Manoir Estuaire

Region: France **Sleeps:** 20

Overview

In six hectares of parkland, on the banks of a river, lies the delightful Manoir Estuaire, a ten bedroomed home in the southern Loire Valley, just 20km from the historic town of Châteauroux.

Dating back to the beginning of the 18th Century, this French manoir has been charmingly restored by its Scandinavian owners. The result is a home full of history, period furnishings and tradition combined with modern facilities and wonderful gardens. Each of the ten bedrooms has its own character and style whilst there is ample living space on the lower and upper ground floors so that guests can find quiet corners to relax or meet in more convivial settings. A meal together in the wine cellar, lit by candlelight, is one of the many experiences that guests will never forget.

As well as the glorious al-fresco terrace and beautiful swimming pool with its wave machine, the six hectares of gardens are a delight, especially for younger guests with modern tennis courts, *boules,* a football pitch and a slide to keep children occupied whilst older guests can enjoy a spot of fishing or messing about on the river with the rowing boat. The surrounding countryside, filled with fields of yellow rape, vineyards and meadows, is ideal for walking, cycling and horse-riding.

If you can bring yourself to leave the parkland and manoir, there is a wealth of delightful places to explore from the historic market town of Châteauroux to idyllic villages such as Saint-Benoit du Sault and La Châtre. No visit to the Loire Valley would be complete without a visit to a magical castle and Château de Valencay won't disappoint. It's also possible to visit Loire Valley highlights further north on the river such as Blois and Tours, both within a couple of hours









by car.

In the park, there is also another beautiful old building which can be rented on request for an additional charge to accommodate up to 10 extra guests. This is an old smithy, recently renovated to the highest standards, which comprise a superb wine cellar, cosy kitchen and living room, four suites, a twin bedrooms and three spacious bathrooms. The best room is located in the tower: it boasts a large round window offering stunning views of the park and a massive en-suite bathroom, making for a fabulous bridal suite.

Yet it may be that all you wish to do is laze by the pool or head down to the river's edge during your stay in this traditional yet impressive manoir in this beautiful region of central France.

Facilities

Private Pool • Walking/Hiking Paths • Romantic • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Ideal for Kids • Great Value • Horse Riding • Historical Sites • Wine Tasting • Tennis Nearby • Tennis Court • Golf Nearby • Fishing • Cycling • Cots (Cribs) • Heated Pool • Manor • Ideal for Teens • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Pool Safety Feature • Heritage Collection • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Washing Machine • Coffee Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Pool/Snooker • Table Tennis • Indoor Games • Hot Tub • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Satellite TV • Wine Cellar • Outdoor Games • Animal farm • Heating • Kid-friendly museum • Kid-friendly excursions • Water excursions/Boat trips • Playground nearby • Swings • Trampoline • Slide • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Boules/Petanque • Basketball net • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds









Château Interior (1100m2) - 20 guests

Upper and Lower Ground Floor

- Kitchen (38m²) including gas cooker, dishwasher, fridge, deep freezer, electric coffee brewer and microwave
- 4 x living areas (varying sizes from 36m² to 45m² including billiards room)
- Dining room in the cellar
- 2 x WCs

First Floor

- Double bedroom (20m²)
- Double bedroom (15m²)
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- Double bedroom (30m²)
- Double bedroom (29m²)
- 4 x shower rooms with WC
- 1 x bathroom with whirlpool bath and shower

1st Second Floor Wing

- Double bedroom (29m²)
- Double bedroom (30m²)
- 2 x shower rooms

2nd Second Floor Wing

- Double bedroom (7m²)
- Double bedroom (11m²)
- Double bedroom (24m²)
- 2 x shower rooms

Outside Grounds

- Private heated swimming pool (30m²) with wave machine. Open June to the end of September. Heated on request
- Whirlpool bath (1 person)
- Garden furnishings including 8 x sun-loungers
- Al-fresco dining terrace
- Gas barbecue
- Parkland (6 hectares)
- Access to river and fishing
- Rowing boat
- Tennis court
- Football pitch
- French boules
- Slide
- Trampoline

Facilities

- Hi-Fi system/CD player
- Billiards

Location & Local Information

Manoir Estuaire is set in beautiful countryside in the Loire Valley on the banks of a river, where you have permission to fish (in a 3km stretch of the river) and a rowing boat is provided. The six hectares of private parkland is surrounded by 300 hectares of agricultural land, yellow rapeseed fields, charming vineyards and meadows perfect for beautiful walks or horse-riding.

