Le Clos Lumiere

Region: France **Sleeps:** 8

Overview

In the heart of the Loire Valley, attached to a grand chateau, Le Clos Lumiere is an elegant and stylish home in an idyllic rural setting surrounded by vineyards.

The owners have recently restored this wing of their own chateau and what they have created is remarkable. Step up to the main living space where light floods in from the south-facing garden and you are greeted with sophisticated style and character around you. The original fireplace and wood beamed ceilings are a nod to the home's historical past whilst cool, modern furnishings and fittings allow you to live in 21st Century comfort.

There are four bedrooms here, each of them furnished gracefully with beautiful features and contemporary bathrooms. Three are on the first floor, two doubles and a twin, whilst there is a delightful garden double bedroom outside that offers guests a little privacy from the main wing. The three doubles have king-size beds and TVs to add to the sense of luxury around you.

Guests at Le Clos Lumiere have their own private south-facing garden with a pretty al-fresco dining area by the ancient walls. You are also free to use the chateau's tennis courts and explore the owner's estate if you wish to soak up the mesmerising views of the rural surroundings.

It's only a few minutes in the car to a local restaurant and a little village with a *boulangerie* for your morning bread and pastries or head to the nearby town of Bourgueil, just ten minutes away, especially on market day on a Tuesday and Saturday morning. Famous for its excellent red wine, there are also some lovely restaurants and shops selling delicious local products that the 'Garden of France' is so famous for such as truffles, cheeses and *rillettes*.









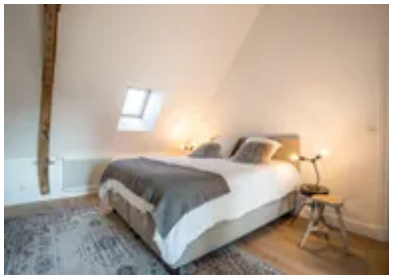
Canoe along the Loire river and sample the sparkling wine in Saumur (32km), home of the Cadre Noir equestrian school or explore the wine caves in the winding lanes of pretty Chinon (32km). This is of course the land of magical chateaux such as Chateau de Langeais (14km), Chateau de Villandry (23km) and Chateau Royal d'Amboise (66km) all within an hours drive.

Or you could just revel in the fact that you're staying in part of a stunning 17th century chateau, which has been listed as a French historical monument, as you sip fine red wine from the surrounding AOC Bourgueil vineyards.

Facilities

Walking/Hiking Paths • Cycling • Tennis Nearby • Horse Riding • Tennis Court • Golf Nearby • Wine Tasting • Historical Sites • Private Pool • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Catering Available • Ideal for Teens • Cots (Cribs) • Heated Pool • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Saltwater Pool • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Modern • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Satellite TV • Heating • Caretaker/Owner on Site • Board games • Changing mat • Bottle warmer • Baby monitor • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds









Clos Interior (220m2)

Ground Floor (main entrance via steps)

- Open-plan living room with TV, Bose music system and fireplace
- Open-plan dining room
- Open-plan kitchen, well-equipped including fridge, freezer, induction hobs, wine cellar, mixer and Nespresso coffee machine
- WC
- Cloakroom

First Floor (some low/sloping ceilings)

- Laundry room
- Double bedroom with king-size bed (180cm), TV, desk and bathroom with bath, shower and WC
- Twin bedroom (beds 90cm each) and bathroom with bath and WC
- Double bedroom with king-size bed (180cm), TV, desk and bathroom with shower and WC

Independent Bedroom (Garden Level)

- Double bedroom with king-size bed (180cm), TV, desk and bathroom with shower and WC

Outside Grounds

- Weber gas barbecue and Plancha
- Al-fresco dining area
- Sun-loungers
- South-facing garden
- Tennis courts in chateau's grounds (rackets and balls available)

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- TV (local and international channels)l
- Bose music system with Deezer (music streaming service)

- I-Pad available
- Board games
- Baby monitor
- Changing mat
- Bottle warmer
- Bathrobes and slippers
- Hairdryers
- Washing machine, dryer and ironing facilities
- Pool

Location & Local Information

Le Clos Lumiere is in the heart of the 'Garden of France', only a five-minute drive from the Loire river. Visit fairy-tale chateaux, beautiful vineyards and rural villages so typical of this region. Discover fine regional foods such as amazing cheeses, truffles, excellent meats and preserved pears.

