Chateau Grand Cru

Region: Aquitaine **Sleeps:** 10

Overview

In the very heart of its own vineyard, Château Grand Cru is an exceptional home which has been beautifully restored to welcome wine connoisseurs and Francophiles alike in an enchanting setting close to Saint-Émilion.

A typical *Maison Girondine*, this wine *château* is available all year round whether you wish to admire the wisteria-clad façade in late spring or relax amongst the golden-coloured vines in the autumn. Indeed, you are surrounded by glorious vines; this is an organic, bio-dynamic vineyard which produces a well-known Saint-Émilion *Grand Cru*. Watch workers tend to the vines around you, preparing for the rich harvest in autumn when grapes are sorted and processed at the château. To be staying in such a special working vineyard is a truly wonderful experience at any time of year.

The interiors of Château Grand Cru are exquisite with refined furnishings alongside ornate pieces and contemporary touches. The decadent living space with its gorgeous sofas by the fireplace and elegant billiard table opens up to the pool terrace whilst a sleek and modern kitchen is fitted with high-end appliances, perfect for feasts under the chandeliers or al-fresco on the shaded terrace. Upstairs, five air-conditioned bedrooms are gracefully furnished and luxurious details include beautiful fabrics and stylish shower or bathrooms, including a splendid claw-foot bath standing in one of the double bedrooms.

The heated swimming pool invites you to spend long, lazy summer days marvelling at your surroundings as you gaze at acres of vineyards around you. Relax poolside, prepare a barbecue for family or friends and drink the *château's* own fine wine as the day ends in this remarkable setting.

Arrange daily breakfasts and perhaps a chef to come and cook for you so you can make the most of the relaxing ambience. The owner can also organise a tour of one of her estates or a chauffeur can be arranged to take you to one of the many other excellent wine *châteaux* surrounding Saint-Émilion, now a UNESCO World Heritage site.

Beyond its appeal as a luxurious holiday home, Château Grand Cru also offers an exceptional setting for corporate gatherings and private events. The estate's beautifully converted wine cellars provide two flexible meeting and reception rooms, equipped for events of up to 49 guests, with a range of catering and bespoke experiences available. Guests can also enjoy vineyard tours, wine tastings and team-building activities. Please enquire for further information and pricing.

The centre of idyllic Saint-Émilion is just 3km away where you can admire the beautiful architecture and learn about its fascinating history dating back to pre-historic times. Explore its winding streets and underground catacombs, discover historic delights and dine in fine restaurants.









A little further afield, hire canoes along the nearby Dordogne, cycle or horse-ride through the enchanting landscapes or visit some of the many other picturesque villages such as Castillon-la-Bataille, Montcaret and Eynesse. Explore the exciting city of Bordeaux, only 45km away or drive as far as the wild and stunning Atlantic coast in ninety minutes, including the magnificent Dune du Pyla.

The setting of Château Grand Cru couldn't be more ideal whether you wish to explore this captivating region or simply relax in superb surroundings at this magnificent and beautifully restored home.

Facilities

France250 • Catering Available • <1hr to Airport • Walking/Hiking Paths • Horse Riding • Historical Sites • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Not for little ones • Chateaux & Castles • Private Pool • Wine Tasting • Recommended • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Has Discount • Has Offer • Special Offer • Ideal for Teens • Heated Pool • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Pool Safety Feature • Heritage Collection • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Washing Machine • Coffee Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Hairdryer • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Indoor Games • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Wine Cellar • Heating

Interior & Grounds









Château Interiors

Garden Level (split-level)

- Lounge and dining room (100m2) with fireplace, French billiard table, sound system and wine-cellar
- Second living room with karaoke
- Kitchen, fully-equipped with upmarket appliances

Upstairs

- Bedroom 1 (37m2) with king-size double bed (180x200cm) with air-conditioning and en suite shower room
- Bedroom (40m2) with king-size double bed (180x200cm) with air-conditioning and en suite shower room
- Bedroom (23m2) with king-size double bed (180x200cm) with air-conditioning and en suite shower room
- Bedroom (21m2) with king-size double bed (180x200cm) with air-conditioning and en suite shower room
- Bedroom (32m2) with king-size double bed (180x200cm) with air-conditioning and en suite bathroom

Outside Grounds

- Heated swimming pool (10mx5) with motorised shutter. Open approx. May to October, heated in a sustainable way from June to September
- Poolside sun loungers (x6)
- Al-fresco dining terrace for up to 10 guests
- Barbecue
- Open bio-dynamic vineyards surrounding the villa (a working vineyard)

Facilities

- Air-conditioning (in first-floor bedrooms)
- Blue-tooth speaker
- Karaoke
- French billiard table
- Hairdryers in rooms

Location & Local Information

Château Grand Cru is in a magnificent setting surrounded by vineyards only 3km from the beautiful wine-village of Saint-Émilion.

