

# Foy Cottage

Region: Aquitaine Sleeps: 5

## Overview

Nestled on a working vineyard, Côtes de Blaye, lies Foy Cottage, sleeping five guests. Foy cottage is a traditionally styled cottage painted golden yellow with light blue shutters at the windows.

Entering the villa on the ground floor, you walk into the main living area, a cosy lounge dining room. With comfy sofas and an old stone fireplace, the cottage is set up to keep you warm in the winter season. Wooden beams lie above the terracotta tiled floor. A wooden dining table is on one side, seating six guests. Move through to the kitchen and breakfast bar. Windows look out over the vineyard to let in plenty of light. The kitchen is traditional in style with beams overhead and white cupboard doors.

The family bathroom is on the ground floor with a shower. The ground floor also has a laundry room with a washing machine and dryer. Heading upstairs you'll find two bedrooms. The stairs are steep to climb, so be cautious when you are on them. The master bedroom has a double bed, storage, and a view of the vineyard. The second bedroom has three single beds, making this Cottage ideal for families.

The working vineyard Côte de Blaye is in the Bordeaux region and provides the perfect backdrop to your holiday. Foy Cottage has a terrace with outdoor seating and a private garden to relax together under the sun.

Foy Cottage is on the village side of the vineyard, with an uninterrupted view of the vines and estuary in the backdrop. As a working vineyard, you will be able to witness the production of wine, from grape to bottle. Spend an hour walking through the vines and chatting to the owners, asking questions on the process, and discovering what makes the wine from Bordeaux so unique. Foy Cottage is also next to the village tennis courts, available for guest use.

The local village has all your essentials including a village boulangerie, a small grocery shop, butchers and a pharmacy. On Sunday mornings, the village hosts oyster stalls on the main street.



## Facilities

Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • BBQ • Tennis Court • Smart TV • DVD • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Canoeing/Kayaking • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

# Interior & Grounds

## *Interior grounds*

### *Ground floor*

- Kitchen
- Lounge and dining room
- Family bathroom

### *First floor*

- Double bedroom
- Three single beds in one room

## **Exterior Grounds**

- Patio
- Garden furniture
- Private garden

## **Facilities**

- Wifi
- Smart TV
- Laundry facilities
- Cot and highchair
- Parking
- Toaster
- Stovetop
- Oven
- Kitchenware
- Electric kettle
- Washing machine
- Dishwasher
- Microwave
- Refrigerator



## Location & Local Information

Nestled on a working vineyard in the Bordeaux region, southwest of France lies Foy Cottage; one of three luxury villas nestled between the vines.

The working vineyard is called Côte de Blaye, a Bordeaux vineyard and a unique location for your holiday. The grape vines are in clay-limestone soil, typical of the region and traditionally, the vineyard produces Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec and Cabernet Franc. In recent years, the vineyard has diversified and now grows white grapes to produce Roussanne, Semillon and Chardonnay, giving a broader range. Take a wine tour to see the production of the wine, witnessing the process from grape to bottle.

