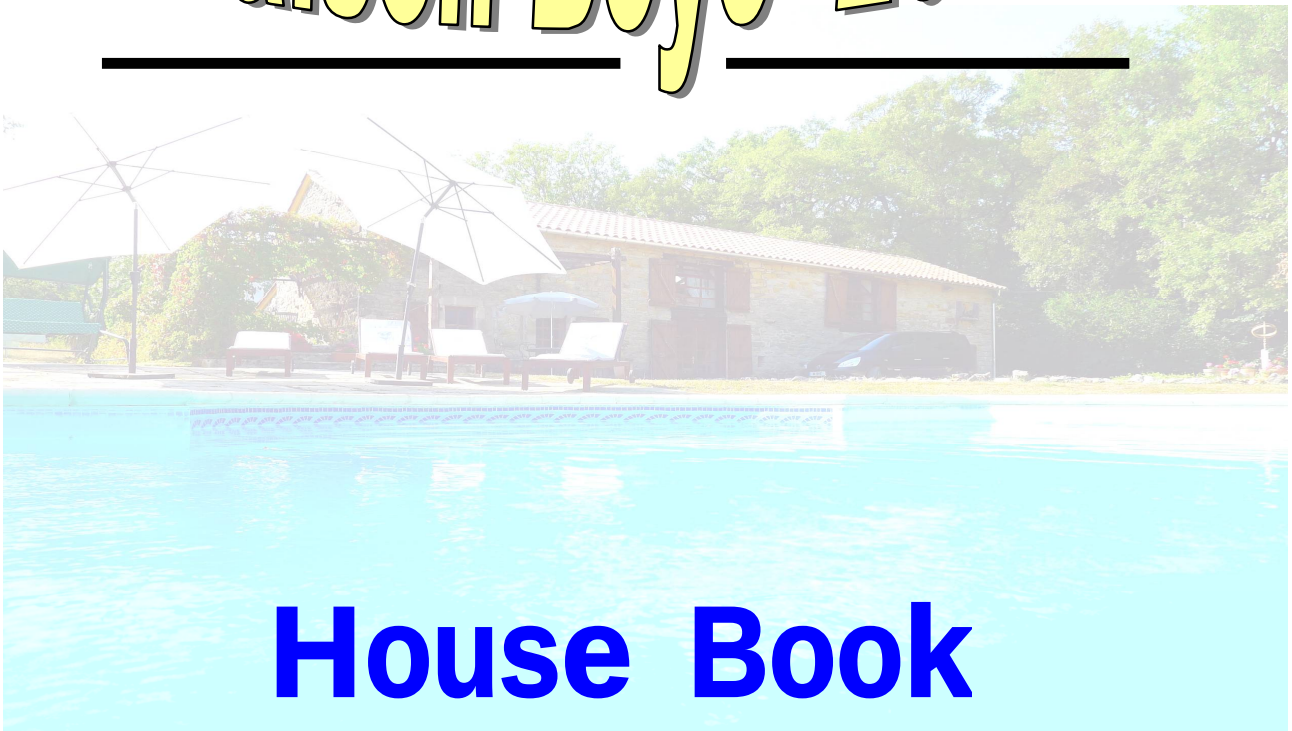


Caylus
SW France

Maison Boye 2027



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**Maison Boye,
Caylus
82160
FRANCE**

It's a pleasure to have you stay at BOYE, and we hope you have a great time here.

This folder contains everything you should need to know about the house and its equipment, together with some useful local information and contact details.

Please read at least the Welcome pages, as these cover the more important points.

Best wishes

Paul & Claire Downham.

PS. If the potted plants are looking dry, please feel free to water them –
Thanks!

Welcome

Drainage

The house is equipped with an eco-friendly Fosse Septique that handles all the wastewater from the toilets, baths, sinks, dishwasher etc.

Unlike a UK cesspit that must be emptied, the Fosse produces a clean output that soaks away through a network of small pipes – so it's very important not to flush bulky products (such as nappies or tampons) or insoluble items (such as plastic wrappers, contraceptives etc.) down the toilets, as these can block the entire system.

Similarly, cooking fats should be disposed of by wiping away with paper towels rather than rinsing down the sink or via the dishwasher, and because the process works biologically, it is important not to use bleach in the house - equivalent products are readily available in France for this type of drainage.

Swimming Pool – Also see the section on Pool Safety

Swimming pool maintenance is carried out by visiting attendants. However, please keep the water level topped up to the blue dots (see poolside notice) using the hose provided, and remove any debris using the pole and net.

The pool liner is made from a soft, padded plastic material that provides good grip and comfort, but it is vulnerable to damage from sharp objects, so please take care.

The switch for the underwater lighting is located by the pumphouse door, and the filtration system runs automatically so doesn't require any intervention.

Door Locks

The external doors have multi-point locking systems that secure the door at several points around the frame. To engage the locks, lift the door handle upwards. The locks must be engaged before the key will turn.

