

# La Plaine

**Region:** Dordogne   **Sleeps:** 6

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## Overview

With magnificent views over the surrounding vineyards, this is idyllic Dordogne at its best. The countryside location offers peace and tranquillity, yet you are only a short drive from charming local villages and the exquisite city of Bergerac, a wine-lovers dream.

The stone cottage has a wonderfully spacious garden with vast lawns and mature fruit trees, lovely for an afternoon lazing with a good book in the shade from the summer sun. The swimming pool is a convivial place to meet with its al-fresco dining terrace, pergola and barbecue, enjoying the wide-stretching views beyond.

The cottage itself is light and airy, perched up from the gardens with a lovely breeze coming through the French windows that can be opened across the ground floor. The house is full of character with wood beamed ceilings, exposed brick work and wonderful wood burning fires, creating a cosy and welcoming ambience. The lovely kitchen-diner, with its terracotta floors, is the perfect place for keen cooks to create a feast using the very best in ingredients from the local markets. The two pretty ground floor en suite bedrooms add to the homely feel whilst a third bedroom (and downstairs shower room) can be found on the other side of the house on the upper floor in the tower wing.

This is a great location in the Dordogne, an area full of pretty medieval villages, fine wines, truffles, vibrant local markets, canoeing on the river and unspoilt views of stunning countryside. The nearest village has a couple of restaurants open in the summer months, just five minutes by car plus there is a wealth of other lovely villages in the area and impressive weekly markets not to be missed, such as Bergerac, Eymet and Sainte-Foy-la-Grande.

Other magical trips out should include sampling the delicious black truffle in the city of Périgueux, heading north over the river to the exquisite town of Sarlat or simply exploring some of France's *Plus Beaux Villages* along the Dordogne such as La Roque Gageac, Beynac and Castelnaud-la-Chapelle. Not forgetting the nearby beautiful city of Bergerac with its unmissable *Maisons de Vins* or head north to the charming wine-town of Saint-Émilion.

Whether you are in the Dordogne to sample fine wines, explore idyllic villages and towns or just relax in the beautiful countryside, La Plaine is a charming cottage for your stay in this glorious region.



## Facilities

Wi-Fi/Internet • Great Value • Tennis Nearby • Watersports • Rural Location • Cots (Cribs) • Golf Nearby • Private Pool • Pool Safety Feature • Heated Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for

Teens • <1hr to Airport • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Satellite TV • Working  
Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • High Chair(s) • Canoeing/Kayaking •  
Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Cycling • Horse Riding • Fishing •  
Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns &  
Villages • Historical Sites

# Interior & Grounds

## House Interior

### *Ground Floor*

- Kitchen-diner, well equipped including dishwasher and microwave plus wood burning stove
- Sitting room (via two steps) with wood burning stove
- One double bedroom, dressing area, en-suite bath and shower room with WC
- One twin bedroom, en-suite bath and shower room with WC
- Separate WC

### *Tower Wing (opposite side to other bedrooms)*

- Ground floor shower room with WC
- First floor double bedroom

## Outside Grounds

- Private heated swimming pool (10mx5m), fenced in
- Terraces
- Gardens
- BBQ
- Pergola
- Outdoor dining table and chairs

## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- TV with some English-speaking channels
- Heating
- Wood-burning stove
- Washing machine and dryer



# Location & Local Information

The Dordogne is known as the valley of 1000 chateaux with endless pretty medieval villages, fine wines, truffles, local markets and spectacular valleys and rivers. The Dordogne river, just 5km away, offers great kayaking, canoeing and unparalleled views of the countryside.

Your nearest village is Saussignac (2.5km), a small place with two restaurants, usually open from late April to October and during the summer there is sometimes a pop-up pizzeria once a week. Head to Gardonne (6km) for a local bakery whilst the nearest supermarket can be found ten minutes away towards Pineuilh (10km).

Bergerac (16m) to the west with its medieval architecture, pretty boutiques and high-end restaurants as well as the unmissable *Maisons de Vins* is a must.

There are of course some wonderful food markets to visit across villages and towns of the Dordogne including Bergerac (16km) on a Wednesday and Saturday morning, Eymet (20km) on a Thursday morning, local Sainte-Foy-la-Grande (11km) on a Saturday morning and a little further to the incredibly charming Issigeac (30km) on a Sunday morning.

