# **Chateau Eure**

Region: Normandy Sleeps: 14

## Overview

Set in magnificent gardens with a private swimming pool, embrace the romanticism of this Normandy château, perfectly located for visiting Monet's Giverny gardens, the Forêt de Lyons, Rouen and even the great city of Paris.

Château Eure is for guests seeking authenticity and tradition in an elegant château which exudes historic charm. Step through its doors to be greeted with inviting living and dining spaces and a stylish French kitchen, all with pretty windows framing the views of the glorious grounds. Wander up to the top two floors for six doubles, a twin and four delightfully old-fashioned bathrooms. Each bedroom has its own unique character with a timeless blend of old and new furnishings. In most of the rooms you can peep through the windows and gaze out towards bucolic Vexin landscapes.

It's wonderful to have a swimming pool in the gardens of this impressive Normandy abode and the pool house's summer kitchen is ideal for preparing al-fresco feasts for family and friends. Take a stroll through the formal gardens with its hedges and vines, find a bench for a moment of peace, then join loved ones on the lawn whilst admiring the façade of your handsome French château.

There is so much to see during your time at Château Eure. Experience the Wednesday morning market in one of the nearby villages selling local fruit, vegetables, honey, produits du terroir and fish straight from the boats of Dieppe, and look out for the annual brocante if staying in September. The twice-weekly market in Gisors, the historic capital of the Normandy-Vexin region, is another gem, combined with a visit to the town's 11th century fortress and Rue de Vienne's half-timbered houses and shops.







Spend time in Normandy's largest forest, Forêt de Lyons, and venture to the gorgeous village of Lyons-la-Forêt, one of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages', then admire the roses in the famous village of Gerberoy which has inspired so many artists over the years. Of course, one of the main draws of this region is Monet's gardens in Giverny, reached in only half an hour by car.

Other must-sees include Château Gaillard in Les Andelys, the gastronomic restaurants and galleries of historic Rouen and maybe even the Pays de Caux beaches near Dieppe. The most adventurous guests could even head into Paris for a day out exploring its museums, parks and grands magasins before returning to the tranquillity of your beautiful Normandy château.

#### **Facilities**

Walking/Hiking Paths • Romantic • Chateaux & Castles • Wi-Fi/Internet • Golf Nearby • Fishing • Recommended • Exclusive • Cycling • Tennis Nearby • Historical Sites • Canoeing/Kayaking • Horse Riding • Private Pool • Rural Location • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Maid Service Available • Heritage Collection • Catering Available • Children's books • Swings • Pool Safety Feature • Heated Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • <1hr to Airport • Heating • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

## **Interior & Grounds**

#### Château Interiors

#### Ground Floor

- Entrance
- Living room
- Dining room
- Kitchen, well-equipped
- WC

#### First Floor

- Mezzanine-style hallway
- Library/study
- 3 x bedrooms with double bed (160x200cm)
- 2 x bathrooms with bath, sink and WC

#### Top Floor (sloping ceilings/eaves)

- Hallway
- Bedroom with double bed (160x200cm), desk and library with children's books
- Bedroom with twin beds (90x190cm each)
- 2 x bedrooms with double bed (160x200cm)
- Bathroom with bath, sink and WC
- Laundry/bathroom with washing machine, dryer, bath, sink and WC

#### **Outside Grounds**

- Heated swimming pool (5x12m, depth: 1.5m) with safety gate/fencing. Open approximately mid-June to mid-September
- Pool house with kitchenette and shower
- Barbecue
- Terrace with garden furnishings
- Garden kitchen
- Swing
- Vast grounds with formal gardens, lawns, trees and vines









#### **Facilities**

- Wi-Fi
- Heating
- Library and children's books
- Ironing facilities
- Washing machine and dryer

## **Location & Local Information**

In the Eure department of Normandy, this romantic château is around 85km north-west of Paris, perfectly located for visiting Monet's Giverny gardens, the historic city of Rouen and the beautiful Forêt de Lyons, Normandy's largest forest.

