

# Maison Forêt Rose

Region: France   Sleeps: 14

## Overview

In the Loire valley, perfectly located for visiting Saumur and Angers, Maison Forêt Rose is an elegant French home with wonderful gardens, a hot tub and a private 100-hectare forest where deer roam free.

This spacious French home is ideal for a group of friends or family wishing to be close to some of the Loire valley's greatest attractions whilst being surrounded by the tranquility of a private forest. It's such a welcoming abode with its lounge, fireplace and large oak table designed for convivial feasts at any time of year. The games room is great for every age with its large table football whilst the bar is a superb place to relax – there is a wine list allowing you to purchase some of the finest wines of the region.

Maison Forêt Rose's seven bedrooms sleep up to 14 guests whether you choose one of the five king-size doubles, one with its own lounge area, or the two smaller but charming twins. Every bedroom features air-conditioning, a TV and an en suite bath or shower room.

Dip into the garden's hot tub, open throughout the year, and spend warm summer evenings dining al-fresco before relaxing on the stone terrace as the sun sets. As well as the characterful grounds surrounding the maison, a gate leads through to the private and enclosed forest for long walks passing oaks, chestnuts and hornbeams as you look out for wild flowers or autumnal mushrooms, not to mention birds, deer and other wildlife as well as a large fishing pond.

All of this and you are just minutes away from some of the most popular tourist spots of the region! Rochemenier Troglodyte Village is less than a 5-minute drive away whilst Doué-la-Fontaine is only 7km by car, home to a fantastic animal park, Bioparc de Doué-la-Fontaine, and



Les Chemins de la Rose, a botanical garden that showcases thousands of the region's roses.

Saumur is a delight to explore with its magical château, wine-bars, Cadre Noir equestrian school and beautiful setting on the Loire River. Angers is another exquisite place to spend the day with the incredible Apocalypse Tapestry in the Château d'Angers and don't miss the picture-perfect village of Candes-Saint-Martin where the Loire and Vienne rivers converge.

Then there is canoeing and kayaking along the rivers, traditional boat rides, the Loire à Vélo cycling trail and endless vineyards near Saumur, Chinon and beyond. Not to mention some of the Loire valley's grand châteaux from nearby Château de Montreuil-Bellay to the iconic Château d'Azay-le-Rideau and Château de Villandry, both reached within an hour by car.

## Facilities

Villa • Walking/Hiking Paths • Ideal for Kids • Boat Trips • Horse Riding • Canoeing/Kayaking • Golf Nearby • Historical Sites • Air-Con • Fishing • Cycling • Wine Tasting • Tennis Nearby • Ideal for Teens • Cots (Cribs) • All Bedrooms En-Suite • <1hr to Airport • Parking Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Coffee Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Pool/Snooker • Table Tennis • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Games Room • Garage • Indoor Games • Hot Tub • Dishwasher • Wine Cellar • Table Football • Animal farm • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Zoo • Transfers Available • Forest park/High-rope course • Board games • Babysitting Available • Children's books • Swings • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • High Chair(s)

