**Guide** **to** **hosting** **information**

This guide reflects changes that have recently been made to the hosting section of Servas.org to make the profile easier to complete and to get consistent understanding of the items.

Many hosts have not yet made changes to their profiles to match the definitions, so some information may be incorrect. Also, not all hosts have completed their profiles, so information may be missing.

**Please read the notes below, and always confirm all the details with your host when you make arrangements to stay.**

**2P:** Maximum number of people that can be hosted **This number might be flexible. If you are travelling with a family and your sleeping arrangements are flexible (example, children sleep with you), it is possible that hosts could accept more travellers. If you see 0P in the profile, it means that the member has not completed this section. If you are searching online, you get a bigger list of hosts by not using “number of people” to narrow your search list.**

**Women**: Can host only women
**(Hosts who have checked this and indicate that they could accept more than one person MAY be willing to accept couples. Check with the host)**

**Men**: Can host only men

**Fam**: can host families

**Y**: youth, ages 18 to 24 welcome.
**(This field has changed, so profiles may not be accurate)**

**WMT**: want more travellers

**Camp**: have place for tent or camping vehicle

**Pets:** Household has pets.

**HE:** Would like to participate in home exchange with other Servas members

**Dis**: home is wheelchair accessible.
**(This field has changed, so profiles may not be accurate)**

**SD**: Special diet: Hosts can specify any dietary information.

**NSI:** No smoking inside.

**SBN:** Sleeping bag required or recommended.

**DH**:  day host. This includes both “Day Host Only” AND regular hosts who also would be day hosts for members not staying with them. Note:   **NOTE: Many hosts who “also day host” have not changed this in their profile yet; when looking for a day host, also check with regular hosts.**

**Contact**: best means of contact: phone, mail, email, social (social= social media application such as “WhatsApp” specified in the online profile).

**Vac**: vacation periods—**not available** to host at this time.

**1** **night**: Host is willing to accept travellers for one night stays.
**Important** **Note:  this is a new option, and the default has been set to “no”. Because many hosts have not yet revised this, “1 night: NO” in the profile does not always mean that the host will accept only two night stays. Always check with the host before requesting one night stays.**

**Member Roles:** member’s Servas roles, including any administrative roles they have, are listed below their name.
**Note the new “Day Host Only” role. Please do not ask to stay with members who list Day Host Only.**

**Languages spoken:** host is fluent in languages that start with upper case and has basic knowledge of languages starting with lower case letters. (Example: fluent in German, basic knowledge of Spanish).

**INT:** host’s interests

**ATT:** attractions nearby

**TRV:** countries the host has travelled to

**LVD:** countries the host has lived in.

**HIDH: “how I day host”. Hosts may specify how they typically spend time with guests. (New field, so this will often be missing).**