

# La Grange Blanche

Region: Dordogne Sleeps: 12

## Overview

Gaze out towards bucolic landscapes of the Dordogne with rolling fields, summer sunflowers and woodland surrounding this beautifully converted farmhouse around a 20-minute drive from Ribérac and Brantôme.

Dating back 400 years, La Grange Blanche sleeps up to 12 guests across its six charming bedrooms (four with en suite bathrooms), split across three wings of this characterful home. A spacious lounge features a stylish L-shaped sofa contrasting original features and the vast contemporary kitchen will impress the keenest of cooks inspired by Périgord's fine cuisine. A second snug is a relaxing place to read or chat with a glass of wine whilst a full-sized pool table can be found through the heavy barn doors!

Lay back on the poolside sun loungers as you look out towards fruit trees and scenic countryside beyond, before taking a dip in the swimming pool. Gather on the benches by the barbecue for shady lunches with family and friends or lingering evening meals as the sun sets and the clear night sky appears. The 2.5 acres of grounds are glorious with ample space to play, relax and soak up the tranquil environment.

The house is set in a little hamlet only a 5-minute drive from an old village with a bakery, grocery store, tabac and café-bar. There's a lovely pizzeria by the banks of the Dronne in Creyssac, just 10km away, and further restaurants in Bourdeilles, home to Château de Bourdeilles so gorgeously located by the river's edge.

Discover canoeing, kayaking, riverside walks and boat rides in the wonderful town of Brantôme, soak up the atmosphere of the famous Friday morning market in Ribérac and visit picture-perfect Dordogne villages such



as Nontron, Saint-Jean-de-Côle and Villars. Appreciate the beauty of the Périgord Vert as you walk, hike and cycle through the undulating landscapes of meadows, streams, forests and hills.

This is also a great location for visiting the city of Périgueux, just over half an hour away, with its fine restaurants and markets showcasing Périgord gastronomy alongside the historic old quarter, Roman ruins, several museums and the magnificent Cathédrale Saint-Front de Périgueux

## Facilities

Pure France • Weddings • Wine Tasting • Private Pool • Cycling • Historical Sites • Canoeing/Kayaking • Walking/Hiking Paths • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Marquee Hire Permitted • Cots (Cribs) • Heated Pool • Outdoor Ceremony • Saltwater Pool • Flexible Catering Options • Parking Space • Pool Safety Feature • Wi-Fi/Internet • Allow External Caterers • Allow Fireworks • No Corkage • Rural Location • No Curfew • Indoor Reception Available • Barn • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Pool/Snooker • Games Room • Outdoor Games • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Board games • High Chair(s)

# Interior & Grounds

## House Interiors

### *Ground Floor (split-level, different wings)*

- Large lounge
- Kitchen, well-equipped with table, bench and door leading to garden
- Second Lounge/snug
- Barn games room with full-sized American pool table and barn doors leading outside
- WC

### *Upper Floor Wing I (above main lounge/kitchen)*

- Bedroom with king-size double bed and en suite bathroom with shower, sink and WC
- Bathroom with shower, sink and WC

### *Upper Floor Wing II (via spiral staircase from second lounge)*

- Bedroom with king-size double bed and en suite bathroom with shower, sink and WC

### *Upper Floor Wing III (above games room)*

- Bedroom with king-size double bed and mezzanine level bathroom (via open-tread stairs) with rolltop bath, sink and WC
- Bedroom with two small double beds
- Bedroom with king-size double bed and en suite bathroom with shower, sink and WC
- Bedroom with king-size double bed
- Bathroom with shower, sink and WC

## Outside Grounds

- Heated salt-water swimming pool (12x5m, max. depth: 1.5m) with safety alarm. Open approximately April to October (pool not heated July and August)
- Decked poolside terrace



- Garden bench
- Barbecue
- Large garden/grounds leading to open countryside
- Car parking

### **Facilities**

- Wi-Fi
- Heating
- Board games
- Pool table

## Location & Local Information

La Grange Blanche is located in northern Dordogne, around a 20-minute drive from the historic towns of Ribérac and Brantôme. The converted semi-detached farmhouse is part of a small hamlet on the end of a road opening out to the countryside and its 2.5-acre garden looks out to gorgeous landscapes so typical of this region.

