Chateau Bourgogne

Region: France **Sleeps:** 14

Overview

Walk through the wrought iron gates, under the 400-year-old chestnut tree and down the secluded path to discover a majestic 13th Century castle filled with historical charm and beautiful contemporary style. Located in the heart of the Burgundy wine region, near some of France's most stunning towns and sights, Château Bourgogne is a truly magical place to escape to.

It's a wonderful story – starting as a dream when the devoted owners spotted the castle in an estate agent's window in Paris. Since then they have put their heart and soul into the château's sensitive restoration and what they have created is a unique, unpretentious yet luxurious place to stay which has retained so much of its rich historical past.

With origins date as far back as 1000AD; the main château was built in medieval times and used to protect local inhabitants during times of war. It has a long and interesting history with various owners, including a famous French actress and singer during the last century. There are historical features throughout such as the 15th-century steep staircases, thick stone walls, a library in the turret and the watchtower terrace overlooking the glorious grounds and countryside. You can enjoy listening to the grand piano by one of the original fire-places or dine by candlelight on the medieval table by the two roaring fires in the stunning living-dining room.

You will be greeted with a glass of sparkling wine as you arrive, then you can begin to explore your enchanting castle. There are ten bedrooms across the three upper floors, some of them en-suite and with original fire-places. Only the finest quality bedlinen has been used plus there is central heating and high speed Wi-Fi to add to the list of modern amenities. You can hire a chef to work in the immaculate kitchen or keen cooks will love the Lacanche range cooker to prepare a feast of local delights. A wine library is also available so you can purchase excellent value wines, carefully curated by the château's sommelier.

Step outside to the meandering grounds and find the wonderful eco-heated swimming pool or simply sip local wine by the terrace. Keen walkers can wander through the nearby forests whilst tennis lovers only need to walk into the village to hire a court, complimentary for Château Bourgogne guests.

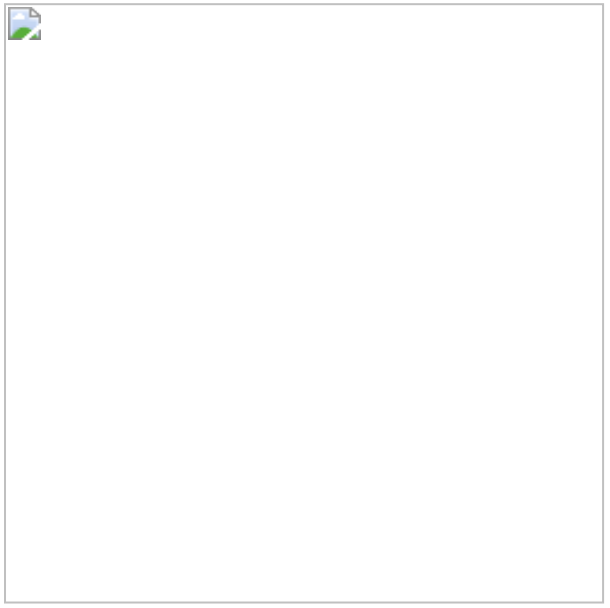
This small ancient farming village is built around the castle, is a little hidden gem overlooking surrounding forest. You'll find a shop selling essentials there, including fresh bread which you can pre-order for your stay. For a wider choice of boutique shops, supermarkets and excellent restaurants head to the medieval town of Noyers-sur-Serein (12km), one of Frances 'plus beaux villages', where you can walk by the river or have a leisurely lunch in this picturesque setting.

A little further are the two World Heritage sites of Abbey de Fontenay (30km) and Vézelay (40km) or take the high-speed train from Montbard (24km) to

wonderful Paris in an hour for a day to remember for all the family.

You are of course in the heart of the real Burgundy with so many world-famous wines within an easy drive. You can spend a day tasting fine white wine in Chablis (36km) or head to the wine capital of the region, Beaune (106km) in just over ninety minutes. The château can arrange for a top-class sommelier, who has worked with world-class chefs, to spend time with you to advise you on the best vineyards to visits and wines to try.

There's no doubt that in such a divine and historical setting, in the heart of beautiful Burgundy, you will create memories here with your friends and family that will stay with you for a lifetime.



