

# La Maison de l'Eglise

**Region:** Aquitaine **Sleeps:** 6

## Overview

Stone walls and historic beams set the tone at La Maison De l'Eglise, where the pace of rural village life unfolds in the Charente countryside. This traditional home carries a sense of heritage, its character revealed through exposed masonry and a warm, lived-in feel that invites you to settle in from the moment you arrive.

Inside, the farmhouse kitchen forms the heart of the house, centred around a classic aga and flowing easily into a pretty dining area. The living room offers a relaxed setting for evenings together, with soft light filtering through the pretty windows. Downstairs, a dedicated games room brings a more playful energy, complete with a pool table, table football and bar with stools, creating an easy space for both adults and children to unwind.

Upstairs, four thoughtfully arranged bedrooms include a wood-beamed master en suite bedroom, alongside an additional double and a twin room, served by a good-sized family shower room.

Outside, the courtyard garden is designed for long, unhurried days, with a private pool (which can be heated for a supplement) and its surrounding terrace. Loungers line the water's edge, while a shaded dining area sets the scene for relaxed lunches and evening meals together. Table tennis adds another touch of easy entertainment, and private gated parking ensures a seamless stay.

Set in a small rural village near the village church, the house offers an authentic base within easy reach of local highlights. A short drive leads to another local village for fresh bread and a simple meal out, while Aigre and Ruffec provide lively markets, cafés and everyday amenities. The surrounding region invites exploration, from riverside walks and historic towns to vineyard visits in Cognac.

Whether gathering with family or enjoying a slower rhythm of life, this characterful home offers a setting where simple rural pleasures can be appreciated.



## Facilities

Pure France • Walking/Hiking Paths • Walk to Village • Fishing • Canoeing/Kayaking • Wine Tasting • Private Pool • Ideal for Kids • Villa • Historical Sites • Cycling • Ideal for Teens • Heated Pool • Parking Space • Pool Safety Feature • Wi-Fi/Internet • BBQ • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Pool/Snooker • Table Tennis • Games Room • Indoor Games • Dishwasher • AGA • Outdoor Games • Table Football • Heating • Water excursions/Boat trips • Theme park



# Interior & Grounds

## House Interiors

- Living room with sofas, TV and Wi-Fi
- Open-plan farmhouse-style kitchen with Aga, dishwasher and fridge-freezer. Adjoining dining area with doors to garden

## Lower Ground Floor

- Games room with pool table, table football, bar and stools, and door to garden

## First Floor

- Bedroom with double bed, wood beams and en suite shower, WC and hand basin
- Bedroom with double bed
- Bedroom with two single beds
- Family bathroom with shower, hand basin and WC

## Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (8x4m). Can be heated on request (for a supplement)
- Poolside sun loungers
- Shaded al-fresco dining area
- Table garden
- Courtyard
- Private gated parking



# Location & Local Information

Located in the traditional village of Charmé, La Maison De l'Eglise offers an authentic slice of rural Charente life. Between Angoulême (41km) and Poitiers (79km), it provides a well-balanced base for both relaxation and exploration, within easy reach of some of the region's most characterful towns and attractions.

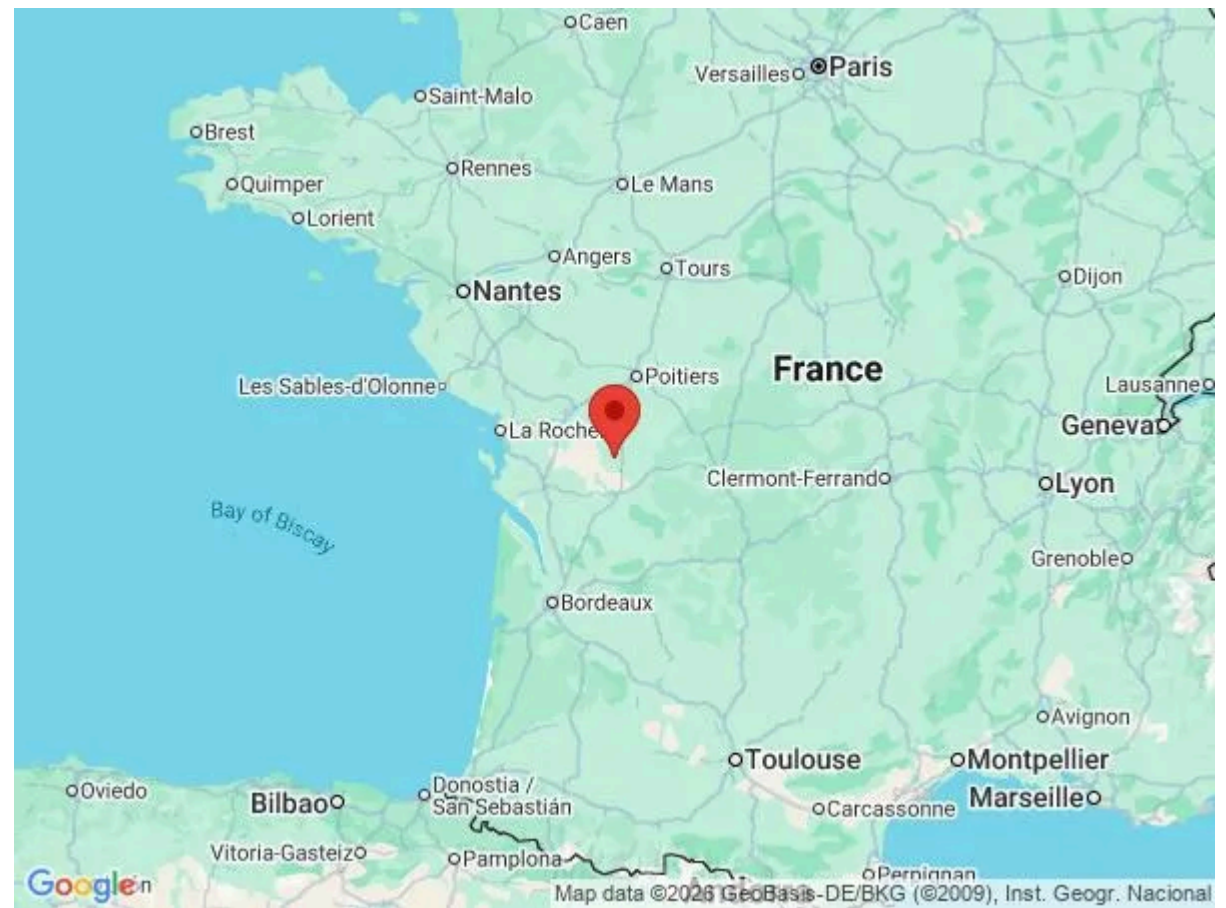
The house is positioned near the village church, close to the road connecting Aigre and Ruffec. For fresh bread in the morning, the nearby village of Courcôme (4.5km) offers a bakery as well as a restaurant. A little further afield, Verteuil-sur-Charente (11km) is a very pretty village with a lovely restaurant in a mill overlooking the river.

