Chateau Rousseau

Region: France **Sleeps:** 16

Overview

Château Rousseau is a beautiful Loire Valley retreat where 18th century grandeur meets the warmth of an inviting family home. Light spills through windows into elegant reception rooms, illuminating generous proportions and carefully preserved architectural details. The atmosphere is both composed and welcoming, encouraging long conversations by the billiard table, leisurely meals that stretch into the evening, and quiet moments with a book in the library.

Set within ten hectares of parkland, this historic château unfolds across elegant living spaces. A grand salon, a billiards room, a lounge with home cinema and a colourful dining room create a natural rhythm for both social gatherings and relaxed downtime. Meanwhile, French doors open from the kitchen to a grand terrace for al-fresco meals by the *plancha* overlooking the glorious grounds.

Upstairs, eight thoughtfully arranged bedrooms offer comfort and privacy, six featuring en suite bathrooms, all with calming views across the park and landscaped beyond. A curved Louis XV staircase connects each level, adding to the heritage charm. Outside, the estate invites exploration, with a large pond and boat, ample space for games (football, basketball and more) and wonderfully positioned deckchairs for true relaxation.

Days here flow effortlessly. Begin with breakfast on the terrace as the gardens slowly come to life, then cycle along nearby Loire Valley routes or discover local walking trails. Afternoons might be spent tasting regional wines, enjoying a game of table tennis or simply unwinding by the water. Evenings call for shared feasts, perhaps followed by a film or a glass of Chinon by the fire.

Perfectly positioned near the historic town of Chinon, the château offers both seclusion and connection. Local markets, cafés and artisan producers are close at hand, while some of the Loire's most celebrated châteaux, including Azay-le-Rideau and Villandry, are within easy reach. Whether exploring vineyards, discovering riverside villages or embracing the pace of French countryside living, this is a setting that lingers long after departure.









Facilities

Chateaux & Castles • Ideal for Kids • Walking/Hiking Paths • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • <1hr to Airport • Wine Tasting • Fishing • Horse Riding • Golf Nearby • Canoeing/Kayaking • Historical Sites • Cycling • Boat Trips • Pets on Request • Ideal for Teens • Cots (Cribs) • Heritage Collection • Wi-Fi/Internet • BBQ • Rural Location • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Pool/Snooker • Table Tennis • Laptop Friendly Workspace

• Games Room • Indoor Games • Bicycles Provided • Smart TV • Outdoor Games • Table Football • Home Cinema • Heating • Caretaker/Owner on Site • Zoo • Kid-friendly museum • Kid-friendly excursions • Water excursions/Boat trips • Forest park/High-rope course • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Soccer • Basketball net • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds









Château Interiors (almost 500m2)

Main Level (via staircase)

- Central entrance
- Living room (36m2) with sofas and fireplace
- Adjoining living room (27m2) with pool table/French billiard
- Library/office (22m2) with desk, seating and books
- Lounge (32m2) with home cinema
- Dining room (42m2) with large table and chairs
- Kitchen (15m2), well-equipped, with doors opening to al-fresco dining terrace with plancha

Ground Floor (utility spaces)

- Former kitchen with table football
- Laundry room with washing machine and ironing facilities

Second Floor

- Bedroom 1 (23m2) with double bed (180x200cm) and bathroom with bath/shower, double sink and toilet
- Bedroom 2 (22m2) with double bed (180x200cm) and bathroom with bath/shower and toilet
- Bedroom 3 (27m2) with double bed (180x200cm), single bed (90x200cm) and bathroom with shower and toilet
- Bedroom 4 (17m2) with double bed (180x200cm, can be split as two singles) and bathroom with shower and toilet
- Bedroom 5 (23m2) with double bed (180x200cm) and bathroom with shower and toilet

Top Floor

- Bedroom 6 (42m2 including antechamber) with double bed (180x200cm), single bed (90x190cm) and bathroom with shower and toilet
- Attic bedroom 7 (10m2) with two single beds (90x190cm each)
- Attic bedroom 8 (10m2) with two single beds (90x190cm each), baby bed (with bars) and cot
- Attic bathroom with shower and toilet

The attic bedrooms are small with sloping ceilings, best suited to children/teens.

