

Rouge Cottage

Region: Dordogne **Sleeps:** 5

Overview

Rouge Cottage is the perfect place to stay for a relaxing and peaceful holiday in a pretty French cottage with a private, heated pool and stunning views over the charming countryside of the Limousin region.

At the end of a quiet hamlet on a no through road, Rouge Cottage stands in a beautifully panoramic and rural spot which oozes tranquility. Perfect for families or couples wanting to get away from it all and spend time together in privacy.

A private heated pool with stunning views makes this cottage very special. There is also a magnificent castle tree house for the children to enjoy.

The cottage is *petite* and cosy with everything you need to make it a holiday to remember. It is decorated in a simple and homely way with individual touches and attention to detail, as well as features such as exposed chestnut beams which give it character and charm.

Two bedrooms upstairs (one double and a triple) and a shower room with a separate toilet. Downstairs it is open plan and contains all you need for cooking and relaxing. A wood burner heats the cottage and makes it cosy in the cooler months.

Outside there are sunbeds by the pool with a view over the fields of Limousin cattle. There are various seating areas with an outdoor sofa by the pool and chairs on the back terrace, perfect to watch the sun go down with a glass of wine. Table and chairs with a large umbrella to the front of the cottage and barn provide you with a great seating area outdoors to enjoy your meals on warm sunny days. In the barn there is a table tennis table that may be used inside or out.

Supermarkets can be found locally 10 minutes from the cottage. Five minutes away in either direction there is a boulangerie, butchers and restaurant and within only 15 minutes there are two Michelin star restaurants. There are plenty of markets in all the surrounding towns and villages where you can buy fantastic fresh, local produce.

Three swimming lakes are all within 10 minutes of Rouge Cottage with sandy beaches, caf  s and tennis courts. At 'Espace Hermeline' in Bussiere- Galant, there is swimming, tennis, velorail, a high ropes course, children's park, crazy golf and more.

The Limousin is wonderful to explore with its rich history and beautiful countryside. Often overlooked and bypassed, the Haute Vienne offers you the perfect piece of rural France to enjoy a family holiday full of relaxation, good food, culture and memories.



The Haute Vienne oozes history with plenty of Chateaux to visit and many within cycling distance of Rouge Cottage. Chalus is only 12km away, where Richard the Lion heart was fatally wounded by a cross bow bolt. 5km from Rouge Cottage is Chateaux Lastours where in the holidays they hold medieval festivals for all the family. Jumilhac Le Grand is an impressive fairy tale château for any younger princesses and knights to explore.

The roads in this region are quiet and safe due to it being the least populated region in France. This makes it a great place to cycle whether you are 'en famille' or into clocking up miles on clean well-made roads. Many of the professional teams use the Limousin as a training ground because of the standard of road surface and climate.

There are many local fishing lakes to choose from if you would like to go fishing for the day.

Facilities

Cycling • Tennis Nearby • Historical Sites • Golf Nearby • Fishing • Recommended • Wine Tasting • Private Pool • Walking/Hiking Paths • Ideal for Kids • Cots (Cribs) • Great Value • Ideal for Teens • Pets on Request • Heated Pool • Cottage • <1hr to Airport • Pool Safety Feature • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Table Tennis • DVD • Outdoor Games • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Treehouse • Badminton • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Boules/Petanque • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interior

Ground Floor

- Open plan kitchen/dining/living area. Kitchen well-equipped including gas cooker, oven, hob, dishwasher, fridge, kettle, freezer and coffee machine

First Floor

- Master bedroom with double bed and portable fan
- 1 triple bedroom with single bed and king size bed (160cm x 200cm) and portable fan
- 1 shower room
- Separate Toilet

Outside Grounds

- Private heated swimming pool (size: 8m x 4m) with security cover
- Private garden
- Portable charcoal barbecue
- Terrace
- Barn with table tennis
- Tree house in the woods
- Sunbeds
- Outdoor sofa and armchairs
- Boules, badminton and soft archery set
- Off road parking

Facilities

- Wood burner
- Bedroom fans
- Flat Screen TV
- DVD Player
- Selection of DVDs
- Washing machine



Location & Local Information

Haute-Vienne is a department in the Limousin region of France. Named after the Vienne River, it borders the departments of Creuse and Corrèze (also in Limousin), Dordogne to the south in Aquitaine, Charente and Vienne to the west in Poitou-Charentes, and Indre to the north in the Centre department.

The Parc Naturel Regional Perigord-Limousin is an 1800km² park that straddles the Dordogne-Limousin border, and takes in parts of Haute-Vienne and Dordogne.

There is a wealth of nature, culture, food and activities to explore. Below are just a few possibilities!

Whether you are into the history of Richard the Lion Heart and are keen to follow his route and visit some chateaux or just enjoy the local produce markets and amazing local French food and wine on offer.

