

Villa Thais

Region: Aquitaine **Sleeps:** 6

Overview

Surrounded by nature, sand dunes and the Atlantic ocean, this impressive contemporary abode is set amongst the pine trees and welcomes up to 6 guests with its stylish interiors and heated swimming pool, just a short cycle from vast sandy beaches.

Close to the sweeping Landes coastline, with endless cycling and walking trails through the pine forest, Villa Thais enjoys a wonderful location in a domaine only 2.5km from a much-loved seaside village. Flooded with light from its large windows which seamlessly open out to the decked poolside terrace, admire the sense of space, comfort and design across the open-plan lounge and kitchen.

The owners have created a high-end gym with the very best equipment whilst a sauna and wine cellar both add an extra touch of decadence. Meanwhile, each of the three bedrooms feature a king or queen-size double bed and en suite shower room.

Swim along the 12m long heated pool or simply laze back on a sunbed or by the outdoor lounge backed by towering pines. The summer kitchen is the perfect spot for al-fresco meals at any time of day, especially as the sun sets on warm summer evenings.

With the forest on your doorstep, hire bikes and follow the network of forest trails connecting villages, ocean and forest. Within 2.5km you will reach a lovely seaside resort with seasonal restaurants, café-bars, shops, a cinema and even a historic lighthouse with incredible 360-degree views. Around 6km south is the untouched Cap de L'Homme, a magnificent beach surrounded by nature.

Slightly further afield, enjoy nature walks near Mimizan Plage, take boat trips along the Courant d'Huchet and make the most of surfing opportunities around Moliets-et-Maa and Hossegor.

Closer to home, the nearby coast is also popular with surfers whilst canoeing, kayaking and paddle-board enthusiasts can make the most of gentler watersports on the *courant* within a short drive/cycle. Discover horse-riding along the beach, tree-top adventures and many ocean and forest walks – this is a truly remarkable part of south-western France!



Facilities

Walking/Hiking Paths • Air-Con • Fishing • Surfing • Ideal for Kids • Historical Sites • Villa • Private Pool • Cycling • Wow Factor • Ideal for Teens • Walk to Beach • Heated Pool • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Beach

Nearby • Modern • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Parking Space • Pool Safety
Feature • Wi-Fi/Internet • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes •
Coffee Machine • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Hairdryer • Tourist Towns
& Villages • TV • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Gym/Fitness Room •
Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Sauna/Steam • Wine Cellar •
Fenced Grounds

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interiors (220m², two storeys with open-tread stairs)

- Open-plan lounge with sliding windows that open straight out to the decked poolside terrace
- Open-plan kitchen, fully-equipped including dishwasher, oven, kettle, toaster, microwave, blender, fridge-freezer and Nespresso machine
- Bedroom with king-size double bed (180x200cm), TV, doors sliding open to poolside terrace and adjacent bathroom with large shower and sink.

Separate WC

- Bedroom with queen-size double bed (160x200cm), TV, terrace access and adjacent bathroom with large shower and sink
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- Separate WC
- Open-plan gym with high-end equipment, discs, high bars, dumbbells, kettle bells
- Sauna
- Wine cellar

Outside Grounds (1300m²)

- Swimming pool (12x4m, max. depth: 1.7m) which can be heated on request
- Cryotherapy pool
- Poolside terrace with sun beds
- Outdoor kitchen
- Al-fresco dining table and chairs
- Barbecue
- Outdoor lounge
- Fenced grounds
- Parking

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning
- Sauna
- Gym
- Hairdryer
- Ironing facilities
- Washing machine and dryer



Location & Local Information

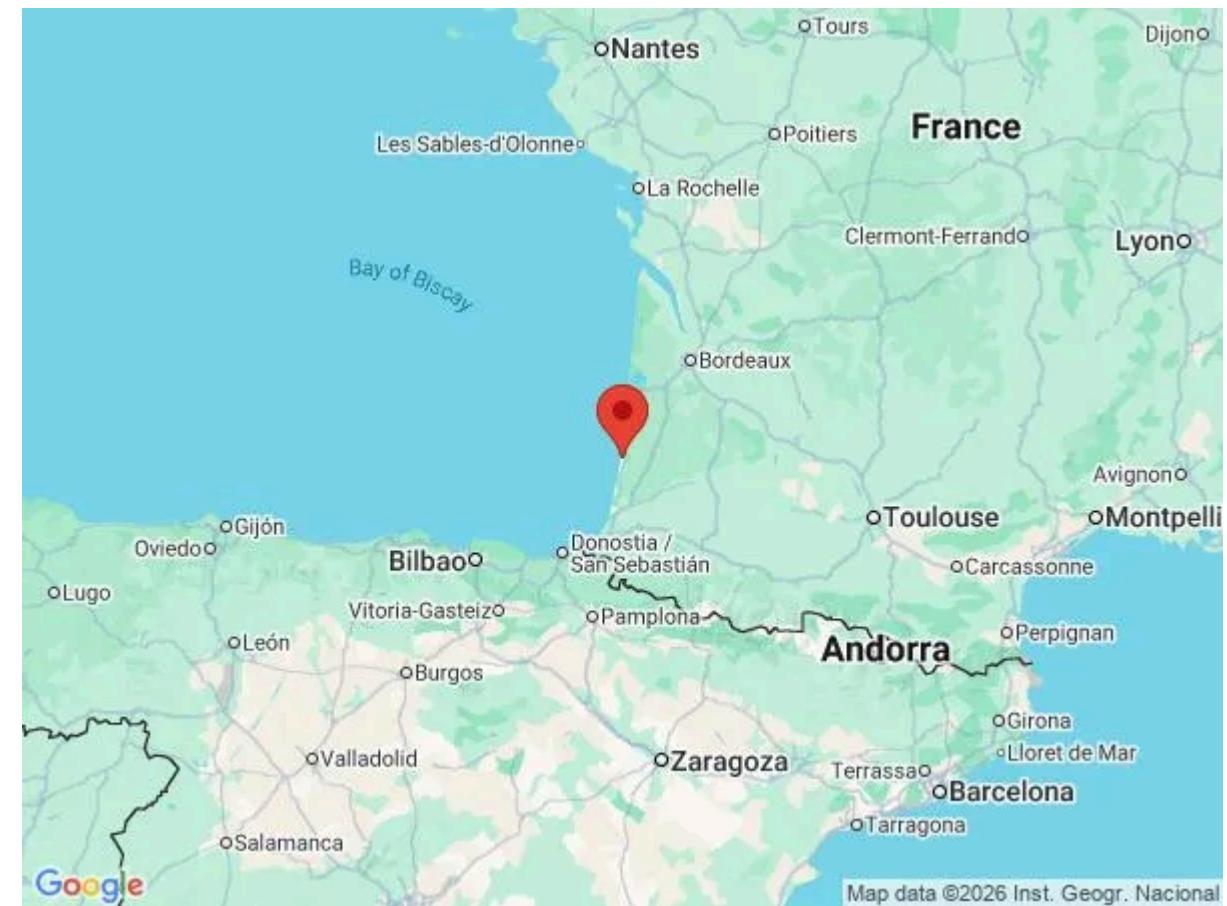
Close to the sweeping beaches and sand dunes of the Landes coastline, Villa Thais is set amongst the pine trees, part of a domaine of contemporary houses in the forest, around a 20-minute drive south of Mimizan. Fly into Biarritz or Bordeaux, take the ferry to Bilbao or the nearest train station is Gare de Morcenx (or Dax which has direct arrivals from Paris).

