

Villa Manet

Region: Ile de Re **Sleeps: 10**

Overview

With its white walls, green window shutters and terracotta roof tiles, typical of the houses found as you explore Ile de Ré, Villa Manet fuses these elements with stylish contemporary living. Welcoming up to ten guests, this spacious haven of relaxation is located in Portes en Ré, the northernmost village on this magical French island.

You'll have plenty of room to entertain, with a fantastic, open-plan living space that features a range of comfortable seats – perfect for curling up in front of the television as it gets late. From the arched ceilings to the super-chic chairs dining table, the intelligent use of space and attention to detail seriously impress throughout Villa Manet. No cook need feel detached from their fellow guests, with a superbly appointed kitchen and breakfast bar facing the lounge. A stylish dining table completes the indoor living area, with your laundry room and guest WC discreetly positioned to the rear of the kitchen.

Even while relaxing indoors, you will feel connected to this villa's immaculately landscaped grounds. The spacious, smartly appointed living area enjoys two large doors that open to delightful views of the garden, where a poolside summer kitchen with a barbecue and plancha offer more terrific opportunities for entertaining. The seamless indoor-outdoor flow continues throughout, with each of the five tastefully appointed bedrooms featuring its own door to the gardens, beautifully framed with native cypress and pine trees.

A fantastic night of sleep awaits you, with delightfully comfy beds and stone walls helping to keep the villa cool overnight. The master bedroom suite comprises a large, comfortable double bed, a dressing room and en-suite shower room, along with large doors that tempt you out to the poolside terrace as soon as you wake.

However you choose to reach Villa Manet's glorious outdoor space, it welcomes you outside in real style. Whether you emerge to the cosy side garden, the shaded dining area, or head straight for the heated, twelve-metre swimming pool, you'll find yourself surrounded by lush greenery, along with plenty of spots to unwind in an alluring blend of nature and luxury. There's even a boules court, so you can try your hand at the locals' leisurely pastime. You'll have private parking space for up to four vehicles, as well as being in a convenient location for cycle hire.



Of course, you'll want to enjoy your stunning outdoor kitchen during your stay, and in Portes en Ré you couldn't be better located in terms of finding superb local ingredients. Incredible fresh fish is always plat du jour in Portes en Ré, so why not head to the village's famous seafood market, less than a ten-minute walk from your villa? In addition to this, you will find supermarkets, wonderful bakeries and a daily, morning market with culinary delights of all kinds available.

You're only ever a few minutes away from glorious sandy beaches, however you travel to them! Ile de Ré may be small – you can cycle from one end to the other in just two hours – but is certainly anything but restrictive. With more than sixty miles of cycle paths that wind through a gorgeous landscape of vineyards, salt marshes and exceptionally pretty villages, cycling really is the most enriching way to explore Ile de Ré.

Facilities

Villa/House • Modern • Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Heated Pool • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Walk to Beach • Walk to Village • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • Coffee Machine • Hairdryer • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • TV • DVD • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Parking Space • Watersports • Walking/Hiking Paths • Golf Nearby • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Horse Riding • Fishing • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Boat Trips

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interior

- Open-plan living/dining room with ample comfortable seating, television, DVD player, dining table
- Kitchen with oven, refrigerator, freezer, dishwasher, kettle, Nespresso coffee machine, toaster
- Master suite with direct garden access, double bed (160cm), dressing room, private bathroom with double washbasin, shower, separate WC
- Bedroom with twin beds (80cm each), access to private terrace
- Bedroom with double bed (160cm, can be separated into individual beds - 80cm each), access to private terrace
- Bedroom with double bed (140cm), access to private terrace
- Bedroom with double bed (140cm), en-suite shower room
- Bathroom
- Guest WC

Outside Grounds

- Heated swimming pool (12 x 5m) with electric cover, open approximately May to September
- Furnished terrace with sun loungers, parasols, tables, bean bags
- Boules court
- Shaded summer kitchen/diner with gas plancha, comfortable seating
- Outdoor shower
- Private parking for up to four cars

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- TV
- DVD player
- Bluetooth speaker
- Hairdryer
- Ironing facilities



Location & Local Information

Villa Manet is located to the north of Ile de Ré with some of the most beautiful beaches in France on its doorstep. Its visitors are unfailingly enchanted by unspoilt coastlines, a stunning landscape of forests, vineyards and salt marshes, as well as the charming villages dotted around this unique island - one where the French love to come en vacances.

