

# L'Arc

**Region:** Biarritz **Sleeps:** 6

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## Overview

If you love the sight and sound of the waves, L'Arc is the perfect place for you – it's a holiday home to dream about during those dark winter days.

This apartment, part of a distinguished looking residence in the heart of historic Biarritz, is entered at street level and sleeps six. Recently renovated, it is the ideal place for lovers of the beach and the city - just imagine sitting on the terrace with your coffee gazing at the wide sandy beach below you and letting your eyes wander towards the surfers riding the foamy breakers of the Bay of Biscay. Pour a glass of wine to watch the sun set over the ocean as you listen to the sound of the waves.

The living area is designed to maximise the spectacular views with its large sliding glass doors leading out to the terrace. A wonderfully spacious, sea-blue curved sofa is perfectly positioned for all six to comfortably enjoy the panorama from the living area. There is dining space at the breakfast bar next to the well-equipped, open-plan kitchen. The furniture and art work in the three simple yet comfortable bedrooms have been carefully chosen to reflect the contemporary design and historic charm of the whole apartment.

It's going to be difficult to leave your terrace but there is plenty to explore nearby. There are good restaurants in the Port des Pêcheurs, a short walk away, where fresh seafood can be found and food aficionados should not miss the eating places and amazing market at the Halles de Biarritz (1.2km). Walk a few minutes beyond Miramar beach towards La Grande Plage to view the grand Art Deco style of the Hotel du Palais nearby, so typical of the city.

Guests also benefit from complimentary use of the outdoor swimming pool, also overlooking the beautiful beach, as well as the gym and indoor pool at the 5\* hotel right next door.

Biarritz is of course a mecca for surfers and Oliver's Travels guests can arrange surf coaching for all abilities or just equipment hire. Other services that can be offered include guided tours, bike rental and scooter hire or you may wish to hire a car or even personal chauffeur so you can get out and explore some of the further wonders of the Pyrénées-Atlantiques region, whether idyllic Basque villages near the majestic mountains, wilder beaches along the coast or pretty seaside villages.

You may prefer to just stay in your perfectly ocean-view apartment in Biarritz where you can explore, shop, dine, surf, play golf or just relax by one of the many wonderful beaches this part of the Basque coastline has to offer.



## Facilities

Maid Service Available • Wow Factor • Beachfront • Watersports • Cots (Cribs) • Gym/Fitness Room • Shared Pool • Walk to Beach • Golf Nearby • Wi-Fi/Internet • Chef/Cook Available • Townhouse/Apartment • Modern • Transfers Available • Catering Available • Breakfast Available • On-Site Concierge • Butler Available • Meal delivery service • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Teens • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • Satellite TV • Heating • High Chair(s) • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Cycling • Fishing • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

# Interior & Grounds

## Interior of Apartment (95m2)

- Open Plan living area with comfortable seating area and TV. Sliding doors open to terrace with beach views
- Open-plan kitchen, well equipped with breakfast bar, gas cooker, oven, fridge, freezer, microwave, dishwasher, kettle, toaster and juicer
- Master bedroom 1 with double bed (1.4m) with open-plan walk in shower and separate sink
- Bedroom 2 with 2 single beds( 0.9m x1.9m)
- Bedroom 3 with double bed (1.4m)
- Shower room with washing machine
- 2 WCs

## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Heating
- Satellite TV
- Bose Music Centre
- DVD Player
- Radio
- Hairdryer
- Fans on request
- Washing machine, dryer and iron
- Use of owner's surf boards, on request
- Two car parking spaces



# Location & Local Information

L'Arc is situated in the heart of the city on a residential road parallel to the beach, right next to one of the entrances to a 5\* hotel (guests benefit from complimentary access to the hotel's swimming pools and gym).

Biarritz is an elegant resort in the Pyrénées-Atlantiques region of south-west France, dating back to the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century when the aristocracy built their summer residences along this part of the coast, following the example of their Emperor.

The apartment is a few minutes' walk away from the well-known Hotel du Palais built by Eugenie, the wife of Napoleon III, who had spent her childhood holidays on the Basque coast and fallen in love with its landscape - the hotel remains a symbol of the luxurious lure of Biarritz.

Eugenie also built the exquisite Chapelle Imperiale nearby - the small chapel contains mosaics reminiscent of the Alhambra in Spain and a bust of the empress can be found in the pretty garden.

