

The Otis Foundation Retreat

The Otis Retreat in Bendigo is the vision of Judy Burley who found that nature often provided her with strength and rejuvenation during her time with breast cancer.

She had a vision to provide a place of peace and natural beauty to share with others touched by serious illness.

There are two units - St Jude's and St Hannah's - named after Judy and her aunt Hannah (who also had breast cancer) as well as a house known as Bramare. They are wonderful places to rest and renew your energy.

The units are self-contained for two people, while the fully furnished house has three bedrooms and can sleep up to seven people. All are provided free of accommodation charges.

They are available for bookings of up to seven days. We welcome people of all cultures and backgrounds. The Otis Foundation has no religious affiliations.

The Units and Bramare are rammed earth with a wonderful outlook to the bush of One Tree Hill National Park. There is a peaceful internal courtyard at the units and a separate room for an independent carer if required.

The Otis Foundation does not provide medical facilities or resident staff, but offers a unique opportunity for women and men who have or have previously had breast cancer, to spend time living close to nature in a beautiful and tranquil place of retreat.

All linen is supplied and there is a fully equipped kitchen and laundry in all retreats. A shower chair is available upon request. All you need to bring is your own food and personal items. Arrival after 2pm. Departure prior to 10am.

There is a shopping centre - including a supermarket, bakery and newsagent - nearby, however, it is preferable that guests have their own transport.

Phones are provided for local calls only. If you expect to need STD access, phone cards should be purchased. Family and friends may call you during your stay on the following contact numbers: St Hannah's 54 394114, St Jude's 54 394141 and Bramare 54 393223

If you would like to support The Otis Foundation, all donations are Tax Deductible and a receipt will be forwarded acknowledging your gift.

**For further information contact the Booking Co-ordinator:-
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