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**Big News**— We have been received the top award of *Gold Star* in the National Green Tourism Awards. This is the second time we have been shortlisted and last time receiving *Highly Commended*. Photo of Fiona receiving award from Duncan Bryden of the Cairngorms National Park.

## 2015 Returning Guests Tariff

Bed & Breakfast £45.00 per person per night

3 Course Evening Meals £25.00 per person

Stay in February/March or October/November at £42.50pppn

(Bar Prices for 2015 are held at 2014 level)

## Rumble Latest News

Well 2014 was a great year with lots happening and we welcomed many of our regulars. We also had more wildlife visiting the garden and many guests taking advantage of our range of whisky. Simon has created a Habitat/bug wall and developed a green roof for the shed. The new American series called *Outlander* has been filmed at the Highland Folk Museum and other local sites. Based on the books by Diana Gabaldon - [www.visitscotland.com/about/arts-culture/outlander](http://www.visitscotland.com/about/arts-culture/outlander)

## New Weather Station

The Rumble has now become an online weather station. Lee from Highland Weather has setup the station with live data through our Satellite Broadband. His main site is [www.highlandweather.info](http://www.highlandweather.info) Or our online weather at

[www.weather-live.co.uk/laggan](http://www.weather-live.co.uk/laggan)

(Our future plans is to have a live webcam looking down the glen and onto our bird area)



## Mountain Bike Trails Update

We have had some delays to the start of work on the Wolftrax centre—now this should be starting in September for opening Spring 2015. The Glenlivet Trails have been gaining great support and over 10,000 have visited in the first year of opening. Information can found at <http://glenlivetestate.co.uk/things-to-see-do/activities/biking/glenlivet-mountain-bike-trails/>



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## Highland Wildlife Park Adoption

We decided in January to adopt an animal at the local Wildlife Park and chose The European Bison as this animal had no supporters. We adopted at a

Silver Level as the park run a reintroduction program in Romania as the Bison is on the Red List for vulnerability.



## Dinner and Taste Our Best Award

During 2014 we ran a Bistro style menu, however we found maintaining this was difficult in the busy times. So for 2015 we have decided that elements of the Bistro Menu will be available for those who arrive without transport and have not booked an evening meal in advance. Our much liked set dinners continue and Fiona has developed new dishes each year. For 2015 we provide a Taste of Scotland appetizer course followed by a 2 course meal but don't forget to discuss any preferences before that evening.

In 2014 we were awarded "Taste Our Best" by VisitScotland. For the food we provide and where we source it from.



## Trees for Life (Another 25 Trees!!)

The Rumble with the support of our guests in 2013 raised £100 (20 trees) towards the planting of trees. From January to August 2014 Guests have helped us raise £125 (25 trees) for our grove. To support us you can add to the grove at [www.treesforlife.org.uk/groves/the-rumble.php](http://www.treesforlife.org.uk/groves/the-rumble.php)

In 2015 we are setting up a 50p tree donation for every night stay at The Rumble.



TREES FOR LIFE  
Restoring the Caledonian Forest



## More wildlife at The Rumble

We had our first Red Squirrel in 2013 and in 2014 we now have three visiting the garden, although they don't seem to like each other so we have had lots of chasing. Also this year we have had many visits by hedgehogs which prompts me to build into the habitat wall some over-winter accommodation for them. Even some dragonflies this year. The photo top left is of deer with Creag Meagaidh behind still in snow in June.

## East Highland Way / End to End

This year we have had many guests doing the East Highland Way and the route continues its development. It has now been mapped by Walk Highlands and also has a Harvey Long Distance Trail Map. [www.easthighlandway.com](http://www.easthighlandway.com)

[www.walkhighlands.co.uk/east-highland-way](http://www.walkhighlands.co.uk/east-highland-way)

[www.harveymaps.co.uk/acatalog/East-Highland-Way-YHWREH](http://www.harveymaps.co.uk/acatalog/East-Highland-Way-YHWREH)

We have had many walkers doing the End to End route.

[www.walkhighlands.co.uk/scottish-national-trail](http://www.walkhighlands.co.uk/scottish-national-trail)

## The Rumble Garden new fruit cage.

A great soft fruit crop this year particularly with the raspberries in the new relocated and bigger fruit cage. We had to get a new poly tunnel, growing carrots and red cabbage in it this year.



## Green roof Shed and Habitat Wall

We needed to replace our rear fence, so we decided to provide a wildlife habitat for Bees, butterflies, lacewings and other insects.



## Joined—Marine Conservation Society

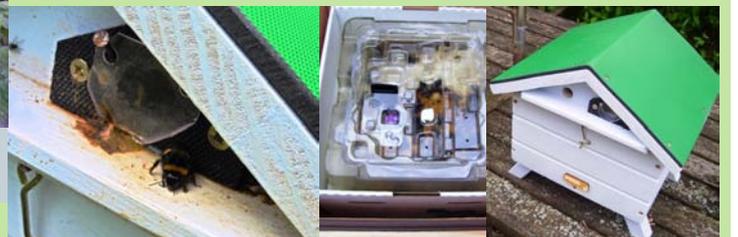
In 2014 we joined the Marine Conservation Society and Adopt a Turtle to help support their valuable work.

[www.mcsuk.org](http://www.mcsuk.org)



## Bees—New Hive from Dragonfly

At the beginning of the year we ordered our Bee hive from Dragonfly. We have enjoyed having the bees all around the garden and will be looking forward to 2015 with lots more.



However as it has progressed we have used all sorts of materials and have established a large mice colony and robins have moved in. It is not yet finished but will eventually have a terrace of bird boxes and hedgehog accommodation block at the bottom. We linked up our Habitat wall with the garden shed to build a green roof with wildflowers and sedum. This has already been partly planted and over winter will be completed.