Surrounded by the forest, it's a short drive or cycle ride along the nearby voie verte and across the Courant de Contis to a small seaside resort around 2.5km away, home to a selection of restaurants, café-bars and shops selling seaside and surfing gear. There is also a café with a bakery for picnics on the beach. In July and August a charming market takes place twice a week selling delicious local produce. The resort even has a characterful cinema where an annual film festival takes place in June and a lighthouse, designated a historic landmark, with incredible 360-degree views.

Collect sea shells, paddle and swim or make the most of the surfing opportunities here. For gentler watersports, look out for canoeing and paddle-boarding by the courant whilst there are also ample hiking and cycling routes through the forest. A horse-riding school and a tree-top adventure centre are both around 4km away – galloping along the beach is quite an experience!

Further south is the smaller resort at Cap de L'Homy (6km), easily reached by bike (and car), again backed by the towering pine forest. Often referred to as one of the Landes coastline's most idyllic spots, the beach and dunes are relatively untouched so your surroundings are beautiful – just sea, sand and forest! It is another popular spot for surfers and other watersport enthusiasts whilst keen walkers can make the most of the gorgeous coastline.

Heading south, discover nature walks, boat trips and water-based activities around Étang de Léon and the Réserve Naturelle du Courant d'Huchet, close to the



much-loved village of Moliets-et-Maa (35km). Hossegor (58km) is a paradise for surfing enthusiasts or continue as far as Biarritz (107km) for a fantastic day out.

Closer to home, the beaches of Mimizan (28km) are stunning and there is a lovely nature trail by the Étang de la Malloueyre. Meanwhile, visit local villages and towns for markets in Saint-Julien-en-Born (10km), Lit-et-Mixe (13km) and Léon (29km) alongside *marchés nocturnes* in the height of the summer including an atmospheric evening market at Saint-Girons Plage (25km) on a Tuesday evening.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Biarritz Airport (103km)
Nearest Airport 2	Bordeaux Airport (125km)
Nearest Ferry Port	Bilbao (256km)
Nearest Train Station	Gare de Morcenx/Dax (36km/55km)
Nearest Village	Local seaside resort (2.5km)
Nearest Restaurant	Local seaside resort (seasonal) (3km)
Nearest Supermarket	(9km)
Nearest Beach	Vast sandy beach (2.5km)
Nearest Town	Mimizan (23km)
Nearest Golf	Golf de Mimizan (28km)
Nearest Tennis	Tennis Lous Seurots (1.5km)

What we love

- A contemporary masterpiece with a gorgeous open-plan living space opening straight out to the decked poolside terrace
- Fantastic features include a gym with high-end equipment and a sauna for moments of relaxation
- Surrounded by magnificent pine forests, hire bikes to cycle along the network of trails to reach wonderful and often remote beaches
- The vast sandy beach nearby is great for surfing, horse-riding or simply watching the sunset with a picnic of local delicacies
- Discover nature walks, tree-top adventures, canoeing and paddle-boarding alongside delightful villages with atmospheric summer markets

What you should know...

- Children are welcome and there are plenty of activities to appeal to families across this wonderful region. Please keep an eye on youngsters on the open-tread stairs and note that the villa does not have a cot or highchair.
- Follow the nearby forest trails to the sand dunes and beaches - they are accessible on foot (around 2.5km away) or hire bikes to fully explore the area.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €4000 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation at the time of balance payment and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 5.00 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 any special events are not allowed.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- **End of stay cleaning available?**: No. €350, payable to the owner via Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment. This is for a standard changeover clean. 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?**: Outside only.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- **Heating costs included?**: Yes.
- **Pool heating charge?**: Included. The pool can reach a temperature of up to 27C. However, please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax is included.
- **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.