Chateau La Noraye

Region: France **Sleeps:** 17

Overview

In heart of the Loire Valley's vineyards, Château La Noraye is an exquisite 16th and 17th-century estate where traditional architecture meets modern refinement.

Painstakingly restored over nearly a decade, this grand château now offers the highest standard of accommodation across three expansive floors, with eight elegant bedrooms and bathrooms designed for complete comfort and privacy. Framed by a hectare of private parkland, its wide lawns, shaded dining spots and sweeping views over the surrounding vines invite guests to relax in splendour.

Inside, the living spaces are generous and beautifully appointed. Mornings begin in a traditional kitchen with its garden doors flung open to the fresh country air. Days unfold between long lunches in the dappled light, playing table tennis in the games room and film nights in the vast light-filled living and dining room. The TV lounge is another welcoming space – the interiors have been thoughtfully designed for both large family stays and grown-up retreats.

Across the top two floors, eight gorgeous bedrooms await, each one with its own private bath or shower room (almost all en suite). Expect beautiful windows framing the verdant views on the first level and wood-beamed sloping ceilings adding to the château's charm and character on the second floor.

The private heated pool, stretching 20 metres, sits centre stage in the garden and is flanked by loungers and a shaded terrace for poolside dining. Whether lingering over local delicacies grilled on the Weber barbecue or sampling the estate's own organic wines, every detail speaks to ease and indulgence. Babysitting, chef services and housekeeping can all be arranged on request, allowing guests to settle into a fully catered rhythm if they choose.

Set within a 29-hectare organic wine estate just a 10-minute drive from Bourgueil, Château La Noraye offers privileged access to an enchanting slice of the Loire. Enjoy wine tastings on site, then explore the region's legendary châteaux, riverside villages, and markets. The cultural treasures of Chinon, Saumur, and Tours are all within easy reach, while the nearby Loire River invites gentle kayaking or boat trips past incredible scenery and storybook castles.

Whether gathering for wine-tasting or simply reconnecting with family and friends, Château La Noraye promises a stay defined by space, style and understated grandeur in the very heart of the Loire valley.









Facilities

Air-Con • Ideal for Kids • Walking/Hiking Paths • <1hr to Airport • Private Pool • Wine Tasting • Horse Riding • Fishing • Watersports • Canoeing/Kayaking • Historical Sites • Cycling • Boat Trips • Chateaux & Castles • Pure France • Chef/Cook Available • Ideal for Teens • Maid Service Available • Cots (Cribs) • Heated Pool • Parking Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • BBQ • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Table Tennis • Games Room • DVD • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Heating • Zoo • Wine-Tasting Available • Forest park/High-rope course • Babysitting Available • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds









Château Interiors

- Entrance
- Living and dining room with armchairs, wide-screen cinema, dining tables and doors opening to garden
- Kitchen with fireplace and dining table, well-equipped including fridge-freezer, steam and electric ovens, hob and dishwasher. Doors open to front and rear garden
- TV lounge with 55" Flatscreen TV (international Sat TV), DVD player and Wi-Fi
- Utility room with fridge-freezer, washing machine and dryer
- Separate WC
- Air-conditioning featured in all bedrooms

Upstairs (via separate staircase)

- Games room with table tennis and Wi-Fi

First Floor (via main old stone staircase)

- Bedroom 1 with double bed (or two singles) and en suite bathroom with WC, bath/shower, separate shower and sink
- Bedroom 2 with double bed (or two singles), additional single bed and en suite shower room with WC, shower and sink
- Bedroom 3 with double bed (or two singles) and en suite shower room with WC, shower and sink

Second Floor Wing (just before you arrive on the second floor)

- Bedroom 4 (suite) with double bed, seating area and ensuite bathroom WC, bath, separate shower and sink

Second Floor (sloping/low ceilings)

- Bedroom 5 (via steep steps) with double bed
- Shower room with shower, sink and WC
- Bedroom 6 with double bed and ensuite shower room with WC, shower and sink
- Bedroom 7 with double bed and ensuite shower room with WC, shower and sink
- Bedroom 8 with double bed (or two singles) and en suite bathroom with WC, bath/shower and sink

