

## HOT TUB

When the hot tub is filled up with water (10cm from the top of the hot tub edge), you can fire up the heater. **We will light the fire prior to your arrival and it should be up to temperature for you later afternoon.**

**IMPORTANT** – the fiberglass lined hot tub heater’s heating temperature can’t go higher than +55C° as higher temperatures **can damage the fiberglass gel coating and cause blistering**. Once the hot tub is fired up, you need to make sure of regular stirring of the water so the hot water doesn’t concentrate around the heater’s outlet. 38 degrees is hot enough in our opinion. It’s really important to be patient and not overload the fire or get it too roaring.

The best way to fire up the hot tub is start with firelighters and kindling. Firelighters can be found in the tin in the high kitchen cupboard with a gas stick lighter. Put two firelighters onto the base rack, light them and make a wig-wam shape with pieces of kindling to start your fire. Then when the flame is getting bigger you can add bigger pieces of wood. Fire intensity can be adjusted with sliding vent on the front of the stove door which regulates the air intake into the burning chamber. We recommend getting the fire going with the vent fully open and then half closing the vent when the fire is established.

The tub takes about 3-4 hours to heat from cold (weather dependent) provided the fire is kept consistently burning. When the tub is up to temperature (**we think 36-38 degrees is perfect**) you can close the door vent and let the fire die out. There is a floating rubber duck thermometer in the water. You can fish it out with the blue net which can be found in the large storage box in the garden. **Please leave the thermometer in the water to avoid it being broken as it is delicate.**

If the tub does become too warm, immediately close the stove vents and poke the fire to disassemble it so it dies out quicker. You can leave the lid open for a while or, in the worst case, you can add a little cold water using the tap and hose situated on the pathway. Be careful not to overfill the tub. Should have any problems please call us immediately on 07791 597027 and we gladly will come to your rescue! Likewise, if you don’t see yourself as a fire starter, we will happily do it for you any time, just call or text.

Enjoy the tub and when you have finished, replace the insulated lid and it should stay warm into the following day. When you are ready to warm the tub again just relight the fire—it will take a shorter amount of time to re-warm it again.

**IMPORTANT** - do not load more than 2 thirds of wood of the height of the heater. Make sure you do not add too much wood, to hinder the internal venting in the stove.

**IMPORTANT**- if the hot tub is not filled up to the right level (ie over all the jets) you can’t light the heater, because the emitted heat will damage the tub and the heater.

**IMPORTANT** - water from the hot tub can be drained only when the heater is completely cooled down. Otherwise, the heat will damage the hot tub and the heater itself. **If you need to drain the tub please call us immediately and we will help.**

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