



PRICES

Low season: October-March, excluding Christmas and Easter
£400 per week

Mid season: Easter, April-mid-July, September
£500 per week

High season: mid-July, August, Christmas
£830 per week

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Manot, nr Confolens, Charente, France



HOLIDAY COTTAGES IN FRANCE offers you for holiday rental a choice of three adjoining spacious 17th-century farm houses in the *Confolens* area of the *Charente*, South West France, with stunning views of the *River Vienne*.

The farm houses are set in one acre of land with large 10 x 5.5 m swimming pool and have been restored to reflect the period in which they were built, but with the added luxury of today's home comforts.

Sit in the heat of the evening sun, looking at the *River Vienne* (at this point more than 80 metres wide), with a glass of pineau in your hand and watch the cows as they take their evening stroll across the fields.

The area around *Confolens* contains many typical French villages with medieval quarters, local markets, chateaux, old churches and lakes with beaches - perfect for swimming or just for relaxing. *Manot* is situated just 10 minutes from *Confolens* on a route indicated as one of outstanding beauty. A typical sleepy French village with the old bridge crossing the *River Vienne*, the beautiful church dominates the skyline on your approach. *Manot* also boasts a very small beach by the ruins of the old mill. Here, the beds of the local river contain minute deposits of gold and garnet for which you can prospect whilst paddling in the cool clear water.



Manot is surrounded by rivers and lakes, providing some of the best fishing in France. The *Vienne* is classified in the French national category 2 where zander, pike and carp can be found. The nearby rivers of the *Goire* and the *Issoire* are classified as category 1.



Manot station may have not seen a train for some years, but many people pass through it or board from it using the velo-rail. The best way to describe the velo-rail is to liken it to pedaloos that run on rail tracks - a great day out for the whole family.



A great day out for the whole family would be a visit to *Monkey World*. At the « *Vallée des Singes* », you don't only observe monkeys, you're right there with them. Zip up your valuables in the special bag provided and walk amongst the many different species - a wonderful experience.



If you want to be a bit more active on holiday why not try canoeing down the *River Vienne*. You start at nearby *Exideuil* and end up 2½ hours later at the beach at *Manot*.



For waterbabies there are numerous places to swim in the vicinity. You can swim in the *Vienne* at *Manot* beach or at any of the nearby plan d'eaux and lakes, with inland beaches offering safe swimming in clean fresh water.



Chez les Hirondelles

- ✎ Enormous oak beams, traditional Charentais open fireplace, exposed stone and tiled floors.
- ✎ Louis XV style lounge furniture.
- ✎ Large Basque oak dining table, with six chairs.
- ✎ Smeg dishwasher, microwave oven, gas cooker and fridge.
- ✎ Three bedrooms - two double and one twin.
- ✎ Two showerrooms with mosaic-tiled shower, washhand basin and WC.



Chez les Hiboux

- ✎ Massive Charentais fireplace
- ✎ Louis XV style three piece suite.
- ✎ Huge Basque style oak dining table, with six leather studded chairs, and matching 2½ metre long carved sideboard.
- ✎ Fully equipped kitchen with Smeg dishwasher, microwave, gas cooker and fridge.
- ✎ Three well-sized bedrooms - two double and one twin.
- ✎ Bathroom with baignoire (small French bath), shower, washhand basin and WC.
- ✎ Showerroom with washhand basin and WC.



Chez les Rouges Queues

- ✎ Massive Charentais fireplace
- ✎ Louis XV style three piece suite
- ✎ Fully equipped kitchen with Smeg dishwasher, microwave, gas cooker and fridge-freezer.
- ✎ Three well-sized bedrooms - one double, one twin and one with bunk beds.
- ✎ Bathroom with mosaic-tiled shower, washhand basin and WC.

