

Our Sustainability Commitment

At Iris Lodge Alpacas, sustainability is at the heart of everything we do. As an **Ecotourism Certified** experience, we're proud to offer environmentally responsible, community-minded and low-impact tourism that supports the land, the animals, and our local community.

We believe in protecting what makes our home special — from the alpacas and llamas to the native bushland — and we're committed to improving every step of the way.

Here's how we're making a difference:

Caring for the Environment

We actively manage our farm to minimise our environmental impact and protect the natural beauty of the Central Coast:

- Ongoing **native tree planting** to support biodiversity and restore habitat
 - Minimal chemical use and **natural fertilisers** from our animals
 - **Rainwater tanks** and efficient irrigation to conserve water
 - Composting animal waste and food scraps for our gardens
 - Enhancing our **solar energy** systems and using energy-efficient systems
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Reducing Waste

We're working hard to eliminate unnecessary waste:

- Phasing out **single-use plastics**
 - Encouraging guests to bring **reusable items** like water bottles
 - Clear **recycling and waste bins** for guests and staff
 - Reusing fencing, materials and shelters across the farm
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Supporting Our Community

We're passionate about giving back to the local area and supporting sustainable regional tourism:

- Sourcing goods and services from **local suppliers**
 - Creating local **volunteer opportunities**
 - Collaborating with **Tourism Australia, Destination NSW** and **Central Coast Council** to promote responsible travel
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Inspiring Our Guests

We use every visit as a chance to share our values and encourage others to live more sustainably:

- Sharing our sustainability practices during tours and conversations
 - Offering practical **eco-tips** on signage and our website
 - Hosting **special events** on sustainable living and farming
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Accessible and Inclusive for All

Sustainability includes social responsibility. We're proud to offer **accessible tourism experiences** that everyone can enjoy:

- **Accessible parking, pathways, and amenities** across the property
 - Ongoing consultation with stakeholders and disability advocates
 - Promoting our **Accessibility Card** and inclusive practices through tourism partners
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Continuous Improvement

We're always looking for ways to improve and grow responsibly:

- Annual reviews of our **sustainability performance**
 - Listening to feedback from guests and staff
 - Staying up to date with best practices through our **Ecotourism Australia certification**
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Come Experience Sustainable Agritourism

Whether you're joining us for brunch, feeding our alpacas and llamas, or simply enjoying the views, your visit helps us continue to protect and nurture this special place.

Together, we can make tourism a force for good — for the environment, our animals, and future generations.