

Chateau De La Croix

Region: Vendee & Charente Sleeps: 26

Overview

The Guardian newspaper called this Chateau "One of the Top 5 houses to rent in France". The Times said "its interior is as hip as its exterior is fairy-tale". Grazia Magazine called it "Kick your heels off comfy", while Bella Magazine simply said it had "Lashings of ooh la la".

Even though it counts Hollywood Royalty on its guest list, it remains surprisingly cost-effective. An oasis of urban cool and relaxed ambiance against a background of traditional, ornate beauty, the Chateau has space and facilities to keep any guest happy.

Within the Chateau is a bar, private cinema, 14.5m heated swimming pool, billiard room, music area, piano salon, voluminous dining hall and restaurant standard kitchen. Accommodation for up to 26 guests across nine huge bedrooms. Self-cater or let the Chateau staff mollycoddle you – you decide.

The Chateau is great for families too. There is enough room to keep kids out from under parents feet and many activities to keep them amused – jamming in the music room, playing around the pool, outside games in the grounds, a football pitch, ping-pong and games.

This is a destination for all reasons, and whether it's a group holiday with the kids, a special celebration, family reunion or even a girl's weekend, it's a place you'll always remember.



Facilities



Interior & Grounds

This Château is all about space, style and welcome – warm, inviting and relaxed ambience in a gorgeous, “Turrets and Tower” fairy-tale castle. And enough room – even in a party of 26 - to escape from the hubbub for a bit of peace and quiet when you choose.

The Chateau’s chic interiors have been featured in design and travel magazines all over the world. Nine bedrooms, all large, individually designed and furnished with style, and bathrooms that are all testaments to decadence and pampering.

A firm favourite with younger guests, one bedroom is a very chic and stylish “dorm” with four single beds and huge flat screen TV and DVD player – great fun for kids, and it gives them a bit of space of their own away from those noisy and disruptive adults! There are six additional beds which may be added to any of the bedrooms, providing accommodation for 26 in total.

Every bedroom has a flat screen TV and DVD player, hair dryer, bath robes and crisp white cotton bed linen, whilst every bathroom has complimentary bathing products and big fluffy towels.

There are three huge salons to relax in – each opening onto the rear terrace with its bistro tables and parasols. The Stone Salon includes a bar which can be stocked for you or supplied dry for you to stock yourself. The Piano Salon has a Baby Grand for those wishing to get musically creative, while the White Salon is a calm and relaxed space to simply sit and contemplate the formal gardens.

The private cinema has a nine foot screen and surround sound system. The extensive DVD library can also be raided for watching in the privacy of your room, there is Wi-Fi, satellite TV, and there’s a music area with amps and guitars for the more tuneful guests, while the Billiard Room contains a full size American Pool Table.

The five acres of private grounds include a 14.5m heated Swimming Pool, formal gardens perfect for a picnic or barbecue, and two terraces for al-fresco dining.

There is also a huge Dining Hall with tables to seat all your guests in one go of you wish, perfect for everyone – kids included – to eat together. And of course there is a kitchen, fully equipped and restaurant standard for those wishing to be Chef for a while. If you want a break from the cooking, the Chateau can cater for you – anything from a one-off celebration meal to full board every day. And within the hire rate is a housekeeping service provided for a couple



of hours each day, which you can increase should you wish.

Location & Local Information

A charming little village, located on the border between the Charente and Dordogne regions in South-West France. It has all the essentials - Baker, Butcher, Tabac, Grocery Store, Pharmacy, Doctor - even a Cinema showing both French and international films. There is also a large supermarket 9 km away.

In the Village (5 minutes walk)

Tennis courts (Racquets available from the Chateau). Fishing. Park. Horse and Carriage rides (can be arranged from the chateau gates).

Surrounding Area

- Choice of three 18 hole Golf Courses from 9km to 40km.
- Bike Hire. An extensive cycle track network passes through the village.
- Canoeing/Kayaking at Montbron (9km) and Brantome (40km).
- Horse riding.
- Karting (Championship Circuit with Kart Hire, 10 km.
- Water Park with man-made beaches and pedaloes.
- Bowling. Ice skating. Lakes with man made beaches.
- La Vallee des Singes 140 km (monkey park). Futuroscope 145 km (theme park). Grotte de Villars 35 km (prehistoric caves).
- Chateau la Rochefoucauld (18 km) (children can dress up in medieval costumes).
- Disneyland Paris (2 hrs 15 mins by TGV train from Angouleme).

Airports

Limoges 85 km, Bergerac 145km, Poitiers 145 km, Bordeaux 151 km, La Rochelle 155 km.

Rail

(25mins away). TGV train from Paris takes just 2 hours 13 mins.

Road

Paris 5 hrs. Barcelona 7 hrs. Calais 7 hrs 40mins.



Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: 1500
- Arrival time: 5pm
- Departure time: 11am
- Energy costs included?: Yes
- Linen & towels included?: Yes
- Pets welcome?: No

- Changeover day: ANY DAY OF THE WEEK

- Security deposit: 1500 Euro payable 4 weeks prior to arrival. Refunded in full after departure, subject to inspection.
- Linen & towels: All linen and towels are included in the rental price.
- Energy costs: Included in the rental price.
- End of stay cleaning: Included in the rental price.
- Arrival time: 5pm onwards.
- Departure time: 10am (Bedrooms and Kitchen). 11am (Rest of Building and Grounds).
- Pets: Please enquire.
- Smoking: No smoking in the property.
- It is recommended that all guests take out insurance to cover against potential cancellation and any accidental damage caused during your stay at the property.