

Les Petits Champs

Region: Dordogne **Sleeps:** 8

Overview

Visit some of the Dordogne and Lot's most picturesque market towns when staying at this characterful cottage just 3km from a beautiful bastide town.

In a rural setting, set along a small country road surrounded by farmland and rows of summer sunflowers, this delightful holiday home offers plenty of charm. Pretty windows, a log-burning fire and a handsome range cooker are just some of the traditional features in the inviting living and dining room whilst four pretty bedrooms allow plenty of space for a family or group of friends, including two especially characterful rooms upstairs with impressive wood beams so typical of this region.

The thoughtful owners have created a comfortable place for all ages, especially for young children with toys, books, DVDs and even bed guards, a baby monitor and steriliser. All generations will love the cosy and welcoming ambience of this home, whether spending evenings inside watching the Smart TV or sitting out on the tranquil terrace.

Outside you can also unwind in the hammocks with a glass of Côtes de Bergerac wine or soak up the sun on the patio as children play in the enclosed gardens, surrounded by fields. The heated swimming pool, which features a safety gate, is superb for lazy summer afternoons, perhaps after a morning out exploring. Dining al-fresco is another delight, serving a feast with delicious produce from a variety of excellent local Farmers markets.

You may prefer to head to a local restaurant to sample some of the regional cuisine – the nearest historic town is just 3km away with its picturesque square and 14th-century market hall or two of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*', Monflanquin and Monpazier, can be easily reached in under twenty minutes by car. Awarded the third



best place in France, it is definitely worth a visit.

Spend time visiting grand châteaux, hiring canoes along the Dordogne or Lot rivers and walking or cycling through the gorgeous Dropt valley. Bergerac and its vineyards are just half an hour away whilst the famous riverside villages of Domme and Roque-Gageac can be reached in an hour. Wine-lovers can also head to Saint-Émilion or Bordeaux for the day visiting some of France's most well-known vineyards.

In the Lot countryside, yet so close to the Dordogne border, this really is a fantastic location for exploring many wonderful parts of southern France.

Facilities

Wi-Fi/Internet • Cots (Cribs) • DVD • Rural Location • Great Value • Children's videos/DVDs • Children's books • Recommended • Exclusive • Swings • Private Pool • Pool Safety Feature • Heated Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Pool inflatables • Ideal for Kids • Stair gates • Bath toys • Ideal for Teens • Bottle steriliser • <1hr to Airport • Baby monitor • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Smart TV • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds • Canoeing/Kayaking • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Cycling • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interiors

Ground Floor (split-level)

- Living room
- Kitchen-diner (via step), fully-equipped including dishwasher, range cooker and log-burning stove
- Bedroom with double bed and cot
- Bedroom with twin beds
- Shower room (via steps) with sink and WC
- Bathroom (via steps) with bath, sink, WC and washing machine

First Floor (with sloping ceilings, via narrow open-tread stairs)

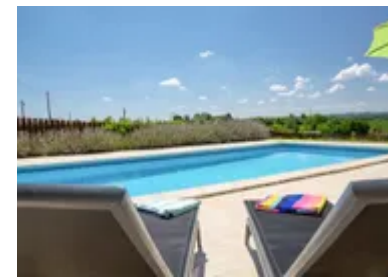
- Bedroom with double bed
- Open-plan bedroom with twin beds

Outside Grounds

- Heated swimming pool (10x5m, depth: 1.2-2m) with air-source heat pump and safety gate/fencing. Open approximately May to October
- Poolside terrace with sun loungers (x4) and chairs (x6)
- Covered table and chairs to seat 10 guests
- Barbecue
- Hammocks
- Swing
- Pool toys
- Enclosed garden

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Heating
- Fans
- Smart TV
- DVD (and selection of DVDs)
- Books
- Toys
- Bath support
- Bed guards (x2)
- Baby monitor
- Steriliser
- Washing machine



