

# Chateau Des Rameaux

**Region:** Dordogne **Sleeps:** 15

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## Overview

Through ancient stone walls and deer grazing on the lawns, Château des Rameaux rises from the hillside like a chapter from a forgotten legend. A sanctuary once tied to the noble Crusaders and the famed De Lusignan dynasty, this historic stronghold carries with it over 800 years of noble heritage, perfectly located close to Beynac-et-Cazenac, one of France's most beautiful villages. Back to the present day, mornings begin with mist lifting slowly from the Dordogne River below, while hot air balloons drift overhead in the golden light.

The château's interiors stretch across three generous floors, offering a characterful blend of historical charm and modern ease. Families and groups can gather in the lounge or over long meals on the kitchen terrace, whilst the sun sets in fiery colours across the valley. With six bedrooms, five bathrooms, a library corner and a dedicated entertainment space beneath the wood beams, this home is both convivial and calm.

Outside, 12 acres of extensive hillside grounds unfurl across little paths, steps and sun-dappled lawns. Stroll as far as the Roman-stepped swimming pool, framed by a terrace and pool house, promising long afternoons of laughter, lounging and apéritifs.

From its elevated perch, Château des Rameaux is perfectly positioned in the cultural and culinary heart of the Dordogne. Surrounded by fairytale villages such as Beynac, Saint-Cyprien and Roque-Gageac, and within minutes of markets, grand châteaux, canoeing adventures and UNESCO sites, guests enjoy a rare balance of seclusion and access.

Whether gathering the whole family for summer festivities or retreating with friends for a quieter season, Château des Rameaux invites you experience history, nature and beautiful surroundings in the very heart of the Dordogne.



## Facilities

Wine Tasting • Historical Sites • Ideal for Kids • Cycling • Canoeing/Kayaking • Boat Trips • Horse Riding • Private Pool • Air-Con • Chateaux & Castles • Walking/Hiking Paths • Pets on Request • Ideal for Teens • Cots (Cribs) • Has Discount • Special Offer • Chef/Cook Available • <1hr to Airport • Heritage Collection • Pool Safety Feature • Parking Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • BBQ • Rural Location • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Coffee Machine • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Hairdryer • Tourist Towns & Villages • Table Tennis • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Smart TV • Outdoor Games • Heating • Zoo • Aquarium • Amusement park • Yoga Classes Available • Forest park/High-rope course • High Chair(s)

# Interior & Grounds

## Chateau Interiors (across three floors)

### Main Floor

- Living room with sofas, armchairs, fireplace and hidden staircase
- Dining room with long table
- Kitchen, well-equipped, with doors opening to terrace
- Laundry room
- Guest WC

*First Floor (some bedrooms are interconnecting or can be accessed separately)*

- Bedroom 1 with queen-size double bed (160cm)
- Family bedroom 2 with two queen-size double beds (160cm)
- Master bedroom 3 with king-size double bed (180cm)
- Bathroom with bath tub
- Bathroom with bath tub
- Bathroom with walk-in shower
- Library corner with seating

### Second Floor

- Relaxation/entertainment space
- Tower bathroom with shower
- Bedroom 4 with three single beds and air-conditioning
- Bedroom 5 with queen-size double bed (160cm) and air-conditioning
- Bedroom 6 with queen-size double bed (160cm), air-conditioning
- Bathroom with shower and bath tub

## Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (12x6m) with Roman steps and electric cover, open seasonally. Pool area accessed via gate
- Pool house with drinks fridge
- Poolside loungers
- Al-fresco dining terrace with table (adjacent to kitchen)
- Barbecue area
- Table tennis
- 12 acres of extensive garden/grounds on hillside with pathways, steps and different levels
- Original features including historic pigeonier and 19th century bread house
- Shaded parking

## Additional Facilities

- Air-conditioning (top floor only)





# Location & Local Information

Perched on the top of a hill with glorious valley views, Château des Rameaux offers a rare blend of privacy, grandeur and exceptional proximity to the Dordogne's most celebrated attractions. This glorious medieval château, just 500 metres from the banks of the Dordogne River, is an enchanting base for guests seeking to immerse themselves in the region's rich heritage and natural beauty. With the majestic Château de Beynac and the distinguished Château de Castelnaud just a short drive away, the setting is steeped in centuries of history and charm.