To unlock, simply turn the key and lower the door handle.

Rubbish

In rural France, household rubbish is not collected directly from properties. Instead, public bins are provided throughout the countryside, usually with adjacent bottle banks. The nearest bins are located at the main road junction with the D926. Yellow top bins are for recyclables.

Please remember to take your bottles and rubbish to the bins when you leave. THANKS!

Beds & Laundry

You will arrive to freshly made beds, with bathroom towels and tea cloths provided. There is no need to strip the beds before departure - this is all part of the service.

If you requested additional laundry sets for a mid-stay change, these will be delivered by the housekeeper a few days in advance.

Welcome

Washbasin in Antoine

The large washbasin in the ensuite to Chambre Antoine has two “style-over-function” quirks ... no overflow, and a chrome stopper that doesn't move! The lever at the back of the tap controls the water release in the normal way (up to seal, down to drain), but the chrome stopper doesn't move as expected because the sealing mechanism is hidden inside.

Kitchen Worktops

The decorative kitchen worktops are tough and durable, but the high-gloss finish is not suitable for abrasive cleaners. Please do not cut directly on the surface (chopping boards are provided) and avoid placing hot pans directly on the surface.

Kitchen Cupboard Child Lock

The double cupboard beneath the kitchen sink contains cleaning products, so guests with young children may wish to keep it locked. To do this you will find a sliding child-safety lock hanging inside that secures the two door handles together in the style of a bicycle “D-lock”.

Sun Terrace

The swing seat is unstable if used on the slope, so we recommend keeping it up on the level section. It's also a good idea to lower the parasols when not in use to prevent wind damage, and to bring the seat cushions inside if it looks like rain.

Barbeque

Charcoal goes on top of the mesh, and the height of the grill is adjusted by how the rectangular tubes are arranged.

Storms

During periods of high humidity, spectacular summer thunderstorms may occur that occasionally interrupt the electricity supply, either locally or just at Boye. If the outage affects only the house, please follow the guidance in the Fuses section, otherwise just wait for the authorities to restore power – which is usually fairly quick.

Heavy rain can also cause the original stone washing slab (“evier”) in the kitchen to temporarily backflow, where instead of inside water draining away to the outside, rain water bubbles up into the carved bowl. This doesn't cause any problem and soon disappears afterwards, so apart from keeping things out of the way there's nothing you need to do.

Insects etc.

With the open stone walls, the rural location and the warm climate, there will always be insects and wildlife around – all fascinating and mostly harmless. The lizards who love to bask on hot stones are a special delight, and very quick to run away when you get close! If mosquitoes are active, you may find it helpful to spray the bedrooms a few hours before going to bed, and it's also a good idea to avoid leaving sugary food or drinks uncovered as these can attract ants and wasps.

During long dry spells the swimming pool becomes especially attractive as a local water source, so you may spot guests such as the mighty buzzard swooping down for a quick drink!

Swimming Pool

Safety – also see Poolside Safety Notice (copy at rear of this folder)

You use the swimming pool and water slide entirely at your own risk.

A competent adult swimmer should remain on guard whenever the pool is in use, and children must be supervised at all times. To avoid the risk of injury, diving and jumping are disallowed. The water is lightly chlorinated, so you may wish to shower afterwards.

Slide

The slide is only intended to take the weight of children, where the manufacturer states a maximum age of 12. Only permit one child at a time on the slide, who should descend the chute feet first in a sitting position. The overhanging support frame is not designed to take the weight of people sitting on the end of the chute, nor pulling themselves out of the water.

The slide is fixed to the pool surround using retaining bolts adequate to stabilise it - but not strong enough to take undue force, such as children pulling on the framework.

Pool Alarm

The alarm is not a life saving device
The alarm is not a substitute for parental supervision
The alarm does not detect gradual entry
The alarm should always be on

Simple Guide

Enter **1234** on the alarm keypad before using the pool, otherwise you'll trigger the siren.

If you do trigger the siren, press any key on the keypad to silence it.

About 10 minutes after you've got out the alarm will revert back to monitoring.

Full Details

The alarm spends most of its time in monitoring mode ready to sound the siren when it detects someone falling in the water – the leftmost LED on the keypad flashes green.

When triggered, the siren sounds for 60 seconds and the swim mode is automatically engaged to avoid repeated siren triggering – the second from left LED flashes red.

To manually switch to swim mode, enter **1234** on the keypad before getting in the pool.

Swimming Pool

After swimming, the alarm waits until there has been several minutes without significant water movements being detected, beeps 10 times, then reverts back to monitoring mode.

You can also manually switch back to monitoring mode earlier by pressing OK twice on the keypad, but only after the water has more or less settled otherwise it emits a failure tone.

