



Travel and Additional Information 2018

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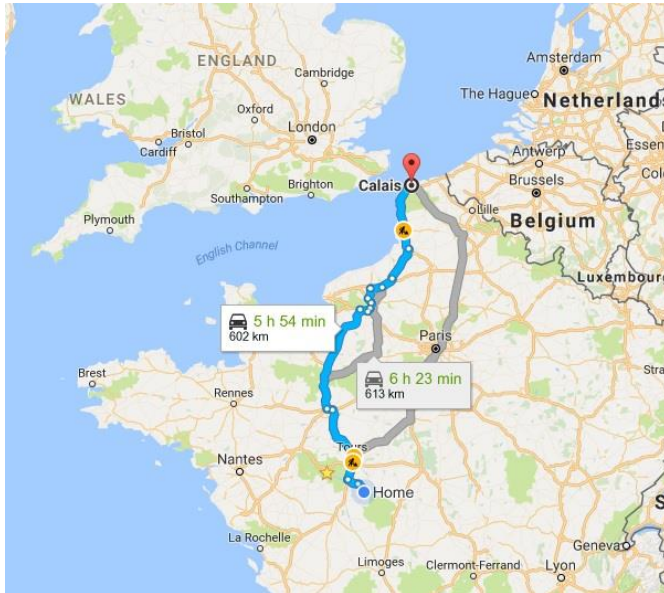
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Travel Instructions:

By Road from England: There are many options for those travelling to La Richardière by road from the Southern English coast, depending upon the starting location in the U.K.

Dover to Calais; Channel Tunnel; Portsmouth or Poole to La Harve; Caen; Cherbourg or St Malo. We also recommend travelling via Brittany Ferries.

Ferry Travel from the UK.	
If you are travelling to France from the UK we recommend Brittany Ferries from: Portsmouth to Caen, Le Havre, St. Malo, Cherbourg. Poole to Cherbourg. Plymouth to Roscoff and St Malo Cork to Roscoff.	Discount website: http://www.holidayfrancedirect.co.uk/discounted-travel/index.html Discount Code is available for guests who have booked at La Richardière.



By road from Holland, Belgium, Switzerland or Denmark and from The Channel Tunnel and Calais – We recommend keeping to the North Coast of France – travelling through Rouen. After this, and if travelling from Caen, Cherbourg, St Malo or Roscoff, follow routes South in the general direction of Le Mans; travel South in the direction of Tours and Bordeaux; this road turns into the A10 passing through Tours (look for IKEA) keep heading South towards Bordeaux; **Using exit 25** – Saint-Maure de Touraine, take the road towards Ligeuil, Ferrière-Larçon and La Celle Guenand.

From the South-West, use the N10 and turn off at **Junction 27**, Châtelleraut, and follow sign posts for La Roche-Posay -> Preuilley-sur-Claise -> Le Petit Pressigny.

From the South-East, use A20 / E9 to junction 18 (Argenton-sur-C), head North West for Mezières en Brenne -> Preuilley -> Le Petit Pressigny.

We are situated on the hill between La Celle-Guenand and Le Petit Pressigny. Travelling from La Celle-Guenand towards Le Petit Pressigny for approximately 1 kilometre look for some electricity wires crossing the road. Take the left turn signposted La Richardière. We are about ¾ of a mile (1 km) along the road to the right.

Using a SATNAV! **Lat: 46.940530 Long: 0.921250**

.....AND AVOID PARIS AT ALL COSTS

(and we advise using towns around Paris as “waypoints” to avoid traffic jams)

By Plane: International flights arrive in London / Paris where there are transfers to local airports in Tours and Poitiers. Here it is possible to hire cars for your stay.

By Train: It seems that the majority of trains heading in our direction from the North, start in Paris and arrive at the nearest mainline train station which is in Tours or St. Pierre de Corps, just 55 minutes from La Richardière. Trains from the South pass through Poitiers and from East and South-East there are any number of permutations.

Transfers: Train and Airport collections can be arranged with local taxi firm by request, or with us. Please be aware that we might not be able to fit you time schedule exactly.

