



15 Little Things That Make An Airbnb Go From Okay to Fantastic



1) Strong WiFi



Good WiFi is important to invest in for your Airbnb. It's essential for digital nomad travelers who work on the road. But it's more than that – these days it has become essential for pretty much every type of traveler who would be staying at your Airbnb.



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Everyone uses WiFi. We need it to update our social media accounts, Facetime friends and family, and listen to podcasts. We all want to read reviews of local restaurants, look up maps to nearby attractions, watch Netflix, and Google.

WiFi is an essential part of our daily lives and most people feel a bit lost without it.

So, don't leave your guests struggling to connect or suffering from slow speeds. It might be a little bit more of an initial outlay to invest in better internet for your Airbnb property, but it will pay for itself in the positive reviews and increased bookings over the years.



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2) Laptop-Friendly Workspace

This is an Airbnb feature that is especially attractive for your guests who are digital nomads and need to get a lot of work done online while they are on the road.

Sitting on a bed or a couch with a laptop leads to neck and back strain after a while, so it's really nice to have a more ergonomically friendly spot to sit and get work done.

This doesn't have to be a full office space or anything like that. It can simply be a desk or chair and a table in the corner of the room. Anywhere that allows your guests to sit up and work at their computer will help them to be more productive.

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3) A Fully Equipped Kitchen



The convenience of having a kitchen is one of the main reasons why travelers choose to stay in an Airbnb.

Having the freedom to cook their own meals saves them a lot of money and can really improve the experience.

You might be saying, “Oh of course, my Airbnb apartment has a kitchen!”

But is your kitchen fully equipped?

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Now, I'm not saying that you have to invest in all of the state-of-the-art appliances of a gourmet chef.

However, it's important to make sure that your guests have enough of the basic kitchen equipment they need to prepare most meals.





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4) What to Include in Your Kitchen

Here are a few of the essentials we have noticed are missing in a lot of Airbnb kitchens:

- Cooking Oil.
- Salt and Pepper.
- Coffee, Tea, and Sugar.
- A Good Knife.
- Bin Bags.
- Tea Kettle.
- Toaster.
- Scissors.

Feel like all of these details are too much to remember?

Here's an easy way to figure out what your Airbnb

kitchen is missing: Try to cook a few meals there. I

guarantee you'll notice that you are lacking and you can

write it down on a list and head to the shop.

5) Extra Toiletries



This is the kind of little extra that won't cost you too much. Shampoo and conditioner are much cheaper when you buy them in large bottles with a pump dispenser – which will last for several guests. (Plus,



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when you have large bottles they are much less likely to get stolen by your guests!)

And of course, toilet paper! Running out of toilet paper is something we experience quite often during an Airbnb stay. It's often because the host has left us only one or two rolls for a weeklong stay. So, we end up having to buy more during our stay – which is a bit of a pain.

Buy toilet paper in bulk and leave plenty of it under the sink in the bathroom or in a cupboard!

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Don't forget to also have a rubbish bin with a lid in the bathroom.



What to Include in Your Bathroom

Here are a few other essentials your bathroom should have:

- Towels (hand towels and large towels)
- Toilet brush
- Plunger
- Air freshener



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- Bath mat
- Hand soap
- Hooks for hanging towels on
- Enough surface space for guests to put their toiletries on
- Hairdryer (One of the essential amenities for being a Business Travel Ready Airbnb)
- A first aid kit
- Tampons

6) Washing Machine

If you can provide your guests with a clothes washer, you'll be well on your way to great reviews. After all, guests who are staying for a week or more will need to wash their clothes at least once (especially if they have packed light) and you're saving them the hassle of having to go to the laundromat.

Also, a washing machine is one of the features that you can filter your search by in Airbnb – so travelers who



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know they will need one during their stay might be selecting that filter, and not even seeing your property!

And of course, don't forget the washing powder!

7) A Second Key

This is another small fix that won't take you much time or money, but will make a big difference in the experience for your guests. If you have more than one person staying in your Airbnb, they will be able to go out separately without having to coordinate with each other about who has the key and what time they will be back.

Better yet, use a smart lock or a lockbox system. That way, you won't have to worry about keys and your guests



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can get into the house whenever they like. Plus, it allows you to self-check in, which is very convenient.