The flashing LEDs on the keypad are (from left to right);

Green – alarm is in monitoring mode

Red – alarm is in swim mode

Red – low battery warning

Red – detection query

The alarm can be completely de-activated for servicing the pool or changing its batteries by entering **1234*99** and then re-activated afterwards by entering **1234**. This option must not be used to disable the alarm when it should be operational.

Top Tip

The alarm's features actually give you three options on how to start using the pool:

- (1) follow the instructions (enter 1234 for swim mode) so that the siren doesn't sound
- (2) jump straight in and ignore the siren for a minute because it will then go quiet and the alarm will have automatically switched to swim mode
- (3) jump straight in, swim over to the alarm and press any key to silence the siren. This is similar to (2) except you don't have to put up with the siren for a whole minute!

False alarms and detection queries

The alarm uses algorithms to distinguish between emergencies, such as a toddler falling in, and the expected water movements of filtration pumping etc. - but this can be a fine dividing line with a preference given to occasional false alarms from gusts or sudden heavy rain etc.

The special case of a gradual build up of water movement (such as a person carefully entering the pool via the steps, gently submerging themselves and slowly swimming away) will result in the alarm detecting the final significant water movement but without a sudden change to attribute it to – in which case it will start beeping slowly and continuously to notify a detection query. Press **1234** to cancel the query and engage swim mode.

Care

Whilst the alarm unit is obviously intended for everyday poolside operation, it is nonetheless a delicate electronic unit that needs to be operated with care and guarded against knocks – especially the vulnerable sensing tube that dangles into the water.

Low Battery

The alarm batteries are changed more often than the manufacturer's recommendation so should not become low through normal use. However, in the unlikely event that you see the low battery warning light come on please contact the owners for advice.

Contacts

Owners: Paul & Claire Downham
Home: 00 44 1487 840761
Office: 00 44 1954 200662
Mobile: 00 44 7711 790019

In the unlikely event of you encountering a problem regarding the house or your stay, please call us using the numbers above or email paul@boye.co.uk. We have a range of local support in place, and can call upon tradesmen who are familiar with the property and its equipment.

Emergency Services: **Dial 112** on your mobile phone for any life-threatening emergency. This is the EU's combined emergency response number where there is usually an English speaking agent available, and where your phone automatically shares your location information (provided you haven't disabled its ELS feature).

Also:
Rescue/Ambulance Tel: 15
Police Tel: 17
Local station (Gendarmerie) Tel: 05 63 67 69 70
Firemen Tel: 18

Local Doctors: The doctors surgery (Cabinet Medical) is close by – situated about 200m past the Point de Vue de Croix, on the left, as you head out from Boye towards Caylus.

Opening times are 8:30-12:00 and 14:00-18:00.
Tel: 05 63 67 07 08

Treatment may be free with a European Health Insurance Card from the NHS. Otherwise you'll need to pay and claim back the costs through your holiday insurance.

Other doctors are M. Loiseau, Tel: 05 63 67 05 81, and M. Larrarrigue, Tel: 05 63 67 04 22, both on Avenue du Pere Huc, (the main High Street) in Caylus

Local Pharmacy: The pharmacy is next to the doctor's surgery and can offer general medical advice. There is often an English speaking member of staff available.

Also: Come Monique, Avenue du Pere Huc, Caylus
Tel: 05 63 67 06 10

Local Dentist: Mme. Richard, Avenue du Pere Huc, Caylus
Tel: 05 63 67 01 63

Hospital: 4 rue du Doct.Alibert, Montauban
Tel: 05 63 03 90 00

Shopping

Caylus

Shops: The modern grocery store is Petit Casino (turn left at the crossroads opposite the Bar La Bascule) while the traditional independent and specialist shops such as bakers, butchers, hardware, etc. are in the town centre. Caylus shops mostly open early, close 12.00pm to 2.00pm, and stay open until 6.00pm or later.

Monday most shops are shut, but some are open Sunday morning. Market is on Tuesday mornings - mostly fresh local products.

Bank: Credit Agricole in the high street. All usual banking services, plus a cash point in the lobby. If shut, the door can be opened by swiping most types of debit card.

Post Office: Stamps available at the Tabac shop in the high street. Also newspapers, magazines and post cards. But for parcels or more advanced requirements, you will have to queue up at the POSTE on the other side of the road.

Nearby

Caussade (approximately 14 miles) is the nearest "big" town, where you will find large supermarkets and a wide range of shops, restaurants, banks etc. Market day is Monday, with a full range of merchandise.

Saint Antonin Noble Val (approximately 9 miles) is a very attractive medieval town set in a spectacular gorge. This is very popular as a tourist town, and has bars, restaurants, canoeing, camping etc. Market day is Sunday and recommended for fresh produce, flowers, wines etc.

Villefranche (approximately 20 miles) is another medieval town with an impressive (and musical) church, and attractive covered passageways. Market day is Thursday. A good range of larger supermarkets on the approach road.

