

Chateau Du Pic De Rigaud

Region: Midi-Pyrenees **Sleeps:** 9

Overview

Rising proudly above the Aveyron valley, Château du Pic de Rigaud is a masterfully restored 19th-century residence set within ten acres of private grounds. From its elevated position, this refined country retreat commands sweeping views over the treetops to the medieval turrets of Najac's original 13th-century château. Thoughtfully renovated to an exceptional standard, the château pairs period elegance with contemporary comfort, creating a warm, light-filled space for families and groups to gather in style.

Inside, the living areas are generous and welcoming. A traditional kitchen with twin ovens opens onto a dining space, while two spacious lounges invite slow afternoons with a book or film. Upstairs, five individually styled bedrooms sleep up to 9 guests, including two ensuite bedrooms with super king-size beds and a large family bathroom, all arranged to offer privacy and ease. UK television with apple TV, a DVD and Wi-Fi throughout ensure all the practical touches are covered.

Outdoors, the property comes into its own. Wide lawns and mature trees offer seclusion, whilst the château's heated swimming pool can be found in the heart of the grounds beside elegant cypress trees and sun loungers. Long lunches under the covered poolside dining area are the order of the day, with a barbecue and fridge freezer, or simply sit back and admire the views that stretch endlessly across the rolling countryside.

Just a short drive or 1km stroll leads to Najac's pretty village centre, where stone-fronted cafés, a bakery and summer night markets provide a taste of local life. Canoeing and kayaking on the Aveyron River are just minutes away, while horse riding, hiking and cycling routes radiate from the surrounding hills. A little further afield, explore the winding lanes of Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val or stock up at the vibrant markets of Villefranche-de-Rouergue.

Whether you're planning a relaxed family escape or a holiday with friends, Château du Pic de Rigaud offers a refined setting with space to unwind, breathe deep and soak up the slow rhythm of southern France.

Facilities

Washing Machine • Historical Sites • Canoeing/Kayaking • Horse Riding • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Walking/Hiking Paths • Chateaux & Castles • TV • Wine Tasting • BBQ • Golf Nearby • Pure France • Wi-Fi/Internet • DVD • Private Pool • Table Tennis • Walk to Village • Catering Available • Swings • Heated Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Pets on Request • Dishwasher • Microwave • Satellite TV • Parking Space • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities



Interior & Grounds

Château Interiors

- Living room with TV, Apple TV and DVD
- Dining room with table and chairs
- Library
- Kitchen with breakfast table and chairs, well-equipped including hob and two ovens. Rear kitchen with fridge-freezer, microwave and two dishwashers
- Utility room with washing machine and dryer
- WC and sink

First Floor

- Bedroom 1 with super king-size double bed and ensuite WC, bath/shower, separate shower and sink
- Bedroom 2 with two single beds or doubles
- Bedroom 3 with two single beds or doubles
- Bathroom with bath/shower, separate shower and sink
- Separate WC with sink
- Bedroom 4 with super king-size double bed and ensuite WC, shower and sink
- Bedroom 5 with single bed

Outside Grounds (with some steps)

- Heated swimming pool (13x8m)
- Poolside terrace and sun loungers
- Poolside summer kitchen with covered dining area, fridge-freezer and barbecue
- 10 acres of private grounds including courtyard and lawned garden
- Dining terrace with table and chairs
- Table tennis and swings
- Private parking



Location & Local Information

Set amidst the rolling hills of the Aveyron countryside, just 1km from the postcard-worthy village of Najac, Château du Pic de Rigaud enjoys an idyllic yet accessible location in one of south-west France's most captivating regions. From its elevated setting, you're perfectly placed to soak in the beautiful scenery while enjoying rural living, all within easy reach of local life.

The charming village of Najac (1km) offers all the essentials for a relaxed stay: café-bars, restaurants, a bakery and a small grocery store, not to mention the delightful Sunday market and Wednesday night market during the height of the summer, where locals gather in the square to savour regional delicacies with live music and local wines. Climb to the incredible Château de Najac for the most incredible views. No wonder Najac is classified as one of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages'.

Just 5km away, La Fouillade provides further conveniences including a supermarket, pharmacy, and newsagent, while larger shops and services can be found in the bastide town of Villefranche-de-Rouergue, 22km away.

