

Driving Directions

Persons with chronic or even temporary disabilities who are unable to walk/hike to the Inn are allowed to drive/be driven to the Inn using the Old Railroad Grade fire road. This road is an uneven and unpaved road surface. High clearance vehicles are recommended, but not essential if you drive slowly and carefully.

Cell phones do not work everywhere on Mt. Tamalpais, so we advise you to obtain the gate operating code before starting up to Mt. Tamalpais. To get the code call the Innkeeper on duty at 415-388-9955 during the Inn's daytime business hours. Tuesday – Sunday, 11 am to 5 pm.

- Start at Pantoll Ranger Station in Mount Tamalpais State Park located at the crossroads of Panoramic Highway and East Ridgecrest Boulevard.
- From Pantoll take East Ridgecrest Boulevard located across the street from Pantoll Parking Lot. Continue up East Ridgecrest Boulevard for 3.1 miles, following the signs for East Peak.
- The Old Railroad Grade Fire Road fire road is unmarked, but located on the right side of East Ridgecrest Boulevard below the parking lot at the top of Mt. Tamalpais.
- Entrance to the fire road while heading toward East Peak requires a sharp steep right turn onto the fire road. A less challenging turn is possible if one continues up into the East Peak parking lot to make a U-turn, and returns to the fire road for a left turn.
- There is a locked electric-powered gate at the entrance to the fire road. The gate has a number pad, which is reachable from the driver's side window. Enter the code you received from the Inn's Innkeeper. Once you drive through the gate, it will automatically close.
- It is about a 1.3 miles from the gate to the Inn. This road is shared with cyclists and hikers, another reason for driving slowly and cautiously.
- Park at the Inn's accessible parking space.

No gate code is needed on the return journey. As you approach the gate, stop about 15 feet from the gate and wait for the gate to automatically open. Once you drive through the gate, it will automatically close.