Montauban (approximately 30 miles) offers an interesting mix of walled old city centre with boutiques, cafes and small independent shops, plus a surrounding modern commercial area. Rather sprawling, but somewhere big enough for most needs to be met.

Cahors (approximately 40 miles) is the nearest city, providing all the facilities you would expect. Market days are Wednesday and Saturday.

Toulouse (approximately 60 miles). The major city for SW France. International airport, most English banks, and a host of hyper markets.

Note: The street markets start early and fade out at lunch time. If you take along empty plastic bottles or containers, you can buy decent local wines at very low prices.

Leisure

Walking:	There are five marked out routes in the near vicinity of Caylus. Maps from the Information Office next to the church.
Tennis:	At the road junction with D926. Collect keys from the bar in the Market square.
Canoeing:	St Antonin, down the gorges of the Aveyron. You can have a 5 mile downstream paddle and be picked up by the hire company and brought back to the start. Recommended.
Petanque:	Local bowling game, free pitch near the memorial in Caylus.
Golf:	18 hole at Albi Lasbordes (with restaurant & swimming, course partly alongside the river).
Lakeside:	Volley ball, table tennis, picnic tables, kids slides etc. at the Caylus lake. Lac de Parisot (on the road to Villefranche) for more water activities.
Other:	Horse riding, pony trekking, cycling, etc., all available within the region, ask at the Information Office for latest advice and leaflets.
Music:	Live bands appearing locally, jazz evenings etc., look out for posters and announcements.
Art Galleries:	Toulouse-Lautrec Museum at Albi, plus many minor galleries in the area.
History:	Najac castle to explore, Cordes old fortified town, etc.

Restaurants: We have stopped giving recommendations!

There is such a wide range of restaurants within the region, covering every style and price, that to put them in some sort of order is impossible. We have found that some peoples' opinion of "excellent" is not to another's tastes, and also that establishments change hands, new ones open and others close - so it's also impossible to keep up-to-date.

But to get you started: here in Caylus and beginning closest to Boye:

Giramonda prides itself on fresh local produce served with an Italian twist – booking essential. *La Renaissance* has always been the popular more formal choice – book their rooftop terrace at the rear. *La Pizza Groumande* (on the other side of the road) is mostly for takeaways but has a few tables. *La Table de l'Esquirol* (bottom of the hill) offers well regarded modern cuisine. There's also a seasonal open-air summer restaurant at Caylus lakeside, and a generally preferred one at Camping de la Bonnette. Finally, *Le Lagardere*, the bar café in the central marketplace, is worth a mention for an open air lunch.

The Sundial and Spheres

Sphères Organiques - *"Des tiges organiques en germination s'épanouissent en une orbite de sphères réfléchissantes autour des pieds de Atlas"*

Organic Spheres - *"Sprouting organic stems blossom into an orbit of reflective spheres around the feet of Atlas"*

In keeping with local roundabout tradition we've had a folly installed on our own roundabout in the driveway!

It's rather delicate though, so please can you ensure it's not interfered with – thanks.

Outwardly just a centrepiece, the twelve spheres merge the hour positions of a clockface with the cardinal points of a compass (12 o'clock as North) whilst also incorporating an optical illusion for people arriving at the house ...

... when approaching the roundabout from the lane the first impression is that the ring of spheres is tilted down towards the house – an illusion created by perspective where things nearer to you appear larger than those further away. But as you get closer this false interpretation suddenly flips when it becomes apparent that the spheres on the far side are bigger than those on the near side and the orbit ring is actually tilted away from the house.

Multicoloured solar lighting is programmed to automatically illuminate the assembly at night.

To suspend or re-activate the lighting, press and hold the button located on the underside of each solar panel (centre, right hand side) for 4 seconds.

Sundial

This is an Armillary Globe sundial that has been adjusted for its location in Caylus. The globe is tilted by 44.2 degrees to match the local latitude and is aligned to true North. This makes the centre shaft parallel to the Earth's axis and means its shadow moves in unison with the Earth's own rotation. With 360 degrees per rotation and 24 hours in the day, the arithmetic is a simple 15 degrees of movement per hour – and this is the equal spacing between the hour markings on the timing plate.

But the time it shows is wrong!

This is because sundials traditionally show 12 noon when the sun is directly overhead, not when the sun is overhead Greenwich in London (GMT, seven minutes later), and also without the interference of British Summer Time (plus an hour) or Europe's plus another hour. Added together, these adjustments would make the sundial a constant 1hr 53mins slow during the summer ... but it's also affected by the imperfect circular orbit of Earth around the sun and this introduces up to five minutes difference either way between May and September.

WiFi and Home Entertainment

Because wifi signals are impeded by the thick stone walls of the building we have set up four services to distribute coverage, all having the same security key of **Wifi4MaisonBoye** (note the capital letters).