Outside Grounds

- Al-fresco dining terrace
- Plancha (x2)
- Garden furnishings
- 10-hectare park (partially enclosed)
- Large pond with boat and bridges
- Fountain
- Partly wooded grounds
- Wildlife and occasional deer passing by
- Football field
- Basketball hoop

- Outdoor games
- Bikes

Location & Local Information

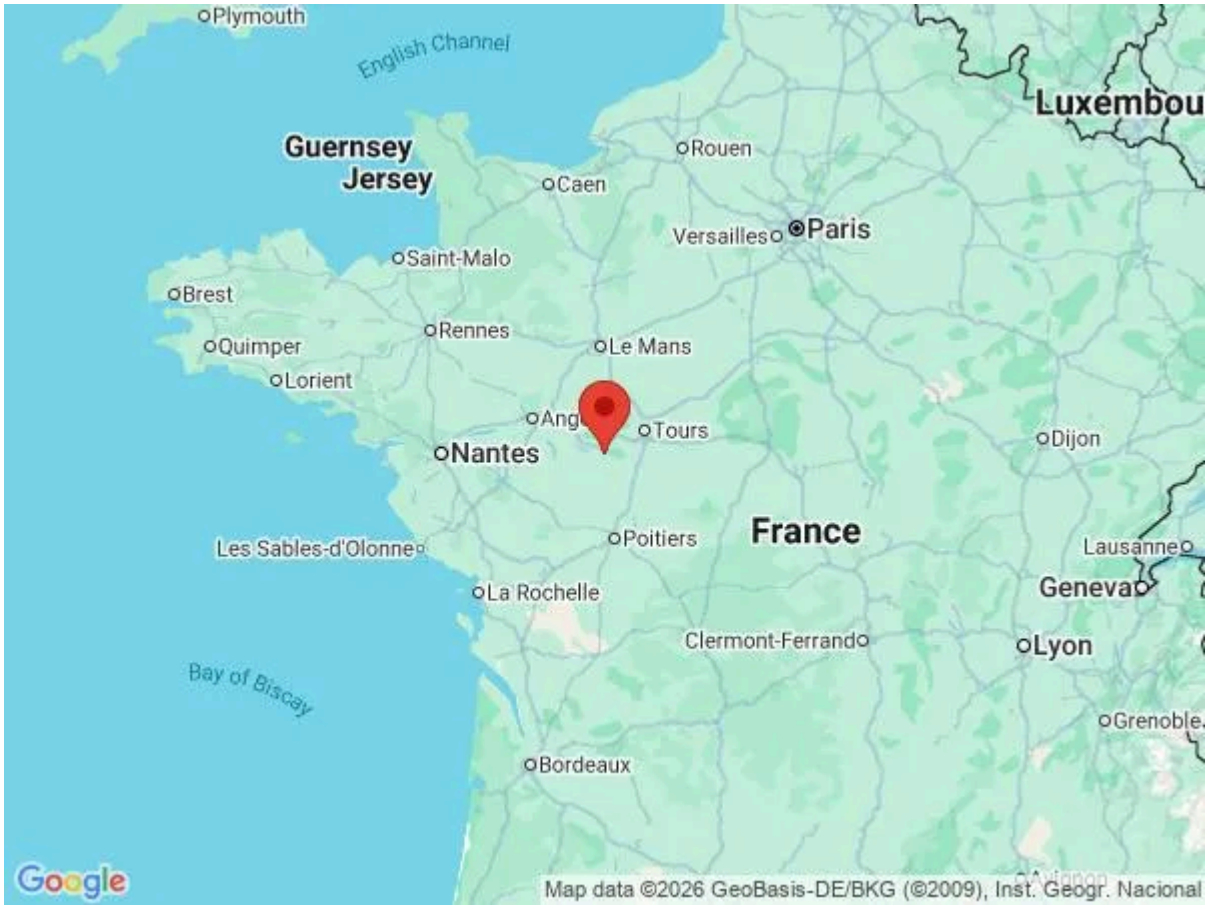
Set within ten hectares of parkland, Château Rousseau enjoys an idyllic position in the heart of the Loire Valley with glorious views of the grounds and landscapes beyond, especially beautiful at sunrise and sunset. This location offers both seclusion and easy access to nearby villages and historic towns, making it an ideal base for exploring one of France's most celebrated regions.

