

Chateau Chanterelles

Region: France **Sleeps:** 14

Overview

Take a step back into French history as you enter the 17th century Château Chanterelles, originally a hunting lodge owned by a chancellor who served as Minister of Finances under both Louis XIII and Louis XIV. Rich in heritage yet beautifully reimagined for modern living, this remarkable home combines centuries of character with a fresh, artistic spirit, set in the picturesque Sologne region of central France.

Guests enjoy access to the spacious and private south wing of this historic château building, complete with its own entrance, garden and heated swimming pool. It's a cherished family home and has undergone a remarkable refurbishment under the guidance of its current owner, an accomplished interior designer, former founder of a luxury bridal boutique, and a midwife. This extensive programme of renovations has enhanced every aspect of the home, bringing warmth, colour and contemporary style while respecting the building's historic character.

At the heart lies a strikingly redesigned kitchen where exposed brickwork, carefully chosen prints and elegant finishes create a sophisticated gathering space, complete with a SMEG range cooker and other high end appliances. The salon has also been transformed, featuring sumptuous seating, the original fireplace and a designer dining table that encourages long conversations and relaxed evenings together.

Sleeping 14 to 15 guests across seven bedrooms and five bathrooms, plus a gorgeous TV lounge with a huge sofa bed, Château Chanterelles is ideal for families and groups seeking an authentic French escape. Outside, the heated swimming pool invites long days in the sunshine, while the terrace and barbecue area provides the perfect setting for al fresco dining or a glass of chilled Crémant de Loire. Beyond the garden gate, guests also enjoy access to the château's shared 23 hectare parkland with woodland, river frontage and a fishing lake.

Set in the delightful village of Brinon sur Sauldre, Château Chanterelles offers a wonderful introduction to the authentic charm of the Sologne region. Within a short stroll, guests will find traditional village life unfolding around picturesque streets, historic churches, local shops and welcoming eateries.

The surrounding countryside is dotted with pretty villages, forests and waterways, whilst further afield the celebrated châteaux of the Loire Valley are within reach for unforgettable day trips. Whether exploring the area's rich heritage, enjoying long summer days by the pool or gathering loved ones in this characterful home, Château Chanterelles offers a truly memorable French experience.



Facilities

Exclusive • Walking/Hiking Paths • Fishing • Wine Tasting • Walk to Village • Private Pool • Horse Riding • Historical Sites • Cycling • Ideal for Kids • Chateaux & Castles • Ideal for Teens • Pets on Request • Heated Pool • Cots (Cribs) • Instagrammable • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Heritage Collection • Pool Safety Feature • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Waterfront • BBQ • Rural Location • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Coffee Machine • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Swings • Slide • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds

House Interiors

This part of the château is the south wing and is private with its own entrance, garden and swimming pool. Guests also enjoy access to the shared château parkland (23 hectares – see below).

Ground Floor (some steps)

- Salon with comfortable seating, fireplace, book shelves and designer dining table for 10 guests
- Kitchen, fully-equipped including large Smeg range cooker with three ovens, microwave, induction hobs, dishwasher, breakfast bar with two stools and family dining table for 12 guests. French doors open to poolside terrace
- Laundry room with washing machine and tumble dryer
- TV lounge with large sofa-bed (can be converted into a 200x200cm bed), located next to the boudoir with a chaise longue
- Adjoining shower room with shower and toilet
- Separate WC
- Bedroom with queen-size double bed (160cm) and integrated open-plan bathroom with corner bath and hand basin

First Floor

- Master bedroom with super king-size double bed (200x200cm), TV, park views and en suite bathroom with bath and hand basin
- Bedroom with king-size double bed (180cm) and en suite shower room with shower and toilet
- Bedroom with double bed (140cm)
- Dorm-style bedroom with two single beds (90cm each)
- Bathroom with sunken bathtub, two hand basins and toilet
- Shower room with shower and hand basin
- Bedroom with king-size double bed (180cm)
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Two of the bedrooms are interconnected, the others are reached via the main corridors. Please also note the top-floor is not accessible to guests

Outside Grounds

- Heated swimming pool (12x6m, depth: max 2.5m) with rigid safety cover
- Poolside loungers
- Al-fresco dining table and lounge area
- Barbecue
- Private garden
- Small children's slide and swings
- Private entrance
- Small house (no guest access, currently used as storage)
- Access (via small gate at the end of the garden) to the château's shared parkland (23 hectares including a fishing lake, forest and river frontage)

Other Facilities

- Entrance camera



Location & Local Information

In the pretty village of Brinon-sur-Sauldre, Château Chanterelles allows guests to experience the gentle rhythm of traditional French life. Around half an hour south of the Loire River, here you are surrounded by the natural beauty and authentic charm of the Sologne region, almost half way between Orléans (50km) and Sancerre (58km).

