Maison Richelieu

Region: France **Sleeps:** 8

Overview

Maison Richelieu is an impeccably restored townhouse offering an elegant retreat in the heart of the historic walled town of Richelieu. With its beautiful façade and refined interiors, this impressive home invites guests to enjoy a rare combination of historic charm and contemporary comfort. Inside, generous rooms unfold with discreet sophistication.

At its heart, a stylish kitchen is fully equipped for entertaining, with a central island, gas range, double fridges and a dedicated wine fridge. The living spaces are thoughtfully designed for both relaxation and connection, whether you're curled up in front of the fire or enjoying movie nights with Netflix and Blu-ray. Upstairs, four beautifully appointed bedrooms each offer their own ensuite bathroom, making this a perfect choice for groups or families seeking both privacy and conviviality.

Step outside into a verdant haven: a large walled garden filled with mature trees, lawns and a dining terrace for lingering al-fresco meals. The pavilion-style pool house promises hours of leisure with a heated indoor pool with French doors opening out to sun loungers in the garden. For those with energy to spare, a well-equipped gym also awaits.

Set within the enchanting town of Richelieu, everything you need is just a short stroll away. Meander through cobbled streets to pick up fresh croissants from the *boulangerie*, browse the twice-weekly market, or savour a glass of Chinon at one of the nearby bistros. Just beyond, the Loire Valley unfurls with its fairy-tale châteaux, vineyards, forested trails and the tranquil Vienne river.

Whether you are exploring local history, cycling between historic towns or simply relaxing in the heated pool and walled garden, Maison Richelieu offers an unforgettable base for your Loire Valley escape.



Facilities

Walk to Village • Pure France • Cycling • Historical Sites • Canoeing/Kayaking • Horse Riding • Exclusive • <1hr to Airport • Walking/Hiking Paths • Ideal for Kids • Recommended • Private Pool • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Wine Tasting • Heated Pool • Ideal for Teens • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Townhouse/Apartment • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • BBQ • On-Street Parking • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Table Tennis • Indoor Games • DVD • Gym/Fitness Room • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Satellite TV • Table Football • Board games • Xbox/Playstation/Wii • Fenced Grounds







Interior & Grounds









Maison Interiors

- Living room with fireplace, UK satellite TV, Netflix, Blu-ray/DVD player and DVD library
- Second living room
- TV room with UK satellite TV, Netflix, PlayStation 3, Blu-ray library and board games
- Dining room
- Kitchen with central preparation and eating island with stools, kitchen well-equipped including gas range, further wall oven and microwave, two dishwashers, double fridges and wine fridge
- Utility room with two washing machines and two dryers
- WC and sink
- Separate shower room with WC, shower and hand basin.

First Floor

- Hallway with seating area
- Bedroom 1 with super king-size double bed and ensuite bath/shower, WC and double sink
- Bedroom 2 with super king-size double bed and ensuite bath/shower, WC and double sinks
- Bedroom 3 with super king-size double bed (or two singles) and ensuite bath/shower, WC and double sinks
- Bedroom 4 with super king-size double bed (or two singles) and ensuite bath/shower, WC and double sinks

Pavillion-style Pool Annexe

- Indoor heated swimming pool (8x3m)
- Shower room with shower, sink and WC
- Doors opening to steps, garden and sun loungers

Gym Annexe

- Gym with running machine, rowing machine, cycling machine, weights bench and weights

Outside Grounds

- Dining terrace with table and chairs
- Barbecue
- Sun loungers and armchairs
- Walled garden with lawn, mature trees and hedges
- Table tennis
- Street parking directly opposite the property

Location & Local Information

In the historic walled town of Richelieu, Maison Richelieu offers guests a privileged base to explore one of the most enchanting corners of the Loire Valley. With its elegant boulevards, symmetrical architecture and leafy parks, Richelieu itself is a delight - steeped in history yet full of local life. Just a few minutes' walk from the house you'll find traditional boulangeries, bustling cafés, a small supermarket, local artisan shops and a twice-weekly market bursting with fresh produce and regional treats.

