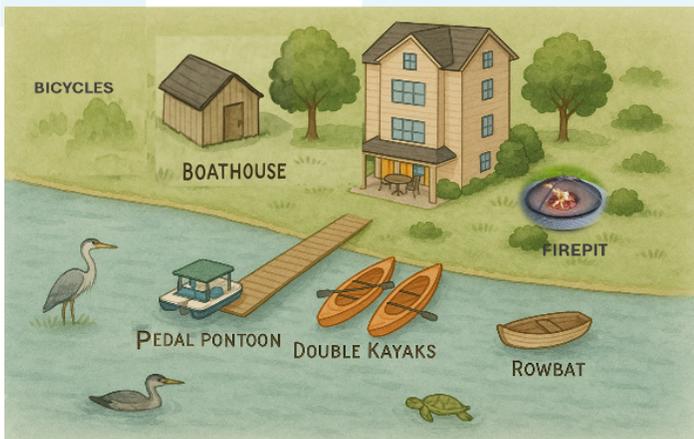




# Discover Your Escape

## Your Lakeside Retreat



## **Welcome to Gilead Getaways – Sandbar Suite**

We are thrilled to welcome you to the Sandbar Suite, our cozy and lakefront retreat in beautiful Bronson, Michigan. We hope your stay is restful, fun-filled, and memorable. Whether you're kayaking at dawn, enjoying ice cream at Sweet Summers, or sipping coffee in the glass room watching the lake life go by, this home is designed for moments that matter.

We fell in love with this spot for its peace, lake access, and the joy of gathering. We're so glad to share it with you.

If you need anything during your stay, please don't hesitate to reach out:

-  **Address:** Gilead Lake, Bronson MI 49028
  -  **Local Support Contact:** Julie | (321) 505-1276
  -  **Website:** [www.gileadgetaways.com](http://www.gileadgetaways.com)
  -  **Facebook:** [@Gilead Getaways](#)
  -  **Email:** [Info@gileadgetaways.com](mailto:Info@gileadgetaways.com)
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## Emergency Contacts

- **In Case of Emergency:** Call 911
  - **Property Address:** Gilead Lake, Bronson MI 49028
  - **Nearest Hospital:** Community Health Center of Branch County – (517) 279-5437
  - **Police Department:** Bronson Police – (517) 369-9083
  - **Fire Department:** Bronson Fire Department – (517) 369-3131
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## Emergency House Equipment

- **Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Detectors:** Frequent installation throughout the house
- **Fire Extinguishers:**
  - Under Kitchen Sink
  - Upstairs Bathroom Vanity
  - In Laundry Room
  - Basement Recreation Room Behind Exterior Door Near Gas Grill
- **Emergency Flashlights:** 1 on each level of the house
- **Hose / Wood Firepit:** Turn on the hose located behind the bicycles before using the firepit. Always fully extinguish fires. A sprayer attachment is by the firepit for safety and boat washing. A separate diverter allows you to rinse bikes as well

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## House Rules & Policies

- **Check-In:** 3:00 PM
- **Check-Out:** 11:00 AM
- **Quiet Hours:** 10:00 PM – 8:00 AM
- **No smoking inside the home**

### **Steps:**

Steps can be steep and slippery, especially when wet. Please use handrails at all times.

### **Towels:**

- Kitchen and bath towels provided
- Outdoor towels (mismatched) are in the boathouse
- Washing machine / Dryer available

### **Bedding:**

- Clean sheets and quilts on each bed
- Extra bedding is in each closet
- Bedding for foldout couches on main floor in footstool

### **Trash:**

- Please bag all trash and place in the bin near the garage
- Trash Bin should be taken to the road early Tuesday morning for pickup
- Recycling dumpsters are located at Shoprite located at 9025 W St Rd 120, Orland, IN

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## How-To Instructions & Amenities

### WiFi Info:

Network: Sandbar

Password: Provided After Check-in

### Coffee Lovers:

- Keurig & Mr. Coffee machine provided
- Dunkin Donuts coffee pods, ground coffee, creamer, sugar & Splenda are included

### Climate Control:

- Thermostat for Heating Radiator Boiler System in the kitchen dining room and at the top of the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor stairs. Currently set at 65 degrees. Adjust temperature for your comfort level. Please leave both upstairs and downstairs, “ON” this time of year with a minimal of 60 degrees. Propane is periodically delivered to power the system.
- 2 window A/Cs (main level) during summer
- 2 portable & 1 window A/Cs upstairs (*Kingy, Queeny, Uppity Bathroom*)
- 2 box fans upstairs (*Bunky and Extended Bunky*)
- 1 portable A/C Recreation Room

## Appliances & Features:

- Washer/Dryer
- Refrigerator with ice & water dispenser
- Gas Range, Microwave, Toaster Oven, Toaster, Blender, Crock Pot
- Electric Fireplace (glass recreation room)
- Air Hockey & Ping Pong Table
- Corn Hole in deck box near the entrance by the bikes
- Electric Guitar & Amplifier, Keyboard
- Chess, Checkers, Puzzles & Board Games
- Darts are for Adults – Very sharp!

