

# Maison Des Coquillages

Region: Normandy Sleeps: 30

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## Overview

Close to the sophisticated seaside town of Deauville, this beautiful Normandy abode is exceptional in every way, not just for its wonderful sea vistas and direct access to a vast sandy beach below.

Maison Des Coquillages sleeps up to 30 guests across its two houses, which both date back to the 19th century and have been completely renovated in recent years. The large *domaine* offers ample opportunities to gaze out towards the English channel whilst the garden leads all the way down to a glorious beach just west of Deauville.

Starting off with the villa, known as the 'Abbey', here you can truly embrace the character and beauty of Normandy. Every room has been tastefully decorated, many with views of the sea. Sit back in the elegant lounge, watch TV in the comfort of the cosy library and dine together in the conservatory-style veranda directly overlooking the sea. The kitchen is every cook's dream or you may prefer to hire a chef for part of your stay. You can sleep restfully in one of the nine bedrooms, eight of which feature king-size beds, most with en suite bathrooms.

There is an extra bedroom in a little beach chalet set within the villa's grounds. Another appealing feature is the fitness and relaxation centre with gym equipment, a massage room, sauna and a jacuzzi overlooking the sea. Guests can also access a shared tennis court next door.

Next we come to the characterful 'Cloister' house with its charming exterior and gorgeous garden. As well as a pretty lounge and modern kitchen-diner facing the sea, there are five bedrooms on the garden and first floor, each one with its own bathroom and most with an adjoining single room with a desk. Outside, children will love the little play area set amongst the terraced grounds whilst



everyone will adore the outdoor dining terrace and bar with yet more magnificent views towards the sea. To top it all off, climb the steps to the indoor heated swimming pool alongside the jacuzzi where you can slide open the window and appreciate the sea breeze as you relax.

Wander down the garden to the beach below for long walks, swimming and playing in the sand and dine out at the seasonal beachside restaurant just 500m away. In the other direction, following the road that connects Deauville to Villers-sur-Mer, come across a pretty Normandy seaside village with attractive shops and restaurants just over 1km away.

Deauville is only 2.5km by car - the energetic can of course walk, passing elegant villas, vibrant restaurants and the new cultural centre, Les Franciscaines, en route (or simply stroll along the beach of course!). The 19th century seaside resort has gained quite a reputation for its gastronomy with its high-end restaurants and atmospheric market which takes place beneath the half-timbered halles – no wonder Parisians flock here at the weekend! It's also known for horse-racing, polo, film festivals and its fantastic sandy beach with colourful sun umbrellas and deckchairs backed by an iconic boardwalk.

Cross over the estuary to Trouville-sur-Mer, another upmarket resort with impressive architectural and a superb fish market, or drive a little further afield to discover the maritime history of charming Honfleur by the River Seine.

Elsewhere, the D-Day Normandy Landing beaches of Arranches-les-Bains and Omaha Beach can be reached in less than ninety minutes, perhaps combined with a visit to Bayeux or Caen. Closer to home, potter around local seaside resorts such as romantic Cabourg and picturesque Houlgate, both part of the captivating Côte Fleurie that has inspired writers and artists over the years from Proust to Claude Monet.

## Facilities

Weddings • Private Pool • Ideal for Kids • Romantic • Wine Tasting • Walking/Hiking Paths • Horse Riding • Watersports • Historical Sites • Fishing • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Boat Trips • Wellness • Villa • Ideal for Teens • Chef/Cook Available • Cots (Cribs) • Maid Service Available • Walk to Beach • Heated Pool • Outdoor Ceremony • Instagrammable • Indoor Pool • Beach Nearby • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Beachfront • Parking Space • Heritage Collection • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Seaview • Allow External Caterers • No Corkage • Indoor Reception Available • Outstanding Landscapes • Nearby Church/Chapel • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Gym/Fitness Room • Hot Tub • Sauna/Steam • Heating • Catering Available • Swings • Slide • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • High Chair(s)

# Interior & Grounds

## 'Abbey' Interiors (10 bedrooms/10 bathrooms including separate chalet)

- Lounge with fireplace and bar
- Library and TV room
- Dining room
- Conservatory-style dining room with sea-view
- Kitchen, fully-equipped
- Children's dining area/pantry
- Laundry room

