

HOW TO LIGHT the Hikki Bath

One of the best things about staying at Wild Northumbrian is the opportunity to take a bath outdoors – a truly magical experience! Whether it's a candle lit soak under the stars at night or a refreshing dip on a warm summer's day, don't miss the opportunity during your stay to have a very memorable bath!

On a more practical note it's a fun way to get the little ones clean after a day of wild play! Just follow these simple instructions and you'll be bathing blissfully in no time.



Firstly, start early – the bath can take around 1½ hours to come to temperature and longer when it's colder.

It is important to fill the bath with water before lighting. The water cools the aluminium and prevents it from warping in the heat.

NOTE: Never start the fire without first filling the bath.

Remove the hatch at the front of the bath and build two or three small fires under it.

Use thinner pieces of kindling and a firelighter to create each one.

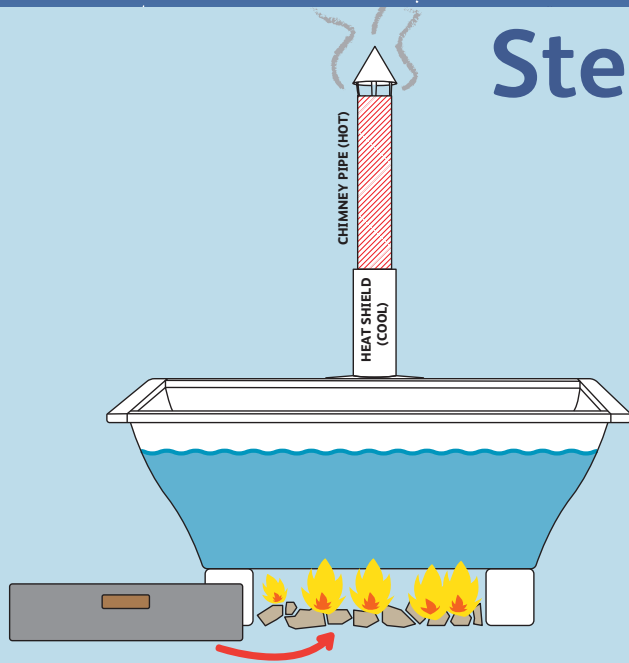
Light them and begin by using pieces of kindling to feed the small fires as they develop.

Use an axe to split the logs to make bits bigger than kindling but smaller than regular logs. If there is no axe at your accommodation then please request one by calling, texting, emailing or leaving a note in the kitchen.

NOTE: Please do not cut down trees or branches for firewood. Use only the wood that we provide.



Step 3



As you add to the smaller fires they will start to combine and eventually become one larger fire and you can start feeding with regular sized logs at this point.

Be careful not to touch the chimney pipe as it can get very hot.

The heat shield will stay cool so don't worry about burning yourself during a bath.

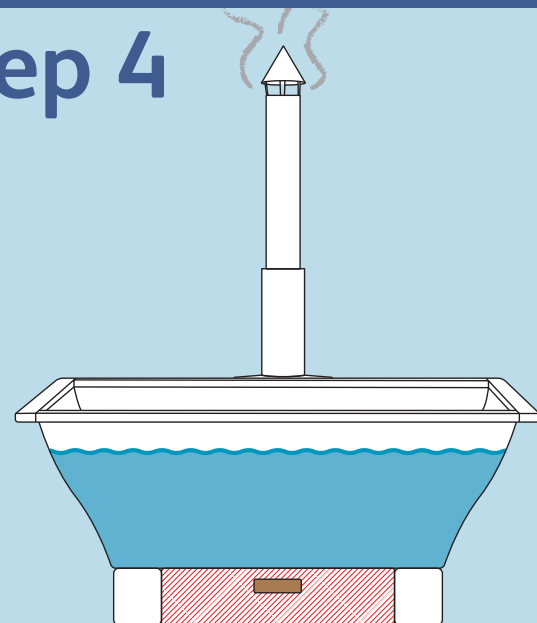
Now it is just a matter of waiting for the water in the bath to be raised to a comfortable temperature. This usually takes about 1½ hours.

You can put more logs on the fire if the water starts to get cold during your bath and this will quickly raise the temperature.

You can also add cold water from the pipe should the bath get too hot.

NOTE: the bath temperature can raise whilst you are bathing – even with just embers. So be aware, especially when bathing children, check and cool the bath accordingly.

Step 4



THE HATCH GETS HOT FROM THE FIRE

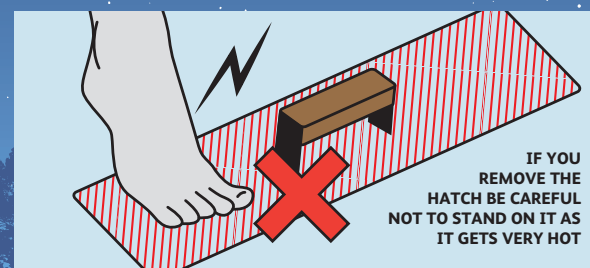
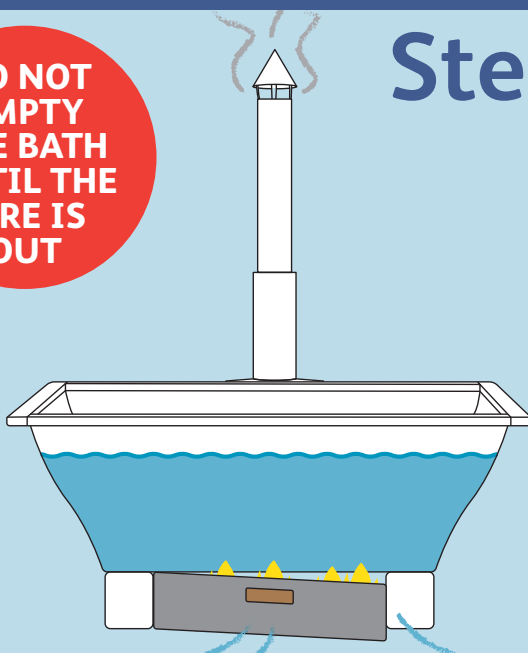
Adjust the draught by placing the hatch so there's a gap between it and the stones, allowing air to flow in. A bigger gap creates a faster burn.

NOTE: Please make sure the fire is out before emptying the bath, leaving overnight if necessary.

Once the bath is drained, please use the water pipe to clean and clear the bath.

**DO NOT
EMPTY
THE BATH
UNTIL THE
FIRE IS
OUT**

Step 5



**IF YOU
REMOVE THE
HATCH BE CAREFUL
NOT TO STAND ON IT AS
IT GETS VERY HOT**