Lafontade

Region: Dordogne **Sleeps:** 4

Overview

Lafontade is a restored farmhouse that offers a characterful retreat in a great location for exploring both the Lot and Dordogne. A 5km drive brings you to the bustling market town of Gourdon, while back at the holiday home, days unfold slowly beneath the sun, with birdsong overhead and horses grazing in the distance.

The single-storey home has been thoughtfully renovated to retain its rustic and simple warmth, offering two comfortable bedrooms, an open-plan living and kitchen area and easy indoor-outdoor flow through to the garden and terrace. Outside, a large private pool glistens in the sun, flanked by loungers for long afternoons of reading or dozing between swims.

Lafontade holds a few surprises, too. A separate garden house offers a hammam-style Turkish bath, alongside a gym and an extra shower and WC. A covered boules court adds a charming touch of French country living, perfect for mellow evening games.

Just 5 km away, the picturesque town of Gourdon offers all essential amenities, while Sarlat-la-Canéda lies just over half an hour away for a more immersive taste of Périgord's beauty. Known for its medieval streets, vibrant markets and culinary delights, it is the perfect day trip for those seeking atmosphere and culture. The wider region offers canoeing on the Dordogne, prehistoric cave art in Les Eyzies, and breathtaking villages like La Roque-Gageac and Domme.

Whether you're seeking slow mornings by the pool or cultural exploration in one of France's most picturesque corners, Lafontade promises a relaxed and authentic country escape.



Facilities

Walking/Hiking Paths • Pure France • Cycling • Historical Sites • <1hr to Airport • Private Pool • Wine Tasting • Pets on Request • Parking Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • BBQ • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Gym/Fitness Room • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Caretaker/Owner on Site • Boules/Petanque







Interior & Grounds

House Interiors (one level with some steps)

- Open-plan living and dining area with corner sofa, dining table, TV and Wi-Fi internet. Door opens to terrace and garden
- Open-plan side kitchen, well-equipped including dishwasher, fridge freezer, microwave, hob and oven
- Bedroom 1 with double bed
- Bedroom 2 with two single beds
- Shower room with WC, shower and sink

Additional accommodation for two further guests available on request

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (12x6m, depth: 1.1-2.2m) with Roman steps
- Poolside terrace and sun loungers
- Dining terrace with barbecue
- Garden house with Turkish bath, washing machine and dryer, separate shower and WC
- Covered boules court
- Gym room
- Private parking for several cars
- Extensive grounds (37 acres) with rough grassed areas surrounded by woods









Location & Local Information

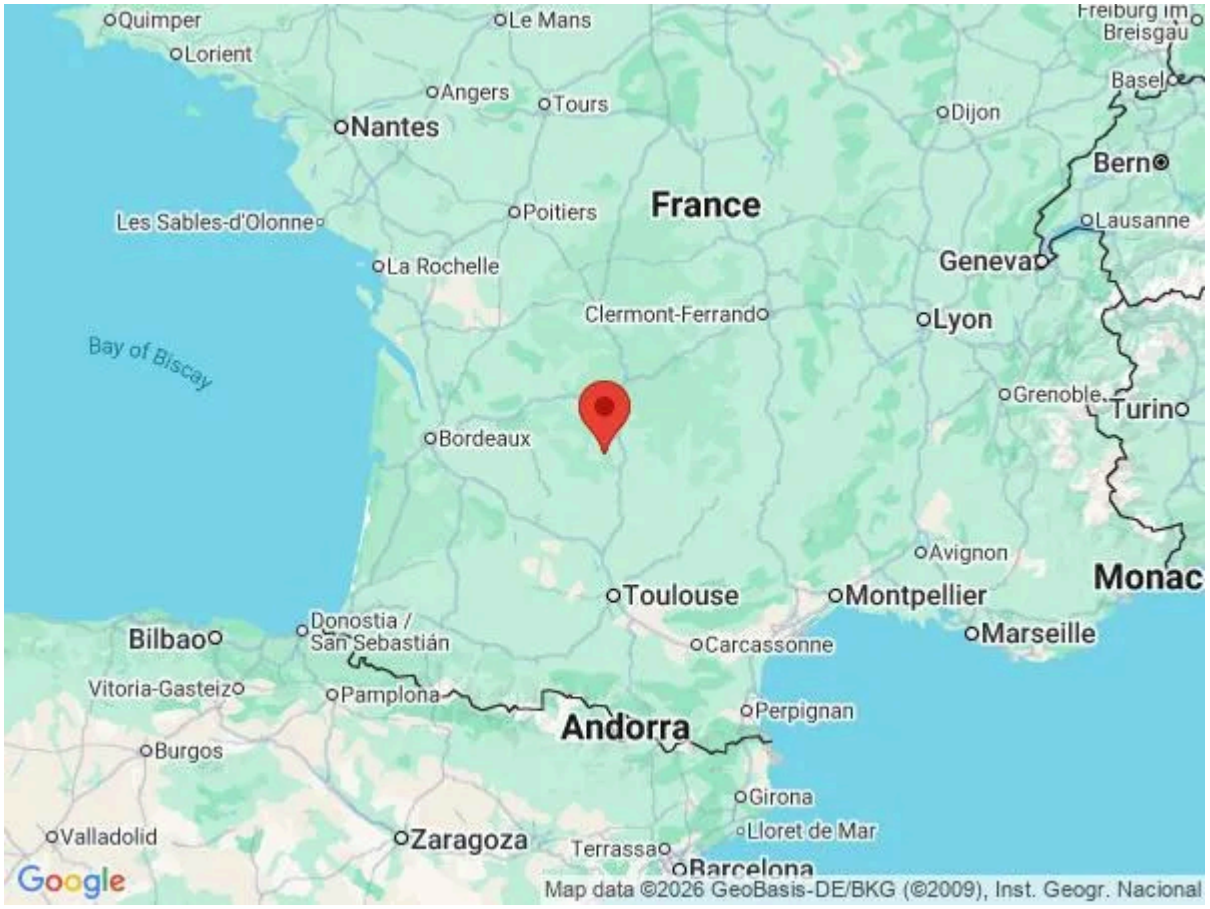
Set in the rural countryside just 5km from the medieval market town of Gourdon, Lafontade is ideally placed for exploring the very best of the Dordogne and Lot valleys. Rolling hills, limestone cliffs and oak-dotted landscapes stretch in every direction, offering a richly rewarding base for your holiday. Whether you're seeking riverside adventure, picturesque villages or centuries of history carved into stone, this location delivers it all.

