

Domaine Serbise

Region: Aquitaine Sleeps: 10

Overview

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

Formerly the wine and Cognac press until the mid-20th century, Domaine Serbise has been converted into a holiday home. The estate, including vast areas of stunning parkland, includes the impressive [Chateau Serbise](#) and homely [Tables Serbise](#), all three historical homes can be rented together for large groups and celebrations or booked separately for an ideal family holiday.

In the rustic and characterful interior you'll find five bedrooms, simple yet comfortable furnishings and a delightful private swimming pool, garden and terrace. The open-plan kitchen-diner and living area has a particularly spacious and airy feel to it, there is plenty of room to relax and guests can easily come together to socialise.

Whilst the charming home is full of history, you will find all the modern conveniences you would expect such as a well-equipped kitchen including a dishwasher, Wi-Fi and satellite TV. The house features a lovely terrace, barbecue and al-fresco eating area in addition to the private swimming pool, not forgetting the estate's spacious gardens and parkland for you to explore.

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.

Domaine Serbise and the surrounding estate offer a base full of character in a glorious historical setting, ideal for a holiday with family or friends wanting to explore this sunny and delightful area.



Facilities

Great Value • **Recommended** • Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • BBQ • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Cable TV • Indoor Games • Table Tennis • Pool/Snooker • Heating • 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

Interior

Ground Floor

- Kitchen-diner, well-equipped with electric cooker, gas hob, microwave, dishwasher, fridge-freezer, kettle, coffee machine and toaster
- Step up to living area with sofas and satellite TV
- Utility room
- Double bedroom
- Twin bedroom
- Bathroom and separate WC

First Floor

- Two twin bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Bath/shower room with separate WC

First Floor Mezzanine

- Double bedroom
- Shower room with WC

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (depth 1-1.77m, with alarm safety system)
- Decked al-fresco eating area
- BBQ
- Garden lawn area with shade from trees for children to play
- Parkland and gardens to explore

Facilities

- Satellite TV
- CD/radio
- Wi-Fi
- Hair-dryer
- Washing machine
- Iron and ironing board
- Indoor games
- 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 to 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 nearby: 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 brands such as Hennessy, Martell, Remy Martin, Otard, Hine etc. etc., as well as many opportunities to visit local producers.

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 motoring.

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 only 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 major river of the area, the Charente, is 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	Bordeaux or La Rochelle (91-100 km)
Nearest Ferry Port	St Malo (Over 100 km)
Nearest Village	St Genis de Saintonge (5 km)
Nearest Town/City	Pons (6 km)
Nearest Restaurant	Moulin du Val de Seugne (4 km)
Nearest Bar/Pub	Le Francais (5 km)
Nearest Beach	Meschers (31-35 km)
Nearest Golf	Cognac (26-30 km)

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...

- This country-style accommodation is furnished with simplicity and comfort and offers excellent value
- 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!
- Please note that only the chef from the property can be used for private chef services.
- You'll need to bring extra beach towels to use at the pool (all other linens are provided)

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €1,000 for the domaine, 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, all Utilities included apart from Central Heating costs.
- Heating costs included?: Extra cost based on consumption, payable locally.
- 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.
- 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 at €13.50 per hour.
- Changeover day: Saturday.
- 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: 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.
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