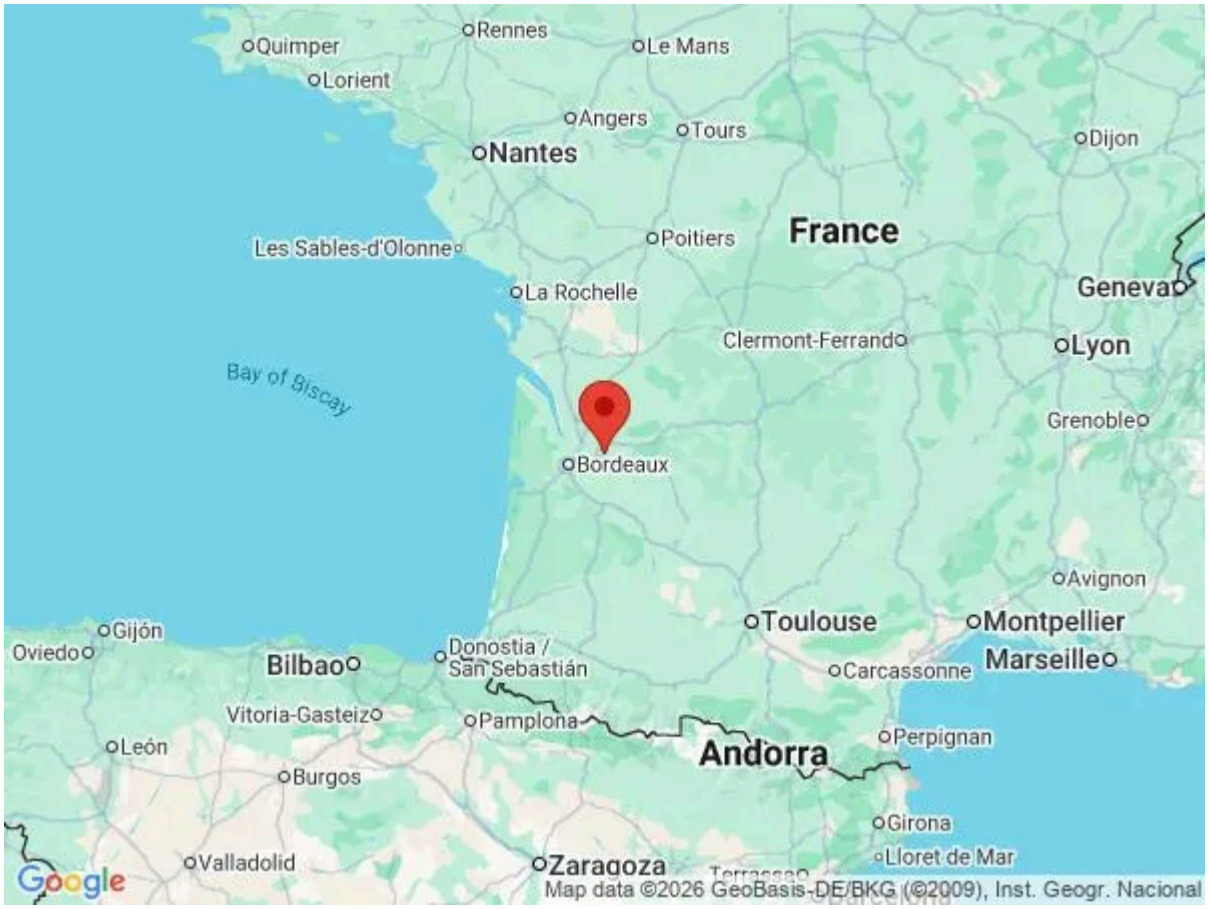
The château is part of a working bio-dynamic vineyard and you can often see workers tending to the vines, spraying the crops and processing the grapes, especially during their busy period from June to the end of September. The owners can give you a tour and arrange wine-tastings at one of their châteaux and vineyards and of course there are many other excellent wineries to visit across this wine-making region.