### *First Floor Bedrooms*

- Master bedroom with air-conditioning, king-size double bed, desk, dressing room, sea-view, access to terrace and bathroom with bath, shower and WC
- Master bedroom with air-conditioning, king-size double bed, desk, dressing room, sea-view, access to terrace and bathroom with bath, shower, and WC. Adjoining room with single bed and desk
- Bedroom with king-size double bed (can be split into twin), garden view and shower room with WC
- Bedroom with air-conditioning, king-size double bed (can be split into twin), dressing room, sea-view, access to terrace and shower room with separate WC

### *Second Floor Bedrooms*

- Master bedroom with air-conditioning, king-size double bed, desk, dressing room, sea-view and bathroom with bath, shower and separate WC
- Master bedroom with air-conditioning, king-size double bed, desk, dressing room, sea-view and bathroom with bath, shower and separate WC
- Bedroom with air-conditioning, king-size double bed (can be split into twin), desk, dressing room, sea-view and bathroom with bath and WC
- Bedroom with air-conditioning, king-size double bed (can be split into twin), country view, shower (in the bedroom) and separate WC



#### *Loft Floor (wood beams throughout)*

- Two single beds
- Shared bathroom with bath and WC

#### *Separate Chalet (accessed via garden)*

- Bedroom with queen-size double bed
- Shower room and separate WC
- Small kitchen
- Garden access and sea-view

#### *Fitness and Relaxation Centre*

- Jacuzzi with sea-view
- Sauna
- Fitness room

#### **'Abbey' Outside Grounds**

- Garden
- Access to beach
- Access to shared tennis court (with neighbour)

#### **'Abbey' Facilities**

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning (seven bedrooms only)
- Heating
- Fitness room
- Sauna
- Jacuzzi

#### **'Cloister' Interiors (5 bedrooms/5 bathrooms)**

- Open-plan lounge
- Open-plan kitchen and dining area with sea-view
- Laundry room

#### *Garden Level Bedrooms*

- Bedroom with king-size double bed, garden view, garden access, dressing room and bathroom with bath and WC. Adjoining room with single bed and desk

- Bedroom with king-size double bed, garden view, garden access, dressing room and bathroom with bath and WC. Adjoining room with single bed and desk

#### *First Floor Bedrooms*

- Master bedroom with king-size double bed, sea-view, office/dressing room and bathroom with bath, shower and separate WC
- Bedroom with king-size double bed, sea-view, dressing room and bathroom with bath and separate WC. Adjoining room with single bed and desk
- Bedroom with king-size double bed, sea-view, dressing room, bath (in the bedroom) and separate WC. Adjoining room with single bed and desk

#### *Indoor Swimming Pool Area (accessed via garden steps)*

- Heated swimming pool (10m long, depth: 1.4m)
- Jacuzzi

#### **'Cloister' Outside Grounds**

- Al-fresco dining terrace with bar and barbecue
- Al-fresco lounge
- Covered dining area
- Garden (different levels with steps)
- Children's play area
- Direct Beach access

#### **'Cloister' Facilities**

- Wi-Fi
- Heating
- Indoor heated swimming pool and jacuzzi
- Children's play area

## Location & Local Information

Set back from a vast sandy beach, the beautiful Maison Des Coquillages and its grounds enjoy glorious sea views just 2.5km from the heart of the charming seaside town of Deauville, so loved by Parisians who visit the sophisticated resort at weekends and holidays.

Caen-Ouistreham's ferry terminal is a 40-minute drive or if arriving by train there is a direct service from Paris Saint-Lazare to Trouville-Deauville taking just over two hours. Deauville has its own private airport (Saint-Gatien Airport) or you can fly into one of the three Parisian airports, each one around a two to three hour drive away.

The grand villa and historic house can be found on the road that connects Deauville to Villers-sur-Mer and there are amazing garden and sea views from the rooms that face the English channel as well as the large grounds. Walk down to the very end of the garden and you have direct access to the far end of a spacious beach. There is a beachside restaurant within 500m (seasonal opening times/dates apply) and an attractive promenade a little further along – the perfect spot for an early morning walk.

Following the road in the other direction, there is a small seaside village around 1km away with restaurants, caf   bars and attractive shops as well as another beautiful beach – this typically Normandy village is very pretty and there's a lovely ambience in the summertime.

