Chateau Des Daims

Region: Rhone-Alpes **Sleeps:** 12

Overview

Beyond the wrought-iron gates and along a pebbled driveway lined with towering trees, Château Des Daims reveals itself in all its Belle Époque glory. Set within 20 acres of parkland, this late 19th-century château is an elegant expression of French heritage. The estate is laced with woodland and trails, also home to a protected herd of deer that roam gently across the grounds.

Originally commissioned by the Renaud family, wealthy Parisians enchanted by the spa culture of nearby Vichy, the château was designed by a celebrated French architect. His signature style can be seen in every detail, from the ornate chimney crests to the refined symmetry of the façades. The interiors have been sensitively restored, honouring the spirit of the Belle Époque while introducing modern comforts. Each of the six bedrooms offers a distinct character, with graceful décor, king-size double beds and quality linens, most with private or adjoining bathrooms with freestanding baths and walk-in showers.

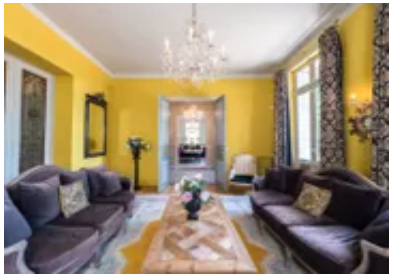
Days on the estate drift between languid walks, mornings by the lake or simply watching deer graze in dappled light. A private running trail weaves around the grounds, while the moat and woodland bring a fairytale quality to daily life.

Just 15km away lies the graceful spa town of Vichy, once favoured by Napoleon III and now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Belle Époque facades, therapeutic springs, riverside promenades and bustling markets offer a rich contrast to the seclusion of the château's parkland. Across the area, discover medieval villages like Charroux and Châteldon, kayak down the Allier River or enjoy a gastronomic journey through Michelin-starred dining.

For Château Des Daims' current owners, it was love at first









sight when they saw their new home for the first moment and now they invite discerning guests to share in its magic. Whether marking a special occasion or simply seeking rest among nature and history, this romantic French château promises a beautiful and elegant stay.

Facilities

Romantic • Weddings • Walk to Village • Walking/Hiking Paths • Ideal for Kids • Chateaux & Castles • Horse Riding • Cycling • Canoeing/Kayaking • Historical Sites • Fishing • Wine Tasting • Pets on Request • Ideal for Teens • Marquee Hire Permitted • Chef/Cook Available • Outdoor Ceremony • Flexible Catering Options • Heritage Collection • Wi-Fi/Internet • Allow External Caterers • BBQ • Indoor Reception Available • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Garage • Indoor Games • Bicycles Provided • Smart TV • Wine Cellar • Heating • Cooking Classes Available • Yoga Classes Available • Wine-Tasting Available • Forest park/High-rope course • Board games • Children's books • Swings • Slide • Climbing frame

Interior & Grounds

Château Interiors

Main Floor

- Foyer
- Formal living room
- Formal dining room
- Family room with Smart TV
- Modern kitchen
- Corner tower room with small chapel
- Second corner tower room
- WC
- Back door and stairs to *cave*

First Floor

- Landing
- Bedroom 1 (in front of landing) with king-size double bed
- Bedroom 2 (along left corridor) with king-size double bed, large closet and tower room. Bathroom with freestanding bath, walk-in shower and two sinks
- Bedroom 3 (along right corridor) with king-size double bed and clothes storage
- Bedroom 4 (along right corridor) with king-size double bed, clothes storage and tower room with writing desk
- Jack n Jill en suite bathroom (accessed by bedrooms 3 and 4)
- WC

Second Floor

- Landing
- Bedroom 5 (to left of landing) with king-size double bed and corner tower room with coffee service. En suite bathroom with freestanding bath and walk-in shower (bathroom can also be accessed from corridor)
- Linen room
- Bedroom 6 (to right of landing) with king-size double bed, large writing desk and small tower room. Connects to small bedroom with a sofa-bed for young children. En suite bathroom with heated flooring, walk-in shower and freestanding bath
- WC

Basement /Sous-sol

- *Cave* with wine storage (public and private) and area for wine-tasting or meals
- Laundry facilities
- Storage

Outside Grounds (8.5-hectare property)

- Barbecue
- Play structure for children with swings, slide and climbing
- Bikes (x2)
- Fountain
- Small lake and moat
- Walking/jogging path around the property
- Woodland (with 11 resident deer that roam naturally over 4 hectares)









- Parking garage
- Fully fenced and gated grounds

Additional Facilities

- Wi-Fi (indoors only, excluding basement/cave)

Location & Local Information

Located in a small rural village near Vichy, Château Des Daims is a private estate set across 20 acres of parkland and woodland, complete with its own moat and lake. Within the gated grounds, protected deer roam freely in woodland, offering guests the magical experience of watching wildlife in its natural habitat.