The enchanting wine-village of Saint-Émilion (3km) is just a five-minute drive away. The village and it's surrounding vineyards have become a UNESCO World Heritage site. The history of the village dates back to prehistoric times and when you are wandering around the cobbled lanes you can discover beautiful Romanesque churches, underground catacombs and pretty squares. It's known throughout the world for the incredible vineyards that surround the village – Saint-Émilion offers the perfect combination of historic charm and excellent wine.

Nearby you can arrange bike hire, take Saint-Émilion wine tours by Tuk-Tuk, road-train or even prestige cars and arrange hot air balloon rides or pleasure flights over the glorious surrounding landscapes.

You are also just a short drive from the Dordogne river where you can hire canoes for wonderful days out with family or friends. There are also some lovely lakes to visit such as Lac des Dagueys (7km) with its summer inflatable water park and also at Blasimon (24km) where there's a leisure base with various land-based activities, fishing, swimming at certain times in the summer and lovely walks.

There are also many picturesque villages dotted around this region, including Castillon-la-Bataille (17km) where you can watch the re-enactment of the famous battle in the height of the summer or a little further to Sainte-Foy-









la-Grande (36km), both on the Dordogne river. Eynesse (35km), Montcaret (24km) and the Jardins de Sardy (30km) are also lovely places to visit or spend the day in the nearby town of Libourne (6km) with its fascinating wine history and boat trips along the River Isle.

Wine and city lovers alike will be keen to visit Bordeaux (45km) during their stay with its great restaurant scene, awe-inspiring architecture and the famous La Cité du Vin. Bergerac (62km), a little further, is also a great place to spend the day exploring the picturesque old town and traditional Wednesday market as well as its *Maison des Vins*.

Beach-lovers can be at the Atlantic coast in around 90 minutes whether the wonderful long beaches near Arcachon (105km) or the famous and stunning Dune du Pyla (105km).

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Bordeaux (50km)**
Nearest Airport 2	**Bergerac (62km)**
Nearest Beach	**Beach Grand Crohot/Dune du Pyla (100km/106km)**
Nearest Golf	**Grand Saint-Emilion Golf Club (18km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**(2km)**
Nearest Tennis	**Saint-Émilion (3km)**
Nearest Town/City	**Libourne/Bordeaux (6km/45km)**
Nearest Train Station	**Gare St Jean, Bordeaux (43km)**
Nearest Village	**Saint-Émilion (3km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Saint-Émilion (3km)**

What we love

- Exquisite interiors with refined furnishings, ornate pieces and contemporary touches
- The heated pool is surrounded by acres of incredible vineyards
- The château produces a well-known Grand Cru and there are many other incredible vineyards to visit across the region
- You are a 5-minute drive from the enchanting wine-village of Saint-Émilion, now a UNESCO World heritage site
- Both Bordeaux and Bergerac are amazing days out and you can even reach the stunning Atlantic coast in just ninety minutes
- The beautifully converted wine cellars offer an elegant setting for corporate gatherings and events, with vineyard tours, wine tastings and bespoke experiences available for an extra-special occasion. Please enquire for more information and pricing

What you should know...

- Château Grand Cru only accepts guests aged 12 years and above.
- Air-conditioning is featured in the first-floor bedrooms only.
- Some of the shower/bathrooms are open-plan in style.
- This magnificent château is part of a working bio-dynamic vineyard so you'll occasionally see workers looking after the vines and processing the grapes, particularly around June to end-September.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €6000 charged to client's credit card by Oliver's Travels 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. (earlier on request, please enquire).

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

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

- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.

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

- **Other Ts and Cs:** Celebrations, stag/hen parties and any special events for up to 30 guests are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges. Weddings are not permitted.
 Corporate gatherings and events are available on request, please enquire for more information and pricing.
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- **Changeover day:** Flexible (except Sundays and Bank Holidays).

- **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.

- **Other 2:** Please note that only children/teens above the age of 12 can stay at the Château.

- **Minimum stay:** 3 nights.

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

- **Pool heating charge?:** Included and is operational from approximately mid May to mid 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 in cash or by Credit Card (typically costs €6 - €10 per adult per night - please enquire if exact amount is required).

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

- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open May to October, approximately. Please note that pool opening dates are subject to local weather conditions and pool maintenance.