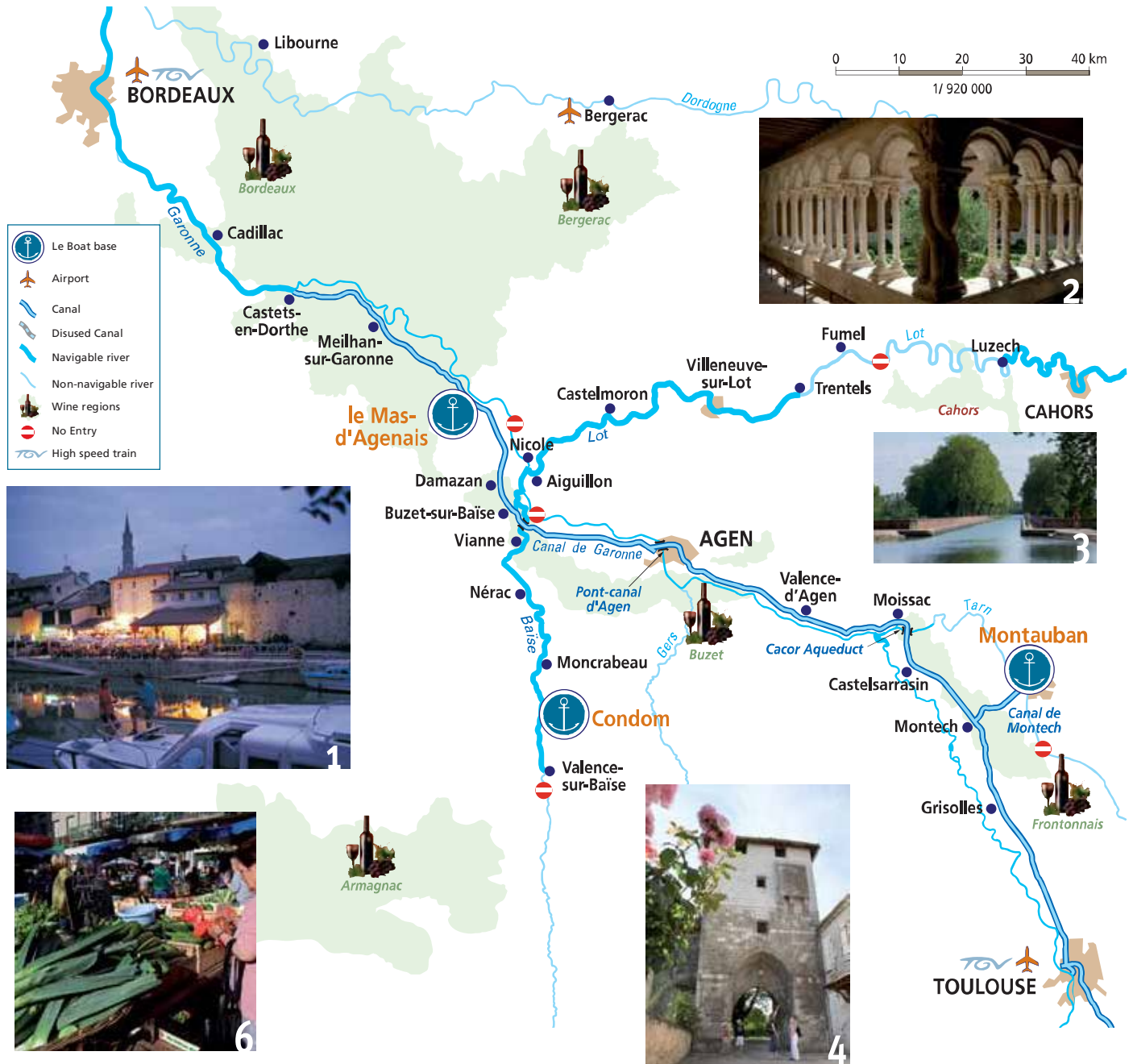


FRANCE - Aquitaine



Photos

- 1:** Waterside restaurants at medieval Nérac.
- 2:** World famous Abbey and cloisters at Moissac
- 3:** Cacor Aqueduct, Moissac
- 4:** Bastide town of Vianne – visit its glassworks and lively market square
- 5:** Valence d'Agen – a perfect spot for picnics.
- 6:** Shop in Aquitaine's colourful regional markets

Gourmet cruising through a land of plenty

Culture and gastronomy go hand in hand in the sunny region of Aquitaine in South West France, and both can be enjoyed to the full from the waterways.

Cruise through the beautiful Garonne valley on the River Baïse and the Canal latéral à la Garonne through landscapes of cornfields, orchards and vine-clad hillsides. Discover the medieval charm of ancient Bastide, or Royal, towns such as Valence d'Agen, Vianne, Montauban and Nérac with their lively central squares, colourful markets and beautiful churches, ramparts and stone fortresses.

Renowned for its regional cuisine, the Aquitaine cruising region affords many opportunities to shop at delicious local markets for delicacies such as foie gras, wild mushrooms and truffles. Bordeaux wines can be tasted and tested in their place of origin and sampled back on deck. And, for the days when you want to eat out, you can try mouth-watering menus at waterside restaurants or simply laze away an afternoon with a picnic in the sunshine.