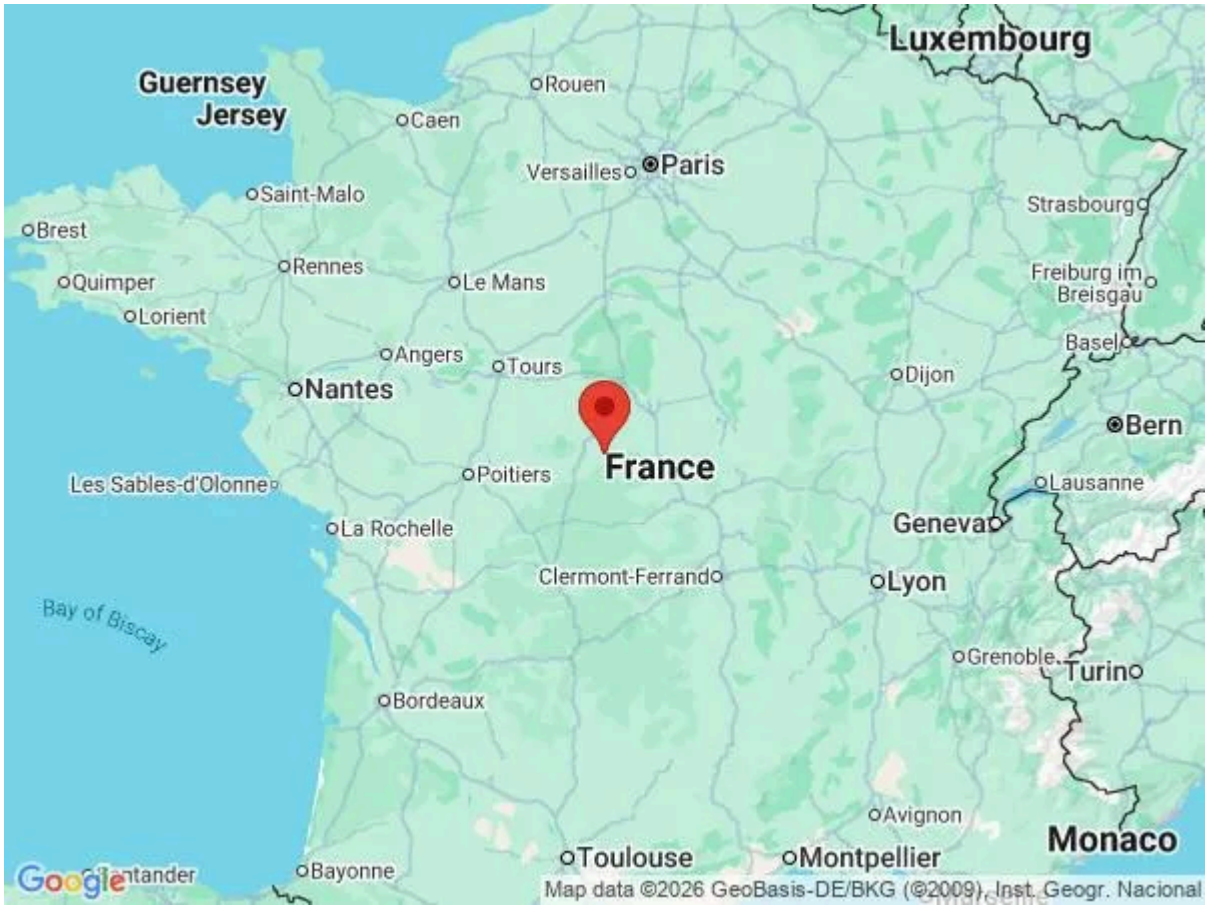
The nearest village is about 5-minute drive away where you will find restaurants and a couple of small supermarkets as well as a Roman-style church whilst the nearest main town is Châteauroux (20km) where you can enjoy the market day five mornings a week and explore some beautiful historical monuments in the town.

