

# Chateau Serbise

Region: Aquitaine Sleeps: 16

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## Overview

Set in a unique estate in Charente Maritime, with a backdrop of ancient stone walls, this 17th century chateau with private pool is set in twelve acres of beautiful parkland.

Originally built in the early 1600s, Chateau Serbise has been lovingly converted into an impressive holiday home. The estate, including vast areas of stunning parkland, also includes two more simple houses; [Etables Serbise](#) and [Domaine Serbise](#), all three historical homes can be rented together for large groups and weddings or booked separately for an ideal family holiday or celebration.

Chateau Serbise is the largest home on the estate, sleeping sixteen guests with eight bedrooms. The characterful grand salon features a rare decorative fireplace, a snooker room will delight all generations and there's a grand reception hall, ideal for hosting large events. An unpretentious dining room allows families and friends to gather for fine feasts and doors lead to the south facing patio, great for sun worshippers.

Whilst the charming home is full of history, you will find all the modern conveniences you would expect such as a well-equipped kitchen suitable for caterers, Wi-Fi and satellite TV. The chateau features a wonderful terrace, barbecue and al-fresco eating area which all leads to the inviting swimming pool overlooking the vast gardens and parkland.

Within 6km can find yourself in medieval Pons with restaurants, small shops and historical sights. Activities in the area include golf, horse-riding and canoeing or hire a bicycle from the estate to explore the parkland and beyond. Beach-lovers only have to travel just over half an hour to the coast – there are long stretches of sandy beaches from St Georges de Didonne to St Palais sur Mer. Wine aficionados needn't travel far either with dozens of wineries and Cognac nearby. This region has a particularly mild climate all year round and it can be one of the sunniest parts of France during from late Spring to Autumn.

Whether a picturesque wedding in beautiful surroundings or a relaxing family holiday, Chateau Serbise offers you character and comfort in a glorious historical setting.



## Facilities

Chateaux & Castles • Great Value • **Recommended** • Heritage Collection  
• Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens •  
Wi-Fi/Internet • BBQ • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Cable TV • Games  
Room • Indoor Games • Table Tennis • Pool/Snooker • Working Fireplace  
• Heating • Conference Facilities • Chapel on Site • Caretaker/Owner on  
Site • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Canoeing/Kayaking • Rural Location •  
Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Horse Riding •  
Go-Karting • Fishing • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit &  
Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

# Interior & Grounds

## Chateau Serbise

### Interior

#### Ground Floor

- Reception hall (15mx6.5m) – ideal for large events with direct access to patio and lawn with adjoining entrance lobby, WC and linked to kitchen, suitable for caterers
- Salon with sofas, piano, satellite TV
- Snooker room with full-size snooker table
- Dining room
- Kitchen, well-equipped with electric cooker, gas hob, microwave, dishwasher, fridge-freezer, kettle, coffee machine and toaster
- Double bedroom with en-suite shower room
- Separate shower room

#### First Floor

- Each bedroom has their own shower or bathroom (five are en-suite, two are separate)
- 4 double bedrooms
- 3 twin bedrooms
- Please note up to 4 extra children can also be accommodated using additional beds at a supplement (€100/week/child)

### Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (surrounded by 1.4m high wall with self-closing gate)
- Terrace including al-fresco eating area
- BBQ
- Parkland and gardens to explore

### Facilities

- Satellite TV
- CD/radio
- Wi-Fi
- Hair-dryer
- Washing machine
- Iron and ironing board
- Bikes to rent



## Location & Local Information

The region of Charente Maritime is one of the sunniest parts of France and benefits from a mostly sunny and warm climate from April through October. The influence of the Gulf Stream means that winters can be as mild as the Mediterranean. Cognac & Saintes are 15km away and Royan is 25km from the estate. The airports of Bordeaux, Angouleme and La Rochelle are within 1 hours drive and are served by an increasing number of UK regional airports.

St. Genis & Pons are both 5-6km away where there are restaurants and small shops. The nearest beach is only 35 minutes drive. There are 3 golf courses: Saintes (typical UK type club), Cognac (good course, above average) and Royan (reminds one of the Berkshire courses - pine on sand - good course).

The area has many historical sites relating to its past including the periods of Roman occupation, Richard Coeur de Lion and Eleanor of Aquitaine, the French Revolution and the Second World War. As the centre of Cognac production, the towns of Cognac and Jarnac are must visits with guided tours around the headquarters of Hennessy, Martell, Remy Martin, Otard, Hine etc.

The coast line from St Georges de Didonne north to St Palais sur Mer has miles of sandy beaches and good fish restaurants. The towns of Royan, La Rochelle and Rochefort are interesting places to visit and are all within one hour's drive.

The area abounds with many fine restaurants, some more expensive than others but all incredible value for money. Many local artisans welcome visits to view their business, including barrel making, wood carving and sculpture, pottery production, chocolate making and many more.

The wine production areas of Bordeaux are within easy reach with the Blaye region only half an hour away and St Emilion just over an hour by car. From the towns of Blaye or Royan it is possible to take a car ferry across to the Medoc.

The city of Bordeaux can be reached in an hour with its good shopping, art galleries, museums and historical buildings. The same can be said for Saintes. Within an hour there are three top golf courses at Saintes, Cognac and Royan with more around Bordeaux.



As well as the obvious sea fishing, river fishing in the Seugne is only 5 minutes away. The Charente only half an hour away. Only 5kms in either direction are good quality local tennis courts. There are several horse stables around providing riding for all levels through the local woodlands. A very local stable provides carriage rides around the lanes of the area. An international length (1.2km long) go-cart track is only 10 minutes from Clerbise. Canoes are available for hire on the local river Seugne.

A busy nightclub is just 5kms away and is open from Thursday to Sunday.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Bordeaux or La Rochelle (91-100 km)</b>
Nearest Ferry Port	<b>St Malo (Over 100 km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>St Genis de Saintonge (5 km)</b>
Nearest Town/City	<b>Pons (6 km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Moulin du Val de Seugne (4 km)</b>
Nearest Bar/Pub	<b>Le Francais (5 km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Meschers (31-35 km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Cognac (26-30 km)</b>

## What Oliver loves...

- The owner is happy to arrange morning deliveries from the bakery - délicieux!
- This region is known for its mild climate with especially sunny days from April to October
- Great local wine and food that matches the character of this stunning Chateau
- This estate in Charente Maritime is a picture-perfect wedding or celebration venue, full of old stone walls, characterful features and lush gardens - ask about renting the whole estate if you're planning an event

## What you should know...

- The closest bars and restaurants are 5 km away, so we recommend a car rental. If you go without, pre-booking taxis is a must!
- You'll need to bring extra beach towels to use at the pool (all other linens are provided)

# Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €600 for the chateau paid on arrival to the owner and refunded after departure subject to inspection.
- Arrival time: 5.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Yes, except oil fired central heating which is charged at cost.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, all linen and bath towels are included in the rental price, and are changed once a week. Pool towels not included.
- Pets welcome?: No.
- Changeover day: Saturday.
- End of stay cleaning included?: No, guests are expected to leave the property clean and tidy. Cleaning products and facilities are all provided. Guests can request a cleaning service for a minimum of 3hrs at 15€/hr.
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- Insurance: It is recommended that all guests take out insurance to cover against potential cancellation and any accidental damage caused during your stay at the property.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights.
- Other Ts and Cs: Children supplement: €100/week/child (up to 3).
- Other Ts and Cs: Please note that the owners live on site, and are always available to help with any queries but otherwise keep to themselves and do not share the pool or other facilities.