Location & Local Information

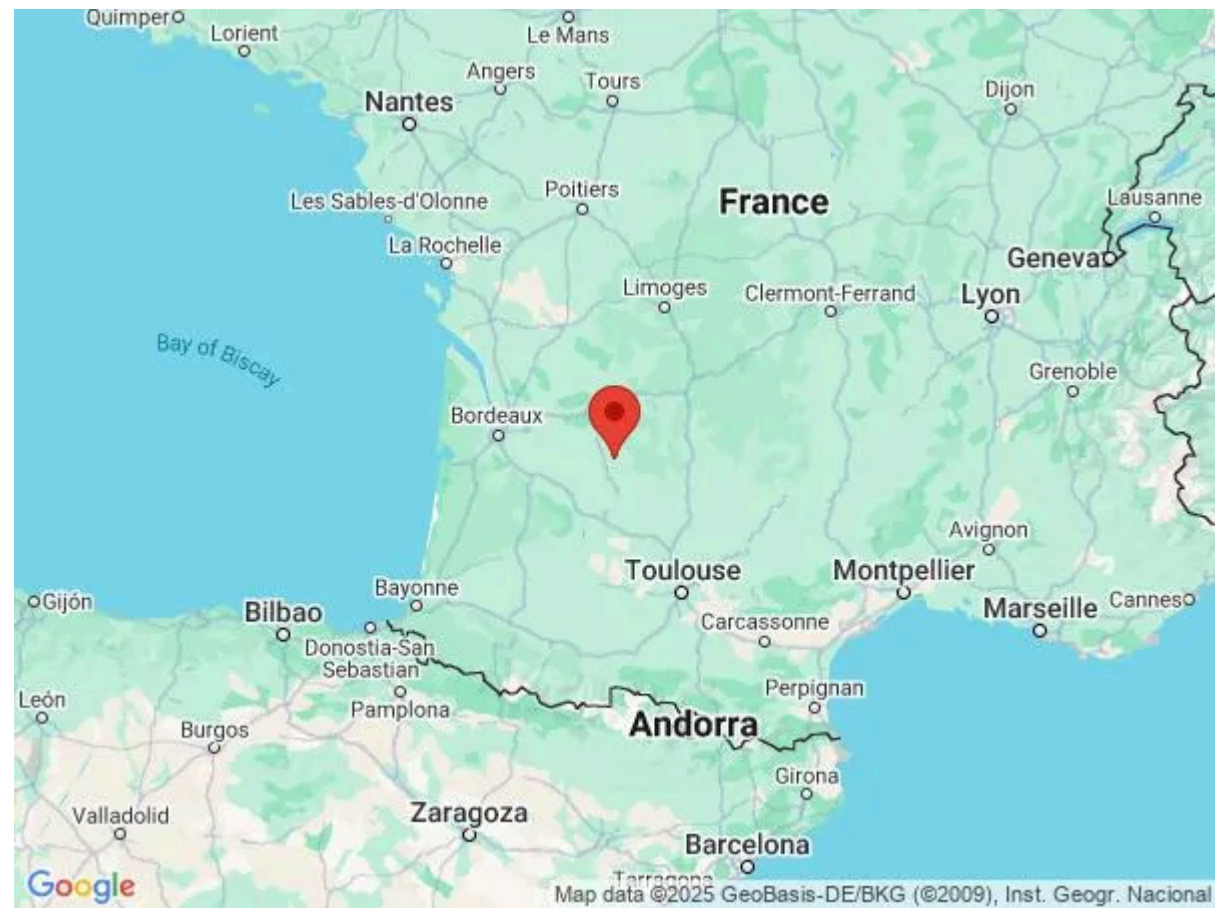
Only half an hour from the historic town of Bergerac, this charming house can be found in the Lot-et-Garonne department, just minutes from the border with Dordogne, close to some of southern France's most enchanting market towns and beautiful countryside.

Les Petits Champs is surrounded by typical farmland of this area – go on walks through the fields, passing a nearby reservoir and rows of summer sunflowers or watch tractors at work during planting and harvest time in this rural and picturesque setting.