Facilities

Catering Available • France250 • Pure France • Chateaux & Castles • Cycling • Tennis Nearby • Historical Sites • Horse Riding • Exclusive • Walking/Hiking Paths • Walk to Village • Ideal for Kids • Fishing • Recommended • Wine Tasting • Private Pool • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Chef/Cook Available • Ideal for Teens • Cots (Cribs) • Saltwater Pool • Pool Safety Feature • Heritage Collection • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Table Tennis • Indoor Games • Tumble Dryer • Outdoor Games • Heating • Board games • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers

Interior & Grounds

Château Interior

Ground Floor

- Entrance Hall
- Well equipped kitchen featuring Lacanche range cooker
- Grand dining room and lounge with two fireplaces (one decorative, one working)
- TV room with fireplace leading to south-facing garden terrace
- Turret library
- Laundry room (cellar)
- Games room in separate Servant Quarters
- Guest WC

First Floor

- Music room with Grand Piano and decorative fireplace
- Master bedroom with super king-size bed and decorative fireplace. En-suite shower room with WC
- Bedroom One with Super King-size bed and fire-place
- Guest WC

Second Floor

- Bedroom Two with double bed and en-suite shower room with WC
- Bedroom Three with twin single beds
- Bedroom Four with King-size bed
- Bedroom Five with King-size bed
- Bedroom Six with King-size bed
- Bedroom Seven with King-size bed
- Separate bathroom inc. bath with shower and bidet plus WC
- Separate bathroom inc. bath with shower and WC
- Guest WC

Third Floor

- Bedroom Eight with King-size bed, accessed via own staircase

- Bedroom Nine with twin single beds.
- Shower room with WC. Accessed via own staircase.
- Steps leading to Watch Tower terrace

Outside Grounds

- Private eco-heated saltwater swimming pool (size: 11mx7m) with high-performance solar cover and security gate to enclosed pool area. Open from May to end of September
- Garden terraces
- Vast grounds and gardens (5000m2)
- Parking

Facilities

- High speed Wi-Fi
- Washing machine and dryer
- Iron and ironing board
- Hairdryers in bathrooms
- Board games
- Children's games
- Croquet set, badminton, table tennis
- Charcoal barbecue

Location & Local Information

The magnificent castle is located in a small village. Here you will find a small shop selling essentials such as cereals, meats, beers and wine as well as bread, which you should order the day before (you can set up a regular order for your stay).

There are tennis courts in the village which guests may use free of charge (the chateau has rackets you can borrow) and bikes from nearby Auxerre can be rented and delivered to your door. Horse-riding is within half an hour and there are some stunning hikes in the area. Keen walkers can discover a druidic menhir in the nearby forests just 2km from the castle. Plus, golfers can choose from either the 9-hole course at Golf de Tanlay (30km) or the 18-hole course at Le Domaine du Roncemay (80km).

Noyers-sur-Serein (12km), one of Frances 'plus beaux villages', is the nearest town with a wider choice of facilities such as a wonderful bakery, excellent restaurants and a brilliant shop selling the very best meats, terrines, snails and fine wines. The charming medieval town is full of history with pretty squares and fascinating buildings dating back to the 13th to 19th Centuries. You can wander down by the river, watch artists paint and have a delicious lunch in the picturesque setting.

You'll find two small supermarkets in Noyers as well as one with a greater choice of fish in L'Isle-sur-Serein (10km). This is another gorgeous riverside village, with an excellent supermarket, a bar, a highly regarded restaurant and a 24h petrol station.

You can also visit local farms to pick up amazing fresh produce such as milk and cheese near Blacy (10km) and meats near Noyers at Clavisy (15km).

Food lovers must visit the wonderful morning French markets to pick up all sorts of local delicacies to cook back at their château. Noyers has a market every Saturday and Wednesday plus in the autumn they host the famous Burgundy truffle market with stalls selling local produce and pottery. Others include Avallon (25km) on a Wednesday, Chablis (36km) on a Sunday morning, Auxerre (52km) on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. A little further afield are markets in Dijon (110km) four times a week on a Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday and Beaune (106km) on a Saturday.