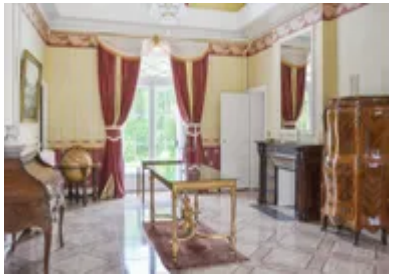
The Châteauroux forest, just to the south, about 20 minutes drive from the manoir, is another ideal place for walking and cycling. Families may also enjoy the animal park, Haute Touche (75km) set in nearby forests.

There is a wealth of charming villages and towns to discover in this region such as Saint-Benoit du Sault (47km), one of France's *Plus Beaux Villages,* medieval La Châtre (24km) and Sainte-Sévère (36km) and the lovely riverside village of Argenton-sur-Creuse (38km). A little further north, Mehun-sur-Yèvre (64km) is also full of historical sites and could be combined with a visit to the town of Bourges (67km) with its stunning cathedral and weekly markets.

Further afield, Blois (120km) on the Loire River and the university town of Tours (140km) are worthy of a visit in a day with stunning historic quarters. Yet you don't have to travel this far to see some spectacular châteaux with Château de Valencay (60km) within an hours drive, a fascinating castle with splendid gardens as well as other wonderful historic monuments within the region.

Heading south towards the Aquitaine region, the delightful city of Limoges (133km) can be reached in 90 minutes by car where you can visit fine museums and galleries, enjoy the vibrant pavement cafes and marvel in the historical wonders.









Local Amenities

Nearest Village	**(4km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**(4km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**(4.4km)**
Nearest Airport	**Limoges/Poitiers Airport (138km/141km)**
Nearest Town/City	**Chateauroux (20km)**

Nearest Train Station	**Gare de Châteauroux (17km)**
Nearest Golf	**(20km)**

What we love

- The dining room in the cellar, lit by candle-light, is a very special place for a wonderful meal
- If you enjoy fishing you have permission along a 3km stretch of the river and there's a rowing boat you can use
- Six hectares of glorious parkland with tennis court, football pitch, boules, slide as well as a fabulous pool
- Don't miss the market days in historic Châteauroux, just 20km from the manoir
- As well as a wealth of nearby pretty villages and towns to explore, two of the Loire Valley's highlights, Tours and Blois, are within a couple of hours by car
- Advertised rates are for up to 20 guests. The annex building sleeping up to 10 extra guests, is available on request only for an additional charge. Please enquire at the time of booking.

What you should know...

- It's a higgledy-piggledy layout with various levels and wings, adding to its immense charm.
- The swimming pool is open June to the end of September and it can be heated at an additional cost.
- There is direct access to a river at the bottom of the garden.
- 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:** €1000 charged to client's credit card/taken in cash by the owner upon arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.

- **Arrival time:** Between 4.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m.

- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.

- **Energy costs included?:** Extra cost, payable locally. Electricity charged €0.40 per kWh.

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

- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.

- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed. 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 be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner or their property manager. Please note that youth groups (aged 21 and under) are not permitted to rent this property. Cot and high chair available on request.

- **Changeover day:** Friday. All other changeover days on request.

- **End of stay cleaning:** Extra €1200, payable locally. 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?:** Extra cost, payable locally. Oil charged €3 per litre.

- **Pool heating charge?:** Pool heating available on request at an additional cost, payable locally. 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 opening dates?:** The pool is open approximately June to end-September. 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.