



# Inn Partners

Innovative Solutions for Current and Future Innkeepers

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## Reading List

### How Tos:

*So ~ You Want to Be an Innkeeper – Revised and Expanded Fourth Edition*

Jo Ann M. Bell, Susan Brown, Mary E. Davies, and Pat Hardy (Authors)

Presents the facts from the insiders on how to start, operate, and promote a successful establishment. The revised and updated edition includes information on cottages, luxury properties, and spa services – a reflection of recent trends in Innkeeping.

*Running a Bed and Breakfast for Dummies*

Mary White

All the tools you need to start and run a profitable B&B. Comes in Kindle Edition.

*The Complete Idiot's Guide to Running a Bed & Breakfast*

Park Davis and Susannah Craig (Authors)

Shows you it can be easy and fun – and a great way to meet new people and make money. Comes in Kindle Edition.

*Nitty Gritty Innkeeping Book; Good Stuff for Operating Your Inn*

PAII (Professional Association of Innkeepers International)

Collection of articles from the magazine *Innkeeper* compiled by PAII founder JoAnn Bell.

*How to Open and Operate a Bed & Breakfast (Home-Based Business Series) – Ninth Edition*

Jan Stankus

Advice on starting and maintaining your business. Advertising, promoting health and safety, managing finances, and creating an enjoyable environment for guests. Comes in Kindle Edition.

*How to Start and Operate Your Own Bed-and-Breakfast: Down-To-Earth Advice from an Award-Winning B&B Owner*

Martha W. Murphy

*How to Achieve Your Dream Life: Start-up Advice from a Successful Innkeeper*

Michele VanOrt Cozzens

Michele relates their experiences visualizing and creating the business, and offers useful tips on developing a business plan, maintaining the property -inside and outside the office- how-to deal with guests, and advice on working through the “romantic and at times absurd life of an Innkeeper.” Comes in Kindle Edition.



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*‘I’ve Always Wanted to Run a Bed & Breakfast’: The Secrets to Starting and Running A Successful B&B*  
Chris Bengivengo (Author) and Michelle Bengivengo (Contributor)

The Bengivengo’s freely share the secrets of how to start and run a successful B&B, along with helpful insights they have gained as Innkeepers.

## **Memoirs:**

*House at Royal Oak: Starting Over & Rebuilding a Life One Room at a Time*  
Carol Eron Rizzoli

An unforgettable story about a couple who follow their dream of converting a run-down country house into a working B&B. Comes in Kindle Edition.

*Notes from an Innkeeper’s Journal*  
Dick Matthews

The dream of Innkeeping begins with the people an innkeeper imagines will pass through his doors. But when the dream collides with the first guests to cross the threshold, the true adventure begins.

*The Loving Room*  
Richard Toner

The book Toner has written discloses a rocky adventure, a real-life anthology of the humorous events, poignant incidents, and frustrating confrontations that they encountered.

*The B&B Diaries: Tales of an Innkeeper*  
JLee Brown

It tells tales. Some funny, some sad, some scandalous, and some directly from outer space. You won't believe what some people do! The names have been changed to protect the not so innocent.

*Inn-Sanity: Diary of an Innkeeper Virgin*  
Bruce Gravel

Incorporating hundreds of true-life incidents from actual innkeepers, this novel hilariously, and sometimes poignantly, chronicles the crazy first year of two middle-aged novice innkeepers.

*Nobody in Their Right Mind Should Want to Be an Innkeeper*  
Thomas Remington

To all those people who have ever thought about, or seriously considered becoming an innkeeper, the authenticity of that lifestyle might be more than you had bargained for.