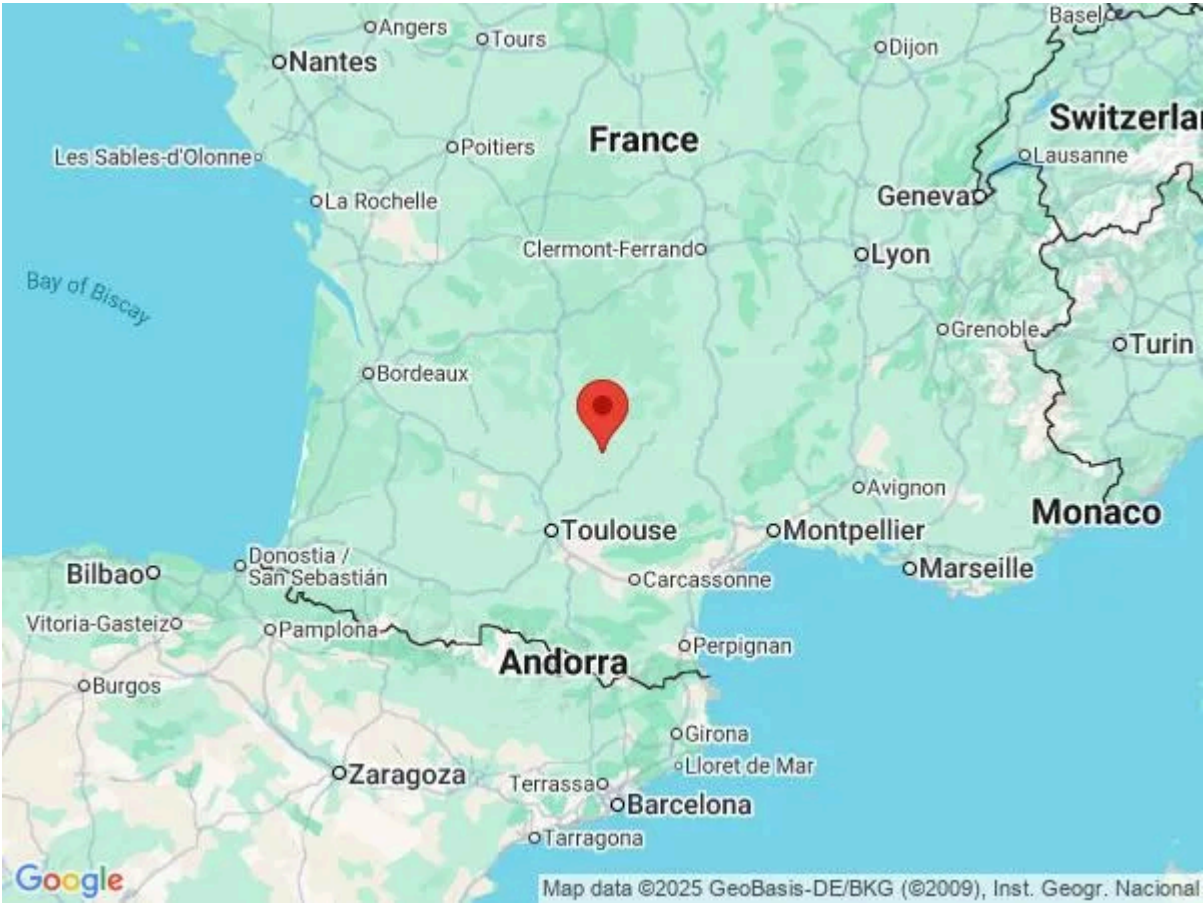
Nature lovers and thrill-seekers alike will relish the wealth of outdoor pursuits on offer. Canoeing and kayaking can be enjoyed just five minutes from the château, while horse-riding is also close by. For walkers and cyclists, the wild beauty of the Gorges de l'Aveyron offers countless trails through dramatic limestone cliffs and ancient woodland, with charming medieval villages such as Penne (38km) and Bruniquel (45km) dotting the river's path. For a taste of regional culture, don't miss a visit to Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val (31km), famed for its vibrant market and artisan crafts, also loved for its incredible watersports and adventurous canoeing opportunities.

Head further south to discover the Tarn's celebrated Golden Triangle – from the hilltop vistas of Cordes-sur-Ciel (30km) to the wine town of Gaillac (53km) and the UNESCO-listed city of Albi (54km), each brimming with historical character and gastronomic flair.

Whether savouring local produce in Najac, exploring medieval market towns or adventuring through river valleys, Château du Pic de Rigaud is your gateway to the timeless beauty and culture of the Aveyron and beyond.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Toulouse-Blagnac Airport (121 km)
Nearest Bar/Pub	Le Faubourg (1 km)
Nearest City	Toulouse (82 km)
Nearest Golf	Golf du Totche (22 km)



Nearest Shop	Najac (1 km)
Nearest Supermarket	La Fouillade (5 km)
Nearest Town	Villefranche-de-Rouergue (22 km)
Nearest Town/City	Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val (30 km)
Nearest Train Station	Najac (1 km)
Nearest Village	La Fouillade (3 km)

What we love

- Commanding hilltop setting with panoramic views over the Aveyron valley and Najac's medieval château
- Elegant interiors blend 19th-century charm with classic comfort across spacious living areas and five inviting bedrooms
- Soak up the sun beside the heated pool, surrounded by cypress trees, wide lawns and tranquillity
- Al-fresco dining is a treat with a covered poolside area, barbecue and fridge for leisurely lunches and cooled drinks
- Just 1km from Najac's charming village centre, with cafés, a bakery and summer night markets
- Adventure awaits with canoeing, hiking, cycling and more in the surrounding countryside

What you should know...

- It's only 1km to the charming village of Najac, and there is a woodland path to the village so you can avoid the road. Although it is not lit at night.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €1000 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:** 5.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pets welcome?:** Yes.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday. All other days on request.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Standard changeover clean included in the price. 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.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment.
- **Internet access?:** Yes.