La Maison Des Moines

Region: Dordogne **Sleeps:** 6

Overview



La Maison des Moines is near enough to the Dordogne for *foie gras* and great wines, whilst benefiting from the warmer and drier climate of the Lot. But this unique home could be anywhere - what it has to offer starts with its rich history and ends with everything both inside and outside its thick, stone walls.

The story began in the 16th century when it first started to be the home of monks and priests. For centuries they taught music in the presbyter and held performances in the barn, come theatre. It continued until modern times to be an important meeting and entertainment place for the community and the locals, in the nearby village of only 400 inhabitants, still reminisce fondly about the good times.

It's modern day version began with a dream…the dream of a family who discovered this beautiful and spiritual building and who decided to restore it and create an oasis of peace and calm, a retreat where to relax, unwind and nourish one's body, mind and soul with good food, good wine, silence and mesmerizing views of the countryside.

The result is a spacious and elegant home with high ceilings, plenty of original features and a clever and attractive blend of old and new.







Outside, amongst fragrant lavender, rosemary and heather is a pool and a terrace where guests will be hypnotized by the views across the countryside and to the recently restored Château de Theobon, in the distance.

Although it might be difficult to tear yourself away from the silence, there is plenty to do and see in the area too. A world-class golf course is only a 10-minute drive away, as are many other activities. Within reach are local restaurants and wineries, typical markets, *brocantes* and

festivals and the quaint villages of Eymet, Issigeac and Castillonès, as well as towns such as Bergerac and Sainte-Foy-La-Grande, with its fabulous market, or Marmande the tomato capital of France and home to its own Nôtre Dame. Explore the Dordogne along the river via Lalinde and Trémolat, then through the pretty Vallée de la Vézère, Les Eyzies de Tayac and Sarlat-la-Canéde. It is even possible to drive to the Atlantic and visit Arcachon and the tallest dune in Europe, in Pyla.

La Maison des Moines is more than just a holiday home, it is a place to spend quality time with friends and family, unwinding and recharging away from the usual daily stresses and distractions and reconnecting with the things that matter most.

Facilities

France250 • Exclusive • Golf Nearby • Recommended • Wine Tasting • Private Pool • <1hr to Airport • Romantic • Ideal for Kids • Heated Pool • Ideal for Teens • Cots (Cribs) • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Pool Safety Feature • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Coffee Machine • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Hairdryer • Tourist Towns & Villages • Table Tennis • Indoor Games • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Outdoor Games • Heating • Boules/Petanque • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds

House Interior (220m2)

- Fully equipped kitchen
- Living and dining area
- Large double bedroom (1 king + king duvet) with en-suite bathroom with bath/shower, double washbasin and toilet
- Large double bedroom (2 singles or 1 king bed, single duvets) with en-suite shower room with toilet and single washbasin
- Double bedroom (2 singles or 1 king, single duvets), perfect for children (accessible only via one of the other bedrooms)
- Laundry room

Outside Grounds

- Terrace
- Outdoor dining area
- Private heated* swimming pool with safety electric shutter (size: 8m x 4m)
- Decking area

**The pool is heated to maintain a temperature of 24° minimum*

Facilities

- Table Tennis
- Boules (on driveway)
- Children toys
- Pool toys
- Books
- Hairdryers in each bathroom
- Washing Machine and Dryer
- Ironing Board and Iron
- Pantry items (main staples)
- Coffee machine and milk Frother
- Coffee Plunger
- Kitchen Aid Mixer
- Food processor
- Sandwich Press
- Citrus Press
- Kettle
- Toaster
- Hand mixer
- 2 Ovens (1 with Microwave function)
- Dishwasher
- Slicing Machine
- American Fridge with ice and water
- Gas BBQ
- Teak Sun lounges / deck chairs
- Teak outdoor dining furniture
- Parking space