Deauville (2.5km) is of course the star attraction of this area (as well as neighbouring Trouville-sur-Mer across the estuary). The picturesque seaside resort which dates back to the 19th century has gained a reputation for its gastronomic fare, serving excellent sea-food specialities in many of its restaurants, and its glitzy shopping opportunities. The colourful sun umbrellas and Deauville's decked boardwalk and beach huts are now iconic whilst its huge sandy beach is wonderful at any time of year.

Visitors also come to Deauville for its horse-racing, polo, casino, film festivals and vibrant cultural scene with the



opening of Les Franciscaines cultural centre only 2km from Maison Des Coquillages. Deauville's bustling market comes alive beneath the half-timbered halls, open every morning in the height of the summer. Even when the market isn't taking place, it's a joyful and atmospheric place to enjoy a coffee or evening meal.

Trouville-sur-Mer (4.5km) is also home to high-end shops and restaurants, a grand casino and fantastic beach with a promenade for lovely walks overlooking the sea. The town's architecture dates back to the 19th century and the town is especially famous for its fish market which is open every day. Further along the coast, Honfleur (20km) is another Normandy gem with its pretty port dating back to the 17th century, elegant architecture and charming medieval lanes filled with shops, cafes and restaurants.

Elsewhere in Normandy, spend the day in the vibrant city of Le Havre (45km) by crossing the Seine via the impressive Pont de Normandie, or venture west towards the moving D-Day Landing beaches - Arromanches-les-Bains (80km) and Omaha Beach (95km) are less than a 90-minute drive away. A day out on this part of the Normandy coastline could also be combined with a visit to historic Bayeux (75km) or the beautiful city of Caen (43km).

## Local Amenities

Nearest Ferry Port	<b>Caen-Ouistreham (39km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>Trouville-Deauville (3.5km)</b>
Nearest Airport	<b>Saint-Gatien Airport/Caen-Carpiquet Airport (10km/52km)</b>
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Paris Beauvais Airport (183km)</b>
Nearest Airport 3	<b>Paris Orly/Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport (215km/221km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Beachside restaurant - seasonal opening (500m)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>Normandy seaside village with restaurants and shops (1km)</b>

Nearest Town	<b>Deauville (2.5km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Beach access from the garden (Short walk)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Carrefour Market (1.6km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Golf Barrière de Deauville (6km)</b>
Nearest Tennis	<b>Shared access to tennis court (with neighbours) for 'Abbey' guests (Next to the house)</b>

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## What we love

- Embrace the character and beauty of Normandy at this 19th century abode near Deauville with direct access to the beach below
- Both houses have been beautifully and sensitively renovated – many of the rooms have glorious views of the sea
- Feast in the conservatory-style room with views straight out towards the sea or dine al-fresco by the outdoor bar and lounge – both are especially wonderful as the sun sets
- Make the most of the indoor heated swimming pool, two jacuzzis, a sauna and fitness room – a true haven of relaxation
- The sophisticated seaside resort of Deauville is famous for its gastronomic restaurants, film festivals, horse-racing and of course its fantastic beach with colourful umbrellas, little beach huts and iconic boardwalk

## What you should know...

- All prices are on request – please contact us for a tailor-made quotation.
- The *domaine* is made up of two beautiful houses – the 'Abbey' (10 bedrooms, 9 bathrooms including a separate chalet) and the 'Cloister' (5 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms). Please see the "Features" tab for full details of the layout of each property and its individual grounds/facilities.
- Outside of July and August it may be possible to book the Abbey or Cloister independently, on request only. If so, please check with us which facilities will be open depending on which property you book.

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €15,000 paid via wire transfer to the owner 45 or 60 days before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 6.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges. Stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed. All prices are on request – please contact us for a tailor-made quotation. The domaine is made up of two beautiful houses – the Abbey (10 bedrooms, 9 bathrooms including a separate chalet) and the Cloister (5 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms). Please see the “Features” tab for full details of the layout of each property and its individual grounds/facilities. Outside of July and August it may be possible to book the Abbey or Cloister independently, on request only. If so, please check with us which facilities will be open depending on which property you book. A copy of the owners' rental contract will need to be signed upon confirmation of a booking.
- **Changeover day:** Flexible.
- **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.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** No.
- **Insurance:** Guests must be in possession of a travel insurance policy which includes public liability - a copy of this may be requested by the owner.
- **Minimum stay:** Shorter stays are only on request.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **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 is paid via wire transfer to the owner at the end of your stay (typically costs €1-€10 per adult per night - please enquire if exact amount is required).
- **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.