The Orange Livebox router is in the dining room with standard Wifi on **Maison-Boye**. This is extended by repeaters **Maison-Boye-Clement** and **Maison-Boye-Poolside** covering the northern end of the house and sun terrace areas. The router then also has a 5Ghz channel, **Maison-Boye5G**, that provides higher speeds over a limited range, making it the best choice for compatible devices when in the dining room or Chambre Antoine.

If your device doesn't automatically use the strongest signal as you move around then manual selection for your current location will provide the best performance.

Our tariff has an unlimited but "reasonable use" clause which means most users will not incur any costs, but any excessive download charges are deductible from the inventory deposit.

In case of difficulty reboot the router (power switch off/on, rear left hand side) then wait for three solid orange lights at the front. The poolside range extender can be rebooted by flipping Fuse 3 off in the fireside fusebox, and back on again after a few seconds.

There is also an English speaking Orange support line on 09 69 36 39 00 if you think the problem is with the service or overhead cables etc., and please note that the internet service is provided over a tracked IP address, so all activity is traceable to the house and hence to any particular booking.

TV / Satellite

The Sony TV is used only as a display screen, it doesn't receive broadcasts by itself. All TV and radio channels are received by the Astra 2 satellite system, and the TV screen can also be used to watch videos from the DVD player.

The Astra 2 box is automatically updated so please do not attempt to find unlisted channels yourself because it's easy to mess up the settings and then lose everything!

On-Demand services (such as the BBC iPlayer) may be listed but these are NOT available here. The screen may suggest all you have to do is connect the satellite box to the internet router, but because the UK service providers detect that our IP address is in France, all you end up with is a NOT AVAILABLE IN YOUR LOCATION message.

Our location is close to the southern limit of UK satellite coverage so reception of some channels can be marginal during unfavourable atmospheric conditions ... but it's worth ignoring any "no signal" message for 30 seconds or so because it may connect, and if so tends to stay locked on.

Controllers: Switch the TV screen on/off using the SONY remote control (green button, top right), and select either HDMI1 SAT for Satellite services, or HDMI2 DVD/BD for videos (top left button). Also use the SONY remote for volume control of the TV's own speakers. If the satellite box is in standby mode (blue light on), switch it on using the Freesat remote control, otherwise use the on/off switch on the front panel. Also use the Freesat remote to select programs using the GUIDE button, the arrows to move around, and OK to select.

WiFi and Home Entertainment

DVD / CD

Switch the DVD player on (right hand button or by remote) and select input HDMI2 DVD/BD on the TV (SONY remote, top left).

Use the PHILIPS remote for controlling playback. If you dislike widescreen view, select one of the ZOOM options using the SONY remote (right button on 2nd row).

Children's DVDs are kept in Chambre Baptiste where they can also be watched on the PlayStation.

Audio Pro Sound System

This clever little box fulfils three functions – a decent sound system for the TV and DVD in the lounge, a portable amplified sound system for any device that connects by a standard headphone jack, or as a Bluetooth streaming speaker system for use anywhere inside or out.

To use on the TV or DVD, place the Audio Pro on the white shelf next to the DVD player, plug in the black mains lead (this recharges the internal batteries) and the grey headphone jack into the AUX socket, then select AUX on the Audio Pro control panel. To use as a portable speaker, just plug some other device's 3.5mm jack into the same AUX socket instead. For a Bluetooth streaming speaker, hold down BT on the Audio Pro control panel to pair it with any mobile phone, tablet or other device. The Audio Pro's internal battery will last all day between charges – so just putting it back on the white shelf and plugging in the mains lead overnight is all that is normally required to give continuous service.

Sony Playstation (in Baptiste)

Switch on the screen and the Playstation, select a game, and play!

The controls for the Sony screen are on the left hand side lower rear. Power on/off is the top button and volume up/down is the central rocker button used horizontally. The screen should already be set to display HDMI-1, if not, then press the rearmost lower button to display input options and repeat the same button to scroll for HDMI-1.

The wireless game controllers are re-charged by connecting them to the console (when it is switched on) using the black USB cable provided.

Please note that a few of the games are not suitable for young children – see Inventory.

Bush portable DVD player / Cowin headphones (in Baptiste)

Both the player and headphones are rechargeable. Use the mains charger for the player and the USB cord for the headphones. Press and hold the NC/BT button on the headphones to power on/off. Volume is via the +/- symbols on silver coloured triangle.

Appliances

User Manuals containing the operating instructions etc. are viewable by visiting boye.co.uk and clicking on *House Documents*

Washing machine

This is an 'A+++' eco-friendly machine so some washing cycles may take longer than on a traditional model. The door needs to be fully shut to start, and there's a release timer to prevent the door from being opened until a few minutes after the end of washing.

Dishwasher

A standard appliance with normal functions. Being a hard water area, adequate salt and rinse aid are required to produce good results.

Grill/Oven/Microwave

This is a multipurpose device that allows you to select your preferred style of cooking from grilling, normal convection fan oven or microwave, along with options to optimise performance by using these types in combination. You select modes from the buttons, and vary settings using the rotary dial. A metal stand holds food up closer to the grill.