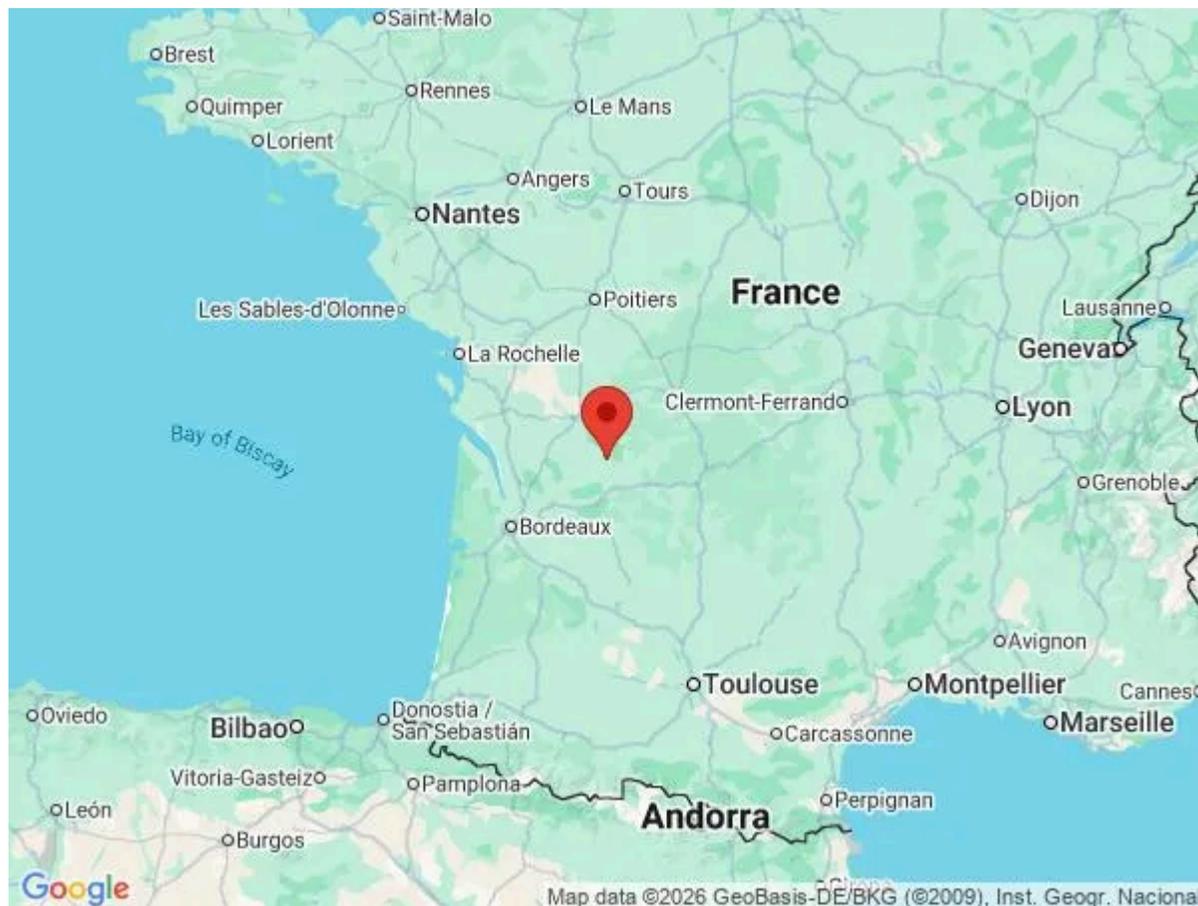
The nearest village is a five-minute drive away, home to a boulangerie, café-bar, tabac and small supermarket. Just outside the village there is a rustic farm where you can feed the animals and see a historic working windmill. Come across a lovely pizzeria by the Dronne River in Creyssac (10km) and further restaurants in Verteillac (11km) and Bourdeilles (12km). A visit to the very beautiful Château de Bourdeilles is a must with its picturesque setting by the river.

Head to the traditional market town of Ribérac (21km) on a Friday morning to experience its wonderful market or simply wander around the old lanes admiring characterful houses, pretty cafes, art galleries and the handsome townhall. There are some superb restaurants showcasing the fantastic cuisine of the Périgord region.

The picture-perfect town of Brantôme (21km) is another highlight of this area with its grand abbey and charming old town in such a bucolic setting by the river. Look out for canoeing and kayaking opportunities, take a river cruise or simply enjoy a walk and picnic in this idyllic setting.

Driving further north, Nontron (30km) is a pleasant village with a rich arts and crafts heritage, especially famous for its knives, located within the Parc naturel régional Périgord-Limousin.

Saint-Jean-de-Côle (40km) is a very pretty Dordogne village with its half-timbered houses, classified as one of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*', whilst Thiviers (47km) hosts an atmospheric market on a Saturday morning – the historic town is known for its foie gras, walnuts and



truffles.

Even closer to home is Périgueux (32km), also famous for its fine gastronomy which you can experience by visiting its vibrant markets and excellent restaurants. Potter around the little boutiques in the old quarter, stopping for a coffee on café terraces, then admire the Roman ruins, museums and impressive Cathédrale Saint-Front de Périgueux, a great focal point of this magnificent Dordogne city.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Bergerac Dordogne Périgord Airport (76km)</b>
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Brive-Souillac Airport (126km)</b>
Nearest Airport 3	<b>Bordeaux Airport (142km)</b>
Nearest Bar/Pub	<b>Cafe-bar in local village (3.5km)</b>
Nearest City	<b>Périgueux (32km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Golf Club Perigueux (28km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Verteillac/Bourdeilles (11km/12km)</b>
Nearest Shop	<b>Bakery, tabac and grocery store in local village (3.5km)</b>
Nearest Tennis	<b>Riberac (21km)</b>
Nearest Town	<b>Ribérac/Brantôme (21km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>Périgueux (32km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>Small rural village (3.5km)</b>

## What we love

- The 2.5-acre garden with its heated swimming pool looks out to woodland, summer sunflowers and idyllic landscapes of northern Dordogne
- Such a stylish renovation whilst paying great respect to the 400-year old farmhouse's rich heritage
- Open the characterful barn doors to be greeted with a full-sized pool table!
- Drive down to Creyssac and enjoy a pizza overlooking the Dronne River in the most bucolic setting
- Experience the Friday morning market in Ribérac, canoe or kayak along the river in Brantôme and admire the historic sights and gastronomic restaurants of Périgueux

## What you should know...

- Over 400 years old, expect characterful features such as rustic steps, low wood beams and sloping ceilings in parts of the house.
- Please see the "Features" tab for details of the layout and about each bedroom (including one with a mezzanine level bathroom and one reached via a spiral staircase).

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** £1000 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:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings any celebrations/special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges. Stag/hen parties are not allowed.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- **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?:** Not allowed.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **Pool heating charge?:** Included (excluding July and August when the pool is not heated). Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment (typically costs €1-€10 per adult per night - please enquire if exact amount is required).
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open approximately April to October. 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.