

Maison Saint Pierre

Region: Dordogne Sleeps: 6

Overview

Stay in a characterful Dordogne abode with its own heated swimming pool and rural views, only a 5-minute drive to Monpazier, one of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*'.

We love how the original features of Maison Saint Pierre exude such charm from the thick stone walls that keep the interiors cool in the summertime to the exposed wood beams across the spacious lounge and garden room. Yet there are also ample modern touches including a 65-inch Smart TV with Netflix, remote-controlled ceiling fans in the bedrooms and a bright kitchen for preparing wonderful meals.

One master en suite double and two twins that share a contemporary bathroom with walk-in Italian shower allows up to six guests to stay in this comfortable home. A maison next door is also rented out by the owner if you need extra space – please enquire for prices and availability.

Outside in the south-facing garden you can make the most of the heated salt-water swimming pool or simply relax on the al-fresco terrace, then fire up the barbecue. With open grounds, there's a feeling of rural calm as you look out towards the trees, étang and countryside landscapes.

Picture-perfect Monpazier, one of the Dordogne's most beautifully preserved bastide villages, is only 6km away by car. The 700-year old Thursday morning market is a joy and there are many excellent restaurants and pretty shops.

Other Dordogne gems include picturesque Issigeac with its Sunday morning market, the historic towns of Belvès and Beaumont-du-Périgord as well as Bergerac and its Maison des Vins. Picnic by the banks of the Dordogne or hire canoes in Le Buisson-de-Cadouin, under half an hour away, and venture towards the gorgeous riverside villages of Beynac-et-Cazenac, La Roque-Gageac and Domme.

Heading south towards the Lot River, visit much-loved spots such as Monflanquin, Puy-l'Évêque whilst wine-lovers will be keen to spend the day in Cahors, such a handsome town surrounded by Malbec-producing vineyards creating some of the finest wines in the world.



Facilities

Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Heated Pool • Saltwater Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • <1hr to Airport • Laptop Friendly Workspace • BBQ • Coffee Machine • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Smart TV • Table Tennis • DVD • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Ceiling Fans • Caretaker/Owner on Site • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Parking Space • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Horse Riding • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

Interior & Grounds

Maison Interiors (200m2, one level with entrance steps and the odd internal step)

- Open-plan lounge and dining area with 65-inch Smart TV and log-burner
- Garden room with table for 12 guests and door leading to garden
- Kitchen, well-equipped including dishwasher, electric oven, induction hob, American fridge-freezer, ice-maker, air-fryer, microwave, kettle, toaster, blender and Nespresso machine
- Master bedroom with double bed (150x200cm), ceiling fan and en suite bathroom with Italian walk-in shower and WC
- Bedroom with twin beds (90x200cm each) and ceiling fan
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- Bathroom with walk-in Italian shower and WC
- Separate WC

Outside Grounds (unfenced)

- Heated salt-water swimming pool (10x4m, depth: 1.5m) with safety alarm. Open approximately mid-April to end-September
- Terrace and gazebo for al-fresco dining
- South-facing garden
- Barbecue
- Table tennis
- Parking

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Wood-burning fire
- Central heating
- Remote controlled ceiling fans
- 65-inch smart TV with Netflix
- DVD/Blu-ray player and DVDs
- Board games
- Table tennis
- Washing machine and dryer



Location & Local Information

Close to the border between the Dordogne and Lot-et-Garonne, Maison Saint Pierre is only 6km from Monpazier, one of France's classified 'Plus Beaux Villages' and just half an hour south of the Dordogne River.

The property (Maison Saint Pierre, it's neighbouring rental and the owners) is in a small hamlet in an otherwise rural setting of glorious countryside and woodland with an *étang* (large pond) just beyond the unfenced grounds.

A five-minute drive takes you to the 13th century bastide village of Monpazier, such a beautiful place with its exquisitely preserved medieval heritage and arcaded square which hosts a centuries-old market on a Thursday morning as well as a flower market in May. There are several restaurants in the village as well as pretty shops; it's beauty and ambience attracts visitors from across the Dordogne.

Other significant Dordogne villages and towns include Issigeac (35km) with its gorgeous Sunday morning market, the bastide towns of Belvès and Beaumont-du-Périgord, both around a 20-minute drive away, and of course historic Bergerac (50km), known for its picturesque riverside setting, boat trips along the Dordogne, Maison des Vins and surrounding vineyards including Château de Monbazillac just south of the town.

Also on the banks of the Dordogne, Le Buisson-de-Cadouin (26km) is a good spot for riverside picnics and canoeing/kayaking or head further east towards picture-perfect villages and impressive Dordogne châteaux around Beynac-et-Cazenac, La Roque-Gageac and Domme, all within a 45-minute drive.

This location also benefits from the wonderful landscapes of the Lot-et-Garonne and Lot departments to the south and more idyllic places such as Monflanquin (28km), Villerséal (20km), Puy-l'Évêque (30km) and even Cahors (58km), a handsome historic town with excellent restaurants and famous vineyards producing some of the finest Malbecs in the world.

The lovely honey-coloured houses of Gourdon (45km) and the incredible scenery of Rocamadour (74km), an important pilgrimage site since the middle ages, are both ideal for a fantastic day out across this diverse and fascinating part of southern France.



Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Bergerac Dordogne Périgord Airport (47km)
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Nearest Airport 2	Brive–Souillac Airport (86km)
Nearest Train Station	Belvès (16km)
Nearest Village	Monpazier (6km)
Nearest Restaurant	Monpazier (6km)
Nearest Supermarket	Petit Casino (6km)
Nearest Town/City	Sarlat-la-Canéda/Bergerac (48km/50km)
Nearest Golf	Golf de la Forge (21km)

What we love

- A charmingly converted Dordogne abode only a 5-minute drive from Monpazier, one of the region's most beautiful villages
- Appreciate the characterful interiors whilst making the most of modern amenities such as a 65-inch Smart TV with Netflix, remote-controlled ceiling fans and contemporary walk-in showers
- The south-facing garden and its heated swimming pool enjoys gentle rural views
- Spend the day visiting other picture-perfect villages in the Dordogne from Issigeac to Domme
- The handsome riverside towns of Bergerac and Cahors are also fine days out, especially for wine-lovers

What you should know...

- There is another 3-bedroom house next door to Maison Saint Pierre – it is part of the same building but the grounds are partially divided by an unoccupied 100m² barn to avoid any noise disturbances from each pool. It is rented out separately by the same owner – if in need of extra space, please enquire for details and pricing.
- The owners also lives on site in a separate house.
- If travelling with youngsters, do note the grounds are unenclosed so they will need to be supervised as they play outside.

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €500 paid in cash to the owner upon arrival and refunded upon departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 5.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes and mid-stay cleaning for stays of more than 7 nights also included. 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.
- Tax: French Visitors tax included in rental rate.
- Pool opening dates?: The pool is open approximately mid-April to end-September. 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?: Included. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- Pool towels included?: Yes.
- Changeover day: Saturday (July and August) or flexible at other times.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights (July and August), 4 nights (Easter/Xmas/NY) and 2 nights at other times.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.