Hob

A straightforward ceramic hob with child lock and timer. A special "razor blade" cleaning tool is provided, but care is needed to protect the printed symbols and lettering.

Coffee Machine

A range of coffee styles is available in branded Dolce Gusto pods or own label compatibles, where each style has a suggested pour amount indicated by a symbol with a number of solid bars that you match by adjusting the transparent slider on the front of the machine.

Remove, fill and refit the rear water container. Lift the front clamp to release the pod tray below it. Insert a new pod in the tray, replace tray, lower the clamp completely shut, and check the pour amount slider is correctly set. Press the power button and wait for it to go green. With a cup on the stand, move the cold/hot lever left for cold (cappuccino ice) or right for hot (espresso, lungo etc.) and it will dispense the set amount – this can be topped up if required by the lever. Then remove the used pod while it's still warm to prevent jamming.

Should the coffee flow stop there's a cleaning pin tool stored in a slot at the rear of the machine (remove the water container to see it) for unclogging the discharge spout.

Freezer

The upper compartment is a 3 star freezer, the lower removable basket is 2 star for storing pre-frozen produce, and the top tray holds the ice making cubes.

Portable Radiators

Intended for the low season, these are heavy users of electricity so may incur additional cost if left running for long periods.

Appliances

Air Conditioners

These are intended to supplement the electric fans in the bedrooms on hot nights and are best deployed to cool the room an hour or so before retiring. The flexible tubes vent hot air to the outside, so these must be fed through an open window – if not, the temperature in the room will increase rather than decrease!

The controls are marked in abbreviated French – so here's what you need to know:

M/A - On or Standby. When in Standby the display shows the current room temperature. If switched on less than 3 minutes since last on, it will run without cooling to give the compressor time to reset. The appliance won't run if the internal water tank needs emptying (see below).

When On, use the up/down arrows to select a target temperature.

MODE – Cooling / dehumidify / fan only. Usually on Cooling (snowflake symbol).

VITES - Fan Speed, high or low.

MINUT – Timer in HOURS. Use the up/down arrows to adjust. When the unit is On, the timer sets how many hours until it automatically switches off, and when the unit is Off it's how many hours until it switches on.

SOMM – Sleep. A daft feature that selects low speed and then after an hour increases the target temperature by one degree, then runs continuously at that. It's better to remain on high speed and use the timer to switch off after an hour or two.

Water tank: Water created from dehumidification of the air is collected in an internal tank that will need occasional emptying. When full, the light below the “bucket” symbol illuminates on the control panel and the unit automatically switches off.

There are two white knurled bung retainers at the rear of the appliance – the one at the bottom is where the water drains out from and the one in the middle is to allow air in. The procedure is to unscrew and remove both white retainers, then remove the lower rubber bung to release the water, then remove the upper bung to allow full flow. When drained, re-insert both bungs and replace both retainers, but not too tight.

Heated Towel Rails

Antoine ensuite: Lightly touch the BOOST button to change from standby clock mode to “Summer” mode, then lightly touch the BOOST button again to activate for 60 minutes. It will return to standby clock mode afterwards.

Shower room: Press the power button (top right) to switch on, wait for the display to show 16.0, then press and hold the OK/BOOST button until it displays BOOS followed by a 60 minute countdown. Remember to switch off later in the day, as this unit doesn't have a standby mode.

If the Antoine towel rail loses power (via the isolator switch in the bedroom or a power cut), it will require the date/time to be reset before working again.

Utilities

Fuse trip boxes

There are two fuse boxes and an overload cut out on the concrete electricity post near the swimming pool. Fuse box one (left of fireplace) covers everything in the kitchen, dining room, Chambre Antoine and the pumphouse; and also the master trip. Fuse box two (in the store cupboard at the other end of the house) just covers lights and sockets in the rest of the house, plus the hot water tank for the family bathroom and downstairs shower.

Fuse trips are ON when up and can be pinged OFF by something as minor as a light bulb failing. In the event of a single trip operating, just check the list to see where the problem is, rectify the cause (eg. replace the failed light bulb) and then switch the trip back on.

If the whole house has gone off, check the master switch in Fuse box one (unlikely), and then the overload electricity cut out as shown overleaf. If both the master switch and the overload cut out are OK, then the most likely reason is a local power cut (especially after a thunderstorm), and there is nothing you can do but wait for it to come back on!