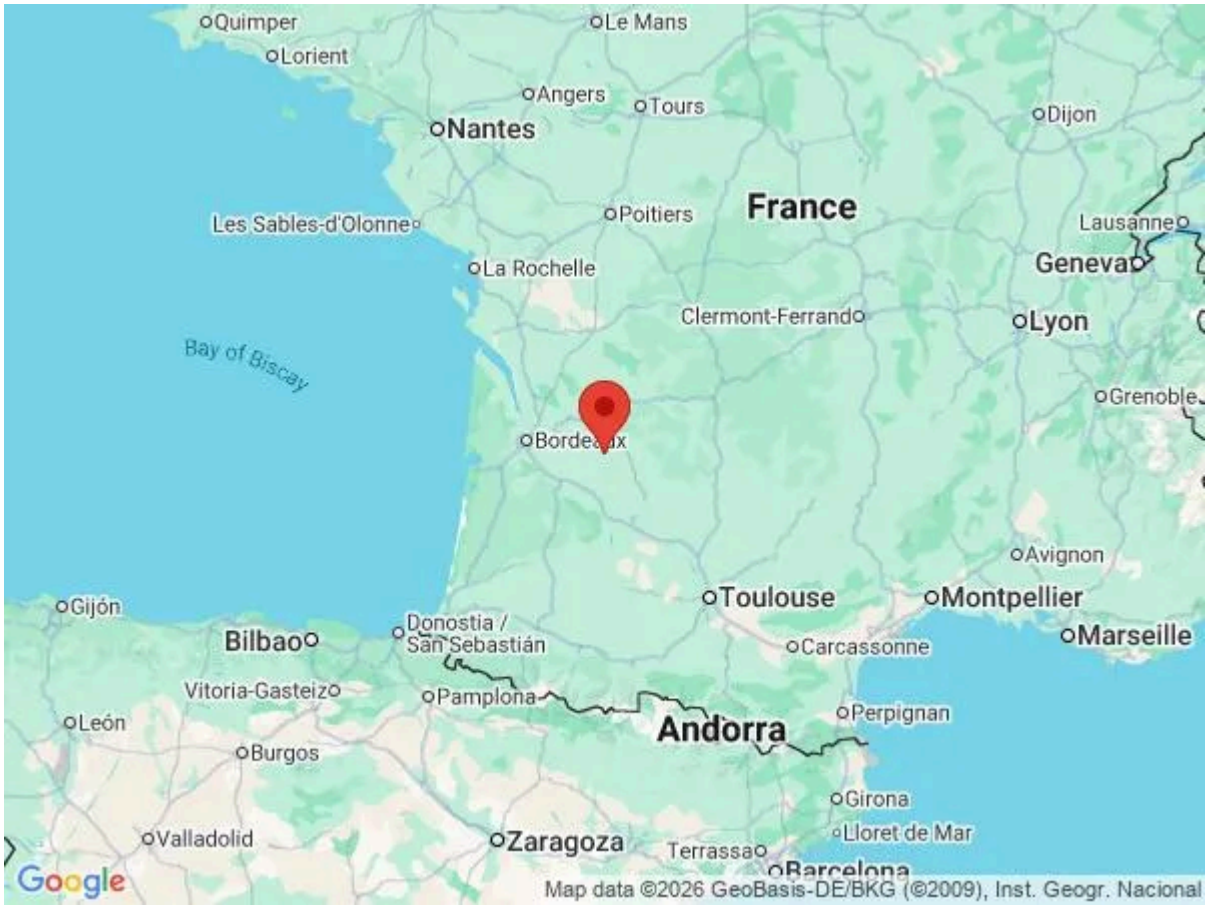
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Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Bergerac/Bordeux (27km/115km)**
Nearest Train Station	**Sainte-Foy-La-Grande/Marmande (15km/36km)**
Nearest Shop	**Superette (Loubes) (500m)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Carrefour (Duras) (12km)**
Nearest Beach	**Atlantic Coast (160km)**
Nearest Village	**Eymet (15km)**
Nearest Town/City	**Bergerac (27km)**
Nearest Golf	**(10km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**(local village)**
Nearest Bar/Pub	**(local village)**









What we love

- A peaceful place to withdraw from city-life and stresses and just relax
- The pretty views across the countryside, a patchwork of vineyards, fields and green rolling hills
- Plenty of great produce and food and wine to discover in the area
- The kitchen is a chef's dream; sharp knives, two ovens, plenty of gadgets and even a professional cold-cuts slicing machine (fingers beware!)

What you should know...

- The owners wish to maintain the tranquillity and encourage days spent chatting and reading, therefore there are no TVs.
- A car is recommended for shopping and exploring

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €1000 charged to client's credit card before 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, including down duvets and pool towels.

- **Pets welcome?:** On request only and subject to prior agreement with the owner and to an additional contract addendum which must also be signed prior to arrival.

- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed. Guests will be required to sign a copy of the owner's rental terms before the arrival.

- **Changeover day:** Friday.

- **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.

- **Insurance:** Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for cancellations, personal belongings, public liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.

- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights.

- **Heating costs included?:** Central heating is not included.

- **Pool heating charge?:** No. 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 in the rental price.

- **Pool towels included?:** Yes, included in the rental price (fouta towels)