

# Maison Marius

Region: Dordogne Sleeps: 10

---

## Overview

Nestled in the heart of the Dordogne countryside, this gorgeous five-bedroom farmhouse is the ideal spot to escape the hustle and bustle of everyday life. Admire the rolling hills while taking a dip in the inviting pool or relaxing on the terrace. There are plenty of quaint local villages to explore, offering a glimpse into the relaxed pace of life typical of the area.

Inside, the villa is beautifully decorated and features modern amenities, while still maintaining its traditional charm, with exposed wooden beams and stone walls. Tall windows and French doors create a seamless flow between the indoors and outdoors, filling the rooms with natural light and giving them an open, airy feel. When you return from a long day outside, the comfortable living room invites you to unwind with your favourite book while the fireplace keeps you warm. The modern, fully-equipped kitchen has everything you need to prepare meals to enjoy with loved ones in the dining room. Upstairs, the bedrooms exude a homely, authentic atmosphere, with the master bedroom featuring a luxurious standalone tub.

Surrounded by lush green fields and rolling hills, this villa offers a serene and setting to relax. The large private pool is great for cooling off on hot summer days while taking in the sweeping views of the surrounding landscape. If you are visiting in the cooler months, the pool is heated for your convenience. Gather with family and friends and play a game of boules, perfect for a sunny afternoon.

In just a 30-minute drive, you can reach the breathtaking village of Rocamadour, renowned for its religious significance and unique architecture. Here you'll find the pilgrimage site of the Sanctuary of Rocamadour, with various religious edifices and chapels chiselled into the cliff's edge. Ascend the Grand Escalier staircase for sweeping views of the surrounding countryside which you can admire from the village's top. Other historical sites include the Château de Rocamadour, a 14th-century castle, and the Grotte des Merveilles, a prehistoric cavern showcasing awe-inspiring rock formations.



For those seeking a bit of adventure, a trip to the natural wonder of Gouffre de Padirac is well worth the half-hour drive. This remarkable location features an enormous sinkhole leading to a network of underground caves and waterways that are nothing short of mind-blowing. You have the option to descend into the cave either by foot or by taking a lift, followed by a boat tour along the river to admire the incredible geological formations and underground waterfalls.

Happy to drive a bit further? There are lots of lovely villages and towns within an hour's drive. One is Saint-Cirq-Lapopie, a cute village perched on a cliff overlooking the Lot River, known for its pretty buildings and gorgeous views. Another is Sarlat-la-Canéda, a well-preserved medieval town with winding streets, impressive historical sites, and a bustling market. Finally, the town of Cahors is steeped in history and is situated on the Lot River. With a fortified bridge, restaurants and wineries, it's definitely worth a visit.

## Facilities

Villa/House • Private Pool • Heated Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • BBQ • TV • Outdoor Games • DVD • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Canoeing/Kayaking • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Cycling • Fishing • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

# Interior & Grounds

## Villa Interiors (280m2, spread over two floors)

### Ground Floor

- Kitchen with fridge, freezer, oven, hob, toaster, kettle, microwave and breakfast bar
- Dining room with table, chairs and fireplace
- Living room with sofa, coffee table, TV and fireplace

### First Floor

- 3 x bedrooms with double beds
- 2 x bedrooms with double beds and en-suite bathrooms
- Bedroom with double bed, freestanding bath and en-suite bathroom

### Outside Grounds

- Heated swimming pool with children's section (12m x 6m, max depth: 2.4m)
- Garden with grassy lawns
- Al-fresco dining area
- Terrace
- Deckchairs and sun loungers

### Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Heating
- TV and DVD player
- Washing machine and dryer
- Ironing facilities



## Location & Local Information

Drive around 30 minutes to reach Rocamadour, a picturesque village known for its religious history and stunning architecture. Visit the Sanctuary of Rocamadour, an monumental pilgrimage site which includes several religious buildings and chapels carved into the side of a cliff. Climb the Grand Escalier staircase to reach the top of the village and enjoy panoramic views of the surrounding landscape.

Other notable sights include the Château de Rocamadour and the Grotte des Merveilles, a prehistoric cave that features remarkable rock formations. When you're not soaking up the history, explore the village's narrow streets and alleys, lined with charming shops, cafes, and restaurants.

If you're feeling adventurous, drive around half an hour to reach the astonishing natural wonder of Gouffre de Padirac. This awe-inspiring site boasts a colossal sinkhole spanning 35 metres in width and 103 metres in depth, leading to a labyrinth of underground caves and waterways. Opt to descend into the cave on foot or by elevator, and then take a boat tour through the river, where you can marvel at the geological formations and underground waterfalls. The tour's highlight is the Grand Dôme, an enormous cavern adorned with stalactites and stalagmites. The site also boasts La Pluie d'Or, an underground lake renowned for its acoustics.

If you're willing to venture a little further, there are many charming villages and towns that are well worth the fifty minutes to an hour's drive. Saint-Cirq-Lapopie, for instance, is a quaint village perched atop a cliff with unique architecture and spectacular views of the Lot River.

Another gem is Sarlat-la-Canéda, a perfectly preserved medieval town with winding streets, impressive historic buildings, and a lively market.

Finally, Cahors is a town steeped in history and culture, situated on the Lot River and boasting a fortified bridge, excellent restaurants, and renowned wineries - it's certainly worth making the trip.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Brive-Souillac Airport (35km)</b>
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Bergerac Airport (109km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>(6km)</b>



Nearest Town	<b>Payrac (10km)</b>
Nearest City	<b>Limoges (142km )</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Résidence Souillac Golf &amp; Country Club (23km)</b>
Nearest Tennis	<b>Rocamadour Tennis Club (12km )</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Barzan Plage (279km)</b>

## What we love

- Tucked away in the countryside, this *maison* boasts breathtaking views made up of rolling hills and lush greenery
- Make the most of the outdoors with an inviting pool, boules pitch, and terrace for eating meals al-fresco
- Situated near lots of lovely villages, this farmhouse is the ultimate getaway for anyone looking to experience the beauty and charm of the Dordogne
- Drive just half an hour to reach the fascinating natural wonder Gouffre de Padirac, a sinkhole made up of caves, as well as an underground waterfall and lake

## What you should know...

- This beautiful villa does not feature air-conditioning.
- Its best to bring a car if you want to explore what the local area has to offer.
- 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 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation one month before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 4.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- Linen & towels included?: Extra €12.50 per person, payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment.
- Pool towels included?: No.
- 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.
- End of stay cleaning included?: No. €200, payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment. This is for a standard changeover clean. 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.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- Changeover day: Sunday. All other changeover days on request.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Smoking Allowed?: No.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax is included.
- Pool heating charge?: Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- Other Ts and Cs: 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.
- Other Ts and Cs: Please note that your booking will only be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner or their property manager.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.