Fuses

Fuse box one is in the small wall cupboard left of the fireplace. It houses the master trip switch (at top) and protects the following items (Fuse 1 is the leftmost switch in the box)

- 1 - Hot water (kitchen, Antoine ensuite), Antoine towel rail
- 2 - Hob
- 3 - Swimming pool, pumphouse
- 4 - Sockets: Dining room, Antoine
- 5 - Sockets: Dishwasher, washing machine, fusebox
- 6 - Sockets: Kitchen (inc. refrigerators, oven, freezer) and fireside
- 7 - Lights: Dining room, kitchen
- 8 - Lights: Stairwell, Antoine, en-suite
- 9 - Lights: BBQ area (see note below)

Outside Lights

The swimming pool underwater lighting and the pool terrace floodlight share a double switch on the pumphouse wall. The coloured BBQ lights and the floodlight for the steps share a double switch on the BBQ patio wall. The steps floodlight is PIR operated so is usually left switched on so that it automatically illuminates when arriving at night, or when retiring from the BBQ patio while coming down the steps. It stays on for about a minute after activation. You can override this function by switching it off and back on twice within 2 seconds, in which case it then just stays on.

Utilities

To reset the electricity cut off, go to the right hand box on the concrete post by the swimming pool – the one that faces towards the pump house.



The cover's locking mechanism is on the underneath and opens by rotating it clockwise.



You'll find this is easily done using a cutlery knife from the kitchen.



Then swing the bottom of casing out to reveal the switchbox – there's no need to remove the cover entirely – and flip the black switch UP as shown.

The cover simply swings back down afterwards and automatically locks when pushed shut.

Utilities

Fuse box two is in the store cupboard near the hallway door, and protects the following items (Fuse 1 is the leftmost switch in the box)

- 1 - Hot water (family bathroom and downstairs shower)
- 2 - Sockets: Clement, Delphine. Shower room towel rail.
- 3 - Sockets: Lounge, Baptiste
- 4 - Lights: Lounge, Clement, shower, hall/stairs/landing
- 5 - Lights: Baptiste, Delphine, bathroom, store cupboard
- 6 - Lights: spotlight over front door

Electricity

The Linky smart meter system stores an accurate and continuous record of electricity consumption, where reasonable use is always included in the rent. However, the extra cost of excessive consumption, such as recharging electric cars or leaving things running for long periods of time etc. may result in an additional charge.

Hot water

Hot water for the kitchen and Chambre Antoine's ensuite comes from an electric tank in the kitchen, whilst hot water for the family bathroom and downstairs shower room comes from another electric tank in the store cupboard.

Both run continuously and have high enough capacities to cover normal use, but in the unlikely event that either runs out of hot water you can of course continue to use the other whilst the first automatically heats up again.

The kitchen water heater is usually set at 60 degrees (adjusted by the +/- button) for child safety and prevention of accidental scolding. The other water heater is non-adjustable.

The main showers are thermostatically controlled. The left hand knob is for flow, and the right hand is for temperature, including a red button halt to go above 38 degrees.

Water Supply

The main stop cock and water meter for the whole house is under the manhole cover just outside the dining room door. There are also two much easier to use internal stop cocks – one in the kitchen (on the wall with the archway, in front of the freezer) which feeds the kitchen, ensuite to Chambre Antoine, outside tap and boiler – and one in the hallway store cupboard (underneath the brown shelf unit) that feeds the family bathroom, hot water tank, and shower room. There is an additional stop valve for the outside tap, fitted on the pipe, close to the washing machine.

Inventories

Kitchen

Washing machine
Dishwasher
Ceramic hob
Multi-Function oven/microwave/grill
2 x refrigerators
Freezer
Electric kettle
Toaster
Coffee machine
Steam iron
Ironing board
Carbon Monoxide alarm
A full range of crockery, glassware and cutlery
A full range of cooking utensils, saucepans, pots and pans
Peddle bin
Laundry basket
Mop & bucket
Dustpans, brushes and brooms
Henry vacuum cleaner & accessories

Dining room

Farmhouse Table
8 Farmhouse chairs
High chair
Chest drawers (with local information, place mats, spare lightbulbs, etc).
Kindling wood baskets
Copper pot with set of fire implements
Internet router
Writing desk and chair
Assorted games/puzzles (in cupboard)
Portable electric radiator

Lounge

Multiyork white rattan settee
Multiyork white rattan armchair
Multiyork brown rattan armchair
Multiyork brown rattan easychair
Multiyork stool
Occasional table
Large rug
Sony TV with remote control
Bush satellite receiver with remote control
Philips DVD / CD player with remote control
Audio Pro speaker system
Book case (approx. 100 books & 60+ 15 and 18 rated DVDs)
Solitaire set,
2 table lamps with black stands

Inventories

Chambre Clement

Divan/Bed
Rug
Side table
Table light
Clothes stand
Mirror
Internet repeater
Multi-speed fan
Guest artwork
3D noughts & crosses
Wooden backgammon set

Hall/landing

8 Framed photographs
Laundry basket
Laundry cupboard
Rug
Smoke alarm
Framed mirror

Chambre Antoine / ensuite

King bed
Bedside cupboards
Bedside lamps
Chest of drawers
Radio/Alarm Clock
Multispeed fan
Hair dryer
Gilded mirror
Framed print
Oak chair
Air conditioner unit
Portable electric radiator