The house sits on a small country road that leads to the local bastide town, 3km away, where you will find your nearest restaurants, bars and cafes as well as a couple of supermarkets and other useful shops. The town features some fine medieval architecture including its 14th century market hall, home to an atmospheric Saturday morning market, as well as a variety of half-timbered houses and pretty streets. There's a lovely ambience across this authentic town, especially on Monday evenings in the height of the summer when a vibrant night market takes place, attracting visitors from across the area. So much so that this local village has been awarded the 3rd best place in France!

You are perfectly positioned to visit both the Dordogne region and some of the wonderful places across Lot-et-Garonne. Indeed, two of France's *Plus Beaux Villages* are within an easy drive - Monflanquin (16km), one of the country's most beautifully preserved towns, and Monpazier (17km) with its exquisite historic character and delightful market square. Both towns host traditional markets, an ideal way to soak up the local atmosphere and pick up some amazing regional produce.

Issigeac's Sunday market, just 14km away, is another fantastic experience, known to be one of the best in the area – take some time to explore this idyllic village with its medieval heritage. Beaumont-du-Périgord (20km) is another splendid bastide town with summer festivities



often taking place and Eymet (30km), on the Dropt river, attracts visitors due to its picturesque riverside setting and attractive buildings.

The fine town of Bergerac lies on the Dordogne river, just half an hour away. Spend the day exploring Bergerac’s incredible old town, stopping off in a pretty café or spending time over lunch in one of the many good restaurants. There are some lovely boat trips along the Dordogne – a great way to see the town and surrounding countryside.

Other villages along the Dordogne river are also within easy reach – scenic Trémolat and Limeuil are about 45 minutes away or you can drive to the archetypal riverside villages of Domme, Beynac-et-Cazenac and La Roque-Gageac in about an hour.

Wine enthusiasts will love the *Maison de Vins* in Bergerac and may also wish to sample some of the sweet wines at the famous Château de Monbazillac, just south of the town. There are of course many vineyards across this region to visit and wine-tastings can easily be arranged. For a spectacular day out, head to the vineyards of Saint-Émilion (86km) or even as far as mighty Bordeaux (150km), reached in a couple of hours by car.

Activities across this area range from glorious walks through the countryside to canoeing along the Dordogne, Lot or Dropt rivers or playing golf in impressive surroundings. Cycling and horse-riding are also great ways to explore nearby landscapes whilst tree-top adventure parks, grand châteaux and pre-historic caves across the region will appeal to all ages.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Bergerac Airport (30km)
Nearest Airport 2	Brive–Souillac Airport (103km)
Nearest Airport 3	Bordeaux Airport/Toulouse-Blagnac Airport (150-160km (2hrs))

Nearest Train Station	Bergerac (33km)
Nearest Restaurant	Local town (3km)
Nearest Supermarket	Intermarché SUPER (3.5km)
Nearest Bar/Pub	Local town (3km)
Nearest City	Bergerac (33km)
Nearest Golf	Golf à la Ferme (23km)

What we love

- This charming picture-perfect cottage enjoys an authentic setting of the local countryside, with its farmland, fields and summer sunflowers
- A popular choice for families with toys, books, DVDs and other child-friendly features
- The local bastide town, just 3km away, hosts a fantastic weekly market in the 14th century market hall
- Many other wonderful market towns and villages can be found within a short drive including some of France's *'Plus Beaux Villages'*
- Wine-enthusiasts can visit many beautiful vineyards close by as well as the enchanting town of Bergerac

What you should know...

- The two characterful bedrooms upstairs feature sloping ceilings and traditional wood beams. They are reached via a narrow open-tread staircase.
- Please rest assured that the well in the garden is covered by a non-moveable steel lid.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** £400 paid via bank transfer to the owner 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.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes (bed linen is changed mid-stay for bookings of 2 weeks).
- **Pets welcome?:** No.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges. Stag/hen parties and other special events are not permitted.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** 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.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** No.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **Pool heating charge?:** No. Please request in advance and note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open approximately May to October. 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.
- **Beach towels included?:** Yes.