
Condo Guide

Welcome to 5301-30 Shore Breeze Dr!

Emergency Contacts

If serious stuff goes down, please contact in order:

1. Keefer on Signal (we may not have reliable internet though)
2. Thomas' parents (Andrew & Margaret, local): (416) 525-6601
3. Keefer's sister (Christianne, Kitchener): (519) 807-4439
4. Keefer's mom (Jane, Kitchener): (519) 591-9415

Stuff wrong with the doggies?

- If it's vomit or diarrhea, it sucks to deal with, but probably isn't a big deal unless it keeps up for multiple days
- Bad poops are usually solvable by skipping one meal; if this does not help, there is a special dog food you can buy from our vet (we will reimburse you ASAP!)
- If you really need help, our vet is located down the street at Marina Animal Hospital.

Reminder: Onions, garlic, chocolate, grapes, raisins, and many other foods are toxic to dogs. Please only feed them kibble and treats!

1. **Marina Animal Hospital** (Our vet)

Hours: 10:00am–2:00pm Monday to Friday.

2442 Lakeshore Blvd. West. Etobicoke, ON M8V 1C8

At Primrose Ave (on Mimico)

<https://marinaanimalhospital.ca/>

+1 (416) 255-2777

2. **Humber Bay Veterinary Hospital** (5 min walk away; our former vet)

Hours: 11:00am–7:00pm Monday to Saturday,

2139 Lake Shore Blvd W Unit 1, Toronto, ON M8V 0B3

<http://humberbayvethospital.ca/>

+1 (647) 479-7719

Note: This vet is **very** expensive, and we are no longer a client. If you panicking about something and need advice though, their phone line should be responsive.

3. **Emergency Vet Hospital (after hours)**

755 Queensway E, Mississauga

+1 (416) 239-3453

Note: For true emergencies only. Broken bones, that sort of thing.

Condo

You are in the Sky Tower (Tower A) of a two tower building with shared amenities. Welcome! Please treat our place like it's your home! Have friends over, eat, drink, and be merry :)

Temperature controls

The state of HVAC in our building is a little messed up right now. Our unit gets very hot, even though we leave the heat turned OFF!

If you are too warm, you can open the balcony door(s), but please leave the screen door shut and remember to close the doors when you leave the condo to keep the dogs inside.

If you are too cold, you're welcome to turn on the heat.

Access and amenities

You should have two condo door keys and one building access fob.

The building access fob is your key to:

- The building from street level and elevator
- The Sky Lounge on the Upper Penthouse (UPH)
- Amenities on floors 6 and 7

The gym, pool, yoga / pilates room, cross fit room, and spin-cycle rooms are on the 6th floor. 7th floor is mostly party rooms and things you need access to our resident account to book.

Unfortunately, dogs aren't allowed on any amenity floors, including the UPH Sky Lounge.

All amenities in the building have wifi!

Network name: The amenity in all caps, e.g. SKY LOUNGE

Password: welcome2183 (the same for every network).

Sky Lounge

This is a nice space to go to work, read, have dinner, or play a board game. Amazing views of the city from here!

Pool and gym

Pool and adjoining change rooms are located on the 6th floor. There is a hot tub and dry sauna at the pool.

The gym does not have an adjoining change room. I recommend getting ready in the condo before going down to the gym.

If the gym isn't your thing, we have two 15 lbs dumbbells in the bedroom.

Fitness classes

Fitness classes are free!

Schedules are posted in the elevators, but:

- Monday: Power Yoga @ 7pm in Pilates room
- Wednesday: Zumba @ 7pm in Pilates room
- Thursday: HIIT (High intensity interval training) @7pm in Crossfit room

We have two yoga mats rolled up in the couch storage chaise (alongside extra bedding).

In the area

Transit

- The 501 streetcar line is your key to downtown. Take the 507 (east) from Parklawn / Lakeshore, or walk about 15 minutes to Humber Loop. There is always a 501 (east) waiting at the loop.
- The nearest Subway stop is Royal York station. Take the route 66 bus from Parklawn (north side of Lakeshore) to get there.

Grocery

- There is a Metro (and shitty LCBO) across the street (west) at Westlake Village;
- Sobeys (and better LCBO) on The Queensway, near Humber Loop;
- A short walk east on Lakeshore gets you to a 24/hr Rabba Fine Foods.