In the past, Aquitaine's picture-postcard scenery inspired many famous artists; today people come here to discover the perfect ingredients for gourmet cruising and much more besides.

One Week Return Cruises

The History & Heritage Cruise
Le Mas d'Agenais – Nérac – Moissac – Le Mas d'Agenais

Visit: Buzet; Vianne; Barbaste; Nérac; Agen; Valence d'Agen; Moissac
Waterways: Canal latéral à la Garonne; La Baïse

93kms * 52 locks * 45hrs

The Medieval Cruise
Montauban – Buzet – Montauban

Visit: Montauban; Moissac; Valence d'Agen; Agen; Buzet
Waterways: Canal latéral à la Garonne; Canal de Montech

93kms * 56 locks * 30hrs

One Week One-Way Cruises

(Choose to cruise in either direction)

The Delights of Aquitaine Cruise
Le Mas d'Agenais – Montauban

Visit: Buzet; Agen; Valence d'Agen; Moissac; Castelsarassin; Montech; Montauban

Waterways: Canal latéral à la Garonne; La Baïse; Canal de Montech
123kms * 43 locks * 30hrs

The Arts & Armagnac Cruise
Le Mas d'Agenais – Condom

Visit: Buzet; Vianne; Barbaste; Nérac; Moncrabeau; Condom; Valence sur Baïse
Waterways: Canal latéral à la Garonne, La Baïse

62kms * 22 locks * 16hrs

Short Breaks

The Aquitaine Short Break Cruise
Le Mas d'Agenais – Nérac – Le Mas d'Agenais

Days: 4
Visit: Le Mas d'Agenais; Damazan; Buzet; Lavardac; Vianne; Nérac
Waterways: Canal latéral à la Garonne, La Baïse

80kms * 20 locks * 19 hrs

You can book 3 or 4 day short breaks from any of our bases. Shorter versions of all return-to-base cruises are perfect for short breaks.

Longer Breaks

All our cruises can be extended to 10/11 days, 2 weeks or longer. Just ask the sales team for details or check online!

Key Facts

Aquitaine Bases

Start or finish your holiday at any of our bases:

- Le Mas d'Agenais
- Montauban
- Condom

Cruising Notes

- One-way cruises only from Condom
- If you wish to cruise on the River Lot towards Castelmoron, you will need to cross the River Garonne under the guidance of a pilot. A small charge is payable for this service. However in periods of drought or flood, it may not be possible to do this.

The Aquitaine Fleet

Match a boat to your choice of cruise:

The History & Heritage Cruise
The Medieval Cruise
The Delights of Aquitaine Cruise
The Arts & Armagnac Cruise
The Aquitaine Short Break Cruise

Comfortably sleeping 8+					
Magnifique	↓↓↓↓↓	See Page 52	•	•	•
Salsa	↓↓↓↓↓	See Page 53	•	•	•
Classique	↓↓↓↓↓	See Page 54	•	•	•
Millau	↓↓↓	See Page 54	•	•	•
Nautilia	↓↓↓	See Page 54	•	•	•
Comfortably sleeping 6+					
Elegance	↓↓↓↓↓	See Page 56	•	•	•
Royal Classique	↓↓↓↓↓	See Page 56	•	•	•
Calypto	↓↓↓↓↓	See Page 57	•	•	•
Continentale	↓↓↓↓↓	See Page 57	•	•	•
Crusader	↓↓↓	See Page 57	•	•	•
Comfortably sleeping 4+					
Royal Mystique	↓↓↓↓↓	See Page 59	•	•	•
Caprice	↓↓↓↓↓	See Page 60	•	•	•
Tango	↓↓↓↓↓	See Page 60	•	•	•
Clipper	↓↓↓↓↓	See Page 60	•	•	•
Corvette	↓↓↓↓↓	See Page 61	•	•	•
Countess	↓↓↓↓↓	See Page 61	•	•	•
Comfortably sleeping 2+					
Cirrus	↓↓↓	See Page 64	•	•	•
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Travel Connections

- **Bordeaux** ✈️ TOV
(Montauban 209 kms; Le Mas d'Agenais 110kms)
- **Toulouse** ✈️ TOV
(Montauban 60 kms; Le Mas d'Agenais 175kms)
- **Bergerac** ✈️
(Montauban 165 kms; Le Mas d'Agenais 71kms)

FRANCE - River Lot



Legend:

- Le Boat base
- Airport
- Canal
- Disused Canal
- Navigable river
- Non-navigable river
- Wine regions
- No Entry
- High speed train