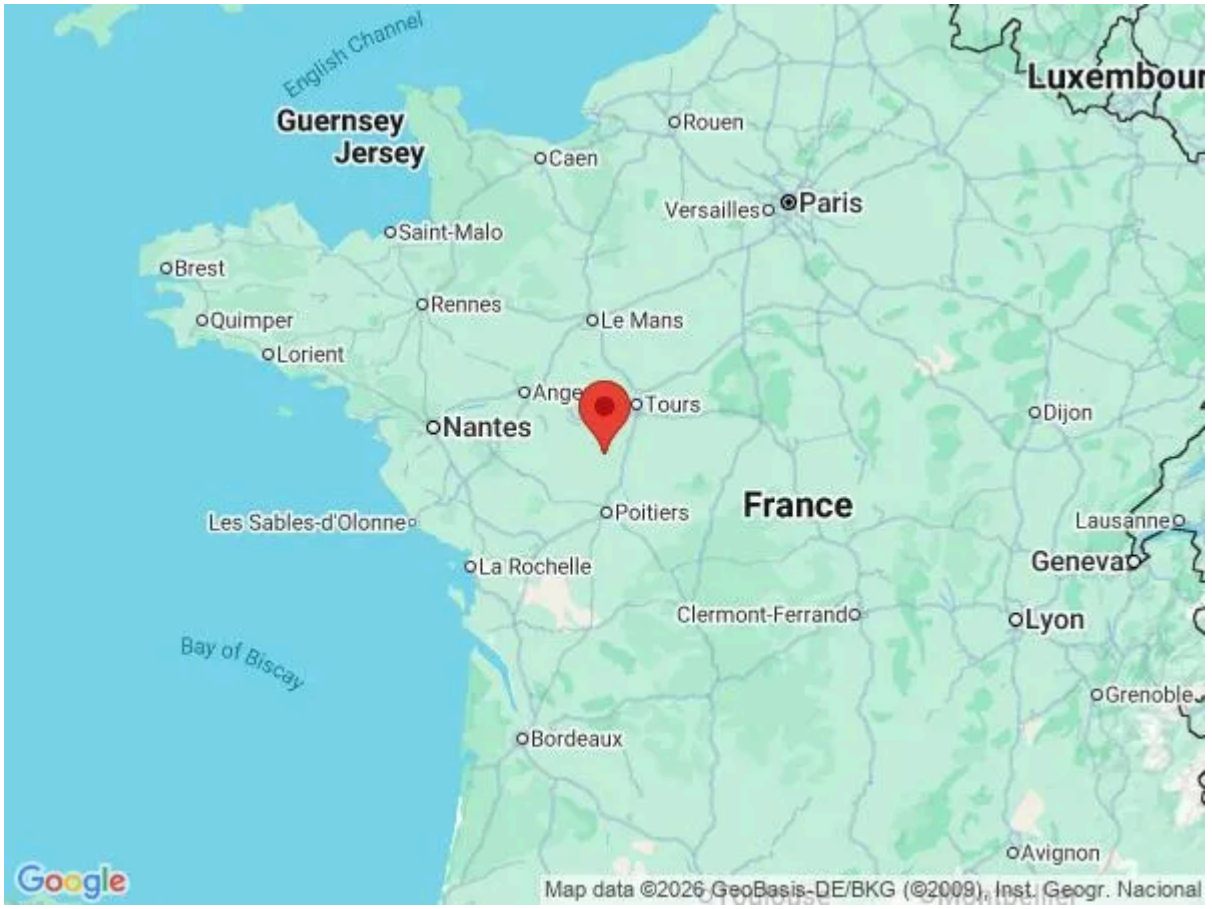
The picturesque town of Chinon is only 20 minutes away, renowned for its rich medieval heritage, atmospheric wine bars and the dramatic fortress that crowns the hilltop. Meander through its narrow lanes, hire a canoe to drift gently down the Vienne River or enjoy wine tastings at renowned local domaines. Keen cyclists note that there is a dedicated cycling path from Richelieu all the way to Chinon.

A little further afield, Saumur (49km) awaits, a captivating town on the Loire known for its beautiful château, riverside views, equestrian heritage and vibrant summer festivals. Its café terraces and cobbled streets make it a perfect day out – make sure you try some of Saumur's famous sparkling white wine.

Nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts will relish the wider region's wealth of open-air pursuits. Cycle routes along the Loire River weave past vineyards, sleepy villages and fairytale castles. Canoeing on the wide, slow-moving waters is equally peaceful and easily arranged on the Loire or Vienne rivers. Golfers will enjoy the relaxed 9-hole course at Saumur or the scenic 18-hole course at Golf de Loudun-Fontevraud (38km), both offering an enjoyable challenge in striking surroundings.

Culture and history abound in this region, with many of the Loire Valley's most celebrated châteaux within easy reach. Highlights include the turreted Château d'Ussé (34km), said to have inspired Sleeping Beauty, and the hauntingly beautiful Royal Abbey of Fontevraud (36km), resting place of Eleanor of Aquitaine, Henry II and Richard the Lionheart. Each site brings a rich tapestry of stories, art and architecture to uncover.

Whether you're drawn to the fine wines, the grand history or the relaxed elegance of town life, Maison Richelieu places it all within effortless reach - an ideal base for soaking up the charm and splendour of this classic French landscape.









Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Tours Val de Loire Airport (66km)**
Nearest Airport 2	**Aéroport de Poitiers-Biard (52km)**
Nearest Airport 3	**Angers – Loire Airport (95km)**

Nearest City	**Tours (64km)**
Nearest City	**Poitiers (67km)**
Nearest Golf	**Golf de Loudun-Fontevraud (37km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Richelieu (250m)**
Nearest Town	**Loudun (18km)**
Nearest Train Station	**Port-de-Piles (26km)**
Nearest Village	**Richelieu (0km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Chaveignes (1.5km)**

What we love

- Stay in an elegantly restored townhouse in the heart of Richelieu's historic walled town.
- Relax in style with four ensuite bedrooms, refined interiors, and a spacious living area with a fireplace and home entertainment
- Enjoy dips in the heated indoor pool and make the most of the fantastic gym
- Unwind in the walled garden with mature trees, a dining terrace and sun loungers
- Stroll to bakeries, bistros and Richelieu's twice-weekly market – the town's charms are right on your doorstep
- A great base for exploring the Loire valley – wonderful day trips include Chinon, Saumur and Fontevraud-l'Abbaye

What you should know...

- Despite the central setting in the heart of a historic town, a car is strongly recommended to be able to fully explore the region – street parking is possible directly opposite the house.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €800 charged to client's credit card by Oliver's Travels 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, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Not allowed.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights.
- **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 payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment.
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes.