

Domaine Fabriges

Region: Aquitaine Sleeps: 24

Overview

Domaine Fabriges is a beautiful château in the Lot region of southern France, set within 75 acres of grounds with landscaped gardens, a children's play area and vast forest. Admire the avenue of century-old plane trees, swim in the heated pool made from Quercy stone, play on the tennis court then relax by the poolside bar or beneath the leafy pagoda. – ideal for a group of friends or extended family, there is always something to do at this welcoming high-end abode.

Across the old Quercy domaine you will find several reception rooms alongside twelve en suite bedrooms in the main house and adjacent Grange. We adore the original fireplace in the cosy lounge, the Steinway grand piano in the hallway as well as the elegant billiard table and air-conditioned TV lounge. The en suite bedrooms have been beautifully styled with attractive furnishings and graceful décor, some with canopied beds and rolltop baths, and there are glorious garden or countryside views from every room. The extensive wine cellar is also available to guests so they can purchase wines if they wish.

Choose to enjoy breakfast on the terrace overlooking the hills then head over to the large table by the pizza oven and barbecue for long shady lunches close to the chef's kitchen. A Sonos music system means you can enjoy your favourite tunes on the terrace and by the swimming pool or embrace the surrounding tranquillity as you stroll through the vast grounds and woodland, watching children play. Guests young and old will also adore the championship size table football and table tennis.

Housekeeping six days per week is included in the price and if there are more than 10 guests staying then the mandatory chef service has to be booked as well – how wonderful to be able to be cooked for every day (please see the "Extras" tab and enquire for additional pricing for this). For less than 10 guests, daily breakfasts can still be arranged for a supplement as well as other optional extras.

If you can tear yourself away from the wonderful surroundings, pop into the local village for a morning coffee and explore other medieval gems such as Castelnau-Montratier and the market town of Montcuq. As well as atmospheric markets showcasing a wealth of delicious produce, look out for *brocantes* and *vide-greniers* in nearby villages and towns.



Visit the Malbec-producing vineyards of Cahors, a handsome town known for its fantastic shops, restaurants, hidden gardens and the 14th century Pont Valentre. Soak up the artistic ambience of Saint-Cirq-Lapopie, visit the impressive monastery in Moissac and potter further afield to the likes of Pujols and Monflanquin, classified as two of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*' in this attractive region of southern France.

Facilities

Chateaux & Castles • Heritage Collection • Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Heated Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Laptop Friendly Workspace • BBQ • Dishwasher • Microwave • Coffee Machine • Hairdryer • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Tennis Court • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Smart TV • Bicycles Provided • Wine Cellar • Games Room • Indoor Games • Outdoor Games • Table Tennis • Table Football • Pool/Snooker • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Caretaker/Owner on Site • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Parking Space • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Allow Ceremonial Fire • Allow External Caterers • Allow Fireworks • Dry Hire Option • No Curfew • Marquee Hire Permitted • Indoor Reception Available • Outdoor Ceremony • Flexible Catering Options • Nearby Church/Chapel

Interior & Grounds

Main House Interiors

Ground Floor

- Grand hall with original fireplace
- Winter sitting room
- TV/cinema lounge with air-conditioning
- Summer room – converted barn with French windows leading to garden and terraces
- Dining room with fireplace and banquet table for up to 24 guests. Doors lead to breakfast terrace
- Guest kitchen, well-equipped
- Professional kitchen (chef's use only)
- Study
- Billiard room with fireplace
- Wine-cellar (wines available to purchase)
- Bedroom with super king-size double bed, air-conditioning and en suite bathroom with bath and walk-in shower

First Floor

- Master suite with super king-size double bed, air-conditioning, two dressing areas and bathroom with rolltop bath/shower
- Bedroom with super king-size double bed (can be a twin), air-conditioning, two dressing areas and bathroom with bath and walk-in shower
- Bedroom with super king-size double bed, air-conditioning, dressing area and bathroom with bath and walk-in shower
- Bedroom with super king-size double bed, air-conditioning (can be a twin), dressing area and bathroom with bath and walk-in shower
- Bedroom with super king-size double bed, air-conditioning, dressing area and en suite bathroom with bath and walk-in shower

Second Floor

- Bedroom with super king-size double bed (can be a twin), air-conditioning, dressing area and bathroom with bath and walk-in shower
- Bedroom with super king-size double bed (can be a twin), air-conditioning, dressing area and bathroom with bath and walk-in shower
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Grange Interiors

Ground Floor

- Bedroom with super king-size double bed (can be a twin) and bathroom



with walk-in shower

- Bedroom with super king-size double bed (can be a twin) and bathroom

with walk-in shower

First Floor

- Bedroom with super king-size double bed (can be a twin) and bathroom with walk-in shower and rolltop bath

- Bedroom with super king-size double bed (can be a twin) and bathroom with walk-in shower and rolltop bath

Outside Grounds

- Heated swimming pool (12x4m) with electric safety cover.
- Poolside shower and WC
- Outdoor bar with fridge and ice
- Breakfast terrace
- Shaded dining terrace with barbecue and pizza oven
- AI-fresco lounge area
- Outdoor play area with trampoline, swing, slide and playhouse
- All weather hard tennis court with floodlighting
- Bikes
- Vegetable and herb garden
- Fenced ponds (x2)
- Gardens and woodland (5 acres) and farmland beyond (70 acres)
- Parking (at rear of property)

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning (bedrooms in main house and TV lounge only)
- Heating
- Smart TV
- Sonos music system (outdoors)
- Hairdryers
- Antique grand piano
- Billiard table
- Table football
- Table tennis
- Tennis court
- Wine cellar

Location & Local Information

In the Lot department of southern France, very close to the border of Tarn-et-Garonne, Domaine Fabriges enjoys a beautiful countryside location set in four acres of gardens and woodland with seventy acres of working farmland beyond.