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## Outdoor Fun

### **Swimming & Boating:**

- Lake near the dock is slightly mucky, better swimming from the boat
- 50-foot dock access

### **Watercraft Available:**

- 2 double kayaks
- 4-person pedal pontoon
- 12-foot rowboat
- Life jackets of various sizes in boathouse

### **Fishing Gear:**

- Rods and tackle box available (quality may vary)
- Fishing license required (per Michigan law)

### **Grilling:**

- Brand New Gas Grill and Utensils (on deck)

### **Firepit:**

- Brand New Firepit, some wood and starters in the boathouse
- Additional Wood in deck box on east side of garage
- Need more firewood? Visit Thistle Downs Lane in Orland, IN

### **Wildlife Spotting:**

Look out for wildlife: loons, turtles, herons, swans, and the occasional bald eagle!



## Local Attractions

- **Movies under the Stars:** [Capri Drive-In Bronson MI](#)
- **Hometown Theater:** [Brokaw Movie House Angola IN](#)
- **Children's Museum:** [Children's Museum Coldwater MI](#)
- **Pokagon Summer Fun Lake James & Snow Lake:** [Pokagon State Park](#)
- **Local Favorites:** [Bronson Farmers Market Bronson MI](#)
- **Go-Carts, Arcade:** [Adventure Zone Bronson MI](#)
- **Paddle Pigeon River Canoe or Kayak:** [Mongo River Run Mongo IN](#)
- **Alligators:** [Alligator Sanctuary Athens MI](#)
- **Windmill:** [Mid-America Windmill Museum Kendallville IN](#)
- **Bowling:** [Bronson Strike Zone Bronson MI](#)
- **Pokagon Winter Toboggan Run, Cross-County Skiing, Ice Fishing:** [Pokagon State Park](#)
- **Amish Shipshewana:** [Menno-Hof Visitor Center Shipshewana IN](#)
- **Fall Attraction Pumpkins & Corn Maze:** [Swift Pumpkins and Produce Bronson MI](#)
- **Rail-Trail Bike / Hike:** [Rail-Trail Pumpkinvine Trail Goshen IN](#)
- **Trine Sporting Events:** [Trine Thunder Calendar](#)
- **Steam Engine Train Rides:** [Little River Railroad](#)
- **Diesel Engine Train Trips:** [Indiana Rail Experience](#)
- **Barn Quilt Trail and so much more:** [Shipshewana Trails and Tours](#)
- **180+ Mile Garage Sale 8/7-10:** [US12 Heritage Trail](#)
- **Orland American Legion:** [Block Party Aug 2nd](#)



## Local Bites & Dining

- **Mr. Bratz** – Great steaks for grilling, Hawaiian brats
- **Sweet Summers** – Best chicken salad croissant & ice cream
- **Azteca Mexican** – Great food & margaritas, dine-in or takeout
- **Cubby's Fish & Steak Restaurant** – Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner
- **Five Star Pizza** – Fresh, hand-tossed dough and premium toppings
- **Smitty's Pizza** – Delivery to the Getaways on Friday & Saturday evenings

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## Wineries & Casinos

- **Satek Winery** – [satekwinery.com](http://satekwinery.com) – 30 mins away
- **FireKeepers Casino Hotel** – [firekeeperscasino.com](http://firekeeperscasino.com) – Approx. 45 mins away

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## Transportation & Getting Around

- **Grocery:** Shoprite – 9025 W St Rd 120, Orland, IN
- **Grocery Etc.:** Wal-Mart Plus Coldwater, MI & Angola, IN delivery to the Getaways
- **Gas/Convenience:** Johnny's Markets – Bronson, MI
- **Bait Shop:** The Corner Landing – Angola, IN
- **Firewood:** 1 mile east of Shoprite, Thistle Downs Ln Orland, IN
- **Bicycles:** 6 adult bikes on-site (quality may vary)
- **Bike Rentals:** Bike and Soul – Angola, IN (call ahead)
  - [Bike and Soul Angola, Indiana](#)

## **Airport Access:**

- South Bend, IN (SBN): ~1 hour
- Kalamazoo, MI (AZO): ~1.5 hours
- Detroit, MI (DTW): ~2 hours

**Note:** Rideshares & car rentals are limited in rural areas—please plan ahead

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## Checkout Procedures

- 🔥 Turn radiator boiler heating system via thermostats to 60 degrees both upstairs and main floor
- ❄️ Turn off all A/C units, and fans during summer months
- ✅ Closets, drawers, and electrical outlets for personal items
- 🗑️ Dispose of all opened food & beverages
- 🔥 Bring all the cooking utensils inside
- 💡 Turn off all lights (except sensor/emergency flashlight nightlights)
- 📺 Turn off electronics and electric fireplace
- 🧺 Place used towels, linens, and sponges in laundry hampers
- 🗑️ Bag and place trash in outdoor bin, recycling bagged beside bin
- 🔒 Lock the door by pressing the lock button on the keypad, a blue check mark shows locked

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## ★ Final Tips

- Please leave a review if you enjoyed your stay at your booking site – it really helps our small business!
- Have feedback or suggestions? Email us: [Info@gileadgetaways.com](mailto:Info@gileadgetaways.com)
- We encourage you to follow us on Facebook: **@Gilead Getaways** for latest property updates, photos and upcoming events

**Thank you for choosing Gilead Getaways – we hope to welcome you back soon!**