Coffee

- Mini Starbucks at Metro;
- Full sized Starbucks just up the street on Parklawn;
- BB Cafe is a cute cafe with patio on Marine Parade Drive, about 5 minute walk away;
- Cloudheads Cafe is on the ground floor of 20 Shore Breeze Dr;
- Huevos Gourmet makes good coffee, but is a sit down breakfast place

Bubble tea, ice cream, other treats

- There is nearby bubble tea at Kung Fu Tea on Marine Parade drive
- TRU TEA on Lakeshore is **really good** for bubble tea
- Ed's Real Scoop is an iconic ice cream spot

Restaurants / Take out

- Holo Sushi on the ground floor of our building is excellent! Sit down or take out.
- Lots of Italian right near by:
 - La Vecchia is good;
 - Eden La Tratorria is well-liked by locals, but we don't get the hype
 - Mama Martino's is *the* place to go for cheap American Italian comfort food and wine
- Firkin on the Bay is an ok pub with a patio.
- Miro's Hot Chicken smells amazing, but I've been told it sucks (they do sell churros though, and you can't go wrong with that!)
- Heuvos Gourmet is the best spot for breakfast/brunch! It's right at the bottom of 20 Shore Breeze (the Water tower).
- Head west on Lakeshore for lots of great little spots:
 - FBI Pizza (Sit down pub-style pizza place; very very good Pizza)
 - Koshaa Indian
 - Tita's Mexican Food (super authentic!)
 - Everest Hakka House (Indo-Chinese).
- Further west on Lakeshore gets you:
 - Thammada Thai (highly recommend!)
 - Halibut House Fish and Chips
- The *finest dining* in the area is at the La Vinia Spanish restaurant. This place is seriously good, but you should dress nicely and need to call ahead a day or two in advance to get a reservation. Highly recommend if you want a fancy date!

Pampering

- Mimico Nails is a decent local place for a mani/pedi, if you feel so inclined

Fire Alarms

They happen sometimes, and when they are on going elevators will be out of service. Stay *in the unit*, and listen for instructions over the PA system. It will almost certainly be a false alarm.

Kitchen

Help yourself to any food or drink in the pantry or fridge! Make use of the sodastream as much as you want (we keep some flavourings on the second shelf of the liquor cabinet).

Most things we own are dishwasher safe, except for:

- Wine glasses and other stemware (please hand wash and dry with micro fibre towels)
- French Press
- Cocktail shaker and black cocktail accessories

Our cooktop is a bit broken right now. The biggest, bottom-left, burner is not functional (the knob shaft does not turn *and* the knob is broken – we use a key to turn it...). The smallest top-right burner is not functional (the knob is also broken, and we don't have a functional replacement).

Internet

Wi-Fi: Shuckle-5G **Password:** AnnoyYourEnemies:3

We have a Pi-hole ad-blocker running on our network. If you have trouble accessing some websites, just use your mobile data temporarily, as we won't have remote access to update the block lists.

Games and entertainment

We have board games kept in our bedroom closet, on the top shelf.

We also have PS5, feel free to use any profile that's already signed in. You can of course make your own profile too!

Our TV is *not* connected to the Wifi. Please don't connect it.

We have Plex on the PS5. Feel free to use it as much as you want! If you have other streaming services you want to use, feel free to sign into them on the PS5 apps – we'll erase the data for streaming services we don't use.

Plants

We have many plants in the condo! **They need to be watered.**

Keefer will leave an index card near plants that need to be watered with their watering schedules.

The only other thing to be mindful of is humidity (for your sake, and the plants). It is **very dry** in our condo during the winter. Humidifiers in the living room and bedroom should be refilled whenever they run dry. Just fill them with tap water from the Kitchen or bathtub.

Dogs

Thanks for watching Pistachio and Greyson for us! We really appreciate it, and hope you have so much fun with them!

Heads up that they *WILL* want to sleep with you in the bed. If you're not into that, you can bring the dog beds into the bedroom and try to keep them off the bed, or put them together in their crate... but they *will whine for hours*.

Feeding

The dogs eat Science Diet kibble, stored in a container in the large drawer in the kitchen. Extra dog food is in a bag on the shelf in the front-hall closet.

Treats are located in cupboard above microwave. Make them do a trick (like sit or paw) before treating them.

Portions

One meal is a little less than half a scoop of food.

Instructions

1. Feed breakfast between 7 and 8am, and dinner between 4 and 5pm. There is no set meal time, but they should not eat earlier than 7 or 4 respectively, even if they are whining and trying to guilt you.
2. Dogs eat together, side-by-side.
3. Make them sit before you give them food. They'll do this automatically if you're holding the bowls over their heads. Place bowls on the ground, then release them with "OK!" and point at bowls.
4. **Take away water at 10 pm**, and give it back with breakfast.

Warnings

- Greyson is a thief! You may want to put him in the crate when you are eating.
- Dogs only eat dog food and treats. No human food, please.

Potty

Schedule

1. Morning pee/poop after breakfast.
2. *Optional*. Afternoon pee (if you are home).
3. Evening pee/poop after dinner.
4. Night time pee before bed.