Begin with a stroll through nearby Gourdon (5km), where cobbled streets lead to traditional shops, cafés and restaurants nestled beneath honey-coloured stone buildings. Crossing across the Dordogne border, Sarlat-la-Canéda (27km) is a jewel of the Périgord Noir. Its beautifully preserved 15th- and 16th-century architecture, bustling Saturday market and thriving culinary scene make it a must-visit. The town is a lively cultural hub, perfect for an afternoon of discovery and dining.

Follow the winding Dordogne River to uncover a series of breath-taking destinations. Canoeing beneath the sheer cliffs of La Roque-Gageac (24km), voted one of France's prettiest villages, is a highlight for many, while the nearby clifftop bastide of Domme (16km) offers panoramic views over the valley below. Grand châteaux line the river's banks, with Château de Castelnaud and Château des Milandes (once home to Josephine Baker) offering fascinating glimpses into the region's storied past.

For those drawn to spiritual and natural wonders, the pilgrimage site of Rocamadour (35km), dramatically built into a cliffside, is just over half an hour. A little further lies the Gouffre de Padirac (52km), an awe-inspiring cave system that opens with a vast chasm and features an underground river you can explore by boat.

Prehistoric wonders await too - Les Eyzies (47km) and the nearby Lascaux cave complex (52km) house some of the world's most remarkable early artworks, set in a landscape of remarkable natural beauty.









Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Brive–Souillac Airport (55km)**
Nearest Airport 2	**Bergerac Dordogne Périgord Airport (89km)**
Nearest Airport 3	**Toulouse-Blagnac Airport (150km)**
Nearest City	**Toulouse (150km)**
Nearest Golf	**Souillac Golf & Country Club (43km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Gourdon (7km)**

Nearest Town	**Gourdon (6km)**
Nearest Train Station	**Gourdon (7km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Gourdon (4km)**

What we love

- Unwind in rustic charm at this thoughtfully restored farmhouse, complete with a spacious garden and sunny terrace
- Cool off in the large private pool, then relax on a lounger with birdsong and rural views all around
- Indulge in the garden house's hammam-style Turkish bath, or squeeze in a workout in the on-site gym
- Just 5km away, discover Gourdon's lively markets, shops and restaurants, and venture further afield to spend the day in Rocamadour
- You are also well located for exploring Sarlat-la-Canéda, the Dordogne River and enchanting villages like Domme and La Roque-Gageac

What you should know...

- The owners live on site in private and independent accommodation. They also have two horses that graze the extensive grounds (beyond the perimeter of the house).

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €500 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:** Flexible.

- **End of stay cleaning:** 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?:** Not allowed.

- **Minimum stay:** 3 nights.

- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.

- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment.

- **Pool towels included?:** Not included.

- **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.