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (20x5m) open approximately end-April to end-October. Pool heating approximately end-May to end-September (pool heating subject to a supplement at other times)
- Poolside sun loungers and shaded dining terrace
- Poolside bathroom with shower, WC and additional outdoor shower
- Weber charcoal barbecue
- Dining table and chairs under the trees
- 1 hectare of grounds/gardens
- Organic vegetable garden
- Chickens and beehives (within the estate)
- Parking

Location & Local Information

Set within a 29-hectare organic wine estate, this exceptional château offers a stunning retreat in the heart of the Loire Valley's celebrated wine country. Set in open countryside just 7.5km from the market town of Bourgueil, guests are perfectly placed to enjoy the timeless beauty, historic grandeur and leisurely pleasures of this iconic region.

Bourgueil itself provides all essential amenities, including a well-stocked supermarket, a selection of restaurants and numerous opportunities to sample the area's renowned red wines.

A wealth of day trips lies within easy reach. Château La Noraye sits almost equidistant between Saumur (33km) and Tours (44km) offering access to elegant streetscapes, châteaux, markets and cultural events. Explore the atmospheric streets of Chinon (26km) where you'll find characterful wine bars and canoeing along the Vienne.

Closer to home, venture out on two wheels via the Loire à Vélo cycle route, or take to the water with a relaxed gabarre cruise or kayak trip along the river near Candes-Saint-Martin (20km), one of France's most beautiful villages with its picture-perfect setting where the Loire and Vienne rivers meet.

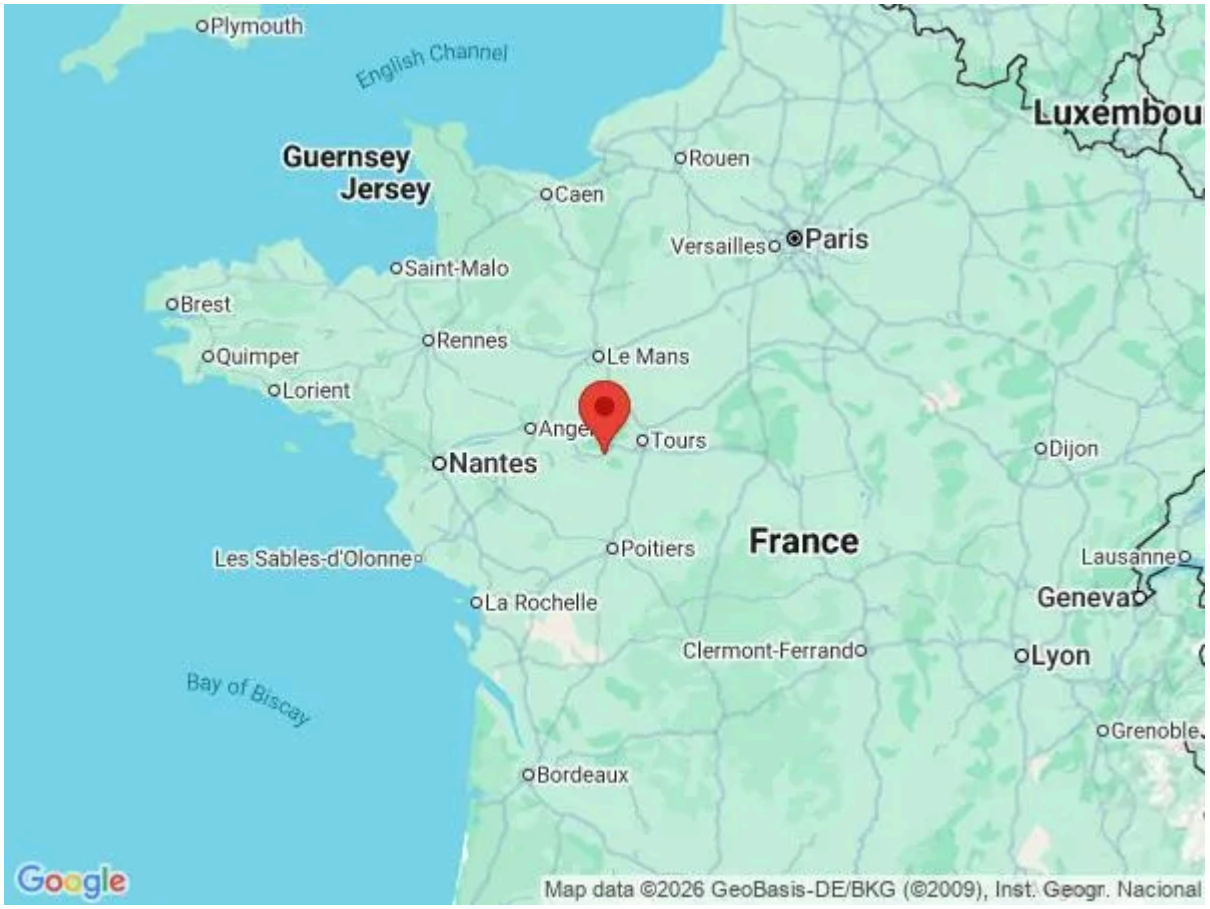
Discover the regal elegance of the Loire's most beloved châteaux from Villandry (25km), with its formal Renaissance gardens, to Château d'Azay-le-Rideau (24km), an architectural jewel rising from the water. Amboise and the Clos Lucé (Leonardo da Vinci's final residence) can be reached in about an hour, while the fairy-tale Château de Chenonceau (70km) and magnificent Château de Chambord (124km) are within 60 to 90 minutes' drive.

