

Villa Geranium

Region: Dordogne **Sleeps:** 6

Overview

In the heart of rural Dordogne, not far from the world-famous Lascaux caves, the delightful Villa Geranium is a characterful stone cottage in an elevated setting with gentle views over the wooded valley towards nearby Montignac.

Filled with original features and grand yet homely furnishings, this historic home has been sensitively restored to a beautiful standard, creating a warm and welcoming three-bedroom home, set in the spacious grounds of the owner's estate. There's an air of romance with the cosy sofas and fireplace downstairs, the candle-lit dining table and the marvellous master bedroom with stunning wood-beamed ceilings and elegant décor. A further bedroom featuring a four-poster bed and a charming twin make this an ideal place for a family holiday or reunion with friends.

Step outside to the luscious gardens filled with summer colour, the glorious swimming pool and sun decking and the relaxed space for leisurely dining al-fresco with views of the lovely landscapes beyond. This is a truly special home in a wonderful part of northern Dordogne.

Within ten minutes by car you can be exploring some of the remarkable sights of this region such as the prehistoric caves at Lascaux or one of France's Plus Beaux Villages, Saint-Léon-sur-Vézère, just a little further. Experience the nearby vibrant markets such as nearby Montignac or pre-historic Les Eyzies, including enchanting night markets in July and August.

The glorious Dordogne river is easily reached with idyllic villages such as La Roque Gageac, Château de Beynac and Castelnaud-la-Chapelle all under an hour by car. Not forgetting nearby Sarlat with its maze of medieval narrow



streets, lovely squares and amazing restaurants and beautiful Limeuil, where the Vézère meets the Dordogne.

With the stunning Vézère and Dordogne rivers so near as well as amazing landscapes dotted with golden stone houses and idyllic Périgordian villages, this is a captivating part of Dordogne for you to discover.

Facilities

Cycling • Walking/Hiking Paths • Canoeing/Kayaking • Historical Sites • Tennis Nearby • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Wi-Fi/Internet • Golf Nearby • Wine Tasting • Washing Machine • Coffee Machine • Villa • Cots (Cribs) • DVD • Private Pool • Rural Location • Aquarium • Caves/Pre-historic site • Climbing • Kid-friendly museum • Kid-friendly excursions • Forest park/High-rope course • Pool Safety Feature • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • <1hr to Airport • Dishwasher • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Satellite TV • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • High Chair(s) • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interior

Ground Floor

- Living-dining room with doors leading to gardens and pool terrace
- Open-plan kitchen (via steps from living area), well-equipped including electric cooker, electric coffee brewer, fridge and freezer, dishwasher and microwave
- Double bedroom with doors leading to gardens and pool terrace
- Shower room with WC

First Floor (in the eaves)

- Double bedroom
- Twin bedroom
- Shower room with WC
- Bathroom with WC

Outside Grounds (4000m2)

- Swimming pool (42m2), open April to end of October
- Terrace
- Al-fresco dining table
- Outdoor furniture
- Barbecue
- Natural swimming pond
- Parking for 3 cars

Facilities

- CD player
- Vacuum cleaner



Location & Local Information

Set in the spacious grounds of the discreet English owners' home, Villa Geranium is in an elevated position enjoying wonderful views across the wooded valley towards historic Montignac (8km), one of the closest villages where you will find lovely restaurants, shops and supermarkets in a picturesque setting on the Vézère River. The famous Lascaux caves (9km) just outside the village as well, one of the highlights of northern Dordogne.

Another local town with restaurants and shops is Le Lardin-Saint-Lazare (6km) whilst the village of Condat-sur-Vézère (6km) is worthy of a visit with its pretty waterfall as the little river Coly drops into the Vézère. Two of France's Plus Beaux Villages must also be visited nearby; Saint-Léon-sur-Vézère (17km) and Saint-Amand-de-Coly (15km).

The markets of the Dordogne are a brilliant way to appreciate the local atmosphere as well as pick up some local delicacies. Pre-historic Les Eyzies (30km) hosts a summer market on a Monday, head to Le Bugue (40km) by the river on a Tuesday or Saturday whilst Wednesday and Saturday mornings come alive back in nearby Montignac (9km).

Not forgetting some of the unmissable larger towns and cities such as sophisticated Périgueux (54km), famous for its amazing black truffles and Sarlat (33km) with its maze of medieval narrow streets, lovely squares and amazing restaurants.

Or, head to La Roque Gageac, Château de Beynac or Castelnaud-la-Chapelle for idyllic days out by the Dordogne River, all within a 45-minute to 60-minute drive. Outdoor lovers will appreciate the wealth of activities on offer from horse-riding, to tennis, mountain-biking, golfing and watersports, not to mention the number of hiking and fishing opportunities in the area.

Local Amenities

Nearest Restaurant	Le Lardin-Saint-Lazare/Montignac (6km/8km)
Nearest Supermarket	Le Lardin-Saint-Lazare/Montignac (6km/8km)
Nearest Village	Condat-sur-Vézère (6km)
Nearest Town/City	Le Lardin-Saint-Lazare/Montignac (6km/8km)
Nearest Airport	Brive/Bergerac (36km/93km)
Nearest Golf	(42km)



What we love

- There's a truly romantic ambience in this beautiful home, especially in the remarkable master bedroom with its low wood beamed ceilings and elegant furnishings
- The lovely gardens and inviting swimming pool enjoy gentle views over the valley towards nearby Montignac
- The pre-historic caves of Lascaux are within a ten-minute drive away
- Other idyllic places nearby include Saint-Léon-sur-Vézère and Saint-Amand-de-Coly as well as world-famous Sarlat and Périgueux

What you should know...

- The two bedrooms upstairs are in the eaves with characterfully low ceilings and beams
- 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

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** No security deposit is required for this villa. Please be aware that guests are still required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival.
- **Arrival time:** Between 4.00 p.m. and 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, stag/hen parties and other celebrations are not allowed. Please note that there will be an increased security deposit for youth groups aged 21 and under. 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. Cot and high chair can be provided free of charge, on request.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Yes, standard changeover clean included. 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.
- **Insurance:** Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for cancellations, loss of personal belongings, personal liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **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 opening dates?:** The pool is open approximately early-April to late-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.