Burgundy's wine regions now have a World Heritage status with the beautiful Chablis just over half an hour away, producing one of the world's most famous white wines. A day's wine course with tastings and lunch can be arranged at one of the finest producers in the town or simply visit the domaines, boutiques and specialist shops that are scattered over this delightful place. The château can arrange for a top-class sommelier, who has worked with world-class chefs, to spend time with you to advise you on the best vineyards to visits and wines to try.

Also nearby you have the Abbey de Fontenay (30km), dating back to 1118, the oldest preserved Cistercian abbey in the world and the idyllic town of Vézelay (40km), with boutiques, galleries, cafes and flower filled alleyways and courtyards. Both are World Heritage sites and can easily be reached by car in under 45 minutes. The famous Grottes d'Arcy (34km) with amazing ancient cave paintings are also within a short drive.

You can also reach Paris in just one hour by taking the TGV train from nearby Montbard (24km), a wonderful day trip for all the family whether you want to take in the city's galleries, stroll in the magnificent parks or simply see some of the sights of one of the most beautiful cities in the world.

Other fantastic places to visit during your stay include the ancient Roman town of Autun (90km), a must-see in Burgundy, Beaune (106km), the historic wine capital of Burgundy and Dijon (110km), also famous for outstanding wines and stunning architecture.

Local Amenities

Nearest Village	**(walking distance)**
Nearest Town/City	**Noyers-su_Serein/L'Isle-sur-Serein (12km/9km)**
Nearest Shop	**(in the village)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Noyers-sur-Serein (12km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Noyers-sur-Serein (12km)**
Nearest Tennis	**In the village (free of charge) (Short walk)**
Nearest Airport	**Dijon/Paris Orly (119km/212km)**
Nearest Golf	**Golf de Tanlay (30km)**

What we love

- You are staying in a majestic 13th-century castle full of historical features yet with contemporary style and elegance throughout
- The vast meandering grounds feature beautiful gardens, terraces and a glorious eco-heated saltwater swimming pool which is gentle on skin and kinder to those with allergies or asthma
- You can walk into the local village for your daily essentials
- The owner has arranged for guests to use the village tennis courts free of charge, just a short walk away
- The nearby medieval town of Noyers-sur-Serein, just ten minutes drive away, is one of France's 'plus beaux villages'
- You are in the heart of the Burgundy wine region with world famous wines produced nearby, including Chablis, just over half an hour away
- It's only one hour by high-speed train to Paris from nearby Montbard, just a short drive away

What you should know...

- Please note that whilst the chateau tecnically has a total of 10 bedrooms, to respect the heritage of the property the owner will only accept bookings for a maximum of 14 guests, which is why 8 bedrooms are advertised.
- The little shop in the village sells a few essentials including bread – you'll need to pre-order it the day before or you can set up an order for the duration of your stay
- Although there are steep spiral staircases dating back to the 15th Century leading to the upper floors and bedrooms, there is also a modern spiral staircase easier to scale and leading to the top floor
- Car hire is essential to discover this wonderful part of Burgundy

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €900 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation one month before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.

- **Arrival time:** 5pm - 7pm

- **Departure time:** 10am

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

- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, including pool towels. Please note that a change of towels is not available.

- **Pets welcome?:** Maximum two dogs welcome. Some breeds may be on request only. Please note that they are not permitted on the first and second floors and in the garden area.

- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed. Open from May to end of September (cooler months may not be suitable for swimming). Please note that whilst the chateau tecnically has a total of 10 bedrooms, to respect the heritage of the property the owner will only accept bookings for a maximum of 14 guests, which is why 8 bedrooms are advertised.

- **Changeover day:** Flexible, outside May to end of September when Saturday (during this period, other days may be possible on request only). No Sunday changeover.

- **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.

- **Other Cleaning:** The owners reserve the right to deduct a surcharge from the security deposit to cover any extra cleaning costs that may be required.

- **Smoking Allowed?:** Outside only.

- **Minimum stay:** 5 nights, except from June to end of September when 7 nights.

- **Heating costs included?:** Extra €88 per day from October to May inclusive paid to the owner upon balance payment. Open fireplaces and chopped wood included.