

# Maison Des Marches

Region: Aquitaine Sleeps: 7 - 8

## Overview

Just south of Biarritz, Maison des Marches is an attractive house with its own swimming pool a 10-minute walk from La Plage des 100 marches. You can also wander to a local restaurant, supermarket and bakery whilst the charming village of Bidart is 1.5km away with its traditional Basque houses and pretty café terraces.

This is an ideal base for guests looking to make the most of the wonderful outdoor activities across this area from coastal walking and cycling to surfing and golfing – there is even space in the owner's garage to store your bikes, surf boards and golf clubs.

The interiors of Maison des Marches are bright and modern, benefitting from the house's south-west exposure which bathes this home in light. There is a stylish lounge and open-plan kitchen-diner with a ceiling fan and doors sliding open to the garden. Cook al-fresco on the plancha as others make the most of the south-west terrace and swimming pool.

The main part of the house sleeps a maximum of 6 adults plus one child across four bedrooms upstairs. The master air-conditioned bedroom features a king-size double, an en suite bathroom and a balcony. There are two further doubles with queen-size beds (one with air-conditioning) as well as an air-conditioned child's bedroom with a bunk-bed. A family bathroom completes the house.

A simpler studio annexe sleeps one extra guest with its own kitchenette and en suite bedroom. It is connected to the house yet has its own separate entrance. It could be ideal for an accompanying nanny or a relative looking for a little independence. The annexe studio is only included in July and August (outside this time it is occupied).

To the north you have the beaches, golf courses, shops and restaurants of Biarritz - Le Port des Pêcheurs is only 5km by car whilst the famous surfing beach, Plage de la Côte des Basques, is even closer. Play golf at various courses including the one near Plage d'Ilbarritz, 2km away, or just make the most of the sweeping Atlantic beaches, summer beachside restaurants and surfing opportunities.

The coastal walking trail from Bidart to Hendaye starts nearby and passes close to the popular surfing spots of Guéthary and the family-friendly bay at



Saint-Jean-de-Luz. Meanwhile, explore the beautiful landscapes around the historic Basque villages of Ascaïn, Sare and Ainhoa or venture further south towards the Spanish border – the wonderful city of San Sebastián is less than an hour away!

## Facilities

Villa/House • Modern • Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Walk to Beach • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • Laptop Friendly Workspace • BBQ • Washing Machine • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Coffee Machine • TV • Ceiling Fans • On-Street Parking • Walking/Hiking Paths • Golf Nearby • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Horse Riding • Fishing • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Surfing

# Interior & Grounds

1) 7-person price (main house only - 4 bedrooms/2 bathrooms)

2) 8-person price (main house + annexe - 5 bedrooms/3 bathrooms)

*The 8-person price applies in July/August, the 7-person price applies outside this time.*

## Main House Interiors (160m<sup>2</sup>, sleeps 6 guests + 1 child)

### Ground Floor

- Open-plan lounge and dining area
- Open-plan kitchen, fully-equipped including gas hob, dishwasher, freezer, fridge, microwave, oven and Nespresso machine
- Guest WC

### Upstairs

- Master bedroom with double bed (180cm), air-conditioning, balcony, dressing room and bathroom with separate WC
- Loft bedroom with double bed (160cm)
- Bedroom with bunk-beds (90cm each) and air-conditioning
- Bedroom with double bed (160cm), dressing area and air-conditioning
- Bathroom and separate WC

## 1-person Studio Apartment (20m<sup>2</sup>, sleeps 1 guest)

*The studio annexe is only available in July/August. Outside this time it is occupied.*

- Separate entrance
- Studio with single bed, kitchenette and small dining area
- Shower room and WC

## Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (7x3m) with safety shutter
- Terrace (partly south-west facing)
- Brazier/plancha
- Garage (for bike/golf/surfing storage)

## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Ceiling fans



- Air-conditioning (three bedrooms only)
- TV (x2)
- Washing machine and dryer

## Location & Local Information

Maison des Marches is located in a residential area around a 10-minute drive south of Biarritz, within walking distance to La Plage des 100 marches. Arrive into Biarritz Airport (5.5km) or the nearest train stations are Gare de Guéthary and Gare de Biarritz, both 4km away by car.

There is a large supermarket and other useful amenities including a bakery within a 10-minute walk as well as a high-end Basque restaurant around 500m away. Head into the charming village of Bidart (1.5km) for a lovely choice of restaurants, café terraces and shops. Admire the pretty architecture of traditional Basque houses with flower-filled balconies before walking towards the cliffs above the coast for stunning Atlantic views. Le Sentier du Littoral walking path between Bidart and Hendaye (near the Spanish border) starts here.

Even closer, walk down the many steps to your nearest beach, La Plage des 100 marches, around 10 minutes away on foot. This spot is popular with surfers and can be less crowded compared to other beaches along this part of the coastline due to the many steps (it can also be reached from the north and south if the tide allows). If you fancy trying surfing there are several seasonal surfing schools all along this coastline from Biarritz to Saint-Jean-de-Luz.