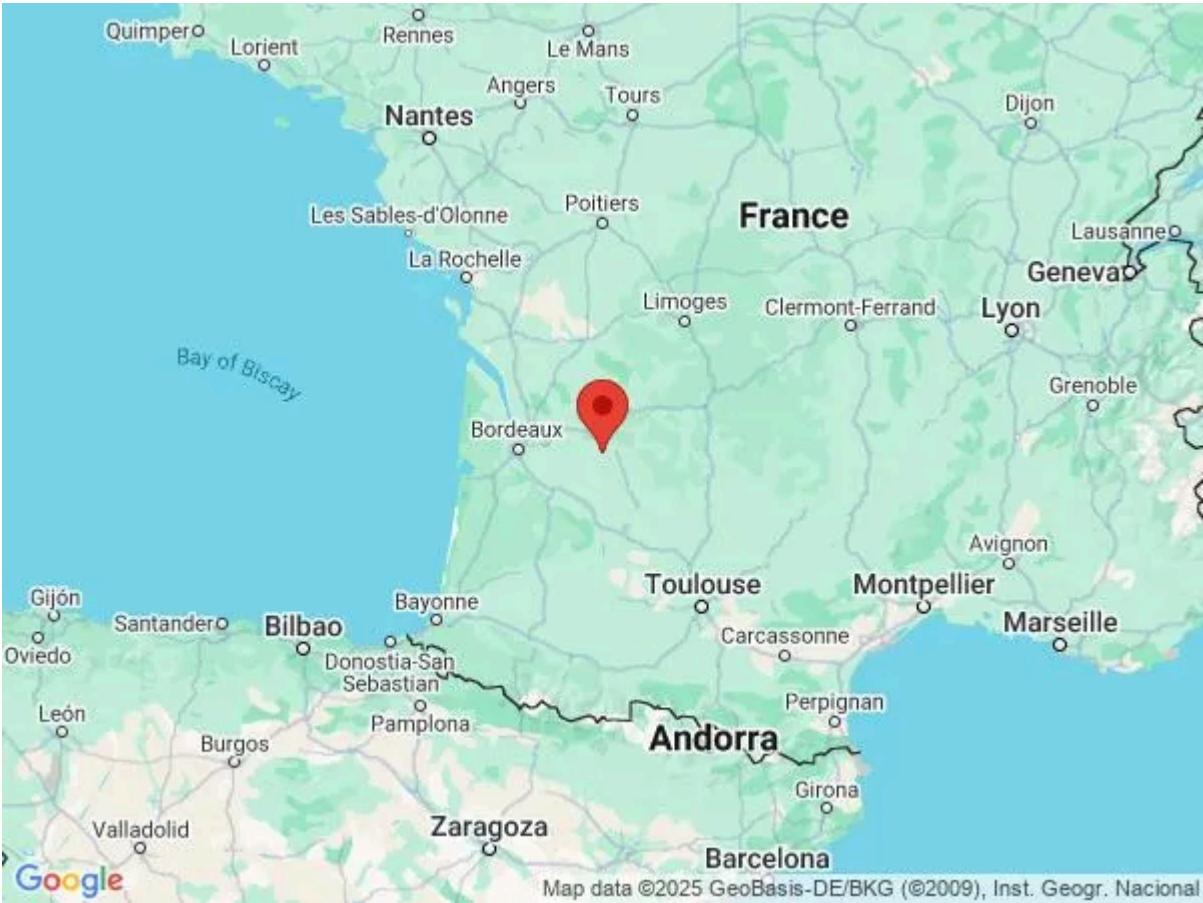
In under an hour you can access two of France's *Plus Beaux Villages*, Monflaquin (58km) and Monpazier (56km) or follow the Dordogne east all the way to beautiful villages such as Beynac-et-Cazenac (80km), La Roque-Gageac (84km) and Domme (90km) before heading north to delightful Sarlat-la-Canéda (92km) or the UNESCO World Heritage site at Lascaux Caves (97km). For a change of scene you can also head west for a day trip to the coast to sample some local oysters at Cap Ferret (160km) or Arcachon (150km).

Wine-lovers should also take a trip to the marvellous city of Bordeaux (90km) and the totally charming hilltop wine-town of Saint-Émilion (45km).

The whole region is a true haven for nature and sport lovers alike offering a wide array of outdoor activities, from horse-back riding, to tennis, mountain-biking, golfing and watersports, not to mention the number of hiking and fishing opportunities in the area. Teens will love the nearby waterparks, exploring prehistoric caves and historic castles or even a magnificent hot air balloon ride across the stunning region. The more adventurous may enjoy go-karting near Bergerac or tree-top activities in the forests north of the Dordogne.

## Local Amenities

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| Nearest Village    | Saussignac<br>(2.5km) |
| Nearest Restaurant | Saussignac<br>(2.5km) |
| Nearest Shop       | (6km)                 |



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| Nearest Supermarket | (10km)                                       |
| Nearest Town/City   | Sainte-Foy-la-Grande/Bergerac<br>(11km/16km) |
| Nearest Airport     | Bergerac/Bordeaux<br>(17km/94km)             |

## What we love

- There's uninterrupted views of vineyards from the glorious gardens and swimming pool
- The ground floor has lovely French windows opening up on the terrace and garden, creating a light and airy space
- Bergerac, a fantastic small city with its famous *Maison des Vins*, is only 16km away
- The famous Dordogne towns of Saint-Émilion, Sarlat and Périgueux are all easily reached for stunning day-trips
- Superb gardens fruit trees... the plums and figs taste like heaven!

## What you should know...

- Due to the lovely traditional thick stone walls the Wi-Fi can be patchy in some rooms and should only be used for holiday use as the speeds may be too slow for streaming etc.
- Please note that published rates are only valid for the current year. Any bookings for subsequent years will be on request only and correct rates will be confirmed at the time of booking.
- Please note that your booking will only be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner.

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €1000 charged to the clients' credit card prior to arrival.
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, excluding pool towels. Mid-stay linen change on Monday also included for stays of two weeks or more.
- **Pets welcome?:** No.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and other celebrations are not permitted. Please note that published rates are only valid for the current year. Any bookings for subsequent years will be on request only and correct rates will be confirmed at the time of booking. Please note that your booking will only be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner. Cot and high chair included. Additional high chairs and cots are available for hire at a cost of €25 per week (limited availability, to be pre-booked). Lower rates for 4 guests are only available outside the peak season.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday. Other days may be possible on request in mid-season (end of May-mid July & September, approximately)
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Yes and mid-stay clean on Monday included for stays of two weeks or more. 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 garbage disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Outside only.
- **Insurance:** Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for civil liability as well as cancellations, personal belongings, public liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay. A copy of this policy will be requested by the owner before arrival.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights during high season - short stays may be possible on request outside of this period.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes. Included in low season. From end of May to end of September, heating is on request and at a supplement.
- **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 payable on booking confirmation (typically costs €2-€5 per adult per night). Exact cost will depend on number of adults travelling and duration, and will be advised at the time of booking.
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes.