Maison Du Vins

Region: Aquitaine **Sleeps:** 12

Overview

Maison du Vins used to be a wine making chateau (hence the name!) until the early 1900's and now has been transformed into a luxury rustic French country house with all the mod cons. It sits in 3 acres of mature parkland/garden with a large heated pool.

The property is very close to Pichon, which is a small wine making hamlet and only a 15 minutes' drive from St. Emilion and Pomerol.

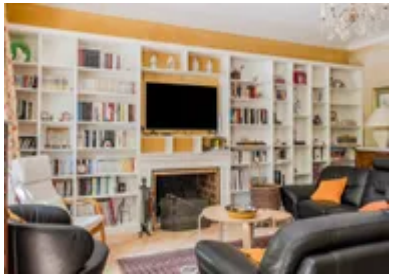
Maison du Vins is kitted out to the highest standard with a fully fitted kitchen with all the amenities, there is a terrace for those warmer evenings or the farmhouse' kitchen table is perfect for big family meals.

There are 6 king size bedrooms with 4 en suite bathroom/shower rooms and one large family bathroom with a stand alone bath and walk in shower.









Facilities

Walking/Hiking Paths • Recommended • Wine Tasting • Fishing • Golf Nearby • Private Pool • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Ideal for Kids • <1hr to Airport • Great Value • France250 • Maid Service Available • Cots (Cribs) • Ideal for Teens • Has Discount • Has Offer • Special Offer • Maid Service Included • Chef/Cook Available • Heated Pool • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Pool Safety Feature • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Table Tennis • Indoor Games • DVD • Outdoor Games • Home Cinema • Heating • Ceiling Fans • Caretaker/Owner on Site • Swings • Property host • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Mattress protector • Booster seat • Plastic crockery • Potty • Pushchair • Bottle steriliser • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds

Interior & Grounds

Maison Interiors

Ground Floor

- Sitting room with working fireplace and music system
- Second lounge with working fireplace, cable TV and DVD player
- Open-plan dining room with table for up to 12 guests
- Open-plan kitchen, well-equipped including a electric range cooker, oven, microwave, coffee maker and blenders
- Utility room with dishwasher and laundry facilities
- WC
- Master bedroom with double emperor-size bed, doors leading to garden (in both bedroom and bathroom) and en suite bathroom (also connects to corridor) with bath, overhead shower, two sinks and WC
- Bedroom with double emperor-size bed (can be split into twin), full-size cot (which can be moved), countryside/vineyard views and en suite shower room with WC
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First Floor

- Master bedroom with double emperor-size bed and en suite shower room with WC (shower room is a converted pigeonniere)
- Bedroom with double bed and garden views
- Bedroom with double emperor-size bed (can be split into twin), small balcony with garden views
- Family bathroom with bath, walk-in shower and WC
- Open-plan lounge area with home cinema, books and toys

Outside Grounds

- Heated swimming pool (13x6m) with roman steps
- Barbecue









- Garden
- Zipline
- Hammock
- Pétanque
- Table Tennis

Facilities

- Cable TV
- DVD player
- Music system
- DVD film library
- Books and toys
- Washing machine, dryer and ironing facilities

Location & Local Information

Maison du Vins provides a great base to explore the famous vineyards and Chateaux of Bordeaux - St Emilion is a 15 minute drive away and Bordeaux itself is around 55 minutes away.

The coast and famous dunes of Aquitaine are just 1.5 - 2 hours away.

The property is close to great restaurants and bars plus a variety of activities including two 18 hole golf courses and boats on the lakes making those family days out even more adventurous.

There are also lots of local markets- there's a food market for every day of the week, now that's impressive!

It is also a short drive to some big hypermarkets, plus the local village Lussac has a number of shops for food, chemist, garage and even flowers.

