

Chateau Salettes

Region: Midi-Pyrenees Sleeps: 14

Overview

Beyond the graceful curve of the entrance pathways, Château Salettes rises amid mature trees and manicured lawns, its honey-hued stone walls whispering stories from the 17th century. Fully renovated yet faithful to its historic roots, this majestic estate offers a beautiful escape for up to 14 guests, where elegance and contemporary comfort are seamlessly woven together.

Inside, seven ensuite bedrooms blend clean-lined sophistication with heritage details. Expect parquet flooring underfoot and bathrooms finished with flair (four bedrooms also feature air-conditioning). A gym equipped with everything from a rowing machine to free weights offers a chance to energise each morning, while bright, sociable spaces such as the expansive kitchen and light-filled dining area open out into the gardens.

Outside, life takes on a slower rhythm. Mornings begin with coffee on the breakfast terrace. The day unfolds between swims in the sculpted, kidney-shaped pool and leisurely lunches on the dining terrace. As evening falls, the brasero seating area calls for local wine and conversation beneath the stars.

Set in a tiny village in the Pyrénées-Atlantiques region of Nouvelle-Aquitaine, close to the Haute-Pyrénées border, the château lies just ten minutes by car from Lembeye, a fortified bastide village where you'll find all the essentials from boulangerie to small supermarket. The beautiful town of Pau, half an hour away, is perfect for day trips, with elegant boulevards, historic cafés and a panoramic promenade overlooking the snow-capped peaks. Discover the birthplace of Henri IV, explore medieval castles, or venture further to the Pyrénées National Park for hiking, rafting, or simply absorbing the raw grandeur of the mountains.



Whether gathering with family for a summer reunion or sharing relaxed dinners with friends, Château Salettes offers a timeless setting for connection, comfort and discovery.

Facilities

Ideal for Kids • Historical Sites • Canoeing/Kayaking • Horse Riding • Walking/Hiking Paths • Walk to Village • Tennis Nearby • Chateaux & Castles • Private Pool • Wine Tasting • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Pure France • Ideal for Teens • All Bedrooms En-Suite • <1hr to Airport • Parking Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Gym/Fitness Room • Dishwasher • Microwave • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Climbing • Rafting • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers

Interior & Grounds

Château Interiors

- Entrance hallway with fireplace
- Living room with sofas, armchairs and Wi-Fi
- Dining room with two tables and chairs. Doors open to garden
- Kitchen, well-equipped with island, oven and hob, microwave, American-style fridge-freezer, dishwasher, orange juice maker and washing machine. Door leads to garden terrace with two breakfast tables and chairs
- Gym with exercise bike, elliptical trainer, rowing machine, bench and weights

First Floor

- Master bedroom 1 with king-size double bed and ensuite bathroom with bath/shower, separate shower, sink and WC
- Bedroom 2 with king-size double bed and ensuite bathroom with shower, sink and WC
- Bedroom 3 with king-size double bed, air-conditioning and ensuite bathroom with shower, sink and WC
- Bedroom 4 with king-size double bed, air-conditioning and ensuite bathroom with bath/shower, twin sinks and WC
- Bedroom 5 with four-poster king-size double bed, air-conditioning and ensuite bathroom with shower, sink and WC

Second Floor (sloping ceilings/wood beams)

- Bedroom 6 with king-size double bed and ensuite bathroom with bath/shower, sink and WC
- Bedroom 7 with king-size double bed, air-conditioning and ensuite bathroom with shower, sink and WC

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (feature kidney-shape, approx. 10x6m)
- Stone poolside terrace with sun loungers
- Raised platform (overlooking pool area below) with chairs
- Al-fresco dining area with large table and chairs
- Breakfast area with two tables and chairs (off the kitchen)
- Seating area with brasero
- Landscaped gardens with lawns, trees, plants and flowers
- Sequoia woodland
- Off-road parking (several cars)



Location & Local Information

In the Pyrénées-Atlantiques department of southwestern France, close to the Haute-Pyrénées border, this 17th century château enjoys a picturesque location in a small village around a 10-minute drive from Lembeye and 26km from the beautiful town of Pau.

This authentic region of France offers an enticing blend of bucolic charm and cultural richness, all set against the breathtaking backdrop of the Pyrénées. Nearby Lembeye (10km) provides all essential amenities including a bakery, small supermarket, restaurants, a pharmacy and a traditional bar. It's lovely to stroll around the fortified village and there are some wonderful walks and vineyard tours close to the village.

Adventurers and heritage seekers alike will find much to explore nearby. The medieval Château de Montaner (18km) is a striking fortress steeped in regional history. For horse-riding, head to the nearby equestrian centre in Saint-Laurent-Bretagne (7km). Families can enjoy Pau's Aquasport Park (27km), complete with rafting, airboat rides, and a play park for younger children, or relax by the shores of Lac d'Aressy (29km) near the Ousse River.

Meanwhile, Pau itself offers the vibrancy of a city with the soul of a spa town. Stroll the iconic Boulevard des Pyrénées, visit the birthplace of King Henri IV, now a museum with Renaissance gardens and the historic Money Tower, or explore the fine art and Resistance museums.

In the other direction, Tarbes, (35km) is a lively town nestled at the foot of the Pyrénées, offering a delightful blend of heritage and culture. Known for its elegant boulevards and tree-lined squares, it boasts a charming historic centre with vibrant markets, cosy cafés and traditional brasseries. Highlights include the impressive Massey Garden – home to the Musée Massey with its fascinating military and fine art collections – and the striking National Stud, where visitors can learn about the town's equestrian legacy. With its relaxed atmosphere and scenic setting, Tarbes is a wonderful destination for a leisurely day out.

Outdoor enthusiasts will relish the proximity to the Pyrénées National Park where dramatic cirques, karst valleys and crystal-clear lakes await. Spot chamois in the wild or take in unforgettable views from the famous Pic du Midi, around a 90-minute drive from your historic château.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Pau-Pyrenees Airport (28km)
Nearest Airport 2	Tarbes-Lourdes-Pyrénées Airport (37km)
Nearest Airport 3	Biarritz Airport (141km)
Nearest City	Pau (26km)



Nearest Ferry Port	Bilbao (294km)
Nearest Golf	Pau Golf Club (28km)
Nearest Restaurant	Lembeye (10km)
Nearest Shop	Lembeye (10km)
Nearest Supermarket	Carrefour Contact (11km)
Nearest Train Station	Pau (26km)
Nearest Village	Anoye (0km)

What we love

- This elegant 17th-century château blends historic charm with modern comfort across seven stylish ensuite bedrooms
- Curved pathways through the beautiful grounds lead to the swimming pool with its stone terrace and sun loungers
- Dine al-fresco beneath the dappled shade of the trees, followed by long summer evenings on the brasero terrace with local wine and good conversation
- Drive to the nearby fortified village of Lembeye for fresh bread and groceries whilst the beautiful town of Pau is only half an hour away
- Outdoor lovers can venture to the Pyrénées National Park with its hiking trails and dramatic scenery

What you should know...

- Air-conditioning is only featured in four bedrooms – please see the “Layout” tab for details.

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:** 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:** Air-conditioning is only featured in four bedrooms – please see the "Layout" tab for details. Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday in July and August. Flexible during all other periods.
- **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?:** 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.