit, flashlight, food and beverages.



Suggested Driving Directions to the Ferguson Cabins
1395 Mindy Mountain Rd., Tiger, Georgia, 30576

Driving time from Atlanta is approximately 2 1/2 hours.

Take I-85 north to I-985 which becomes 23/441. Travel past Tallulah Falls Gorge and continue 8 miles further. Look for "Goats" sign on the left. Turn left here at the Tiger Connector / Bridge Creek Rd. Go 9 miles and turn right on Murray Cove Rd. Take first left off paved road onto gravel road, "Mindy Mtn. Rd". Cabins are on left. Mailbox says D.H. Ferguson.

For Questions & Concerns Contact
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