The nearest airport is Toulouse just over an hour away whilst Brive and Bergerac Airports are also worth considering. There are TGV train service from Paris Montparnasse to Montauban (29km) taking just under four hours.

The nearest village is around 4km by car, a good place to stop off for a coffee after picking up fresh bread, whilst there is a Spar supermarket just outside the village. The bastide town of Castelnau-Montratier is an attractive spot for lunch after admiring the historic squares, medieval houses and church. The weekly market takes place on a Sunday morning. In the height of the summer look out a Wednesday evening night market.

Elsewhere, enjoy the picturesque drive to the pretty old village of Montcuq (25km) which attracts many visitors on a Sunday morning for its bustling market. Indeed, across the spring, summer and autumn you will find a variety of markets across the region – look out for green asparagus and spring strawberries (gariguettes) as well as some wonderful brocantes and vide-greniers dotted around.

Heading north, Cahors (34km) is a beautiful medieval town with upmarket shops, a fantastic twice-weekly market, several good restaurants and cafes as well as hidden gardens and handsome architecture including its grand cathedral and Pont Valentre, a 14th-century bridge which is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The vineyards surrounding Cahors produce some of the best wine in the world.

From Cahors you can take a boat excursion all the way to Saint-Cirq-Lapopie (46km) or you can drive there in just under an hour. This ancient cliffside village by the banks of the Lot is especially loved by artists. It was once on the French pilgrim route and visitors flock to the gorgeous village every summer.

Further south by the Tarn River, Moissac (31km) has an impressive monastery which was visited by pilgrims on their way to Santiago de Compostella – after visiting, stop off for lunch on the shady church square by the magnolia trees.

Another fantastic day out includes the wonderful city of Toulouse (83km), also known as *'La Ville Rose'* thanks to the pink stone used to create many of its buildings. Meanwhile, some of the Lot-et-Garonne's picture-perfect villages include Tournon-d'Agenais (48km), Penne-d'Agenais (68km), Pujols (74km)



and the bastide town of Monflanqun (76km), officially classified as one of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages'.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Toulouse-Blagnac Airport (85km)
Nearest Airport 2	Brive–Souillac Airport/Bergerac Airport (122km/117km)
Nearest Village	Small local village (4km)
Nearest Restaurant	Castelnau-Montratier (7km)
Nearest Supermarket	Spar (5km)
Nearest Town	Caussade/Montauban (20km/27km)
Nearest City	Toulouse (85km)
Nearest Tennis	Hard all-weather tennis court (On site)
Nearest Golf	Golf des Roucoux 9 hole (13km)
Nearest Train Station	Montauban (29km)

What we love

- The glorious heated swimming pool is made of Quercy stone, a wonderful place to spend time cooling off or relaxing by the poolside shaded bar
- The pizza oven and barbecue are perfect for warm summer evenings accompanied by music played via the Sonos sound system
- With a play area, tennis court, table-tennis and plenty more games, not to mention the vast grounds and a wonderful forest, this is a great place for families
- This is a wonderful region for markets, *brocantes* and *vide greniers* - look out for the especially superb market in Montcuq on a Sunday morning
- Elsewhere, visit medieval gems, riverside villages and picture-perfect towns including handsome Cahors and its Malbec-producing vineyards

What you should know...

- For bookings with more than 10 guests chef-hire is mandatory and self-catering is not possible - please see the "Extras" tab for more information and let yourself be pampered!
- There are eight bedrooms in the main part of the house and four bedrooms in the separate 'Grange' building.
- Air-conditioning is only featured in eight bedrooms (not the bedrooms in the Grange) and in the TV lounge.
- The fantastic in-house team are there six days a week for cleaning, tidying up and general maintenance. They live in a separate building and they try and be as discreet as possible when working in and around the *domaine*.

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: £2000 paid via bank transfer to the owner one month before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 4.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 am.
- Energy costs included?: Included in the rental price.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, changed once for stays over 7 nights.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes. However, 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.
- Pool opening dates?: Please note that pool opening dates are subject to local weather conditions and pool maintenance requirements and that cooler months may not be suitable for swimming.
- Pool heating charge?: Pool heating is included. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- Pool towels included?: Yes.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax payable locally (typically costs €1-€10 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).
- Smoking Allowed?: No.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Changeover day: Sunday. Other days are on request.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges. Stag/hen parties are not allowed.
- Other Ts and Cs: For more than 10 guests the chef service is mandatory and will need to be added to the booking at an extra charge, payable directly to the owner. The cost of all food and drink will also be an extra charge paid to the owner. Please see the "Extras" tab for more information and contact us about pricing.
- Other Ts and Cs: One cot and one highchair are available on request.
- Other Ts and Cs: Air-conditioning is only featured in eight bedrooms only (not in the Grange) and in the TV lounge.