

# Domaine Serbise

Region: Aquitaine Sleeps: 10

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## 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. 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 • TV • Indoor Games • Table Tennis • Pool/Snooker • Heating • 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 • Chapel on Site

# 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 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
- Barbecue
- Garden lawn area with shade from trees for children to play
- Parkland and gardens to explore

## Facilities

- TV
- Wi-Fi
- Hair-dryer
- Washing machine
- Iron and ironing board
- Indoor games



## 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.

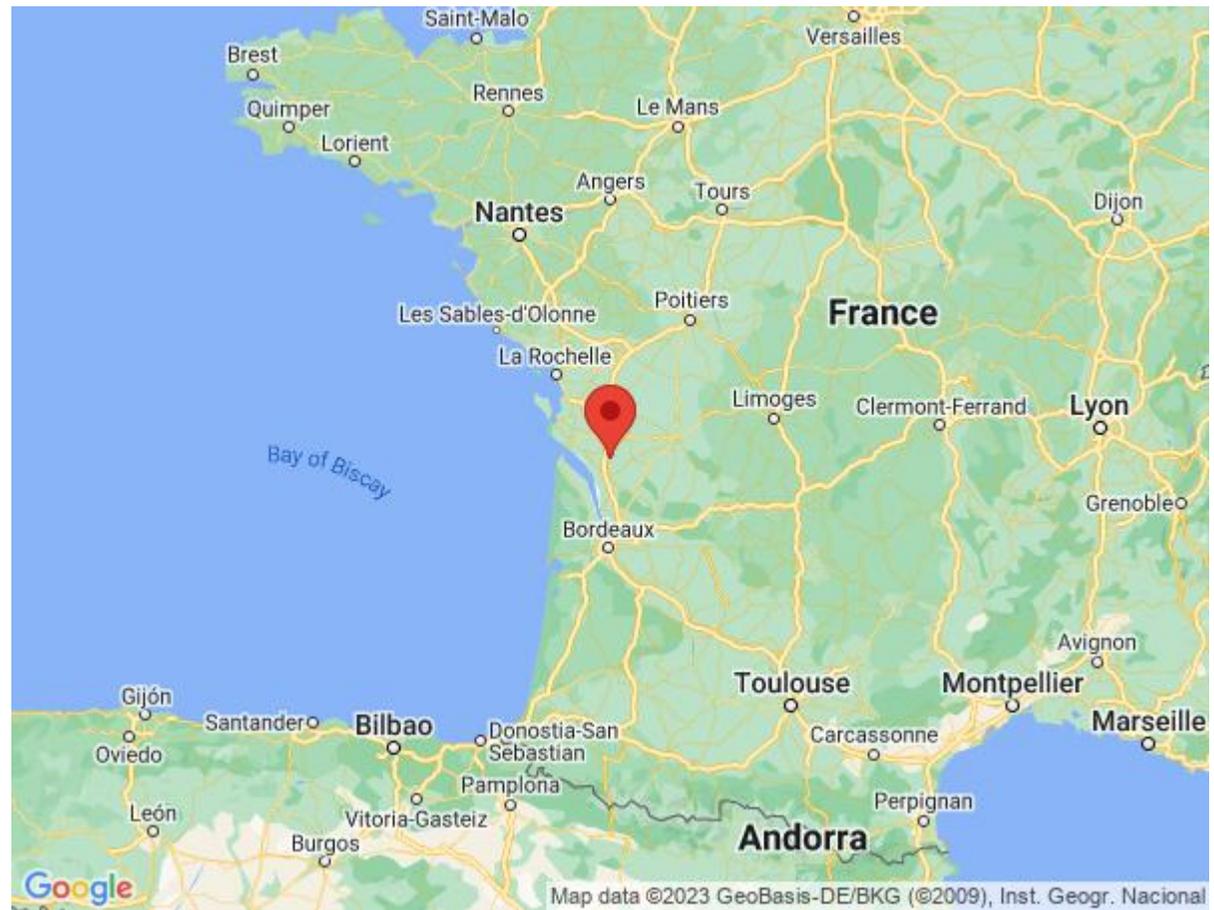
The coast line from St Georges de Didonne north to St Palais sur Mer has miles of sandy beaches and good fish restaurants. The towns of Royan, La Rochelle and Rochefort are interesting places to visit and are all within one hour's motoring.

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	<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 we love

- 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.
- Due to the age of the building, the owners may require access to the property in case of any issues e.g. water and electricity. They will always request permission beforehand.

# Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €600 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?: Extra €50, payable locally.
- Heating costs included?: Extra €75 on request, payable locally.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, linen and bath towels are changed once a week.
- Pets welcome?: No.
- End of stay cleaning included?: No. €200 for the Domaine, payable locally. This is for a standard changeover clean. Guests are required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival. Any extra cleaning, laundry, maintenance and/or rubbish disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- Changeover day: Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- Smoking Allowed?: No smoking (including electronic cigarettes) allowed inside, nor in the park. Smoking is only allowed in the designated area outside. Guests must use the sand ashtray provided.
- Insurance: Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for cancellations, loss of personal belongings, personal liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- 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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