Within 2km of Le Clos Lumiere you can pick up your morning pastries and bread from the *boulangerie* in the local village, where you will also find a pharmacy and a doctors. There's an excellent restaurant serving local specialities within 1.5km.

For further facilities, head to the local town of Bourgueil (9km) where you can hire bikes and visit the historic 10th century abbey. The covered market on a Saturday morning is lovely whilst there is also a street market on a Tuesday morning. There are also many wonderful local restaurants and shops as well as a supermarket. The town is especially well known for its red wine (alongside the nearby village Saint-Nicolas-de-Bourgueil) and there are many opportunities to sample the excellent local wine.

In the afternoons in July and August there is a leisure park just south of Bourgueil with a lake where you can swim when the lifeguard is present as well as a beach, games for kids, petanque, volleyball, ping-pong and bike paths connecting to the Loire à Vélo (a cycling trail along the Loire riverside). This is also a lovely area for hiking.

Indeed, there are many fantastic activities around the region from golf within thirty minutes near Saumur or Fontevraud and horse-riding in the area.

Resting on the banks of the Vienne River to the south, the medieval town of Chinon (24km) is a wonderful place to visit for the day. Follow the winding streets full of little shops and restaurants up to the castle and appreciate the history all around you. It's another wine producing town so be sure to stop off in one of the town's caves where you can sample some local produce! Hire canoes for a leisurely afternoon by the river.

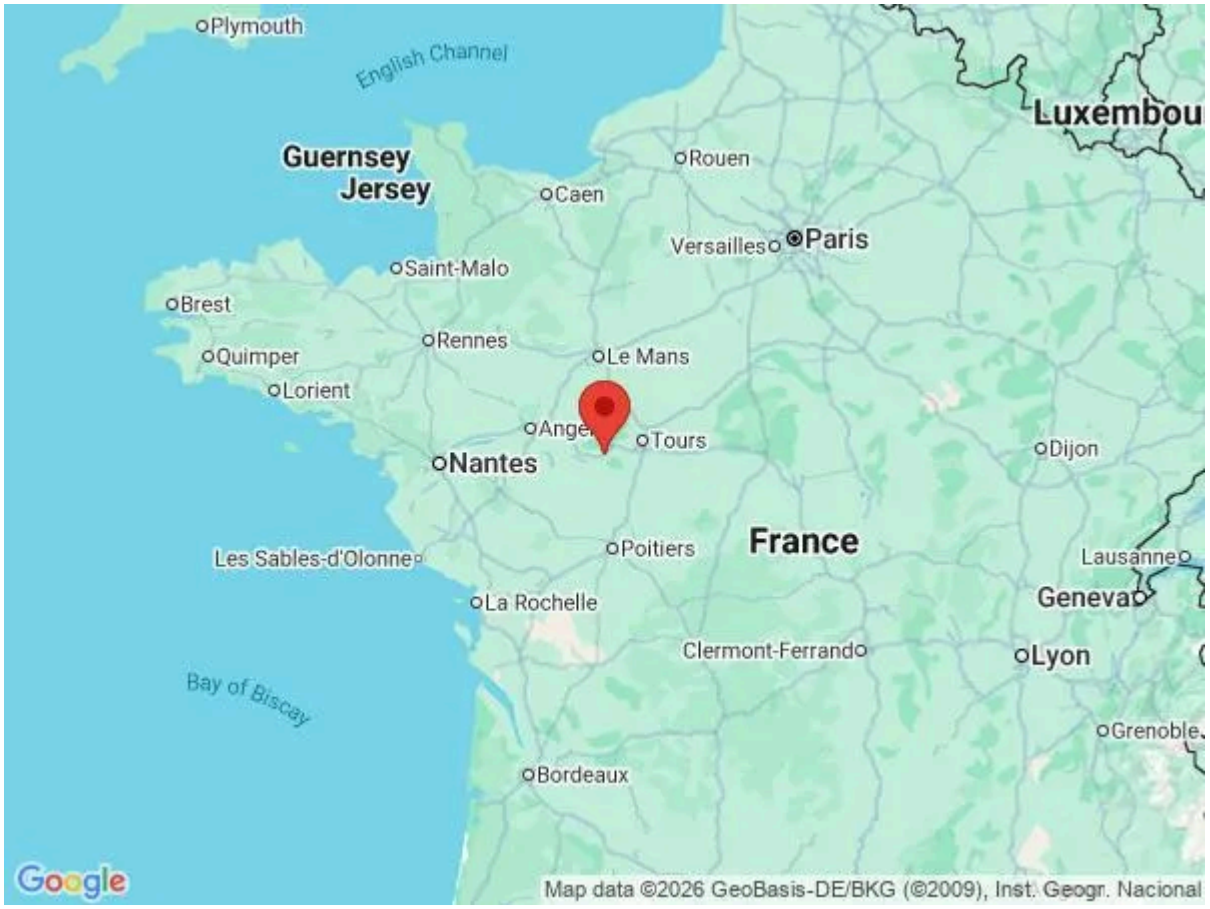
Another amazing town to visit is Saumur (32km), resting on the Loire River. It has a fine reputation for its excellent restaurants, its famous equestrian school Cadre Noir and the delicious sparkling white wine which you can sample in the area. Visit the romantic chateau, take a boat up the Loire river or hire canoes.