A *boulangerie* and grocery store are around 800m away – you can walk (along a typical country road, no pavement) or cycle. For a greater choice of amenities, Saint-Germain-des-Fossés (7km) is a short drive with its large supermarket and train station with departures towards Moulins, Nevers, Bourges and Lyon.

Just 15km from the château, Vichy is a jewel of the Auvergne region, renowned for its therapeutic hot springs, elegant architecture and rich history. Once favoured by Napoleon III and European aristocracy, this graceful spa town is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site, celebrated as one of the "Great Spa Towns of Europe." Visitors can unwind in the town's renowned thermal baths, where mineral-rich waters have been offering rejuvenation since Roman times. Beyond wellness, Vichy enchants with its Belle Époque and Art Deco buildings, tranquil parks, riverside promenades and lively markets.

Elsewhere, discover hidden gems such as Charroux (34km), one of the "*Plus Beaux Villages de France*", and Châteldon (33km), famed for its mineral water and medieval charm. The historic city of Moulins (50km) offers another layer of cultural richness, with museums, cathedrals and a well-preserved old town to wander.

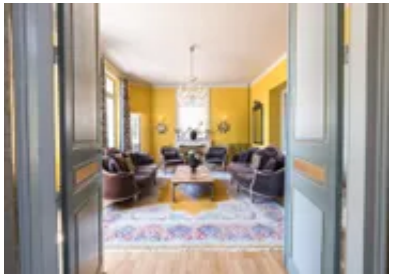
To elevate your stay, indulge in regional cuisine and fine wines. Sample Sancerre and Burgundy vintages, or reserve a table at one of the region's Michelin-starred restaurants: from nearby Auberge du Pont (8km) in Billy or L'Écrin de Marlène (15km) in Vichy to the legendary Troisgros (58km) near Roanne, each offering a distinct taste of local gastronomy.

Outdoor adventure is also never far. Glide down the Allier River on a kayak or paddleboard, or explore woodland trails and waterfalls on foot. Golfers can tee off at a renowned course near Vichy, surrounded by scenic countryside. The landscapes of the wider Auvergne region, with its forests, gorges and ancient volcanic lakes, invite peaceful hikes, wildlife spotting and moments of quiet reflection.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Lyon Airport (179km)**
Nearest Airport 2	**Limoges Airport (241km)**
Nearest City	**Clermont-Ferrand (70km)**









Nearest Ferry Port	**Le Havre (545km)**
Nearest Golf	**Golf Vichy Forest of Montpensier (24km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Saint-Germain-des-Fossés (7km)**
Nearest Shop	**Bakery (850m)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Saint-Germain-des-Fossés (7km)**
Nearest Town	**Vichy (15km)**
Nearest Train Station	**Saint-Germain-des-Fossés (7km)**
Nearest Village	**In a small village (0km)**

What we love

- Step into Belle Époque elegance at this beautifully restored 19th-century château, set in 20 acres of private parkland
- Watch resident deer roam the grounds – a truly enchanting sight while strolling the estate
- A wonderful choice at any time of year - watch the seasons change across the glorious grounds
- Each bedroom exudes warmth and refined charm, with king-size beds and gorgeous linens, most with modern bathrooms
- Just 15km from Vichy – explore thermal springs, riverside promenades and stunning Belle Époque architecture
- Discover medieval villages, kayak on the Allier River or indulge in nearby Michelin-starred dining
- A great base if you're keen to watch the Tour de France depart Vichy in July 2026

What you should know...

- If staying with children, please note that supervision is needed at all times due to the lake and moat within the beautiful grounds.
- 11 wild deer reside within four hectares of the grounds – it's a special privilege to be able to observe them from afar (however guests must not interact with the deer).

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €2000 charged to client's credit card by Oliver's Travels as a pre-authorisation 1 month prior to arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.

- **Arrival time:** 6.00 p.m.

- **Departure time:** 8.00 a.m.

- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, for stays less than one month.

- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.

- **Pets welcome?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner. If accepted, a pet supplement of €1000 will be added to the security deposit.

- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges. Stag/hen parties are not allowed.

- **Changeover day:** Friday or Saturday.

- **End of stay cleaning:** Standard changeover clean and mid-stay cleaning are 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.

- **Insurance:** Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for cancellations, loss of personal belongings, personal liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.

- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights.

- **Heating costs included?:** Yes, for stays less than one month.

- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment (typically costs €1-€10 per adult per night - please enquire if exact amount is required).