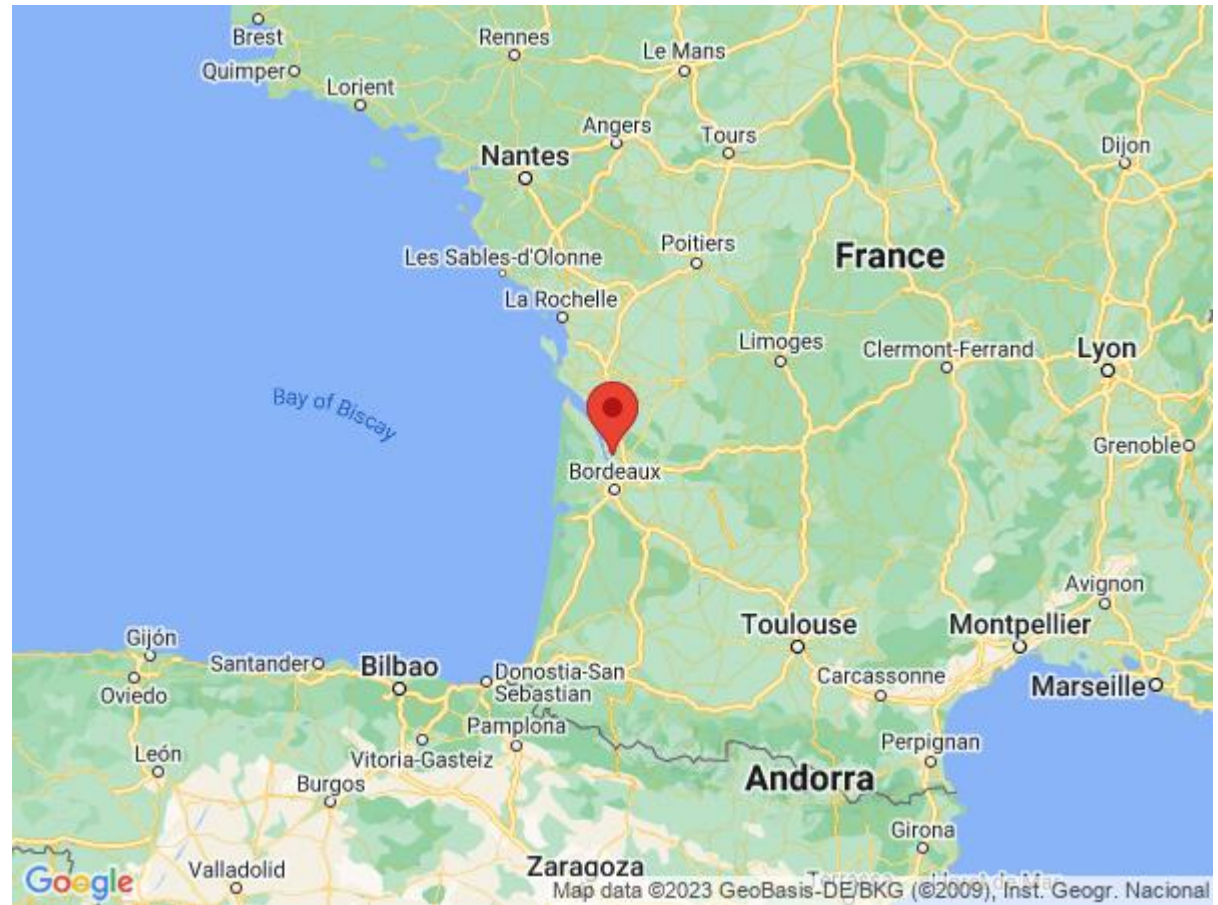
The grounds of the villa are also home to Two Origins Distillery, producing whiskey. The name derives from combining the company's heritage; French and Irish. Two Origins Distillery produces a unique whiskey that combines the French taste with the traditional whiskey techniques of Ireland: the triple-distilled cask-aged Irish whiskey.

From the villa, there are many clear cycle paths for you and your family to enjoy, stretching from Blaye to Estauliers. Blaye is your local town, home to the UNESCO World Heritage Site, Citadelle de Blaye. Located on the waterfront, overlooking the estuary Gironde. Designed by the celebrated French military engineer Vauban, Citadelle de Blaye is a fortress offering panoramas over the Gironde estuary. Built in the 17th century, the citadel of Blaye had 1.5km of ramparts, over 30 hectares of fortifications and 1,500 soldiers occupying the fort.

Spend time strolling through its narrow streets and meet the craftsmen, restaurateurs and shopkeepers who dwell in the once-fortified fortress. Tours are also available for those who want to delve deeper into history and enter the underground passages below the surface. The town of Blaye also offers café, restaurants, and shops for you to refresh yourself with, all a bike ride from the villa.

Travelling slightly further away, take a day to visit the picturesque St. Emilion, a medieval village located in the famous Bordeaux wine region. Surrounded by vineyards, St. Emilion has two thousand years of history found in beautiful architecture and monuments. Golden bricks shine in the sunlight as you wind through the village, exploring historic vineyards, cafes and shops.

Spend an afternoon feeling refreshed and head to the coast. The southwest of France is home to the Aquitaine coastline, the longest sandy coastline in Europe, stretching 230 kilometres.



## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Bordeaux (52.3km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>Berson (Walking distance )</b>
Nearest Town	<b>Blaye (8km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>St. André de Cubzac (20.5km )</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Several restaurants in Blaye and Bourg (8km)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Leclerc Blaye (6.5km)</b>

## What we love

- We loved exploring the local area, especially Blaye and other local towns. The history of the region is just incredible and there was plenty to do.
- The working vineyard was fascinating. It was cool to see the process of how to make wine.
- I loved having my morning coffee on a deck chair, looking out over the local vineyard; simply blissful!
- The kids loved sleeping all in one room together. Having the three single beds was a great experience for them to laugh together!

## What you should know...

- The vineyard is a working vineyard and has machinery in use. Parents with small children may want to keep an eye on them as you go out the villa's garden into the vineyard.
- The stairs going up to the first floor are steep so be cautious as you walk up.
- The local town Blaye is a 5 minute drive away and a 15 minute bike ride.
- Please note that the family bathroom is located downstairs.
- Please note that the grounds of the cottage are not fully fenced, so make sure to keep an eye on youngsters!

# Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €200 charged to client's credit card two weeks before arrival and refunded upon departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 4pm.
- Departure time: 10am.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes. 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.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, included in rental price.
- Heating costs included?: Included in rental price.
- Energy costs included?: Included in rental price.
- Internet access?: Wifi internet access included in rental price.
- Minimum stay: 2 nights.
- Changeover day: Fridays June to end of September, and Christmas. Flexible during other periods.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Smoking Allowed?: Not permitted.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax payable locally (typically costs €1-€5 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).
- Insurance: Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for cancellations, personal belongings, public liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.