La Cigogne

Region: Atlantic Coast **Sleeps:** 8

Overview

Close to La Tranche-sur-Mer and the sweeping beaches of the Vendée coastline, La Cigogne is a pretty French Farmhouse full of character and features a gorgeous swimming pool within its walled garden.

Just on the edge of a little village, this inviting holiday home has been newly renovated yet still exudes an immense amount of charm. Steeped in tradition, step into the light and airy lounge with exposed stone walls and flagstone flooring, then wander through to the exquisitely tiled kitchen, fitted out with high-end appliances of course – this really is the best of old meets new.

There are four double bedrooms, one with an en suite shower room, as well as a beautiful family bathroom with a large, contemporary walk-in shower and romantic freestanding bath. There's an air of delightful simplicity across the bedrooms with old-fashioned furnishings and such pretty décor, so typically French in style.

A new swimming pool with Roman steps awaits and the south-facing garden is the perfect spot for an evening glass of wine on warm summer evenings, atmospherically lit up at night. Leave the blue-shuttered farmhouse behind and wander into the village for an early evening aperitif at the local bar-tabac before returning to your patio for al-fresco dining by the barbecue.

There is also a supermarket within walking distance (or a short drive) whilst the small town of Angles, around 2km away, offers restaurants, shops and a twice-weekly summer market. Around ten minutes in the car is the bustling and charming seaside resort of La Tranche-sur-Mer, loved by families and watersport enthusiasts alike. Along this part of the coastline there are many brilliant restaurants and markets showcasing the best Vendée









specialities.

Discover other beaches of the Atlantic coast, some backed by pine forest, others with fantastic surfing opportunities or hop on a seasonal ferry across to Île de Ré, a wonderful island known for its coastline, old villages, salt marshes and cycling trails. Closer to home, set off on your bike to explore the surrounding nature reserve, looking out for rare birds, or explore the enchanting landscapes of the Marais Poitevin by canoe or kayak.

Then there's go-karting, a much-loved waterpark and the brilliant Château des Aventuriers within easy reach, not to mention the famous Puy du Fou, one of France's largest theme parks, just over an hour away. La Cigogne really does enjoy an amazing location where you can experience the authenticity of the Vendée alongside its many beaches and popular attractions.

Facilities

Walk to Village • France250 • Villa • Great Value • Boat Trips • Go-Karting • Sailing • Cycling • Tennis Nearby • Historical Sites • Canoeing/Kayaking • Watersports • Horse Riding • Walking/Hiking Paths • Ideal for Kids • Golf Nearby • Recommended • Private Pool • Has Discount • Has Offer • Special Offer • Ideal for Teens • Cots (Cribs) • Maid Service Available • Beach Nearby • Pool Safety Feature • Parking Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Table Tennis • Smart TV • Outdoor Games • Heating • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Transfers Available • Babysitting Available • Badminton • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds

House Interiors

- Lounge and dining room
- Kitchen, well-equipped
- Bedroom with double bed and en suite shower room
- 3 x bedrooms with double bed
- Family bathroom with large walk-in shower, freestanding bath and WC
- Cloakroom with WC and sink

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (10x4.5m, depth: around 1.1m-1.9m) with Roman steps and electric safety cover
- Barbecue
- Al-fresco dining and relaxation terraces
- South facing garden
- Private parking (four cars)

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Smart TV with Netflix/Sky TV
- Table tennis
- Badminton









Location & Local Information

On the edge of a small traditional village and only a 10-minute drive from the sweeping Atlantic beaches of La Tranche-sur-Mer, La Cigogne offers charm and authenticity in the Vendée department of western France.

Potter into the local village where there is a Bar-Tabac/ Épicerie, open mornings and late afternoons, perfect for a coffee or glass of wine amongst the locals before you pick up your bread or other simple groceries, then admire the 15th century tower just outside the village. The village is close to a nature reserve with a great variety of birds and the surrounding lanes are brilliant for cycling.

A supermarket is a little further on foot (or a 1.2km drive from La Cigogne) close to the centre of the typical small town of Angles (2km), home to a handful of shops, restaurants and a twice-weekly market in July and August.

It's fantastic being just a 10-minute drive from La Tranche-sur-Mer (9.5km), a '*Famille-Plus*' designated seaside resort with blue-flag beaches and a great range of water-based activities from pedal boats, paddle boards and surfing in the sea to sailing on the resort's lake, Le Circle Nautique Tranchais.

Other beaches along the Vendée coastline include the pine-backed Plage de Boisvinet, loved by surfers, family-friendly Plage des Conches and Plage de la Terrière, all within a 10 to 15-minute drive. Look out for summer festivities and the twice-weekly market in Longeville-sur-Mer (10km) and take time to discover the beautiful scenery of the Marais Poitevin, an absolute paradise for nature lovers.

Boat departs La Tranche-sur-Mer to Île de Ré, a wonderful island with charming villages, stunning beaches, endless salt marshes, summer watersports and superb cycling opportunities. Enjoy lunch in the historic harbour town of Saint-Martin-de-Re, then hire bikes to explore the incredible landscapes.









Adrenaline-seeking guests will love the go-karting track just a 5-minute drive away (check opening dates/times in advance) whilst water-lovers should spend the day at the much-loved O'Gliss Water Park (7km) which usually opens late June to early September. Le Château des Aventuriers (14km) is another great day out for children (and grown-ups) of all ages whilst further afield is Puy du Fou (88km), one of France's most famous theme parks.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Aéroport La Rochelle (69km)**
Nearest Airport 2	**Nantes Atlantique Airport (114km)**
Nearest Ferry Port	**Saint-Malo (300km)**
Nearest Train Station	**Gare Luçon/La Roche-sur-Yon (25km/33km)**
Nearest Village	**Small village (Within 100m)**
Nearest Bar/Pub	**Bar-tabac/épicerie (650m)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Angles (2km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Intermarché Contact (1.2km)**
Nearest Town	**Angles (2km)**
Nearest Beach	**La Tranche-sur-Mer (9.5km)**
Nearest Golf	**Bourgenay Golf Club (28km)**

What we love

- Old meets new in this traditional yet renovated French farmhouse full of gorgeous character alongside modern touches
- The property is set on the edge of a wildlife preserve so keep your eye out for rare birds such as storks and hoopoes!
- As well as a new swimming pool, the south-facing garden is an idyllic spot for an evening aperitif on the patio
- Wander to the village's bar-tabac for your morning coffee, fresh bread and groceries and there is also a larger supermarket within walking distance
- The glorious beaches of the Vendée coastline are within easy reach - La Tranche-sur-Mer is only a 10-minute drive away
- You will enjoy the two dining areas and an outside brick build barbeque
- Walking distance to a village however please note that some parts of the route do not have pavements

What you should know...

- Even though you are on the edge of a village with a bar-tabac/épicerie, plus a supermarket just over 1km away, a car is still needed to be able to explore the beaches and surrounding area.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €500 charged to 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:** 4.00 p.m.

- **Departure time:** 10.30 a.m.

- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.

- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.

- **Pets welcome?:** No.

- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.

- **Changeover day:** Saturday (high season) or flexible at other times.

- **End of stay cleaning:** Standard changeover clean included in the price. 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.

- **Other Cleaning:** Mid-week clean for stays 14+ nights included

- **Smoking Allowed?:** No.

- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights. All other durations on request.

- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.

- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax is included in rental price.

- **Pool towels included?:** Yes.

- **Pool opening dates?:** 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.