Chambre Delphine

Double bed
Bedside cupboards
Bedside lamps
Blanket box
Multi-speed fan
Air conditioner unit
Framed print
Mirror
Chair

Inventories

Chambre Baptiste

4 Single beds (or configured as 1 x double + 2 x single)
Travel cot & mattress (in cupboard)
Bedside tables
Bedside lamps
Chest of 8 drawers
Computer Desk
2 Padded chairs
Multi-speed fan
Air conditioner unit
Sony TV for Playstation
Sony Playstation PS3, 2 wireless controllers + charging cable, games
50+ U/PG/12 rated DVDs
Bush portable DVD player with Cowin headphones + charger
Hair dryer (in bathroom)
Hair straightener (in bathroom)
Large rug

Playstation Games (Baptiste)

Little Big Planet
Little Big Planet 2
Ratchet and Clank – a crack in time
Modnation Racers
FIFA 14
Gran Turismo 5

Age Rated:

Resistance - fall of Man	(Age 15)
Call of Duty – black ops	(Age 18)
Killzone 2	(Age 18)

Exterior

Extending wooden table with 6 wooden chairs (+ spare)
Stone/steel BBQ assembly with grills and tools
Metal table with 4 metal chairs and sun umbrella
Swing seat & cushions
5 wooden sun loungers & cushions
Solar lantern
2 large sunshades with tiled stands (spare sunshade by fireside)
Pool alarm
Pool net on extending pole
Pool thermometer
Water slide
Sundial & spheres with solar lighting

COPIES OF POOLSIDE NOTICES

Water Level and Alarm

Poolside Safety

MAISON BOYE - SWIMMING POOL

WATER LEVEL

The ideal water level is through the centre of the blue discs on the skimmer outlets.



Evaporation, splashing and pool cleaning etc. will cause the water level to fall.

If it falls below the ideal level, please top the water back up **in the evening** so that the automatic filtering system can maintain the water quality.

Don't worry if the water level is a bit too high, but if the blue discs are dry then the water level is too low.

POOL ALARM – see House Book for more details.

THE ALARM IS NOT A LIFE SAVING DEVICE

THE ALARM IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR PARENTAL SUPERVISION

THE ALARM DOES NOT DETECT GRADUAL ENTRY

THE ALARM IS ALWAYS ON

BEFORE SWIMMING - switch to swimming mode by entering **1234** on the keypad before getting in the pool – the red “swim” LED flashes.

AFTER SWIMMING - after several minutes without water movement being detected the alarm beeps and reverts back to monitoring mode – the leftmost LED flashes green (or you can switch back to monitoring mode manually by pressing OK twice).

RESET - If the alarm has been activated, press any key to silence it.

SERVICE MODE – Enter **1234*99** to de-activate the alarm and **1234** to re-activate it. This option must not be used to disable the alarm when it should be operational.

LOW BATTERY – If the “battery” LED flashes red, please contact the owners for advice.

MAISON BOYE - SWIMMING POOL SAFETY

This information is provided in the interests of your safety, not to spoil your fun!
The First Aid guidance is given without any medical authority or liability.

KEEP CONSTANT WATCH TO PREVENT YOUR CHILD FROM DROWNING

USE THE SLIDE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE HOUSE BOOK SAFETY NOTICE

NO DIVING

NO JUMPING

EMERGENCIES:

SHOUT for help – get someone else to telephone the rescue services (**DIAL 112 from a mobile**).

CHECK that there is no danger to yourself and no further danger to the patient or others.

CHECK for a response from the patient by shaking them by the shoulder and asking their name.

AIRWAY - clear the patient's airway. If unconscious, roll the patient into the recovery position and tilt the patient's head back. Remove anything that may be blocking the airway with your fingers.

BREATHING - check if the patient is breathing. Tilt the head backwards, support the jaw and then **LOOK** at the chest, **LISTEN** at the mouth and **FEEL** the air flow with your cheek.

CIRCULATION - check the patient's pulse to see if their heart is beating. If not, cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) is required. If a pulse is present, but the patient is not breathing, perform expired air resuscitation (EAR).

CPR - Place the heel of one hand slightly above the lower tip of the breastbone. Place the other hand on top interlacing the fingers. Lean forward so that the shoulders are over the hands. Push downward on the chest, using the weight of your upper body. See right hand picture. Compress five times in three seconds, followed by one slow breath, then five more compressions and another slow breath. Repeat 12 times, then recheck for breathing and pulse. Continue until qualified help arrives.

EAR - Position the patient on his back being careful not to move or twist the head, neck or spine. Maintain an open airway while you pinch the nose shut. See left hand picture. Give two long slow breaths maintaining a seal between your mouth and his. Re-check for breathing. Continue until qualified help arrives.

NEVER GIVE UP. It has been known for patients to recover HOURS after apparent drowning.