# Interior & Grounds

## Maison Interiors

- Lounge with fireplace and dining area with large table. Doors lead to garden
- Kitchen, professionally equipped including two ovens, two dishwashers and large fridge
- Bar with coffee machine, kettle, fridge and glasses
- Games room with table football and table tennis
- Master bedroom suite with king-size bed (180x200cm), air-conditioning, small lounge area, TV and en suite bathroom with bath, separate shower and WC
- 4 x bedrooms with king-size double bed (180x200cm), air-conditioning, TV and en suite bathroom with shower and WC
- Bedroom with twin beds (90cm each), air-conditioning, TV and en suite bathroom with shower and WC
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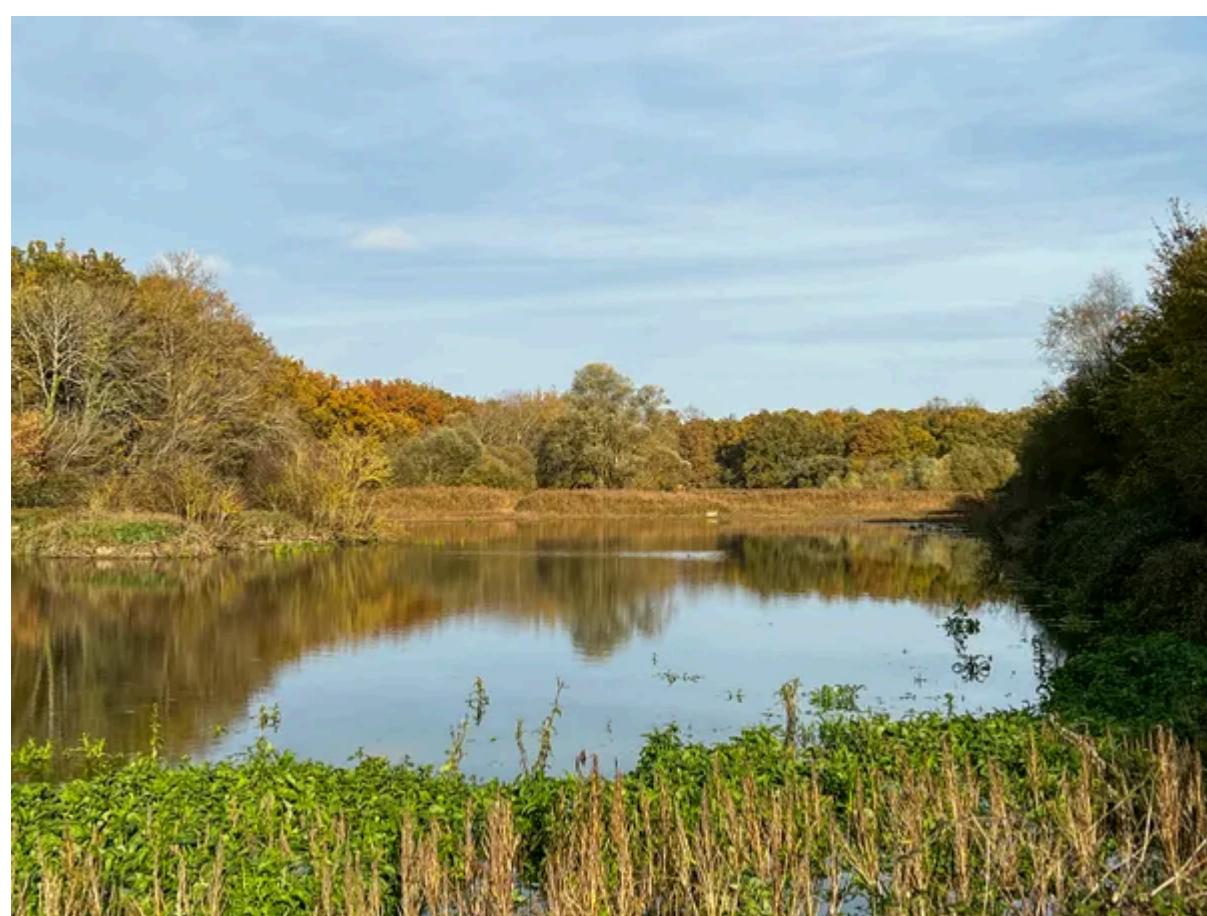
*One of the double bedrooms has its own private access via external stairs*

## Outside Grounds

- 8-person hot tub
- Large patio
- Barbecue
- Swinging porch (for children)
- Garden leading to private forest (100 hectares including fishing pond)
- Outbuildings (uninhabited)
- Garage (in barn) for up to 4 cars

## Facilities

- Music system (ground floor)
- Library of books



# Location & Local Information

In the land of roses, troglodyte dwellings, grand châteaux and close to beautiful Saumur and Angers, Maison Forêt Rose enjoys a fantastic location in the Maine-et-Loire department of the Loire valley.

