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Company Summary

We build/buy luxury cabins in ideal locations for our customers. Our cabins fit the aesthetic that our customers desire. They are located near the very activities our customers are looking for. Our cabins’ amenities set us apart.

For investors, we offer large returns. We identify and execute only the most profitable ventures. Investors simply provide capital & receive distributions.

Executive Summary

Customer Needs

People are stressed and desire vacations, but it can be hard for them to find what they are looking for. Vacationers desire an array of activities, a specific aesthetic, and a unique experience. They want a place that offers adventure AND relaxation. They want Instagram-able moments AND genuine memories. We operate cabins with our specific target customers in mind, ensuring that they will get exactly what they are searching for.

Investor Needs

Revenue for the short-term rental segment is projected to be just over 20 billion by 2026, and investors want in on the action. However, many potential investors are not knowledgeable enough to enter the market. They don’t know when to enter, where to enter, or how to run a short-term rental. They have lots of questions – How do I know where to invest? What happens if something breaks? Will I have the time to manage a property? How do I price it? We do all the work; investors just provide capital.

Product/Services

Our vacation rentals are built specifically for our target market. We have the look and the amenities that our customers desire. Our luxury modern-cabin style stays are fit with the amenities described in the competitive advantage section. We are in locations near the activities that our customers desire. For investors, we generate large returns while they sit back and enjoy the distributions from their specific venture.

Target Market

Our target market are those customers ages 25-35 years old working middle class jobs. This age range comprises over a third of AirBnB
customers. These are individuals who seek adventure in their vacations. Whether a young couple with or without kids or a group of friends, our rentals provide just what they are looking for. We specifically enter areas within driving distances of large economic hubs such as DFW.

**Business Model**

1. We identify opportunities to buy or build a new rental property.
2. We plan the project, locate a property manager, coordinate with an agent or builder, and secure financing.
3. We secure investor(s) and show them the project’s projected returns. A return waterfall is constructed for each deal.
4. We then execute the project. Conway Properties LLC oversees operations, but day to day activities are managed by local property management companies.
5. We then exit each investment depending on its exit strategy. Most are 5-10 year exits.

**Marketing Strategy**

Customers find us primarily through rental platforms (AirBnb, VRBO). Customers also find us through social media. We offer free nights to influencers in return for posts of our property. This marketing model keeps our advertising costs extremely low.

**Competitive Advantage**

Simply put, we offer the most amenities. We customize these for each project, but most of the time included are a hot tub, fire pit, fireplace, full kitchen, and complementary equipment such as bikes or kayaks to name a few. Our rentals are modern, luxurious, and unique. They fit the modern cabin aesthetic that our target customers desire.

For investors, we offer an easy-to-understand business plan that generates high returns.

**Projected Return Metrics for Each Investor (6-year Exit Strategy)**

- **Total Equity Investment:** $175,000
- **Cash on Cash Return:** 21.34% in the first year, increasing to 25.78% in the fifth year
- **Multiple of Capital:** 2.73 with a year 6 exit
- **Profit:** $303,105
- **IRR:** 26.06%

**6 Year EBITDA Projections**

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**6 Year Cash Flow Projections for a Single Deal with Year 6 Exit**

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Short-Term Rentals
Wealth for Investors
Escape for Customers
The Short-Term Rental Market is Growing

- Customers are flooding the short-term rental market
- Covid-19 caused a 29% decline in bookings from 2019 to 2020
- Bookings rebounded 55% from 2020 to 2021
- Data from Ipropertymanagement.com

![Airbnb Annual Bookings (Millions) Graph](image)
Money is Being Made

- According to statista.com, the vacation rentals segment in the U.S. is projected to reach 17.660 billion dollars in 2022.
- From 2022-2026, revenue for the segment is expected to grow at a rate (CAGR) of 3.62% each year resulting in 20.359 billion by 2026.
Problems for Investors:

Most people don’t know how, where, or when to enter the market.

Investors follow the money

The money is in short-term rentals

But it can be overwhelming

- How do I know where to invest?
- Where will make the most money?
- How would I run the business?
- What happens if something breaks?
- Pricing?
- I don’t think I have the time to manage a property...
Problems for Customers:

They want an escape.

They want an experience.

They want memories.

- Is there a vacation out there that offers everything I am looking for?
- Will the trip have enough activities?
- Will the stay be special?
- Is there a way to have an adventurous vacation while staying in luxury?
Conway Properties LLC Solves Both Sets of Problems
We Bring Investors Into the Market

Investors simply provide capital, enjoy the property, and receive distributions

We do all the heavy lifting.
We find and execute the most profitable ventures
We handle everything
We’ll deal with buying or building the rental, running it, and selling it
We Offer Unique, Fun, Relaxing Vacation Rentals for Customers

- We identify locations with the most activities for our target customer segment
- We build or buy properties with them in mind
- Our stays fit the aesthetic that our customers are looking for - Modern, luxurious, unique
- Our properties stand out with their amenities
  - Hot tub
  - Fire pit
  - Fire place
  - Full kitchen
  - Complementary equipment custom to each location (bikes, kayaks, etc.)
Target Customer