Other highlights to the south-west include the Fontevraud Abbey (28km) and the fascinating Troglodyte caves in Rochemenier (53km).

There is yet more fascinating history to discover in Tours (38km), also an excellent place for its high-end gastronomy with amazing markets across the city. Wine-lovers should continue to the famous vineyards of Vouvray (58km).

This is of course the land of magical chateaux, many of them near Le Clos Lumiere such as Chateau de Langeais (14km), Chateau de Villandry (23km), Chateau Royal d'Amboise (66km) and Chateau de Chenonceau (70km).

A little further but worth the drive is Chateau de Chambord (123km) which









should be combined with a visit to the utterly beautiful town of Blois (111km) on the Loire river.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Tours/Nantes (50km/180km)**
Nearest Train Station	**St-Patrice/Gare TGV de Saint Pierre des Corps (4.5km /50km)**
Nearest Village	**(2km)**
Nearest Shop	**Boulangerie/pharmacy (2km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**(1.5km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Bourgueil (9km)**
Nearest Town/City	**Bourgueil (9km)**
Nearest Golf	**Golf Saumur (35km)**
Nearest Tennis	**Château's grounds (On site)**

What we love

- The cool and contemporary style complements the rich historical character
- Wine-lovers rejoice in the wonderful vineyards surrounding you, including some fine red wines in nearby Bourgueil
- Visit the nearby magical chateaux of the Loire Valley
- Beautiful day trips within an hour include the towns of Chinon, Saumur and Tours
- Le Clos Lumiere is located in the countryside and car hire is strongly recommended

What you should know...

- A new private swimming pool will be available from Spring 2025!
- Le Clos Lumiere is one of the two renovated wings of a grand chateau and has its own garden
- The main chateau (and its estate) is the owner's second home; if present, they are very discreet, but on-hand if needed
- Some of the beautiful modern bathrooms in Le Clos are partially open-plan

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €1000 charged to client's credit card 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. - 6.00 p.m.

- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.

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

- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, plus linen changed mid-stay for stays of 2 weeks or more.

- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.

- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and other special events are not permitted.
 Guests will be required to sign a copy of the owner's rental terms one month before the arrival.
 Owners have their experienced catering team and the use of any external caterers is on request and entirely at the owner's discretion. If guests would like this service, please make owners aware as early as possible, to avoid disappointment.

- **Changeover day:** Saturday - all other changeover days 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?:** Outside only.

- **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 - all other durations on request.

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

- **Pool heating charge?:** Included. The pool can be heated from May to September. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.

- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax payable locally (typically costs €1-€3 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).

- **Pool towels included?:** Yes.