Le Malardier

Region: Dordogne **Sleeps:** 12

Overview

Le Malardier is a handsome, detached country home offering rustic comfort in a wonderfully secluded setting. Formerly featured in both The Sunday Times and The Telegraph's Style Magazine, the property has been thoughtfully renovated to retain its character while delivering modern ease. Savour breakfast on the terrace or relax by the pool as the warm Dordogne sun arcs overhead.

Set within private grounds, this expansive family home unfolds across three floors, where original beams, stone walls and graceful proportions create a sense of timeless warmth. Five bedrooms, each with their own character, are spread between the main house and a charming poolside garden annexe, whilst there are four bathrooms (two en suite).

The private, heated pool is the centrepiece of the garden, with a dedicated sun deck, loungers and a summer house for escaping from the sun, poolside reading or evening aperitifs. Meanwhile, guests can play table tennis, boules and badminton on summer days, then gather by the outdoor dining space for barbecues – a relaxed rhythm of life that only the French countryside can offer.

Located just a 10-minute drive from the market town of Ribérac, Le Malardier sits at the heart of a region rich in charm and culture. The nearby village of Verteillac offers local cafés, bakeries and restaurants, while river beaches at Aubeterre and Saint-Aulaye promise warm afternoons swimming and canoeing. Explore Brantôme's canals, stroll the markets at Chalais or Bergerac and enjoy wine tasting and château visits throughout the wider region.

Whether hosting a laid-back summer gathering or seeking a peaceful countryside retreat, Le Malardier is a gem of northern Dordogne.



Facilities

Pure France • Walking/Hiking Paths • Ideal for Kids • Horse Riding • Canoeing/Kayaking • Historical Sites • Cycling • Private Pool • Wine Tasting • Fishing • Villa • Heated Pool • Pets on Request • Ideal for Teens • Parking Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • BBQ • Rural Location • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Table Tennis • Indoor Games • DVD • Dishwasher • Microwave • Outdoor Games • Zoo • Ruins • Water excursions/Boat trips • Forest park/High-rope course • Badminton • Boules/Petanque







Interior & Grounds









House Interiors

- Entrance hall (via old stone steps)
- Living room with wood-burning stove, TV with UK/EU channels, DVD and Wi-Fi internet
- Dining room with door to terrace
- Kitchen with breakfast table, oven and hob, dishwasher, fridge freezer and microwave. Door opens to terrace and garden
- Bedroom 1 (via steps) with double bed, terrace/garden access and ensuite WC, bath, separate shower and twin sinks

First Floor

- Living room
- Bedroom 2 with double bed and ensuite WC, bath and sink
- Bedroom 3 with double bed
- Separate bathroom with WC, bath/shower and sink

Second Floor

- Bedroom 4 (children's bedroom) with four single beds

Poolside Garden House (accessed externally)

- Bedroom 5 with double bed and open ensuite WC, shower and sink

Outside Grounds

- Heated swimming pool (10x5m)
- Poolside sun deck and loungers
- Poolside summerhouse with seating area and open fire
- Shaded dining terrace with barbecue
- Boules, badminton and table tennis
- Fountain
- Utility room (with washing machine and dryer)
- Extensive private grounds including front courtyard and lawned garden
- Private drive and parking

Location & Local Information

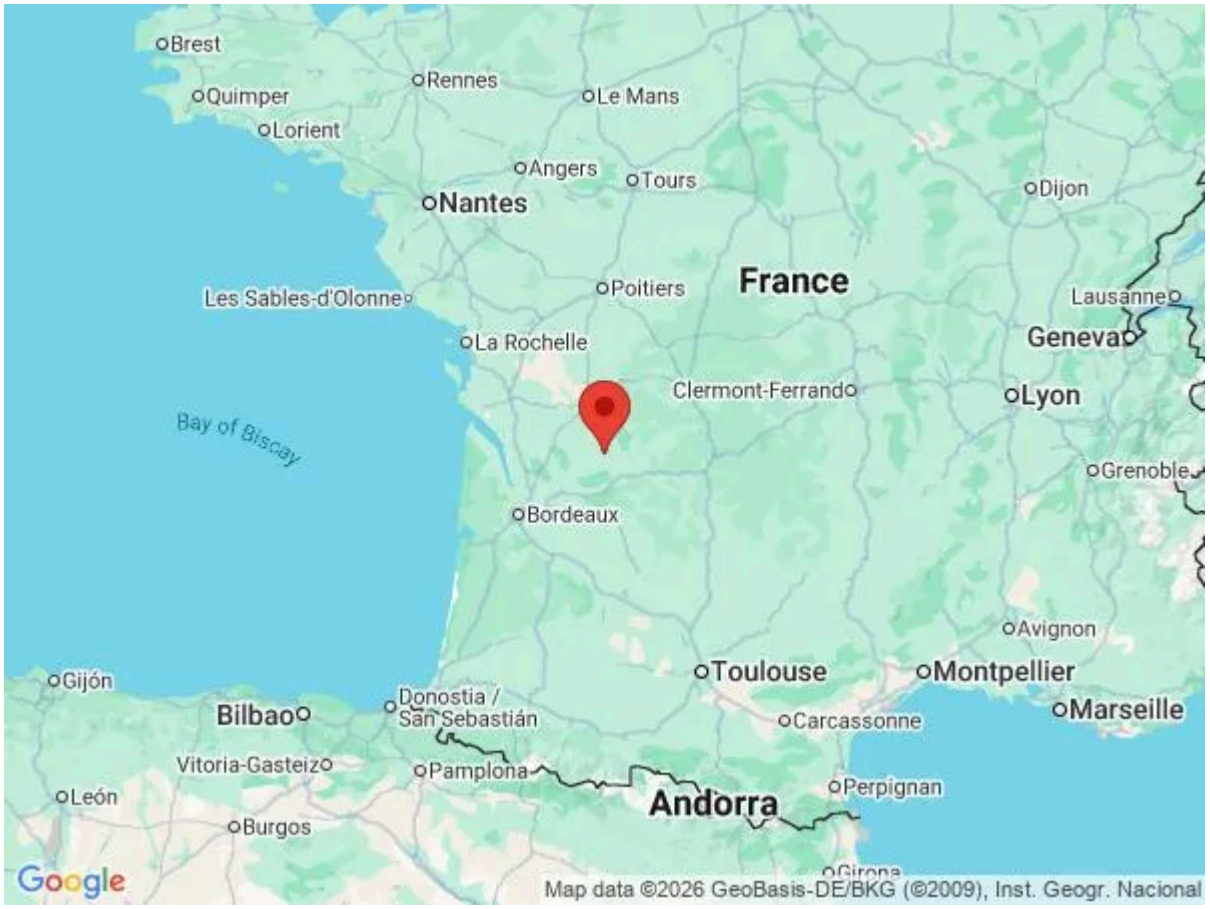
In the beautiful countryside near the tiny village of Bertric-Burée, Le Malardier offers an idyllic base for exploring the Dordogne and Charente regions of southwest France.