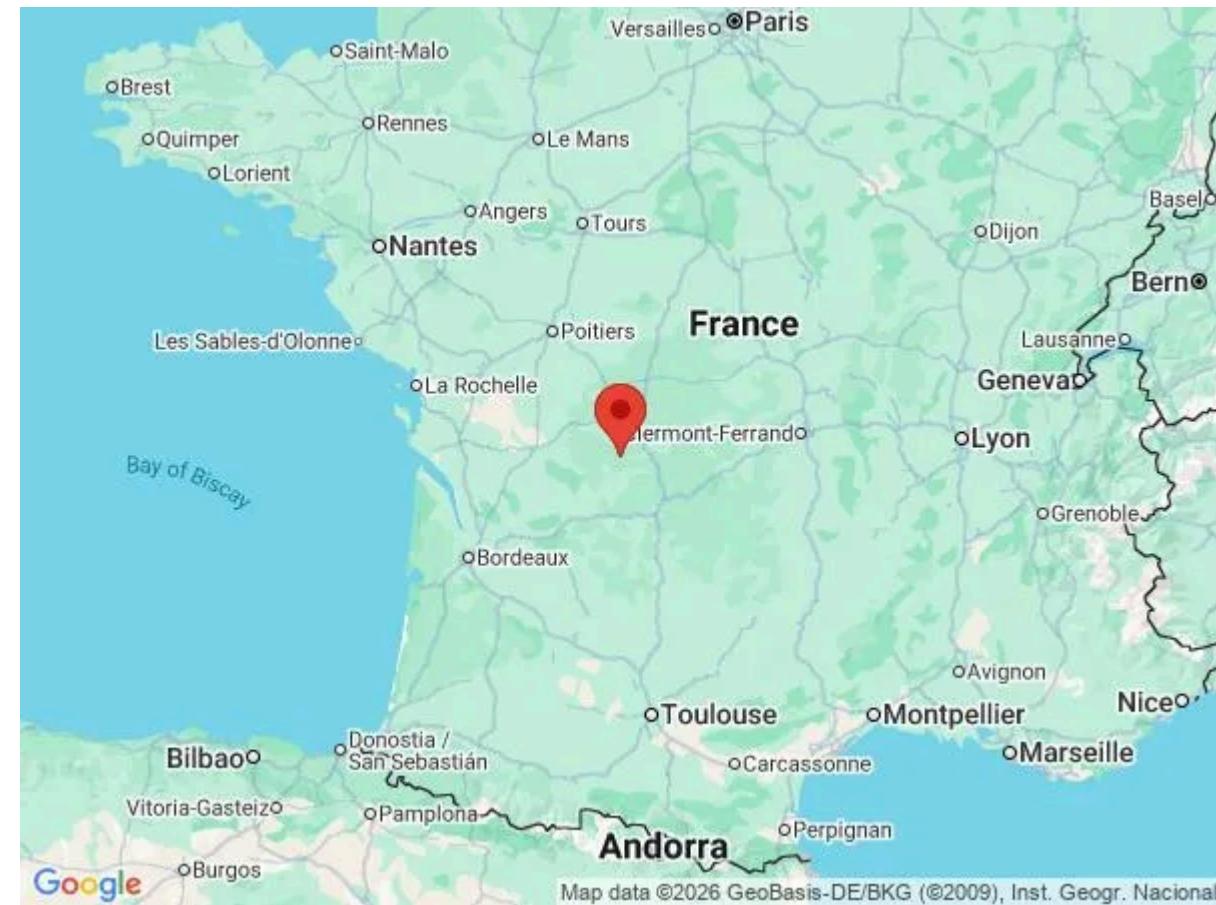
There is something for everyone from walking and cycling to fishing or swimming and soaking up the local French culture.

There are numerous walking paths right from the door at Rouge Cottage through the glorious Limousin countryside, which is beautiful right throughout the year.

There are great cycling routes to suit all abilities, particularly the more casual cyclist and families. The roads in the Haute Vienne are smooth and well-maintained, perfect for clocking up some training miles. Each year big name teams arrive for the Tour du Limousin that takes over the region, with spectators lining the route to catch a glimpse of riders. There is also much to offer mountain bikers, with plenty of great dirt tracks and byways. The marked paths around Courbefy are fantastic to explore with steady technical descents. They are a great introduction to mountain biking for novices and would-be off-roaders, but still challenging enough to give the more experienced rider a blast of adrenaline.

Family cycling – Haute-Vienne has some superb places for families to go cycling. The quiet, well maintained roads offer a wonderful way for families to explore the local area. Whether it is heading off for a picnic or cycling to a Chateaux, there are numerous destinations to get to within easy cycling distance from the cottage. From Chalus to Oradour-sur-Vayres there is a 13km ride on the old railway line, which is perfect for all members of the family.

Bikes can be hired in Chalus ask at the tourist office.



Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Limoges Airport (34km)
Nearest Train Station	Bussière-Galant (7km)

Nearest Village	Ladignac-le-Long (5km)
Nearest Bar/Pub	Ladignac-le-Long (5km)
Nearest Supermarket	Intermarché SUPER Châlus (13km)
Nearest Town	Châlus (12km)
Nearest City	Limoges (38km)

What we love

- Complete peace and tranquility with fantastic 180 degree far reaching views over nothing but rural National Park countryside
- The cottage is full of character and charm
- Plenty to keep busy and have fun! Besides the private heated pool, there is a castle tree house in the woods for young knights and princesses to rule in
- The surrounding area is perfect for cycling and the local bike hire company delivers directly to the cottage
- There are numerous walking paths that start from the cottage and meander through the glorious Limousin countryside, which is beautiful right throughout the year

What you should know...

- Although cosy and characterful, the bedrooms are small and there are also a few low beams, doorways and ceilings.
- The swimming pool has a conforming safety cover that is easy to put on and off.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** £500 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?**: Dogs may be accepted on request only and with prior agreement with the owner. They are allowed downstairs only. On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Wedding, stag/hen parties not allowed.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday.
- **End of stay cleaning available?**: Yes, for stays of 7 nights+. However, 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.
- **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 and log burner with wood also provided.
- **Pool heating charge?**: Included. Please note that, like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax (typically costs €1-€5 per adult per night -please enquire if exact amount is required-) payable before arrival. The owner will inform you about the exact amount a few weeks before your check-in.
- **Pool towels included?**: Yes
- **Pool opening dates?**: The pool is open approximately mid-June to start-October. 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.