Plage Miramar is a continuation of the town's most popular and famous beach, La Grande Plage. It's less busy than the main beach and therefore more popular with the locals. There are plenty of other beaches around the town such as La Plage de la Cote des Basques (2.1km), which has become a favourite for surfers. Indeed, Biarritz has become a surfing mecca with enthusiasts from all over the world attracted to the 6km of Biarritz coastline and beyond. There are plenty of surfing schools for abilities and all ages. Oliver Travel's guests can arrange surf coaching or just equipment hire during their stay.

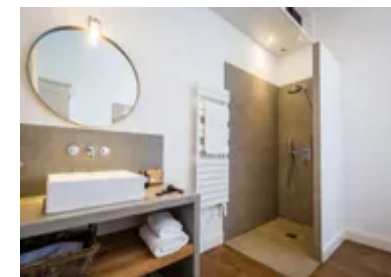
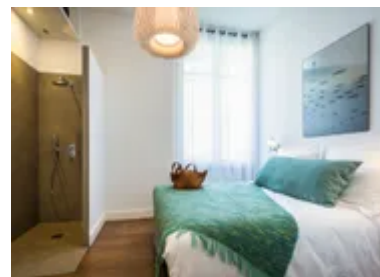
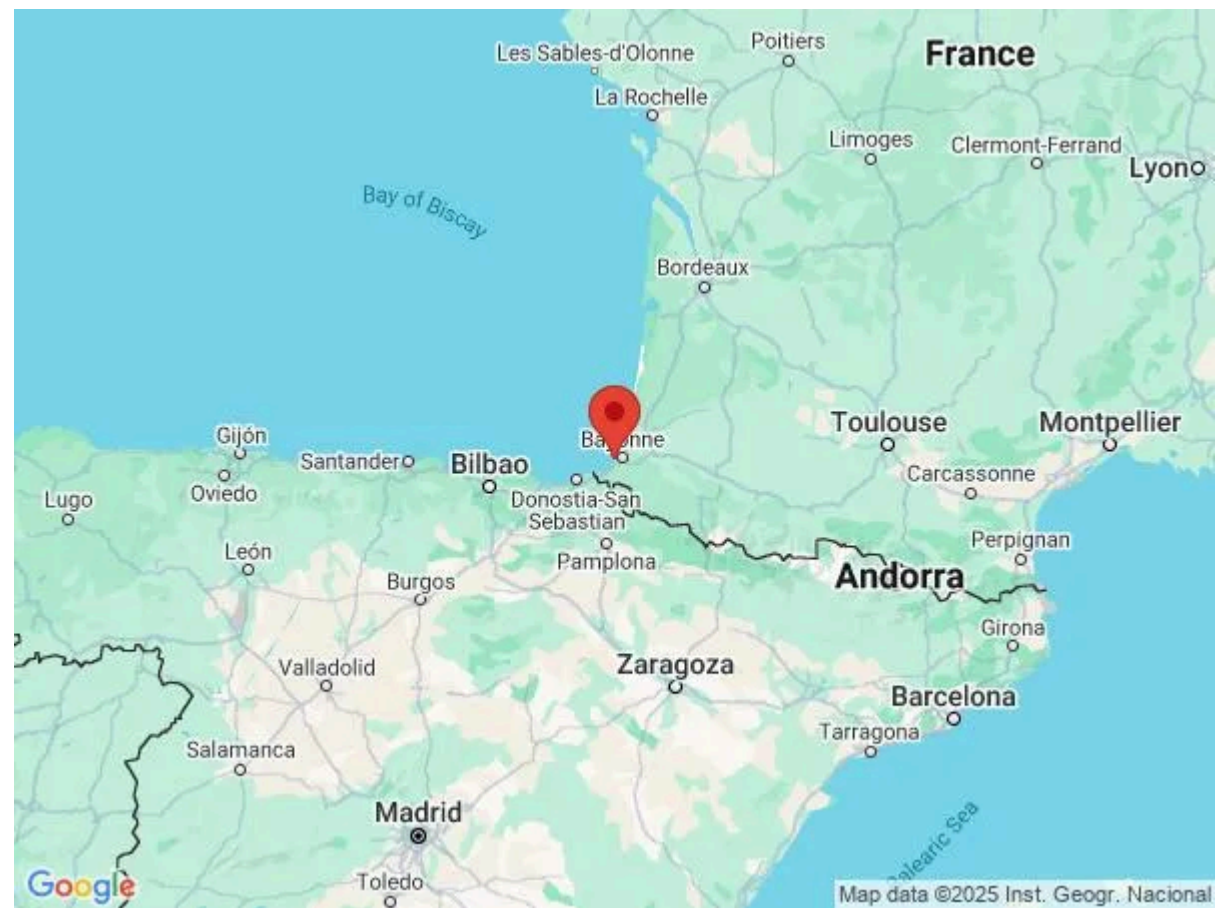
When you need a break from the giant waves, there is a tiny sheltered beach at Port Vieux (1.4km), situated near the town's main shopping street, Rue Port Vieux.