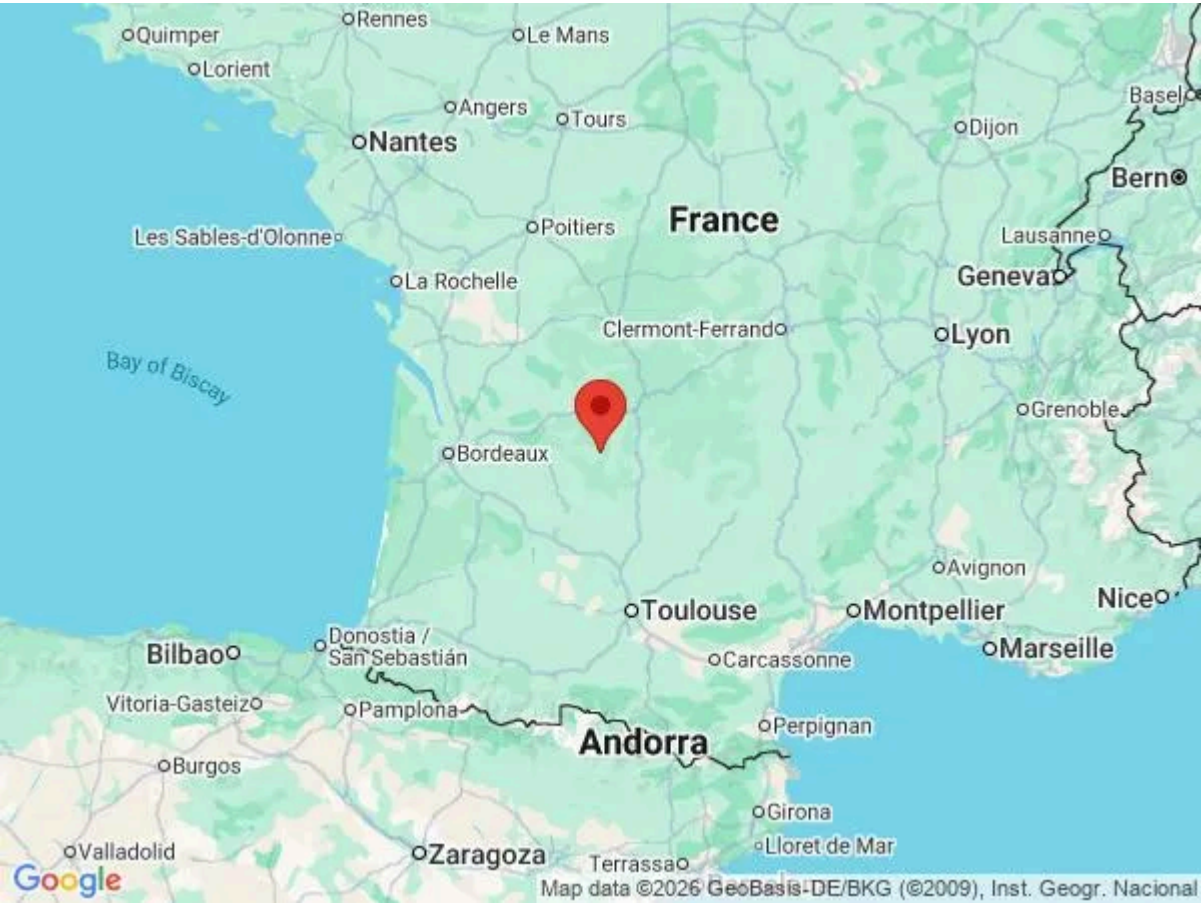
Just down the hill, the tiny local village holds a remarkable secret – it's home to France's oldest Roman wine cellar. A little further, energetic guests can head to the local bakery around 1.5km (uphill on the way back) for some of the best croissants in the area!

For a wider range of amenities, there is a small supermarket in Saint-Cyprien (6km) and restaurants scattered around nearby villages within a 10 to 15-minute drive, including Beynac-et-Cazenac (5.5km), classified as one of the most beautiful villages in France.

For those drawn to the outdoors, Les Jardins de Marqueyssac, just ten minutes away, is a haven of sculpted greenery with panoramic views over the Dordogne Valley. Canoeing along the river provides a magical way to experience the landscape, floating past limestone cliffs, ancient fortresses and storybook villages like La Roque-Gageac (10km). Meanwhile, the medieval bastide town of Domme (16.5km) offers one of the finest viewpoints in the region, and the atmospheric streets of Sarlat-la-Canéda (17km) are alive with culture, cuisine and architectural beauty.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Bergerac Airport (59km)
Nearest Airport 2	Brive–Souillac Airport (59km)
Nearest Airport 3	Limoges Airport (148km)
Nearest City	Périgueux (60km)
Nearest Ferry Port	Caen Ouistreham (630km)
Nearest Golf	Lolivarie Golf Club (14.5km)
Nearest Restaurant	Beynac-et-Cazenac (5.5km)



Nearest Shop	<b>Bakery</b> (1.5km downhill)
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Saint-Cyprien</b> (6km)
Nearest Town	<b>Sarlat-la-Canéda</b> (17km)
Nearest Train Station	<b>Saint-Cyprien</b> (6km)
Nearest Village	<b>Bézenac</b> (300m)

## What we love

- Step into centuries of noble history at this remarkable château near Beynac-et-Cazenac
- Enjoy panoramic views of the valley as hot air balloons drift overhead at sunrise
- Set within the expansive grounds, cool off in the Roman-stepped swimming pool, then relax by the pool house with a chilled apéritif
- Spacious interiors offer six bedrooms, a charming library nook and a top-floor entertainment space beneath the beams
- The most energetic can walk down the hill to one of the best patisseries in the area for morning pastries, fresh bread or sweet treats
- Ideally placed for discovering the best of the Dordogne – from iconic riverside villages to grand châteaux and vibrant markets

## What you should know...

- Air-conditioning is featured in three bedrooms only (all on the top floor) – please see the “Layout” tab for details.
- Perched on a hill, the grounds are beautiful and extensive with different levels, many steps and some steep areas – children will need to be carefully supervised.
- Please also take care on the timeworn (and uneven) stairs inside – there is a rope to hold on to.

# 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?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner. One dog permitted on the ground floor.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday in high season. Flexible during all other periods.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Extra €350, payable to Oliver's Travels with the balance payment. 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.
- **Other 2:** Air-conditioning is featured in three bedrooms only (all on the top floor).
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights in high season. 3 nights during all other periods.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **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).
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes.
- **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.