Wine

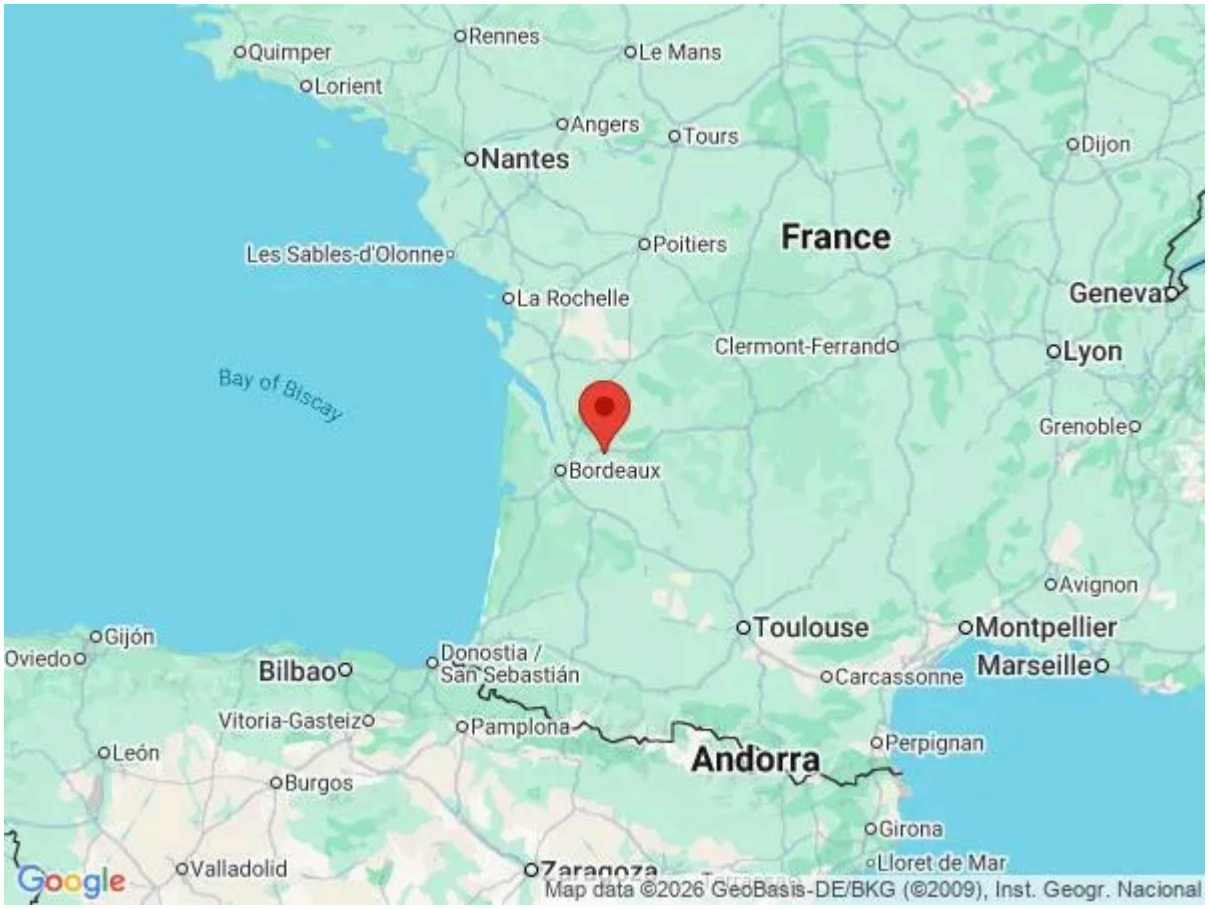
Maison Du Vins is perfectly placed for planning some adventures in wine - exploring, tasting and perhaps stocking up in one of the world's most famous wine producing regions of Bordeaux. As an area it is constantly evolving, and as Andrew Jefford the wine writer wrote, "it is now a region of experiment, ambition and grand stylistic diversity". And Maison Du Vin sits bang slap in the middle of the action.

So a leisurely 15 minute drive to the picturesque town St Emilion and the magnificent Grand Cru Chateaux of the Right Bank. Angelus, Ausone, Petrus among the greats to name check and book tours (but you may have to sell the family silver to buy in any quantity!). However there are so many other Chateaux to discover, many are more reasonably priced. Knock on the door of our local neighbour just outside Lussac called Chateaux Lucas to buy great wine direct from the grower.

In recent years some Chateaux have made it impossible not to visit, with their own restaurants serving great food alongside their wines within their grounds. Visit Trolong Mondot and La Dominque. Both on the edge of St Emilion. They are surprisingly well priced, good food, stunning locations, but still a little undiscovered. So go, but keep it a secret between us.

And whilst on the subject of furtive forays, explore the wines of Castillon. Described as Cotes de Bordeaux, but don't be fooled as the area hides many sparkling gems. There's a great bar restaurant at St Gene de Castillon owned by a well known Brit called Laithwaite which offers a wise and well edited selection to sample with lunch or take away. Mrs Laithwaite makes a superb and affordable champagne by the way.

And finally, there's the Left Bank wines of Bordeaux to discover. A little further away, about 55 minutes drive, and a whole new chapter. Where to start? Best to rebook another holiday at the house and we'll supply the second instalment...









Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Bordeaux (79km)**
Nearest Beach	**Lacanau (Around 120km)**
Nearest Ferry Port	**St Malo (544km)**
Nearest Golf	**Château des Vigiers (45km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Petit Palais (3km)**
Nearest Shop	**Lussac (3km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**ALDI (10km)**
Nearest Town/City	**Libourne (16km)**
Nearest Train Station	**Libourne (16km)**
Nearest Village	**Lussac (3km)**

What we love

- The house is very spacious, comfortable and relaxing
- It's a very easy property to find and get to, only 12km from St Emilion
- Absolutely perfect for big families: great outdoor spaces with heated pool, gardens, swings and a well-equipped games room!
- It's only 500m from an excellent wine château whose organic wine was recently appreciated by King Charles III on his French tour!

What you should know...

- It provides a great base to explore the famous vineyards and Chateaux of the region so a car is needed to explore it all!
- The discreet owners live in an adjoining gite which is accessed separately. Other than your arrival/departure, you won't see them unless you need their assistance of course.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €600 charged to clients' credit card prior to arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.

- **Arrival time:** After 5.00 p.m. Arrival out of hours can incur in an additional charge.

- **Departure time:** By 10.00 a.m. Departure out of hours can incur in an additional charge.

- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.

- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, including pool towels.

- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.

- **Other Ts and Cs:** 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. The owner can decide to close the swimming pool out of season for any reason. Phone calls are not included in the rental price. Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges.

- **Changeover day:** Saturday in high season. Flexible during the 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?:** No.

- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights. Short breaks on request only.

- **Heating costs included?:** During winter months only. Please enquire.

- **Pool heating charge?:** The pool is heated free of charge in summer only. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.