No visit would be complete without exploring the UNESCO-listed Fontevraud Abbey (26km), one of Europe's largest surviving monastic complexes.

Whether sipping wine on the organic estate, cycling by the river or discovering the history and charm of the Loire's treasures, this enchanting location promises the perfect blend of relaxation and discovery.

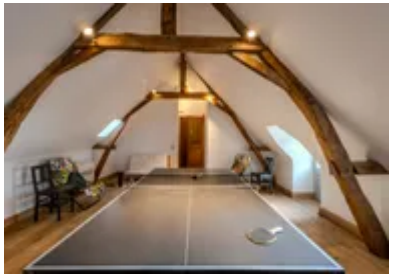
Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Tours Val de Loire Airport (53km)**
Nearest Airport 2	**Angers – Loire Airport (66km)**
Nearest City	**Tours (44km)**
Nearest Ferry Port	**Saint-Malo (275km)**
Nearest Golf	**Golf de Loudun-Fontevraud (28km)**









Nearest Restaurant	**Bourgueil (7.5km)**
Nearest Shop	**Bourgueil (7.5km)**
Nearest Town	**Chinon (26km)**
Nearest Train Station	**La Chapelle-sur-Loire (7km)**
Nearest Village	**Bourgueil (7.5km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Bourgueil (9km)**

What we love

- Set amid a vast organic wine estate between Tours and Saumur, this beautifully restored château blends 16th-century charm with refined modern living
- The bedrooms are simply beautiful and they all feature air-conditioning as well as their own bath or shower room, mostly en suite
- Unwind by the 20-metre heated pool and gather for al-fresco meals on the shaded terrace
- Enjoy wine tastings on site and sample the estate's own organic vintages
- Experience the Loire River by canoe or hire bikes to follow the iconic Loire à Vélo cycle route
- Exceptional day trips include Chinon, Fontevraud-l'Abbaye and the many grand châteaux of the Loire valley

What you should know...

- Part of an organic wine estate and working vineyard, wine-tasting is possible at the on-site shop within the domaine.
- If you are seeking additional space, there are three high-quality barn conversions next to the chateau, sleeping an additional 8 guests in total – please ask for pricing and further information.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €1500 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?:** Not allowed.

- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.

- **Changeover day:** Friday in high season. Flexible during all other periods.

- **Smoking Allowed?:** Not allowed.

- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights.

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

- **Pool heating charge?:** Pool heating included from end-May to end-September. Out of season pool heating available on request, subject to additional cost of €500, payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment. 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.

- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open from approximately end-April to end-October. 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.