Surrounded by gently rolling farmland and sunflower fields, the property is just 10km from the bustling market town of Ribérac, yet feels a world apart in its rural setting. Nearby Verteillac (5km) provides your daily essentials – a traditional bakery, butcher, grocery store and a handful of cafés and restaurants where you can unwind after a day's adventure. Even closer, there is a bakery just 2km away.

Ribérac is a delight to explore, particularly on Friday mornings when the town bursts into life for its renowned market – one of the largest in the area. From fresh produce and local cheeses to artisan crafts and clothing, it's a lively affair not to be missed. Tennis enthusiasts will find public courts here too, open from early till late with excellent value weekly passes. Further south, Le Grand Étang de la Jemaye (25km) offers a family-friendly day out with a lakeside beach, summer supervised swimming, canoe hire, playground and cafes.

For scenic river days, the Dronne delivers. Head to Aubeterre-sur-Dronne (23km) or Saint-Aulaye (28km) for pretty river beaches and charming villages. Aubeterre, officially one of Les Plus Beaux Villages de France, enchants with its white-stone houses, monolithic church and a Sunday farmers' market. Château fans should visit nearby Chalais, where the château looms above the town, or continue to the abbey in Brantôme en Périgord (33km) and the majestic Château de Bourdeilles (23km), with canoeing options all along the Dronne.

When you're ready to roam further afield, a wealth of historic towns awaits. Périgueux (40km) charms with Roman ruins, museums, and the striking Cathédrale Saint-Front, while Bergerac (60km) and Saint-Émilion (78km) offer wine lovers and history buffs plenty to savour. Venture north-west to Cognac (86km) for distillery tours and boat trips along the Charente, or explore the cultural flair and ramparts of Angoulême (51km). Whether you're craving culture, cuisine or calm, Le Malardier places you in the heart of it all.









Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Bergerac Dordogne Périgord Airport (69km)**
Nearest Airport 2	**Limoges Airport (107km)**
Nearest Airport 3	**Brive–Souillac Airport (129km)**
Nearest Airport 3	**Bordeaux Airport (131km)**

Nearest City	**Périgueux (40km)**
Nearest Ferry Port	**Bilbao/Saint-Malo (463km/498km)**
Nearest Golf	**Golf d'Aubeterre (20km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Verteillac (5km)**
Nearest Shop	**Bakery (2km)**
Nearest Town	**Ribérac (10km)**
Nearest Train Station	**Neuvic (30 km)**
Nearest Village	**Verteillac (5km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Small supermarket in Verteillac (5km)**

What we love

- As once featured in both The Sunday Times and The Telegraph's Style Magazine
- Brimming with rustic charm – think exposed beams, stone walls and elegant proportions across three spacious floors
- Soak up the sun beside the private heated pool, complete with loungers and a shaded summerhouse for long summery afternoons
- Close to Verteillac's bakeries and cafés, with river beaches, canoeing and pretty villages also nearby
- Discover Dordogne's best: from Brantôme's canals to vineyard tours and bustling local markets

What you should know...

- There are five bedrooms in the main house (including a children's bedroom with four single beds) and one bedroom in a separate garden house near the swimming pool.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €750 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?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday. All other days on request.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Outside only.
- **Other 2:** Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment.
- **Internet access?:** 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.