They can be left alone for up to 8 hours. Please make them wear diapers and ensure their willies are properly wrapped (see [clothes](#)).

Greyson is less capable of holding it in than Pistachio.

Balcony Use

Please do not allow the dogs onto the balcony.

Going Downstairs

1. The dogs poop outside downstairs.
2. They wear boots and coats when they go outside if it is below 10C.
 - They hate putting on boots, but treats help with wrangling.
 - Fasten velcro and tighten draw strings.
 - Do a tug test to make sure the boots won't fall off.
3. Use the side-door (exit to Shore Breeze Dr.) to take them to the poop/pee zone. Go left from the elevators to get there. The pet spa is in the vestibule at this entrance.

Note: We recommend taking the dogs downstairs one at a time. It takes longer, but is a LOT easier, since there are other dogs in the building and our boys get "excited."

Other important rules

1. Greyson wears a diaper in the house. Diapers are washable, but not dryer-safe. Hang to dry on the shower rail.
2. Give them a treat for doing business outside.
3. They *might* pee on their legs. Roll up their doggy sleeves, and wash up in the tub or the pet spa.

In case of an accident...

On the floor... Clean with paper towels and vinegar (kept under the kitchen sink).

On the couch... Clean the couch with microfibre cloths and urine remover found in the laundry closet. Scrub very gently and allow to dry completely. Repeat if necessary. Finish with WEIMAN leather conditioning spray with a different microfibre cloth.

Clean the wool blanket with carbonated water and microfibre cloths. Press to absorb. DO NOT SCRUB OR WASH. If it still smells, the urine remover is safe to use on it in small amounts. Let soak and then absorb with microfibre cloths.

On the bed... Strip the bed. If pee soaked through the sheets, take off the white mattress protector (works like a fitted sheet).

Extra bedding (including an extra mattress protector) is kept in the couch storage chaise.

Laundry instructions:

Duvet

The duvet is goose feather down. Remove duvet from cover. Wash duvet on its own on “bulky items” setting. Dry on “delicates” setting, on low heat for about 2 hours. Finish drying with an air-only (no heat) dry cycle for 1 hour. Wash and dry the cover separately (with other sheets).

Mattress protector

Wash and dry on its own on “delicates” setting. Dry on low heat.

Sheets (and duvet cover)

Wash and dry on regular settings. Don't overload the washer.

Pillows

If the pillows are soiled, wash and dry on “bulky items” setting.

Go/No Go Zones

- Bathroom is off-limits.
- Bedroom is off-limits unless you are with them.
- Keep our boys out of the closet (this is an accepting home!)... Pistachio likes to get into trouble in there.
- Please keep the boys inside the condo (not on the balcony).

Crate

The crate is their safe space. Do not forcibly remove dogs from the crate (Greyson may growl or snap). Call them, or entice them to come out of the crate with treats if you need to.

You can put the dogs in the crate if they were bad (made a mess, stole something, etc.), or need them temporarily out of the way. You can pick them up and put them in the crate without a problem. Greyson will go in the crate even if Pistachio is already there, and often with Pistachio even if he did nothing wrong... Pistachio may growl at Greyson in this situation, but you can tell him no and he should stop – they will not hurt each other even if it sounds mean.

Clothes

Clothes are easiest to put on head-first, and legs second. Taking them off is (a) hind legs (if applicable), (b) head, (c) front-legs. Think of them like a t-shirt.

- Outdoor wear is kept in the front-hall closet. Shoes in the shoe rack, coats hung on a hook in the middle.
- Shirts, and sweaters are kept in a black “\$ Cash App” branded tote bags in our bedroom closet.
- Diapers are kept in the EQ3 bag in our bedroom closet.

Soiled diapers should be velcro-ed closed and washed in the laundry machine (hang them to dry, don't put them in the dryer).

Play time

- Pistachio loves ball!
- They like to play tug of war with each other
- They make a lot of noise (growling) when they play, but barking is not allowed
- If they bark too much, they are punished with crate
- If growling gets too scary, you can safely interrupt them by picking one of them up (lol)
- They want to play all the time if they aren't sleeping
- You can tire them out with trick-training much more easily than with play time
 - Try the tricks below, or teach them something new!

Tricks and commands

Release word: "OK"

| Trick | Greyson knows it | Pistachio knows it |
|-------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| sit | yes | yes |
| stay | yes | yes |
| down | only on soft surfaces | yes |
| up | yes | yes |
| dance | yes | learning |
| paw | yes | yes |
| bed | yes | yes |
| crate | yes | yes |

Warnings

- We are working on Greyson's possession issues; you can play tug with him, but interrupt him if he gets scary.
- If either dog sounds too aggressive, you can divert their attention with treats and tricks.
 - Treats are above the microwave.