# **Farmhouse Lazuline**

Region: Normandy Sleeps: 8

### **Overview**

In the peaceful rural countryside of Normandy, Farmhouse Lazuline offers a charming and comfortable place to spend time with loved ones.

Dating back to the 19th century, this characterful bolthole was once the old stables of neighbouring Château Lazuline

(https://www.oliverstravels.com/france/normandy/chateaulazuline/). Nowadays, it's a quiet, French retreat which has been recently renovated to provide living space for up to 8 guests across its four pretty bedrooms. Guests can appreciate its heritage with exposed wood beams, rustic flooring and 17th-century antique furnishings, creating a historic yet warm ambience for a family or small group of friends.

Its living spaces will enchant you, especially the gorgeously tiled kitchen and lovely dining area, whilst the contemporary conservatory adds extra space at any time of year. The two acres of garden are glorious with ancient trees, some of which date back over four centuries. It's the perfect place for quiet reading, barbecues in the sunshine and lawn games with children in the private grounds.

This is the ideal base for exploring Normandy and beyond – perhaps start off in the historic town of Rouen with its cathedral, bustling markets, excellent restaurants and vibrant culture. Visit the impressionist collection in Rouen's Musée des Beaux-Art or drive to the landscapes that have inspired Monet such as the banks of the Seine in nearby La Bouille and the artist's famous gardens in Giverny, just over an hour away.

The Belle Époque seaside resort of Deauville is a wonderful day out with its designer boutiques, casino and fantastic beach, as is the picture-perfect fishing village of







Honfleur. You could even spend time in the great city of Paris or stay closer to home to potter around local villages and market towns, sampling regional specialities in traditional restaurants and appreciating the rural landscapes of this welcoming part of Normandy.

### **Facilities**

Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Wi-Fi/Internet • Golf Nearby • Fishing • Wine Tasting • TV • Cycling • Historical Sites • Canoeing/Kayaking • Horse Riding • Walking/Hiking Paths • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Rural Location • Board games • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Heating • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

# **Interior & Grounds**

#### Farmhouse Interiors

#### Ground Floor

- Lounge
- Open-plan dining area and kitchen
- Conservatory
- Bedroom with queen-size double bed and en suite bathroom with shower, sink and toilet (this bathroom also has a door to the hallway if needed)

First Floor (via two sets of stairs, low beams)

- Bedroom with queen-size double bed
- Bedroom with two single beds and adjoining bathroom with shower, sink and toilet
- Bedroom with super king-size double bed (can be split into twins with advance notice)
- Bathroom

#### **Outside Grounds**

- Front patio
- Weber barbecue
- Garden (2 acres) with lawn games
- Pond

#### **Facilities**

- Books
- Board games









### **Location & Local Information**

Farmhouse Lazuline is in the Eure department of Normandy, 40km south-west of the beautiful town of Rouen. It neighbours the elegant Château Lazuline (https://www.oliverstravels.com/france/normandy/chateau-lazuline/) although both properties are private thanks to a hedge of pine trees.

Surrounded by rural countryside and farmland where cows often graze, you will find the nearest restaurants and a boulangerie in the small town of Bourg Achard (5km). There is a Michelin rated restaurant within a short drive whilst private wine tastings can also be arranged.

There is so much discover across this part of Normandy. Start off in the university town of Rouen (40km), a very charming place with its fascinating history (it's where Joan of Arc was burnt at the stake), wonderful restaurants, shops, markets and a studenty cultural vibe. Admire Rouen's cathedral made so famous by Monet's painting and enjoy the town's quayside by the River Seine.

From Rouen, you could even hop on a train for a great day out in Paris, with trains to Saint-Lazare taking an average of 90 minutes. Alternatively, slightly closer are the gardens of Monet's Giverny (90km) and the small but interesting Musée de Vernon or head to the village of La Bouille (18km) where Monet famously painted landscapes of the Seine.

You are also close to fantastic golf courses and other historic days out such as the D-Day landing beaches around Omaha (151km) and beyond as well as the historic towns of Caen (105km) and Bayeux (130km).

Even closer are Honfleur (52km), a picture-perfect fishing village, and Deauville (65km), known for its Belle Époque ambience, designer boutiques, wonderful beach and famous casino.

Potter around villages and market towns of the region, looking out for a wealth of specialities such as Livarot









Camembert and Pont L'Eveque cheeses, and the much-loved apple brandy called Calvados. The Friday morning market in Pont Audemer (25km) is especially good whilst there are many others scattered across the area, not to mention several traditional restaurants serving fabulous local cuisine of Normandy.

### **Local Amenities**

Nearest Ferry Port	Le Havre (60km)
Nearest Airport	Saint-Gatien Airport. Deauville (60km)
Nearest Airport 2	Paris Beauvais/Paris CDG (125km/170km)
Nearest Train Station	Rouen SNCF (40km)
Nearest Town	Bourg-Achard (5km)
Nearest Restaurant	Bourg-Achard (5km)
Nearest Supermarket	Intermarché Hyper Bourg-Achard (6km)
Nearest Town/City	Rouen (38km)
Nearest Golf	Champ de Bataille (25km)
Nearest Beach	Deauville (65km)
Nearest Tennis	(4km)

## What we love

- A serene Normandy retreat with beautifully renovated interiors so sensitive to the farmhouse's heritage
- Relax in the glorious gardens, perhaps in the shade of one of the century-old trees
- Visit characterful villages and towns so sample Normandy's wonderful cuisine across its markets and excellent restaurants
- Be inspired by Monet's work in Rouen's Musée des Beaux-Art
- Drive to the coast with the picture-perfect seaside towns of Deauville and Honfleur both an hour by car

# What you should know...

- The farmhouse is next to the owners' Château Lazuline (https://www.oliverstravels.com/france/normandy/chateau-lazuline/) but they are both private from each other, separated by a pine tree hedge and with their own entrances.
- Subject to availability, both Château and Farmhouse Lazuline can be booked together, sleeping a maximum of 20 guests.

# **Terms & Conditions**

- Security deposit: €500 charged to the client's credit card as a pre-authorisation at least 2 weeks prior to arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 5.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 9.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes.
- Pets welcome?: On request only and with prior agreement with the owner. If accepted, a pet supplement of £30 per pet per day, and an additional £500 security deposit will apply, paid via bank transfer to the owner one month before arrival.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges.
- Changeover day: Flexible.
- 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?: Outside only.
- Minimum stay: 2024: 5 nights in August, 3 nights during all other periods. 2025: 4 nights.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax is included.