Ile de Ré is almost entirely flat, so it's easy to see why most visitors tend to explore it by on two wheels. Take your pick from glorious coastal stretches, winding roads through fields and forests, or any of the island's extraordinarily pretty villages. Just be sure to pack some padded cycling shorts – it really makes all the difference comfort-wise. There are plenty of bike hire outlets within close reach, with electric bicycles, beach cruisers and even tandems available for hire.

Of course, the choice is yours – St Martin de Ré is only an hour away by bike, but you may find yourself driving back to its superb variety of boutique shops – the temptation is almost unbearable! The same can be said of the restaurants, creperies and gelaterias dotted around this delightfully sophisticated harbour village – not to mention the seafood outlets, serving the finest oysters, clams, mussels and cuttlefish. If you only choose one other village to enjoy after sundown, St Martin de Ré not only looks beautiful when illuminated, but the nightlife is the best on the island.

Just five minutes from Villa Manet, by car or bicycle guests can enjoy a variety of activities at Plage du Petit Bec ranging from surfing, bodyboarding, bodysurfing and longboarding lessons to an exciting boat ride. Between three and five people can climb aboard a motorboat and enjoy the thrill of the waves in style, all while enjoying the incredible coastal views.

The island is connected to the French mainland by a three-kilometre bridge, the Pont de l'île de Ré. While this particular trip is definitely one for the more seasoned cyclist, it's a real joy that many people return for each year. At two hours away by bike and just an hour by car, travelling along this engineering masterpiece is a treat in itself – but just wait until you see the views from it! At the other side of the bridge is the outrageously photogenic harbour town of La Rochelle. The vibrant harbour area is packed with artisanal market stalls, buskers and of course, phenomenal seafood restaurants. Just beyond the harbour, La Rochelle's lovingly preserved 'old town' provides further delights, with designer boutiques now occupying many of the stunning buildings, along with the spectacular market hall, which hosts stalls no gastronome will be able to resist!



Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	La Rochelle (40km)
Nearest Village	(800m)
Nearest Bar/Pub	(800m)
Nearest Restaurant	(800m)
Nearest Supermarket	(2km)
Nearest Beach	(700m)
Nearest Golf	(3.5km)

What we love

- Indoor-outdoor flow is beautifully achieved here - we especially love the summer kitchen, perfect for dining al fresco!
- Whether you're seeking glorious sunshine or thrilling watersports, you'll only be ten minutes from some of the glorious beaches that helped shape Ile de Ré's reputation as the 'Hamptons of France'
- The villa is ideally located within walking distance of the local village and its selection of cafés and restaurants

What you should know...

- You'll have private parking for up to four cars, but most people tend to get around the island on two wheels instead!
- The garden's fabulous swimming pool isn't fenced, so children should be supervised when outdoors at all times.
- The summer market at Portes en Ré has a wealth of fabulous local produce – but strike early as it winds down by lunchtime.
- 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: €3000 charged to clients credit card by the owner as a pre-authorisation upon arrival and refunded 2 weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 4.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 9.00 a.m.
- Minimum stay: 14 nights in July and August. 7 nights during all other periods.
- Changeover day: Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- 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.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment (typically costs €1-€10 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- Pool heating charge?: Included approximately May to September. 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.
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- Other Ts and Cs: Events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges.
- Other Ts and Cs: Loud music is not permitted after 10.00 p.m.
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- 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.