Located on a road leading to the heart of the village, within a 2-minute walk you can admire picturesque houses, two impressive churches and useful amenities including a bakery, a grocery store, pharmacy and a small handful of places to eat. Larger supermarkets can be found within a 10 to 15-minute drive. Back at Château Chanterelles, guests enjoy access (via a small gate in the garden) to the château's shared 23-hectare parkland with a fishing lake, forest and river frontage.

Beyond Brinon-sur-Sauldre, several other characterful villages and market towns are waiting to be explored. Wander through the elegant streets of Aubigny-sur-Nère (18km), often referred to as the "City of the Stuarts" thanks to its fascinating Franco-Scottish heritage and beautiful half-timbered buildings. Nearby Chaon (8.5km) is another delightful stop, surrounded by forests and waterways that reflect the region's tranquil character. Other gems across the enchanting Sologne include Souvigny-en-Sologne (13km), Saint-Viâtre (26km) and Lamotte-Beuvron (20km), each offering their own unique charm.

Venture a little further to discover gorgeous places such as Ligny-le-Ribault (44km), Jouy-le-Potier (46km) and Romorantin-Lanthenay (49km), the historic capital of Sologne. Nature lovers can enjoy countless forest walks and cycle rides, while history enthusiasts may wish to visit Château de La Ferté-Imbault (33km), one of the region's most impressive historic estates.

For wider exploration, Orléans (50km) offers magnificent architecture, riverside walks and links to Joan of Arc's remarkable story. The legendary Loire Valley châteaux are also within reach for spectacular days out around 1 to 2 hours by car, including Château de Chambord, Château de Cheverny, Château de Chenonceau, Château d'Amboise, and Clos Lucé (108km), Leonardo da Vinci's final residence.

If arriving by plane, Paris and Tours are the nearest options to consider while ferry ports such as Caen, Dieppe and Calais are approximately four to five hours away by car, making Château Chanterelles an accessible yet wonderfully traditional French getaway.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Tours Val de Loire Airport (173km)
Nearest Airport 2	Paris Orly Airport (182km)
Nearest Airport 3	Paris CDG Airport (212km)



Nearest Bar/Pub	In the village (Short walk)
Nearest City	Orléans (50km)
Nearest Ferry Port	Caen Ouistreham/Dieppe (326km/336km)
Nearest Golf	Golf Aisses (32km)
Nearest Restaurant	In the village (Short walk)
Nearest Shop	In the village (Short walk)
Nearest Town	Argent-sur-Sauldre (15km)
Nearest Train Station	Lamotte-Beuvron/Salbris (19km/25km)
Nearest Village	Brinon sur Sauldre (Short walk to village centre)
Nearest Supermarket	Super U et Drive, Argent-sur-Sauldre (17km)

What we love

- Stay in the beautifully restored wing of a 17th-century château, rich in history and reimagined with stylish designer interiors
- We love the chic kitchen and elegant salon, where original character features blend seamlessly with contemporary style
- The heated swimming pool, private garden and terrace create a wonderful setting for relaxed days and al-fresco dining with family and friends
- Guests can also wander the château's shared 23-hectare parkland, complete with woodland, river frontage and a fishing lake
- Stroll into the charming village of Brinon-sur-Sauldre with its churches, pretty houses and useful amenities
- Soak up the authentic charm of the beautiful Sologne region with picturesque villages, forests and waterways, or venture further to visit the iconic châteaux of the Loire valley

What you should know...

- Château Chanterelles is in the south wing of a large château building (where other residents live). Rest assured that this spacious part of the château is private (there is no internal connection with other parts of the château) with its own entrance, garden and swimming pool.
- The house sleeps a maximum of 15 guests across seven bedrooms and a TV lounge with a large sofa-bed - please see the "Layout" tab for full details.
- At the end of the garden there is a small gate that leads to the château's shared parkland – 23 hectares including forest, a fishing lake and river frontage (children should be supervised at all times).
- The owner and her family are not generally on site but this may change in 2027 (if they do sometimes stay then this would be in a completely separate house on the other side of the pool - rest assured they would not use the pool, garden or parking area).
- Please note that cats are resident within the estate. Also, motorhomes are not allowed on site.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €4000 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:** 4.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 11.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pets welcome?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner. If accepted, pets will not be allowed in the bedrooms (due to allergies).
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday (other days may be possible on request).
- **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?:** Not allowed.
- **Other 2:** A cot and highchair are available on request with advance notice.
- **Other 3:** Please note that motorhomes are not permitted on site.
- **Minimum stay:** 5 nights.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **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 is included.
- **Pool towels included?:** No.
- **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.