

Menu ideas.

There is a full kitchen with oven, grill and hob. Storage room in a cupboard and a fridge (small under counter fridge with tiny ice box)

There are 2 additional ice boxes with ice packs under the seats if needed.

There is a good selection of pans, baking trays, utensils, casserole dishes etc (see inventory) and crockery and cutlery for about 14.

There are no plug points on board so no electrical appliances. (except the fridge)

When the girls arrive in the evening, make sure they have had dinner then all you need to give them is a hot drink (hot chocolate or tea, or maybe a little soup)

And a biscuit or bit of cake before bed time.

All meals can be as simple or complicated as you want according to your budget and abilities

Breakfast

Cereals (as numbers are low, the individual cereal boxes can be cheaper)

Pain au chocolat

Croissants

Brioche with jam

Bread and jam (there is no toaster but you can do 4 slices at a time under the grill if needed)

Bacon butties

Boiled eggs (strangely – we have 12 egg cups on board!)

Or a full fry up – the choice is yours

Lunch

If they are coming for the day they could always bring a packed lunch – cheapest option

DIY sandwiches – lay a selection of fillings out and girls make their own before sitting down at the table or outside (ham, tuna mayo, toms, cucumber, grated cheese, phili, etc)

Add crisps / yoghurts / choc bisc / fruit as budget allows.

If it is cold then soup and a couple of rolls (maybe with a filling or two) are a good option.

This can be eaten from a mug.

Hot dogs (either proper sausages or hot dog sausages which just need boiling) onions optional and ketchup essential!

Jacket potatoes with fillings. (allow min 2 hrs in oven)

Dinner

There is always the option to go out for dinner in Newbury, especially if only the adults are around at this time (when doing a back to back weekend) there are numerous places, just ask for details.

The oven is not huge but will take a couple of medium pizzas or a casserole dish and baking tray.

It is easiest to cook something like a lasagne, Bolognese mix, shepherds pie, stew etc at home and re heat it on board, adding salad, garlic bread, spaghetti etc to it as needed but it is possible to cook anything from scratch if you want to.

If it is likely to be cold then make sure you are cooking something in the oven in the evening (even if it is just a crumble for pudding) as having the oven on will warm up the sitting/dining area nicely!!

You will also need a drink and biscuit or cake at about 11am and 3pm

Boating makes everyone hungry.

I hope this helps, new suggestions always welcome.