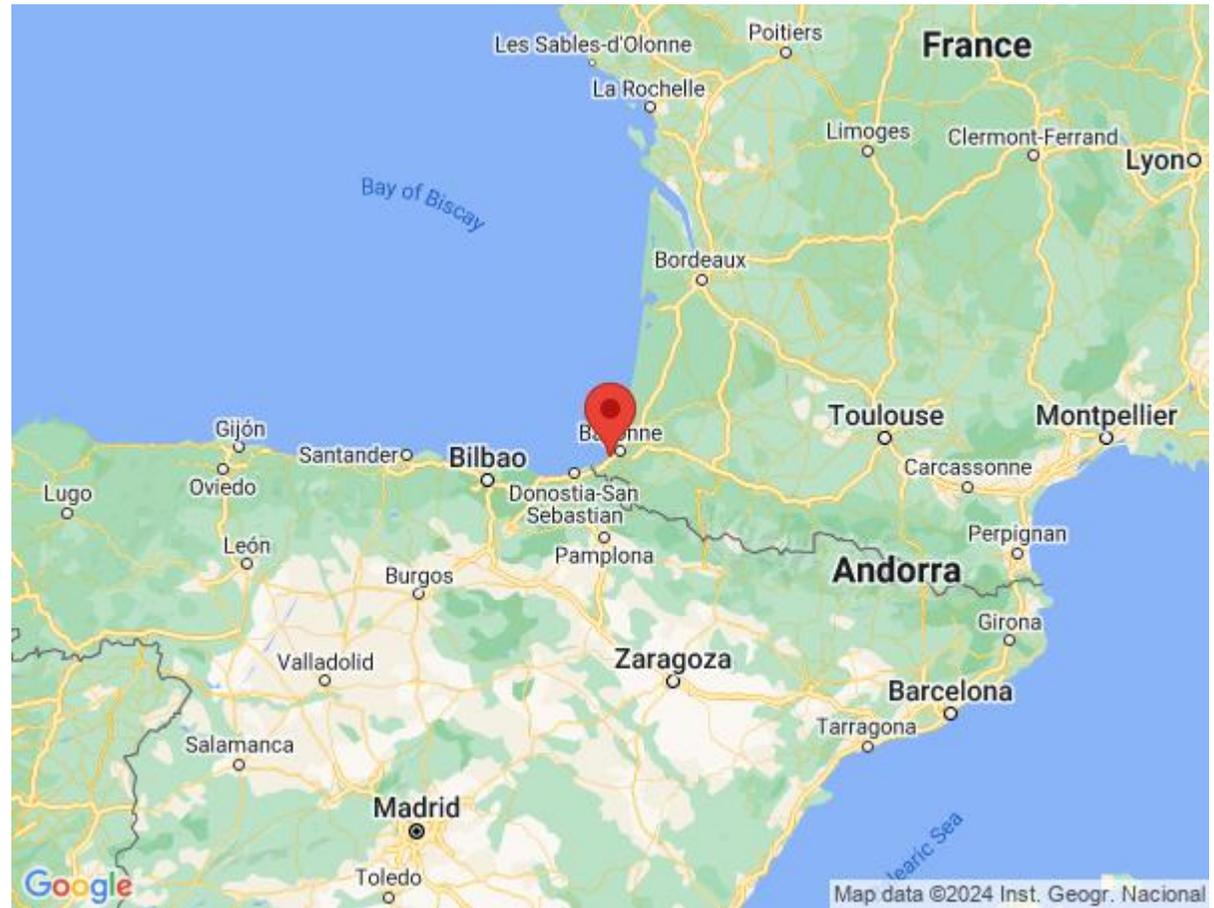
This is a popular location for golf lovers with much-loved courses such as Golf D'ibarriz (2km), Golf d'Arcangues (8km), NAS Golf Chiberta (12km) and Golf Chantaco (12km) all within a 20-minute drive.

When out and about exploring, there is so much to see and do. Guéthary (4.5km) has always been a much-loved spot for surfers with its restaurants, bars and beaches whilst Saint-Jean-de-Luz (10km) especially appeals to families thanks to its attractive bay. Visit some of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages' as you head inland to Sare (23km) and Ainhoa (24km).

Spend time getting to know Biarritz (5km), famed for its fish restaurants, vibrant indoor market, museums, lighthouse and the iconic Grande Plage backed by some fine examples of Belle Époque architecture from a bygone era of glamour and glitz.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Biarritz Airport (5.5km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>Gare de Guéthary/Gare de Biarritz (4km)</b>



Nearest Restaurant	<b>High-end Basque restaurant (500m)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>(700m)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>Bidart (1.5km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>La Plage des 100 marches (10-minute walk)</b>
Nearest Town	<b>Biarritz (5km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Golf D'ilbarritz (2km)</b>
Nearest Tennis	<b>(5km)</b>

## What we love

- The beautiful beach, La Plage des 100 marches, is around a 10-minute walk away
- Make the most of the south-west terrace, plancha and swimming pool
- A great base for playing golf, cycling and surfing – there is room in the garage to store surf boards, golf clubs and bikes
- Bidart is only 1.5km away with its pretty Basque architecture, restaurants and café terraces
- The iconic beaches, restaurants, markets, shops and museums of Biarritz can be reached in around 5km

## What you should know...

- The 7-person price is for 6 guests + 1 child across four bedrooms/two bathrooms in the main house only. This rate is only available outside July/August and the annexe studio will be occupied by a student (who has now access to the garden/pool).
- The 8-person price is for 7 guests + 1 child and includes the annexe studio. This rate is available in July/August only.
- Air-conditioning is only featured in three bedrooms.
- In all cases, please see the 'Property Layout' for more details on the villa and annexe.
- 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: €4000 paid to the owner by bank transfer two weeks before arrival and refunded three weeks after departure at the very latest, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 4.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes.
- Pets welcome?: On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- Changeover day: Saturday from approximately late-July to late-August.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes and 3-hour mid-stay cleaning 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.
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- Insurance: Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for civil liability as well as cancellations, personal belongings, public liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay. A copy of this policy may be requested by the owner before or upon arrival.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax payable locally (typically costs €1-€10 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).
- Pool towels included?: Yes.
- 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.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
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