Beyond the garden gate a path leads into a private and enclosed 100-hectare forest of oaks, chestnuts, hornbeams and a variety of flora and fauna. Look out for deer roaming free, wild flowers and autumnal mushrooms, and eventually come across the tranquil fishing pond as you explore these wonderful surroundings.

Within a short drive, you will reach Doué-la-Fontaine (7km), a picturesque place with restaurants, food shops and a supermarket as well as the much-loved Bioparc de Doué-la-Fontaine, an incredible natural park home to over 1500 animals. On the edge of the town, the botanical garden, Les Chemins de la Rose, is a fine place to visit with over 13,000 roses and several summer events in their calendar.

The area is also famed for its troglodyte dwellings - Rochemenier Troglodyte Village is only 4km from your holiday home. History lovers also have Château de Montreuil-Bellay just 19km away and the amazing Abbaye Royale de Fontevraud around half an hour by car.

Of course, the enchanting Château de Saumur also awaits in beautiful Saumur (25km) by the banks of the Loire River. Spend time exploring this fine medieval town, home to the famous Cadre Noir equestrian school, sample Saumur's sparkling white wine in atmospheric wine bars and dine out in excellent restaurants. There are canoeing and kayaking opportunities along the Loire River in the summer months as well as brilliant cycling routes including the Loire à Vélo trail.

Indeed, you could even follow the Loire à Vélo from Saumur towards the gorgeous city of Angers, passing river islands and stunning scenery of vineyards and Loire landscapes as you ride. Alternatively, it's a 38km drive away and well worth a day trip for its culture, art, cuisine



and exquisite historic architecture. Château d'Angers is home to the huge medieval Apocalypse Tapestry.

Elsewhere during your time in the Loire valley, discover the beauty of Candes-Saint-Martin (40km), one of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*' by the banks of the Loire, soak up the historic charm of Chinon (60km) and its surrounding vineyards, venture to the great city of Tours (100km) and visit some of the region's most iconic châteaux such as Château d'Azay-le-Rideau (82km) and Château de Villandry (80km), both around an hour away by car.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Angers – Loire Airport</b> (52km)
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Tours Val de Loire Airport</b> (112km)
Nearest Airport 3	<b>Nantes Atlantique Airport</b> (122km)
Nearest Train Station	<b>Saumur/Angers</b> (26km/38km)
Nearest Village	<b>Small village</b> (2.5km)
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Doué-la-Fontaine</b> (7km)
Nearest Supermarket	<b>(6.5km)</b>
Nearest Town/City	<b>Saumur/Angers</b> (25km/38km)
Nearest Golf	<b>Golf Saumur</b> (21km)
Nearest Tennis	<b>Rc Doué Tennis</b> (7km)

## What we love

- An elegant and historic house with such inviting interiors, perfectly located for visiting Saumur and Angers
- Enjoy some of the best wines of the region perched at your very own bar
- A gate at the end of the garden leads to a private and enclosed 100-hectare forest where deer roam free
- Spend the day in Saumur by the banks of the Loire River with its enchanting château, atmospheric wine bars and Cadre Noir equestrian school
- Explore the region's troglodyte dwellings, rose gardens, vineyards and historic châteaux

## What you should know...

- The bedrooms all have air-conditioning but not the living spaces.
- One of the double bedrooms has its own private access via external stairs.
- There are other outbuildings within the grounds, which remain uninhabited.

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €2000 paid via bank transfer to the owner one month before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 3.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 11.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?**: Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?**: Yes.
- **Pets welcome?**: Not allowed.
- **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. Air-conditioning is available in all rooms except the living areas.
- **Changeover day:** Flexible.
- **End of stay cleaning available?**: No. €250, paid to the owner upon balance payment. 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?**: No.
- **Minimum stay:** 2 nights.
- **Heating costs included?**: Yes, except firewood which is an extra €50 per day, payable locally.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax payable locally (typically costs €1-€5 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).
- **Pool towels included?**: No.