8) Hassle-Free Check-In

When your guests arrive, you want to make the check-in process as easy as possible for them. They have been in transit all day long, they are tired and hungry and they just want to relax.

A smooth check-in is your chance to make an amazing first impression.



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To make it even easier, you can use a lockbox or a smart lock. That way, your guests can check in whenever they arrive and you won't have to meet them in person. Of course, this takes away the friendly warmth of a personal greeting – but it certainly makes things much more convenient.

If you won't be there to meet your guests and show them around, be sure to have materials accessible that explain what they need to know about the apartment. For example, how do you turn on the washing machine? Where are the extra towels? Where do they put the garbage bins when they are full?

This information can be printed in a book or guide that is waiting on the coffee table when the guests arrive – so that they can reference it whenever they need to. Make



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sure it also has your contact information, so that they can give you a call if there are any questions.

9) A Little Bit Of Food

Your guests have probably been on a long bus ride or flight and when they arrive, they are likely tired and hungry. If you provide them with a few snacks, they will be able to satisfy their hunger right away rather than having to head out first thing and find something to eat.

This doesn't mean you have to stock the fridge completely – just a few simple items will do. Offering your guests anything they can snack on right away if they are hungry when they arrive is a wonderful touch they will really appreciate.



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10) A Guide to the Closest Amenities

After your guests have snacked on the lovely bit of food you have left for them, they will be ready to head out and pick up a few groceries.

To make it easier for them, provide them with info on where the closest supermarket, pharmacy, and ATM are located. You can even add details about which supermarkets in the area are open late, which have better prices, which has the best selection, etc.

Again, it's all about making things easier for your guests so that they don't have to search around when they are on their vacation.

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11) Less Clutter

A few books, photos, art, or decoration in your Airbnb can really make your decor look great. However, make sure that you also leave some shelves, surfaces, drawers, and closets free so that your guests have room to put their own things away.



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Although your decor should have some personality – it shouldn't feel like your guests are peering into your life. Leave personal photos and memorabilia out of your Airbnb rental and choose art and decorations that will appeal to the majority of your guests.



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12) Storage Space

Speaking of letting your guests have somewhere to put their stuff, my next point is about storage space. Make sure that you have a set of drawers, closet, or wardrobe where your guests can

Giving your guests a place to put their stuff will help them stay less messy and enjoy their visit more.



Leave your Airbnb guests a note with important info.



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13) Bits of Practical Info

Your home or apartment has its own little quirks. Make sure that you write them down for your guests so they don't have to figure them out on their own. For example, when the rubbish bin is full, where should guests take out the garbage? The outside bins might not be obvious so make sure you describe where they are.

This will help you avoid any questions your guests might have during their stay. Plus, sometimes people simply have a bad time due to something quite simple, and you end up with a low rating that could have been avoided.

You can tell your guests these things in a walk-through when they arrive. Or, you can write them in a laminated guide that you leave on the table for their reference.

Here are some other important things you might want to clarify for your guests:

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- How to turn on the washing machine and which setting to use
- What should guests do with garbage?
- Do you have a recycling bin? What goes in it?
- Where are the extra towels/toilet paper/etc?



14) An Honest Listing

Whether your Airbnb property is a beachside villa or a studio apartment, it's important, to be honest in your listing. Describe your Airbnb and its location as accurately as possible.

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Your Airbnb listing should be accurate and should include all of the important information your guests need to know before they arrive. Don't exaggerate what you have, just describe it honestly and include plenty of photos so the guest knows what to expect.

Also, describe the location of the property accurately as well. If you're a 15-minute walk from the bus station, don't say it's 10 minutes. Describe what the neighborhood is like and what guests can find within walking distance.

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15) Requesting Feedback and Acting On It

Let your guests know that they can contact you any time if they have any issues with their accommodation.

This will hopefully encourage people to reach out to you if they are unhappy. Otherwise, they might leave a bad



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review about something that could have been easily fixed.

Of course, when you make this statement you should be ready to act on it! Your guests might call you with a complaint – such as a burnt- lightbulb or a broken kettle. Get there quickly.

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