Just over 3km away, a charming village provides everyday essentials, including a bakery, butcher, grocery store with local and organic produce, and a café-restaurant/bistro. For a wider selection, the medieval town of Chinon (7km) offers bustling markets, wine bars and an excellent choice of restaurants. In summer, the town comes alive with cultural events and lively entertainment, creating a vibrant yet authentic atmosphere. Chinon is also famed for its rich wine heritage, with numerous vineyards offering tastings of its renowned reds.

The Vienne and Loire rivers both provide opportunities for leisurely canoeing, allowing you to take in the scenery from a different perspective. Nearby, the picturesque village of Candes-Saint-Martin (17 km), where the rivers meet, is well worth a visit for its historic charm and riverside views. For those who enjoy the outdoors, the Loire Valley cycle routes (some which pass directly in front of the château), offer scenic cycling through vineyards and along riverbanks.

The region is rich in heritage, with an array of magnificent châteaux within easy reach, including Château d'Ussé (7km), Azay-le-Rideau (19km), Langeais (21km) and the iconic Château de Villandry (32km).

Meanwhile, excellent day trips include Saumur (32 km), Fontevraud-l'Abbaye (25 km) and the elegant city of Tours (46 km), making Château Rousseau perfectly placed for both relaxation and discovery.









Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Tours Val de Loire Airport (55km)**
Nearest Airport 2	**Poitiers-Biard (79km)**
Nearest City	**Tours (47km)**
Nearest Ferry Port	**Saint-Malo (284km)**
Nearest Golf	**Golf de Loudun-Fontevraud (25km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Cafe-restaurant in local village (3.5km)**

Nearest Shop	**Épicerie grocery store in local village (3.5km)**
Nearest Town	**Chinon (6.5km)**
Nearest Train Station	**Chinon/Saint-Pierre des Corps (TGV) (7km/48km)**
Nearest Village	**Small Indre-et-Loire village (3.5km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**E.Leclerc Chinon (5km)**

What we love

- Elegant 18th century château with wonderfully warm yet grand living spaces with a salon, billiards room, library and home cinema for relaxed days together
- Six of the eight bedrooms feature king-size double beds and private bathrooms, all with lovely views of the parkland and landscapes beyond – it's especially beautiful at sunrise and sunset
- Set within 10 hectares of glorious grounds, there is plenty of space to unwind, from deckchairs by the pond and feasts on the terrace to plenty of outdoor games for all ages
- As you stroll through the parkland, look out for wildlife and occasional passing deer – it's truly idyllic
- Close to historic Chinon, you can browse local markets, visit vineyards or canoe along the river
- The Loire Valley's much-loved highlights, from riverside towns and cycling routes to grand châteaux such as Azay-le-Rideau and Villandry, are all within easy reach

What you should know...

- This beautiful château sleeps up to 16 guests across eight bedrooms. This includes six double bedrooms as well as two small attic bedrooms that are best suited to children/teens. Two additional single beds are also available in Bedrooms 3 and 6. Please see the "Layout" tab for full details.
- Families are warmly welcomed at Château Rousseau. Do note that child supervision is required due to the open water within the parkland.
- The Guardian's House is situated at the gate to the property – the discreet owners may sometimes stay here to manage property maintenance. Rest assured it is completely independent and private to the château building.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** £1500 charged to client's credit card by OT as a pre-authorisation 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, changed once for stays over 7 nights.

- **Pets welcome?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner. Please note that the parkland is not fully enclosed and you may experience passing wildlife (including deer).

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

- **Changeover day:** Flexible.

- **End of stay cleaning:** Yes, including mid-stay clean if staying over 7 nights. 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 in July and August. 3 nights during 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).