A small rural village only 1km away is an interesting place to stroll around with its 19th century church and old houses. Amenities can be found in a larger village, just over 3km by car, including a choice of supermarkets, and a small Wednesday morning market sells local honey, seasonal fruit, vegetables and other *produits du terroir* as well as fresh fish straight from Dieppe. This village's annual *brocante* usually takes place over two days in September.

The historic capital of the Normandy-Vexin region is Gisors (16km), a small, characterful town with a rich heritage including an impressive fortress that William the Conqueror ordered to be built in the late 11th century. Rue de Vienne is especially attractive with its half-timbered houses and pretty shops and visit on a Friday or Saturday for the town's atmospheric Normandy market. To the south of Gisors, look out for canoeing opportunities along the Epte River near Saint-Clair-sur-Epte (12km).

Another must-see is the gorgeous village of Lyons-la-Forêt (20km), set in the Forêt de Lyons, a forest spanning nearly 11,000 acres, ideal for hiking, biking and other outdoor adventures. The flower-filled village, home to charming cafes, restaurants and an 18th century covered market, is officially classified as one of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages'.

A little further north, enchanting Gerberoy (40km) is a wonderful day out, in the Picardy region of France and another one of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages'. As well as 17th century cottages and the garden of artist Henri Le Sidaner, the village is also known for its beautiful roses – the yearly Fête des Roses takes place in early/mid June.

Pre-book tickets to visit Monet's famous house in Giverny,









around half an hour away and usually open from spring to autumn. One of France's most popular attractions, admire the gardens which are featured in so many of Claude Monet's works, then head to the small museum, Musée Vernon, to learn more about the great artist and impressionist movement.

Rouen can be reached in under an hour with its gastronomic restaurants, galleries, botanical gardens and brilliant museums including the incredible Musée des Beaux-Arts. Alternatively, for a day out by the sea, continue on towards the maritime town of Dieppe (95km) or the white cliffs of Étretat (140km).

Keen cyclists may also be familiar with the former spa town of Forges-les-Eaux (45km), located on the green-way cycling route, Avenue Verte, between London and Paris (also popular with walkers and horse-riders). One branch passes between Saint-Germer-de-Fly and Gisors, a 30km route passing glorious landscapes and wooded hills of the Epte valley.

The grand city of Paris is yet another fantastic trip – head to Gisors and catch a train to Gare Saint-Lazare, taking 80-90 minutes, then spend the day exploring the parks, museums, sights and *arrondissements* of France's magnificent capital city.

### **Local Amenities**

Nearest Airport	Paris Beauvais Airport (58km)
Nearest Airport 2	Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport (90km)
Nearest Airport 3	Paris Orly Airport (100km)
Nearest Train Station	Gisors (16km)
Nearest Village	Small rural village (1km)
Nearest Restaurant	Nearby village (3.5km)

Nearest Supermarket	(4km)
Nearest Town	Gisors (16km)
Nearest City	Rouen/Paris (49km/75km)
Nearest Tennis	Nearby village (4.5km)
Nearest Golf	Golf Rebetz (25km)

## What we love

- Set in beautiful gardens, this handsome château features a private swimming pool, a rarity in Normandy
- The château exudes historic charm and characterful elegance across its traditional interiors
- Monet's Giverny gardens can be reached in half an hour by car
- Other stunning places to visit include the Forêt de Lyons, Gerberoy, Les Andelys and Rouen
- Drive or catch the train to Paris for a magnificent day out in France's romantic capital city

## What you should know...

• Monet's Giverny gardens are usually open from April to end-October. Do book tickets in advance.

## **Terms & Conditions**

- Security deposit: €1500 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: 5.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 11.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Linen & towels included?: No, extra charge of €200, payable locally on arrival.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
- Changeover day: Saturday.
- End of stay cleaning available?: No. €200, payable locally. 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.
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights.
- Heating costs included?: No. Heating is an extra cost (available mid-September to end-October) at €125 per day, payable locally on arrival.
- Pool heating charge?: Included. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax payable locally in cash (typically costs €1-€10 per adult per night please enquire if exact amount is required).
- Pool towels included?: No.
- Pool opening dates?: The pool is open approximately mid-June to mid-September. 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.