

Le Prieure Esperance

Region: Sarlat Sleeps: 8

Overview

Le Prieure Esperance is a 17th century stone Presbytery sitting just above the Dordogne river, neatly restored inside and out to create an overall atmosphere of warmth and peace. Offering unspoilt views of the French countryside, guests can breakfast under the rising sun on their own private terrace before taking a morning dip in the large heated pool, or strolling amongst the lovingly manicured gardens.

The subtle mix of medieval and oriental inspired soft furnishings and exposed original oak beams and stonework give the interior a unique, yet homely feel that instantly puts visitors at ease. The grand stone fireplace only adds to this effect, as the centre piece of a large modern dining room. All spacious bedrooms are complete with flawless en-suite bathroom facilities.

In the courtyard of the villa there is a private, detached 17th Century chapel which can be used as a non-religious multifunctional space. It is heated/air-conditioned and has a "HK Lucas Performer" music system (compatible with media devices, I-phone etc) which allows guests to enjoy their choice of music in high definition and with excellent acoustics.

This is a holiday rental that oozes sophisticated luxury, from the silver dining cutlery to the un-chlorinated salt water pool, yet maintains a quaint rustic charm that is in line with that of the entire Dordogne region.

If you'd rather relax and fully enjoy a catered evening at the villa, two wonderful private chefs are at your disposal as well as a waitress service. You can even choose whether to eat in the chateau, chapel or al fresco! Enjoy your meal while you settle into this unique venue and start to immerse yourselves into the charming French lifestyle!



Facilities

Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Heated Pool • Saltwater Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • Laptop Friendly Workspace • BBQ • Coffee Machine • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Smart TV • Indoor Games • Table Tennis • DVD • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Toys • Fenced Grounds • Canoeing/Kayaking • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Horse Riding • Fishing • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Romantic • Chapel on Site

Interior & Grounds

Main Floor (via stone steps)

- Lounge with an open fireplace and TV
- Dining area with grand stone fireplace
- Kitchen, well-equipped including oven, microwave, induction hob, dishwasher, fridge-freezer,
- Summer kitchen, well-equipped including oven range, microwave, fridge, dishwasher and ice machine
- Bedroom with king-size double bed (180x190cm) and bathroom with multi-jet shower

Mezzanine Upper Level

- Bedroom with two double beds (140x190cm each), TV and bathroom with bath and separate shower
- Bedroom with king-size double bed (180x190cm), TV and bathroom with Italian shower

Please note the above two bedrooms share one WC

Garden Level

- Suite with large double bed (200x200cm), separate lounge with TV and bathroom with bath and shower

Outside Grounds

- Salt-water heated swimming pool (5x10m) with safety railings/gate and electric pool cover, open approximately mid-May to mid-September (earlier/later opening may be possible, only on request)
- Poolside terrace and al-fresco dining area
- Barbecue/electric plancha
- Courtyard with fountain
- Private 17th century chapel (reception/music room)

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Heating
- Air-conditioning
- Smart TV with Now TV box (for UK streaming services)
- DVD player
- Music system (chapel)
- Table tennis



- Children's games/toys
- Workstation and printer
- Telephone (local/national calls)
- Laundry room with washing machine/dryer

The hamlet also features a separate two-storey annexe with a simple bedroom/shower room which can be used for two extra guests if needed – please enquire for pricing and availability.

Location & Local Information

Set in the idyllic Perigord countryside, this is a tranquil and luxurious retreat in which to relax and enjoy the exceptional surrounding areas bursting with natural, historic and cultural experiences.

For shopping lovers there is a local market to explore every day of the week: Mondays in Les Eyzies (45 min, April – October), Tuesdays in Brive (45 min), Saturdays in Sarlat (25 min), Thursdays in Saint Julien de Lampon (5 min) and Brive (45 min), Fridays in Souillac (20 min), Saturdays in Sarlat (20 min) and Brive (45 min), Sundays in St Cyprien (1 h), Carsac (15 min – summer only) and Saint Genies (40 min).

The Dordogne is also a great area for outdoor activities such as hiking, cycling, hot-air ballooning, fishing, canoeing, horse-riding, adventure and water parks, just to mention a few.

Castles, caves, gardens and medieval towns and villages such as Sarlat, Cahors, Domme, Rocamadour, Collanges la Rouge and Saint Cirq Lapopie-Lot are all within 1 hour drive.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Brive–Souillac Airport (38km)
Nearest Airport 2	Bergerac Airport (90km)
Nearest Train Station	Gare de Souillac (17km)
Nearest Village	Small local village (4km)
Nearest Town	Souillac/Sarlat-la-Canéda (17km/20km)
Nearest Restaurant	(15-minute walk/5-minute drive)
Nearest Supermarket	E.Leclerc Sarlat (16km)
Nearest Golf	Souillac Golf & Country Club (25km)



What we love

- The cultural fusion of interior design gives the house a recognisable character that guests will naturally form an attachment to
- All rooms come fully air-conditioned for those warm summer evenings
- Beautiful courtyard, garden and chapel as well as a gloriously romantic master suite with its own living area make this the perfect venue for a wedding
- Terrace by the pool offers a brilliant location for breakfast in the morning sun, with the spectacular view of the countryside and Château de Fénelon
- How wonderful to be so close to the Dordogne River and just 20km from Sarlat-la-Canéda

What you should know...

- Le Prieure Esperance is part of a small hamlet/estate also featuring [Maison Esperance](#) (10 guests) and [Cottage Esperance](#) (2 guests) which are rented out separately. All three houses can be booked exclusively – please see [Le Prieure Esperance Estate](#) (20 guests).
- The estate also features a separate two-storey annexe with a simple bedroom/shower room which can be used for two extra guests if needed – please enquire for pricing and availability.

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €1500 paid to the owner before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 5.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. (arrival time to be notified in advance).
- Departure time: Before 10.00 a.m.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, including pool towels.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes (excluding annexes). 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 garbage disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- Pool heating charge?: The pool is heated approximately mid May to mid September. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- Pets welcome?: On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- Changeover day: Saturday. Mid-week bookings starting or ending on a Saturday may be possible on request, outside the high season only. Please enquire.
- Other Ts and Cs: An extra bedroom in a simple two-storey annexe is available upon request and subject to an extra charge and availability.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges.
- Pool opening dates?: The pool is open approximatey mid-May to mid-September - earlier/later opening may be possible but only on request. 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.