

We would like to apply for a Special Exception Homestay. The Ivy Rose Tea House is a unique Japanese influenced design. The house has views of the Blue Ridge Mountains and is located near historical Civil War property. It sits between the C&O Railroad, Ivy Road and the Mechums River. The house has no shared driveway with direct access to US 250. Our location allows no neighbors, other than us and is no detriment to abutting lots and no harm to public safety, health and welfare. We have been part of this community for 36 years. My wife is a potter and co-owns The Barnswallow Artisan Gallery. I am a retired carpenter and take care of the structures on the property. I have not worked since 2019 and we feel the best way we can afford to stay here is to maximize the rentals that we have with a homestay. We would have our son be the resident manager at 5715 Ivy Road. He will be living there when not rented, alternating to 5721 Ivy Road, an accessory building on the same parcel when occupied. The house and property is a unique experience, handbuilt with care and one we wish to share with the community and beyond.

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