Further amenities can be found in Aigre (11.5km), a charming market town with a selection of shops and cafes. Ruffec (11.5km) is also useful for shops and restaurants – it's a picturesque historic town with half-timbered houses and a twice-weekly market. Similarly, Mansle-les-Fontaines (12km) offers convenient facilities along with a pleasant riverside setting by the banks of the Charente.

For memorable days out, Cognac (53km) is a highlight, famed for its vineyards and prestigious distilleries. Here, you can visit renowned houses such as Hennessy and Rémy Martin, enjoy guided tastings, and stroll along the scenic banks of the Charente River. The nearby town of Jarnac (42km) offers another beautiful riverside experience, ideal for a leisurely afternoon.

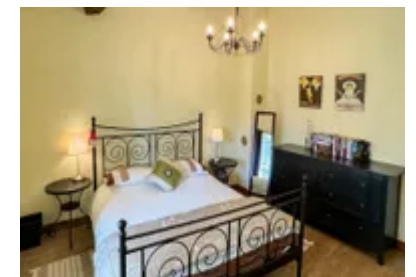
Angoulême (42km) makes for an excellent cultural excursion, known for its historic architecture and vibrant atmosphere. For something more futuristic, Futuroscope theme park, located just south of Poitiers (around an hour's drive), offers a unique and entertaining day out with its innovative attractions and immersive experiences.

Blending rural charm with easy access to market towns, vineyards and cultural landmarks, this location offers a wonderfully varied Charente escape.



## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Poitiers-Biard Airport (78km)</b>
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Limoges Airport (96km)</b>
Nearest Airport 3	<b>La Rochelle Airport (126km)</b>
Nearest City	<b>Angoulême (41km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Golf Club d'Angoulême (45km)</b>



Nearest Restaurant	<b>Courcome (4.5km)</b>
Nearest Shop	<b>Bakery in Courcome (Courcome)</b>
Nearest Town	<b>Aigre/Ruffec (11.5km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>Gare de Luxé/Angoulême (9km/40km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>In a small village (0km)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Carrefour Contact, Aigre (10.5km)</b>

## What we love

- Enjoy the character and warmth of this traditional village home.
- The farmhouse kitchen, centred around a classic Aga, is made for slow breakfasts and sociable meals.
- The private pool and terrace set the scene for long summer days, with loungers, a shaded dining area and table tennis for easy outdoor living.
- Families will appreciate the dedicated games room, complete with a pool table, table football and bar for laid-back evenings together.
- Set in a small rural village near the church, this is an authentic base for discovering the Charente countryside at a gentler pace.
- Head out to nearby Aigre and Ruffec for markets, cafés and everyday essentials, or explore riverside walks, historic towns and vineyard visits around Cognac.

## What you should know...

- Despite the village location (near the church), a car is essential to be able to reach restaurants, shops and other local amenities. Gated car parking is available.
- The friendly yet discreet owners live opposite the house.

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €500
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.
- **Changeover day:** Flexible.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** 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.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **Pool heating charge?:** No, extra €150 payable locally. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax payable locally in cash (typically costs €1-€10 per adult per night - please enquire if exact amount is required).
- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet access included.
- **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.