Spectacular cruising through majestic scenery

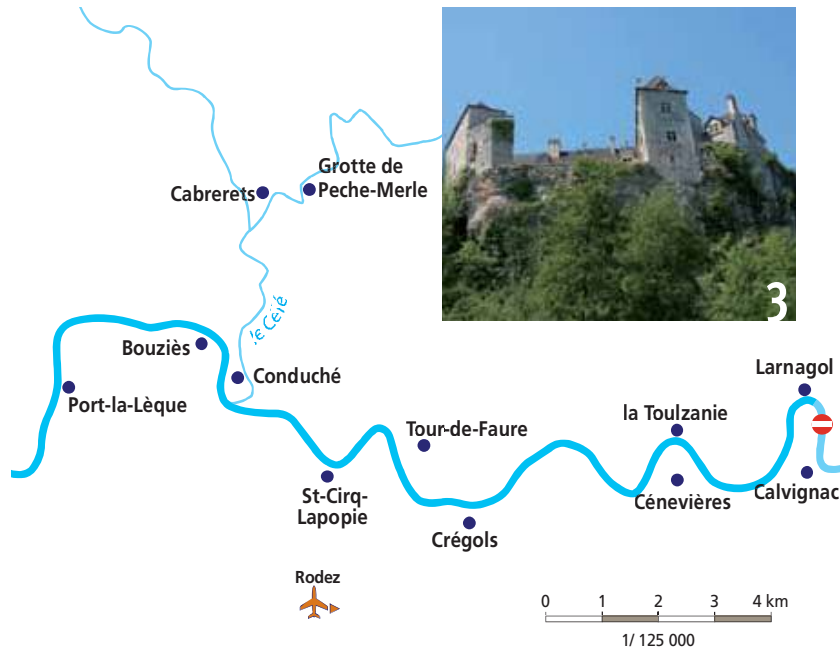
The clear waters of the River Lot meander through wide valleys, vineyards and steep gorges, beneath spectacular limestone cliffs and hilltop villages. They take you on a memorable and unhurried journey through the heart of the Lot and Quercy region to ancient castles, medieval towns and historic châteaux.

From our base at Douelle, you can cruise upriver as far as the fortified village of Larnagol, past the pretty 7th century stone village of St. Cirq Lapopie perched high on the cliffs and home for centuries to craftsmen and artists. Hop on your bikes to visit the Pech-Merle caves near Cabrerets, a natural underground art gallery full of prehistoric drawings and remarkable stalagmites. At Cahors, the capital of the region, the beautiful 14th century Pont Valentré

has spanned the river for centuries and is definitely worth visiting. Follow the pretty garden trail through the narrow cobbled streets of the Old Town where you can stop and enjoy delicious foie gras and truffles in the medieval market square, as well of course, as a glass of full-bodied Cahors wine.

If you fancy a change of pace, why not go fishing or hire kayaks for the day before cooling off in the river's clear waters. The natural environment of the Lot is home to an amazing variety of wildlife and birdlife, but for the best views of the spectacular scenery, head up on to the cliff tops. Tread carefully among the rare orchids and heathers and look and listen for eagles, hoopoes and nightingales. Don't forget your binoculars!





Photos

- 1: Cruising beneath limestone cliffs of the Lot Valley
- 2: Kayaking on the River Lot
- 3: Château de Cénevières defies gravity as it clings to the cliffs above the river
- 4: The artisan village of St. Cirq Lapopie – set in the cliff face high above the river
- 5: Spectacular wildlife – Golden Eagles soar in blue skies above the River Lot; otters play in its cool waters and rare orchids grow in the river banks
- 6: 14th century Pont Valentré at Cahors where you can enjoy a glass of Cahors wine
- 7: Views over the Lot valley

One Week Return Cruises

The Douelle Cruise Douelle – Luzech – Crégols – Douelle

Visit: Douelle; Caix; Luzech; Mercuès; Cahors; Laroque des Arcs; Arcambal; Vers; Bouziès; St. Cirq Lapopie; Crégols; Calvignac; Larnagol

Waterways: Lot

128kms * 28 locks * 27hrs

Short Breaks

The Douelle Short Break Douelle – Vers – Douelle

Days: 3-4

Visit: Douelle; Mercuès; Cahors; Laroque-des-Arcs; Arcambal; Vers

Waterways: Lot

64kms * 16 locks * 12hrs

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Key Facts

Lot Bases

Start or finish your holiday at any of our bases:
• Douelle

Flavours of the region

Cahors wine; foie gras; truffles

Cruising Notes

• There are no lock keepers on the River Lot, but the manual locks are straightforward to operate. However, because of the river currents, we recommend this region for people with some boating experience. Because the River Lot can occasionally flood, it may be necessary to transfer you to another suitable base. Only return-to-base cruises are possible from Douelle. Access to shore power facilities on the River Lot is severely restricted.

The Lot Fleet

Match a boat to your choice of cruise:

Douelle Cruise
Douelle Short Break

Comfortably sleeping 8+			
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Magnifique	↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓	See Page 52	• •
Grand Classique	↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓	See Page 53	• •
Salsa	↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓	See Page 53	• •
Classique	↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓	See Page 54	• •
Nautilia	↓ ↓ ↓ ↓	See Page 54	• •
Comfortably sleeping 6+			
Calypso	↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓	See Page 57	• •
Crusader	↓ ↓ ↓ ↓	See Page 57	• •
Comfortably sleeping 4+			
Le Boat 15-02	↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓	See Page 59	• •
Royal Mystique	↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓	See Page 59	• •
Caprice	↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓	See Page 60	• •
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(Douelle 125 kms)