Maison Aquitaine

Region: Aquitaine Sleeps: 10

Overview

Perfect for friends and families who would like a stress free holiday in a comfortable and well equipped home, Maison Aquitaine has a fabulous location on the Médoc peninsular near the Atlantic resort of Montalivet-les-Bains, renowned for its long stretches of blue flag sandy beaches and the convenience of shops, bars and restaurants.

This light, air conditioned home is designed as a place to relax and holiday in comfort. The four en suite bedrooms and spacious living-dining area open onto the terrace with easy access to the heated pool. The boules court is sure to be popular and the kids will enjoy choosing their bunk beds. Shop at the daily market for local produce and delicacies and, at the end of the day, dine al fresco with a bottle of local Médoc wine as the sun goes down.

Sandy beaches stretch gloriously here for 12km, lined by dunes which separate the beaches from the pine forests. The Atlantic waves make Montalivet a popular resort for surfers and there is a lively holiday atmosphere here, enhanced by the daily market where you can sample local delicacies. There are hiking, biking and horse riding trails to explore in the forests as well as by the coast. Locally, it's fun to follow the cycle path from Montalivet to the more traditional town of Vendays, 8km inland.

There is plenty here to keep you close to home but, for a taste of a different seaside resort, Soulac-sur-Mer has beautiful beaches as well as a sense of history. South from Montalivet and away from the wild Atlantic is beautiful Lac d'Hourtin, the largest natural lake in France with gently shelving beaches and plenty of water sports such as sailing, windsurfing or simply hiring a pedalo.

Wine lovers are sure to enjoy visiting a château or two on the famous Route de Vins du Médoc. The vineyards near Saint-Vivien-de-Médoc are the closest to Maison Aquitaine but it's also worth driving further afield to world famous Pauillac, one of the main wine destinations in the Bordeaux area and a nice town with a charming waterfront for lunch. The *Maison du Vin* here is sure to direct you to the closest wineries for an afternoon visit!









Facilities

Villa/House • Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Heated Pool • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Walk to Beach • Walk to Village • Walk to Restaurant • BBQ • Washing Machine • Dishwasher • Microwave • Coffee Machine • Hairdryer • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Satellite TV • Outdoor Games • Heating • Parking Space • Watersports • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Cycling • Horse Riding • Fishing • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • RWC-Bordeaux

Interior & Grounds

Maison Interiors (145m2)

- Living-dining room with satellite TV and doors leading to terrace
- Open-plan kitchen, well-equipped including dishwasher, oven, microwave, induction hob, toaster, kettle, freezer and coffee machine
- 3 x bedrooms with double beds (160cm), doors leading to terrace and bathrooms with showers
- Bedroom with two sets of bunk-beds, doors leading to terrace and bathroom with shower
- 2 x separate WCs

Outside Grounds (450m2, enclosed)

- Heated swimming pool (7m x 4m, depth: 1.4m) open approximately end-May to end-September
- Large terrace (100m2)
- Deckchairs (x6)
- Portable barbecue
- Boules
- On-site parking

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning
- Heating
- Satellite TV
- Hairdryer
- Smoke alarm
- Ironing facilities
- Washing machine









Location & Local Information

Maison Aquitaine is located on the northern part of the Médoc peninsular in the Gironde region of France. In a partially residential neighbourhood of newly built villas and modern homes just over 1km from the centre of the Atlantic coastal resort of Montalivet-les-Bains, it is only 1.5km from glorious beaches and 8km from the more traditional inland town of Vendays-Montalivet, a cycle path connecting them both.

A fantastic natural environment makes this a great place for holidays and it is a popular place for families. Sandy beaches stretch gloriously for 12km, lined by dunes which separate the beaches from the pine forests of the Médoc-Landes region. The beach at Montalivet has a blue flag status and the Atlantic waves make it popular with surfers. The coastal part of the town was created in the mid-19th century and is based solely around visitors so there are plenty of small supermarkets, cafés, little bars and restaurants to choose from.

The lively holiday atmosphere here is enhanced by the daily market during the summer months. Get there early for the Sunday morning market and find the oyster stand where people gather for a glass of white wine as they try out this local delicacy. There are hiking, biking and horse riding trails to enjoy in the forest as well as by the coast and a cycling route runs alongside the whole 100km west coast of the Médoc peninsular.

Locally, there is an adventure park for kids, the few remaining marshes are home to a variety of wildlife and the naturist holiday village tucked away in the forest near the resort was once a helio-marine centre during WW2.

There is so much to enjoy nearby but for a taste of another well-known Atlantic coastal town, take the 19km drive northwards to Soulac-sur-Mer, a long established resort with beautiful beaches and a more of a sense of history with its Basilica and 19th century fine villas.

A 30-minute drive southwards, away from the wild Atlantic waves, is the beautiful Lac d'Hourtin, the largest natural lake in France whose beaches have gentle shelving fresh water. There are guided tours of the lake as well as the chance to enjoy sailing, water skiing, windsurfing, paragliding or simply hiring a pedalo or rowing boat. At Port d'Hourtin there is a marina, beach and an aquatic leisure centre.

At Maison Aquitaine you are only 15km from the famous Route de Vins du Médoc which stretches from Le Verdon-sur-Mer to Bordeaux - the nearest vineyards and estates are near Saint-Vivien-de-Médoc. Further afield, drive to Pauillac, one of the main wine destinations in the Bordeaux area. It's a pleasant town with a charming waterfront, just perfect for a lunch of mussels









and a glass of wine. Afterwards, stroll to the *Maison du Vin* where there is an interactive activity for kids and adults to practise their wine smelling skills! They will also recommend the closest wineries to visit in the afternoon - there are plenty of impressive wine châteaux to see nearby.

Local Amenities

| Nearest Airport | Bordeaux (85km) |
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| Nearest Train Station | Gare de Soulac-Sur-Mer (19km) |
| Nearest Village | Montalivet-les-Bains (1.2km) |
| Nearest Restaurant | Montalivet-les-Bains (1.2km) |
| Nearest Supermarket | (1.2km) |
| Nearest Beach | Montalivet-les-Bains (1.2km) |
| Nearest City | Bordeaux (90km) |
| Nearest Golf | Golf de Lacanau (48km) |
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What we love

- A recently built, light, spacious and well-equipped holiday home with heated pool, perfect for a relaxing family holiday
- A leisurely stroll to the coastal resort of Montalivet-les-Bains with its stunning stretches of sandy beaches, a paradise for surfers
- So many forests and coastal trails just wonderful for cycling, walking and horse-riding and a drive away from beautiful Lac d'Hourtin, the largest natural lake in France
- Visit some of the famous wineries and vineyards of the Médoc or even take a day trip to Bordeaux

What you should know...

- The villa is suitable for six adults across three double bedrooms and four children using bunk-beds.
- Please note that published rates are only valid for the current year. Any bookings for subsequent years will be on request only
 and correct rates will be confirmed at the time of booking.
- Please note that your booking will only be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner or their property manager.

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €500 paid in cash to the owner upon arrival and refunded upon departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 4.00 p.m. 7.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- Linen & towels included?: Not included. €10 per person for linen and €5 per person for towels, payable locally.
- 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.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- Changeover day: Saturday approximately mid-May to mid-September. Flexible during all other periods.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights approximately mid-May to mid-September. 3 nights during all other periods.
- 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.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax is included.
- 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.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
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