

Maison Constance

Region: Paris Region **Sleeps:** 10

Overview

Imagine staying in a beautiful house with a heated swimming pool and trails leading to a vast forest from the edge of your garden, yet only being 25km from central Paris.

Maison Constance offers all of this and more, set on the edge of 2000 hectares of a magnificent forest of century-old beech, oak, birch and chestnut trees. The house itself is a wonderful place to rest with its authentic interiors featuring elegant flooring, warm furnishings and stylish traditional décor. Five welcoming bedrooms and four bathrooms allow up to 10 guests to stay in this comfortable abode.

Outside, spend warm summer days cooling off in the charming swimming pool / bassin or relaxing poolside with glorious views around you. As autumn nears, watch the colours of the parkland change and help yourself to apples and pears from the fruit trees. It's such an idyllic setting and to top it all, trails lead from the end of the grounds into the vast and enchanting forest.

Keen hikers can walk as far as a 13th century hunting lodge next to a lake whilst horse-riding enthusiasts can explore the beauty of the forest on horse-back with an equestrian centre just a 10-minute drive away. Beyond the forest, explore the landscapes of the Parc naturel régional du Vexin, also known as the valley of the impressionists, home to the iconic Château d'Auvers and the famous wheatfields painted by Van Gogh.

Slightly closer to home is the picturesque spa-town of Enghien-les-Bains with its Belle Époque architecture and one of France's largest casinos by its lake. If staying in the summer, a trip to L'Isle Adam is a must, not only for one of the region's most attractive markets, but also for its



riverside beach, swimming pools, beach huts and wealth of summer activities.

The city lights of Paris also await – just hop on a train from the nearby station, only 2.5km away, and soon you can be strolling by the Seine River, climbing the Eiffel Tower, queuing for falafel in Le Marais or drinking red wine on Île Saint-Louis, before returning to the peaceful surroundings of your *maison* on the edge of the forest.

Facilities

Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Wi-Fi/Internet • Golf Nearby • Wine Tasting • Cycling • Historical Sites • Canoeing/Kayaking • Horse Riding • Walking/Hiking Paths • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Maid Service Available • Easy By Train • Cots (Cribs) • Private Pool • Bicycles Provided • Pool Safety Feature • Heated Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Pets on Request • <1hr to Airport • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • High Chair(s) • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

Interior & Grounds

Maison Interiors (250m2, some sloping ceilings upstairs)

- Lounge and dining area with fireplace
- Kitchen
- 4 x bedrooms with double bed
- Bedroom with twin beds
- 4 x bathrooms



Outside Grounds

- Heated swimming pool (10x3m, depth: 1.2m) open approximately May to September
- Garden and terrace (some open terraced levels)
- Barbecue
- Apple and pear trees
- Bikes
- 5-hectare parkland with direct access to forest



Location & Local Information

In the Val d'Oise, Maison Constance is set in five hectares of parkland with trails leading to a stunning national forest, only half an hour from Paris CDG Airport and around 25km by car from central Paris.

You are on the edge of the forest whilst not being remote as you have the amenities of local life within a very short drive – the area is home to supermarkets, shops and restaurants less than a 5-minute drive away whilst the nearby train station takes you to Paris Gare du Nord in just 30 minutes.

Beyond your private garden and surrounding parkland, you can walk straight out to the vast forest to the north of the house including a long hike to a small historic hunting château in the heart of the woods by a picturesque lake. A horse-riding centre is within a short drive, a wonderful way to experience the beauty of the centuries-old forest, whilst there are also cycling trails across the 2000 hectares of oaks, beeches, birches, chestnut trees and Scottish pines.

Elsewhere, away from the magnificent landscapes of the forest, visit the tourist resort of Enghien-les-Bains (8km) for its healing waters and thermal spas, also known for its large casino and theatre by the lake, Belle Époque architecture and many restaurants, cafes and bars.

Further north of the forest, on the River Oise, L'Isle-Adam (15km) is a picturesque town which is especially popular in the summer months with its gardens, public swimming pools, river beach and little beach huts. Look out for river cruises, pedalo and canoe hire, mini-golf and more. The town's market, held three mornings a week, is known to be the most beautiful of the region.

This area is also known as the valley of the impressionists with the Parc naturel régional du Vexin close by, yet again a fantastic place for hiking, biking, horse-riding and other outdoor adventures. On the edge of the natural park, Auvers-sur-Oise (15km) is a pretty village close to the summer wheat fields painted by Van Gogh, also home to the iconic Château d'Auvers and its Italian gardens.

For visitors coming to one of the exhibition centres, it is also worth noting that Parc des Expositions de Villepinte is only 34km away whilst Paris Le Bourget is 24km by car.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Paris CDG Airport (32km)
Nearest Train Station	Saint-Leu-la-Forêt/Gare du Nord (2.5km/22km)
Nearest Restaurant	Local area (Within a 5-minute drive)



Nearest Supermarket	(1.5km)
Nearest Golf	Golf de St Ouen (16km)
Nearest City	Paris (25km)
Nearest Ferry Port	Le Havre/Calais (204km/265km)

What we love

- A gorgeous house with heated swimming pool on the edge of a forest, only 25km from the heart of Paris
- Beyond the house and gardens, trails lead directly into the beautiful forest covering 2000 hectares, perfect for long walks, horse-riding and cycling
- Visit the Belle Époque spa-town of Enghien-les-Bains whilst charming L'Isle-Adam with its riverside beach, swimming pools and wonderful market is also close by
- Follow Van Gogh's footsteps at Château d'Auvers, close to the famous wheatfields he painted
- It's only a 30-minute journey to Paris Gare du Nord from the local train station, 2.5km away

What you should know...

- It's a gorgeous location for families - take care supervising youngsters by some of the terraced levels around the house and pool.
- A car is recommended to be able to explore everything this beautiful region has to offer.
- 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.
- Please note that rates for bookings during the Olympic Games may differ and are on request only.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €1500 charged to client's credit card by Oliver's Travels as a pre-authorisation at least 2 weeks prior to arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 11.00 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 €20 per pet per stay will apply (payable locally).
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed. 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. Please note that rates for bookings during the Olympic Games may differ and are on request only.
- **Changeover day:** Any day except Sunday.
- **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:** 2 nights.
- **Pool heating charge?:** No. 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 (typically costs approximately between €2-10 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).
- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open from approximately May to 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.