Walk away from the sea to visit Le Colisee (450m), a neighbourhood theatre within walking distance for evening entertainment or to enjoy the Art Deco architecture which is a theme throughout the city. The Casino Municipal (700m) and the Aquarium (1.5km), a must for sea-lovers or families, are good examples of the style. The Casino also houses a theatre and swimming pool.

From your apartment terrace you will have a good view of the Phare de Biarritz (1km), a tall lighthouse built in 1834. Walk there to experience the stunning ocean and town views or look northwards towards the beaches of the Anglet coastline, another paradise for surfers. Some of these northern beaches are surrounded by grassland and forests and are well worth a visit.

When you are ready to eat, there are plenty of good restaurants in the Port des Pecheurs (1.1km), the former fishing port, where fresh seafood can be found. Food aficionados, don't miss the restaurants and the amazing market at the Halles de Biarritz, (1.2km). Try out some of the Basque specialities including the *touron* (marzipan), locally cured ham and mussels.

There are also some idyllic Basque villages inland to explore such as two of France's *Plus Beaux Villages*, pretty Ainhoa (26km) and Sare (24km) where you can take the old wooden train up to the summit of La Rhune, one of the highest peaks of the Pyrénées - there are restaurants with incredible views as well as opportunities for hiking.



Indeed, this whole region offers an extended range of outdoor activities, such as walking, horse- riding, fishing, cycling, canoeing and many others including water-sports along the coast

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Biarritz Pays Basque Airport (3.3km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>Biarritz (3.8km)</b>
Nearest Town/City	<b>Biarritz</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>(Within 1km)</b>
Nearest Shop	<b>Bakery (450m)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>(500m)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Miramar (50m)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Golf de Biarritz le Phare (1.1km)</b>

## What we love

- Located in the heart of Biarritz, this apartment has spectacular ocean views from its terrace with the beach below you
- It's just a short walk down to the beach and a little further to the restaurants of downtown Biarritz
- Guests benefit from complimentary access to the neighbouring 5\* hotel's swimming pools and gym, situated right next to the apartment
- Fantastic services available include organic breakfast delivery, a private chef, bike rental and scooter hire!

## What you should know...

- 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
- Reaching the beach is very quick – there are steps down a street to the side of the apartment building leading down to the promenade and then further steps down to the beach



# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** A pre-authorisation of €650 will be charged to clients' credit card before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection (this will also be used to cover any charges/excess not covered by the guests' insurance policy).
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m. - 8.00 p.m. Late arrivals will be subject to additional fees of €50 (8.00 - 10.00 p.m.), €80 (10.00 p.m. - 12.00 a.m./6.00 - 8.00 a.m.) or €120 (12.00 - 6.00 a.m.), payable locally.
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, within reasonable use.
- **Linen & towels included?:** All linen and bath towels are provided. Beach towels are available at extra cost.
- **Pets welcome?:** No.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and other celebrations are not permitted. One high chair, one cot and one baby bath are available on request. An extra highchair and cot are available for hire at a cost of €120/week. Extra bed + towels and/or an inflatable mattress + towels are available on request for an extra charge of €150/week and €100/week, respectively. 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.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday in July and August. Flexible during all other periods.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Yes and mid-stay cleaning for bookings of 2 weeks or more also included. 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:** A mandatory insurance policy which covers guests for tenancy liability and property damage liability during their stay is included in the rental price.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes, within reasonable use.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax payable locally (typically costs approximately between €1-€3 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).