- Over a third of AirBnb users are 25-35 years old
- These are the customers who want adventure in their vacations
- They have begun working and thus have the money to pay for nicer vacations
- Allows us to target young families and groups of friends
- Data from businessofapps.com
Conway Properties LLC is structured as a series LLC. Each property is its own “child series” falling under the umbrella of Conway Properties LLC.
Business Model

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<td>Identify Opportunity</td>
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<td>Plan</td>
<td>We plan the project. We locate a property manager, coordinate with an agent or builder, and secure a mortgage contingent on an investor.</td>
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<td>Find Investor(s)</td>
<td>We pitch the projections to potential investors. We structure a return waterfall for each deal.</td>
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Business Model (Cont.)

- Each property will be structured as its own child series LLC. This protects us and the investor(s) from liability property to property.
- Depends on availability of financing, but we can offer a percentage of returns to another guarantor partner to utilize their balance sheet.
- Each deal will have its own operating agreement. Profit splits will follow a general structure but have the ability to adapt deal to deal.
- We will elect to be taxed as a partnership.
- Day to day operations will be overseen by Conway Properties LLC, but run through a local property management company.
Return Waterfalls and Growth Plan

Years 1-5

- Grow to 10 properties under management
- Return Waterfall for Annual Cash Flows
  - 8% simple preferred return each year
  - Remaining profit split 55% Investor(s)/45% Conway Prop.
- Return Waterfall for Sale
  - Investment amount returned
  - Remaining capital gains split 55% Investor(s)/45% Conway Prop.

Years 6-10

- Grow to 20 Properties under management
- Return Waterfall for Annual Cash Flows
  - 7% preferred return each year
  - Remaining profit split 50%/50%
- Return Waterfall for Sale
  - Investment amount returned
  - Remaining capital gains split 50%/50%
We generate LARGE returns

We run financial models in order to identify the most profitable investments

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# Projected Return Waterfall For 1 Deal

## Cash Flows Over the Life of a Project

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Expansion Goals

- **2023**: 1 Property
- **2024**: 3 Properties
- **2025**: 5 Properties
- **2026**: 7 Properties
- **2027**: 10 Properties
- **2028**: 13 Properties
6 Year EBITDA Projections
Investors located through utilizing connections, referrals, and social media

Customers find us through rental platforms and social media

Free nights offered to influencers in return for posts of property
Contact Information

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  - Phone Number: 214-732-7795
  - Email: cody.j.conway@gmail.com
**Lean Canvas**

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**Problem**

Top 3 problems for customers:
- Want an aesthetically pleasing cabin with amenities
- Stress/need to decompress
- **Bonding** with spouse, kids, family and/or friends

Top Problem for investors:
- Its complicated!

**Solution**

Top 3 features for customers:
- Have a modern yet cabin-like aesthetic with hiking, lake, fishing, etc. in the area
- Get the therapeutic aspects of an outdoor vacation in a luxurious cabin
- Offer amenities at the cabin for building unique memories

For Investors:
- We do all the leg work

**Unique Value Proposition**

Single, clear and compelling message that states why you are different and worth buying

For customers:
- Adventurous vacation, luxurious stay, authentic memories
For investor:
- Do no work, receive high returns. (plus easy to understand)

**Unfair Advantage**

Can’t be easily copied or bought

For customers:
- We offer the most amenities. Our unique differentiator is our equipment provided custom to each venture (bikes, kayaks, etc.)
For investors:
- We have ability to locate most profitable deals; no work to you.

**Customer Segments**

**Target Customers**
- Young Adults ages 25-35 w/ kids
- Young adult groups of friends (20s-30s)

Specifically customers from a large economic hub within driving distance (ex. within 3 hours of DFW)

**Existing Alternatives**

List how these problems are solved today.
- Getting outdoors and doing something active
- Travel to other Airbnb
- Going out with friends
- Family nights

For Investors:
- Run a short-term rental on their own
- Invest in other things

**Key Metrics**

Key activities you measure
- Customer reviews
- Occupancy per month
- Revenue

Basically are customers approving of our product and are they enough using it?

**High-Level Concept**

List your X for Y analogy (e.g. YouTube = Flickr for videos)

Customers:
- = Resort level stay but adventurous escape
Investors:
- = Real estate investing for the working man/woman

**Channels**

Path to customers
- AirBnb/VRBO
- Instagram influencers
- Personal and business social media followers

**Early Adopters**

List the characteristics of your ideal customers.
- Those already familiar with AirBnb/VRBO
- Young adults with steady income that are outdoor enthusiasts

**Cost Structure**

List your fixed and variable costs.
- Customer acquisition costs
- Distribution costs
- Hosting
- People
- Etc.

Building/purchasing costs, financing costs, cleaning/maintenance, insurance, etc.

**Revenue Structure**

List your sources of revenue.
- Revenue Model
- Life Time Value
- Revenue
- Gross Margin

Revenue all from cabin rentals.
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- Revenue comes from nightly rentals.
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