The Little Bakery

Region: France **Sleeps:** 4

Overview

Discover the delights of Burgundy in relaxed surroundings at this pretty home in a rural village in the wonderful Côte-d'Or region.

Formerly a bakery in the heart of the village, this holiday cottage has undergone a charming renovation into an inviting two-bedroom home with wonderful views of the village and valleys beyond. The bright living room features a log-burning stove for cosy evenings as well as a Smart TV. The sweet kitchen has its very own old-fashioned pantry and doors leading out to a pretty garden terrace.

Enjoy yet more uninterrupted village and countryside views from upstairs where two attractive bedrooms, one twin and a double, each have their own en suite shower room. Guests are made to feel comfortable with fresh white linen, fans, ample storage space and toiletries in the bathrooms. Youngsters are especially welcome with books and toys to help ease parents' minds when travelling with children.

It may no longer be the village's *boulangerie*, but you can still arrange for fresh baguettes and pastries to be delivered to your door each morning for you to enjoy, perhaps in the south-facing garden with enchanting village views. The lovely owners can also arrange delicious meals to be prepared for you, including a bespoke menu for the youngest of guests, or you can cook up a feast on the gas barbecue using fresh products bought from charming markets or local producers. Try the goats cheese from the neighbouring village too!

Visit the idyllic village of Flavigny-sur-Ozerain, where the movie Chocolat was filmed, or drive to the town of Venarey-les-Laumes and hire bikes for long cycle rides along the Canal de Bourgogne. Fontenay Abbey, a









UNESCO World Heritage site, is also not to be missed, nor is the captivating village of Semur-en-Auxois on the banks of the Armançon river. Staying at The Little Bakery is all about enjoying the simplicity of French country life whilst also having the opportunity to explore this wonderful region to your hearts content.

Facilities

Ideal for Kids • Great Value • Cycling • Historical Sites • Horse Riding • Walking/Hiking Paths • Romantic • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Cots (Cribs) • Maid Service Available • Ideal for Teens • Pets on Request • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Outstanding Landscapes • Hairdryer • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Smart TV • Heating • Children's books • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Plastic crockery • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds

Cottage Interiors (Sleeps 4 adults and 1 baby)

Ground Floor

- Living room with log-burning stove and Smart TV. Door leads to veranda and steps down to garden
- Kitchen, well-equipped with doors leading to garden terrace
- Large pantry (via steps from kitchen)
- WC

First Floor

- Bedroom with king-size double bed (160x200cm) and en suite shower room
- Bedroom with twin beds (90x200cm each) and en suite shower room

Outside Grounds

- Al-fresco dining terrace
- Gas barbecue
- South-facing garden with shady trees

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Heating
- Log-burning stove (logs provided)
- Fans (bedrooms)
- Smart TV (with Netflix, Prime and UK channels)
- Hairdryers
- Toys
- Books
- Children's cutlery and plates









Location & Local Information

In the heart of the Côte-d'Or, around an hour from Dijon, The Little Bakery enjoys an elevated position in an authentic rural village with lovely views over the rooftops towards the Burgundy countryside and beyond.

If you don't wish to take advantage of the owner's wonderful catering service, you can discover a choice of restaurants within a ten to fifteen minute drive whilst Venarey-les-Laumes (17km) is home to your nearest large supermarket and other useful amenities including a lovely weekly market. There is also a bakery in nearby Darcey (6km) or you can arrange to have pastries and baguettes delivered to your door each morning.

The beautiful village of Flavigny-sur-Ozerain (15km) will surely be one of the first places you will want to visit with its idyllic setting. It's classified as one of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*' and it is where the movie 'Chocolat' was filmed. Visit the two abbeys and purchase some of the traditional sweets, Les Anis de Flavigny, which have been produced in the village since the 16th century.

Historians of all ages will be keen to visit the Roman ruins at Alésia, near Venarey-les-Laumes, as well as the new open-air museum and visitors centre nearby. Fontenay Abbey (26km), dating back to the 12th century and now a UNESCO World Heritage site, is another remarkable day out close by.

Lovers of local food shouldn't miss the atmospheric weekly markets in Semur-en-Auxois, Venarey-les-Laumes, Montbard and Beaune as well as the great city of Dijon, just 50km away. In July and August look out for villages and towns hosting summer night markets with live music, local wine and lots of regional food!

The Côte-d'Or region is of course famous for its fine Burgundy wines and there are many opportunities to visit a variety of amazing vineyards, both big and small, for exquisite wine-tastings. You are well positioned to drive to some of the well-known wine villages and towns in both









directions with Chablis just over an hours drive to the north-west and Beaune around 90km south, allowing you to taste wines from both the Côte de Nuits and Côte de Beaune appellations.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Geneva Airport (240km)**
Nearest City	**Dijon (50km)**
Nearest Golf	**Golf De Venarey Les Laumes (17km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**(10-15 minute drive)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Venarey Les Laumes (17km)**
Nearest Town	**Venarey Les Laumes (17km)**
Nearest Train Station	**Gare des Laumes - Alésia (17km)**

What we love

- The views over the village rooftops towards the Burgundy valleys are wonderful
- Enjoy the option of having fresh baguettes and pastries delivered to your door each morning
- Visit nearby Flavigny-sur-Ozerain, one of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*' and the setting of the film Chocolat
- Taste some of the excellent Burgundy wines of the world-famous Côte-d'Or region

What you should know...

- Thinking of holidaying with friends or another family? The charming owners' other properties, The Little House (https://www.oliverstravels.com/france/burgundy/the-little-house/) and The Little Barn (https://www.oliverstravels.com/france/burgundy/the-little-barn/), are each about a ten-minute walk away, up/downhill.
- Car hire is strongly recommended as the villa is rural.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €350/£350 paid in cash or cheque to the owner upon arrival and refunded upon departure, subject to full inspection.

- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m.

- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.

- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.

- **Linen & towels included?:** Bed linen, bath towels and mats provided.

- **Pets welcome?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner. If accepted, the owners request that pets are kept off bedding and soft furnishings.

- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and other special events are not allowed.

- **Changeover day:** Saturday. All other changeover days on request.

- **End of stay cleaning:** Standard changeover clean included in the price. 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?:** No.

- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights approximately March to end-September, 5 nights during all other periods. From 2022, 7 nights approximately April to end-September, 5 nights during all other periods.

- **Heating costs included?:** Yes and logs are provided for the log-burning stove.

- **Pool towels included?:** Pool towels for swimming in local lakes or pools are available for hire at 3€ per towel, per week.