

Hameau Certain, 50630 Teurthéville-Bocage, France

Nestling amongst the small fields and high hedges of the famous "bocage" region, in the delightful Saire valley, our gîte offers a holiday right in the heart of the countryside, yet within 15 minutes drive of several superb beaches.

The house is an old rose covered farm cottage, recently restored, set in a tiny hamlet between the villages of Teurthéville-Bocage and Le Vast.

Before restoration - the roses are still there, but now you can see the windows as well!



About the house

The accommodation is as follows:

Downstairs – large kitchen/dining room, woodburning stove in big fireplace. Gas cooker, fridge, dishwasher, microwave etc, all necessary eating and cooking utensils -

Sitting room, with comfortable sofa bed for occasional extra visitors - Double bedroom, bathroom (bath, shower attachment, washbasin, WC) Washing machine.

Upstairs – two twin bedrooms, bathroom (shower, basin, WC).

Outside – good sized romantic garden, lots of character, fully enclosed. Garden furniture, barbecue

There are electric heaters throughout.



The lane to the house



The downstairs bedroom



The kitchen / dining room



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About the area



The house from the lane

Lighthouses at Gatteville (including the second highest in Europe)



Teurthéville and Le Vast both have bars and village shops, and Le Vast has two prizewinning boulangeries where all the specialities, including brioches, gâches and other goodies, are to be had, and are very delicious!

Five minutes drive away is the small town of Quettehou, which has an excellent supermarket as well as all the usual facilities, banks, chemist, tourist office, restaurants etc. Nearby St.Vaast-la-Hougue and Barfleur are two very pretty fishing ports, with good restaurants and of course excellent sea food to be had. The local markets are colourful and fun, with wonderful produce (this is the vegetable garden of France!) always interesting and very sociable.

The area is ideal for walking, biking, painting, birdwatching, sailing, fishing, and spending time on beaches, of which there are plenty, of all shapes and sizes – the sea is all around us, literally, at least for 3 sides! Most are fine for swimming, some more suitable for observing wildlife and walking, all of them splendid for children in one way or another. (We speak from experience – we moved here with our children 16 years ago, and we all still think it's wonderful!)

There are winding streams and green lanes everywhere, lovely for exploring and rambling – but at the same time all this is just half an hour from Cherbourg, an hour from Caen, both with ferries, good shops, hypermarkets, theatres, museums, galleries etc. The Bayeux tapestry is less than an hour's drive away, and the landing beaches start here, as well as the second highest lighthouse in Europe (365 steps), castles, wild geese - indeed too much to mention in this introduction; however, should you decide to rent our gîte, you will find an information folder in the dresser with local maps, telling you about things to see and do, some of our favourite restaurants and beaches, details of markets, concerts at Tatihou island, cinemas and so on. And the tourist office will tell you more!



The beach near Barfleur

Practicalities

Bedlinen, towels etc are not provided except by request and at extra charge. Please ask for details if you require this service. There are of course pillows and duvets, plus extra blankets.

There is a telephone for incoming calls and emergency calls and all freephone numbers. Otherwise it can be used with a charge card (BT or any of the many French code cards available in most tabacs).

A nominal amount of wood is provided to start with for the woodburner, after that it is at your expense.

How to book

Attached is a booking form, with general terms and conditions. If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to write, e-mail, or telephone!

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