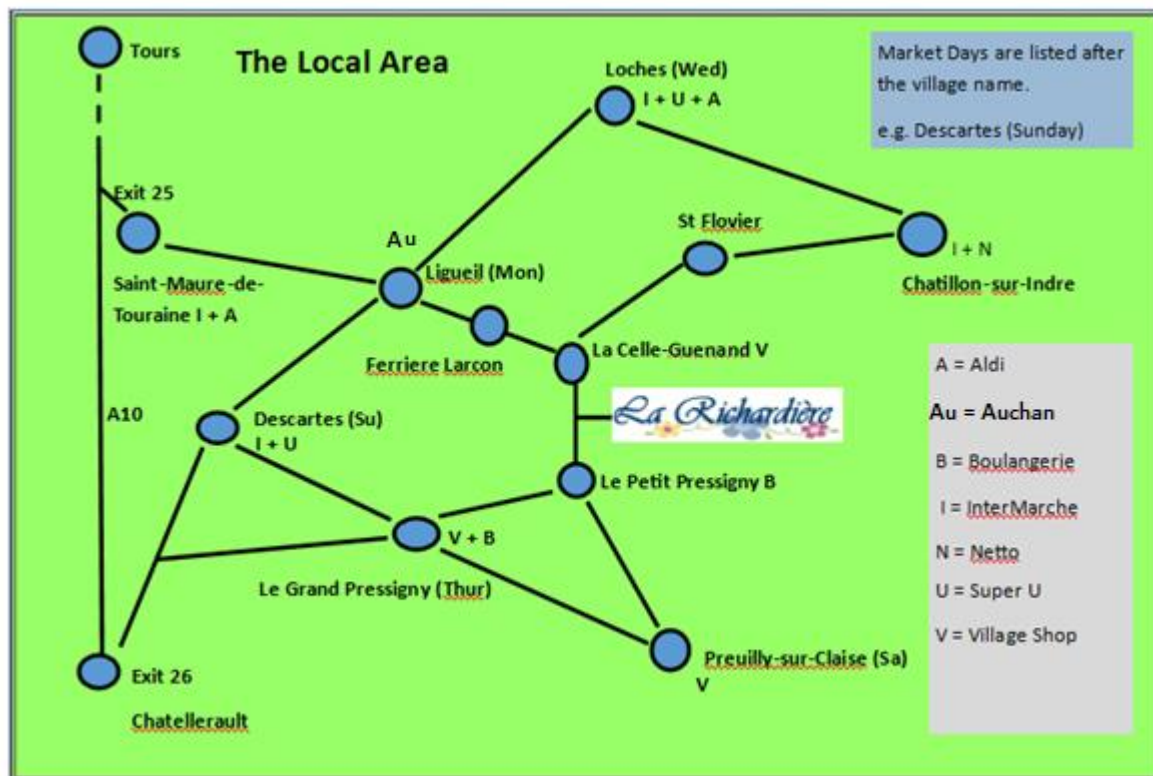
MAPS:

Search for us on Google Maps: <https://goo.gl/maps/zTcJJ>

Local Maps useful for walkers, cyclists and motorists: Available from the Institute Graphique National www.ign.fr

1. Indre-et-Loire D37 1:150 000
 - a. Contains a good and clear indication of all routes through the Loire
2. Le Grand Pressigny 1925 0: Carte de Randonnée. 1 :25 000. A good quality map of foot paths in the area to the West of La Richardière.
3. Preuilly-sur-Claise 1925 E: Carte de Randonnée. 1 :25 000. A good quality map of foot paths in the area to the West of La Richardière.
4. La Brenne Parc Naturel régional . 1:60 000. Showing observatory sites, Promenades (Walks) and Circuit de Velo (Cycle Routes)

The Local Area



Extra Information:

Self-Catering: As we are offering self-catering Gites it is essential that guests arrive with their own food and supplies, although we do provide a “welcome basket” with some essentials – Bread, Cheese, Eggs, Milk and fruit. On the map below we have listed the nearest super-markets which can be visited on the journey to La Richardière.

Mail and Post: Guests are invited to use La Richardière as a postal address, either immediately preceding their stay or during their visit. Particularly useful if there is a birthday during the holiday period. There is a Post Office (La Poste) in both Le Petit Pressigny and Le Grand Pressigny.

Barbeque: Each Gite has access to a private barbeque and access to a larger, more public barbeque in the main garden area. Coals are not provided, so it is suggested that you bring some with your shopping. We have a small, emergency supply at La Richardière which is available to guests at the current Super Market rates.

Cycling: If you wish to use our bicycles please be sure to pack your own safety helmets as, for health reasons, we do not provide those. Cycles are borrowed AT YOUR OWN RISK.

Towels: We provide towels for the bathroom, however, if you wish to use the swimming pool we recommend bringing your own beach towel.

Internet: Each Gite has a wireless access point for the Internet which is free to all guests.

- There are no passwords, but should guests require a password, one can be installed immediately.
- We request responsible and legal use of the Internet.
- As we no longer supply DVD players in our Gites, guests are welcome to stream videos and movies from providers such as Amazon or NETFLIX. Our TVs have RGB and USB ports. N.B. There may well be geographical restrictions.

Social Media: Guests are invited to upload photos to their own Social Media Accounts as well as to the Media accounts for Gites de La Richardière or to tag us in postings.

- FACEBOOK: <https://www.facebook.com/gitesdelarichardiere/>
- TWITTER: <https://twitter.com/gdlarichardiere>
- INSTAGRAM: <https://www.instagram.com/gitesdelarichardiere/>
- BLOG: <https://gitesdelarichardiere.blogspot.fr/>
- GOOGLE+ Gites de LA Richardière

We always welcome reviews and always appreciate it when guests forward our details to their friends and to their families.

N.B. Please respect the privacy of other guests, particularly children, when posting pictures.

Here are a few things to think about before driving in France!

1. The normal speed limit on:
 - a. French motorways is 130 km/hr (just over 80 mph). - or 110 km/hr in rain.
 - b. Dual carriageways (divided highways) is 110 km/hr.
 - c. Main roads is 90 km/hr (outside built-up areas) **THIS MAY CHANGE TO 80kph on JULY 1st 2018. PLEASE CHECK on-line or with your driving Association.**
 - d. Between village/town signs is 50 km/hr. Look out for “ZONE 30” areas and the large “bumps” in the road. (English = “sleeping policemen”.)
2. Stop lines – mean stop!
3. Things to have with you
 - a. Passport + Driving Licence
 - b. Insurance and MOT.
 - c. Proof of Ownership (Log Book or equivalent)
 - d. Valid tax if UK car
 - e. Headlamp converters if UK Car
 - f. Breathalysers (be sure to check the use by date.)
 - g. Fluorescent / Hi-Viz jackets (one for each person in car)
 - h. Warning Triangle and Spare Bulbs
 - i. Car sticker showing country of origin
4. Children under 10 must be in the rear seats of a car and in a booster seat.
5. PETROL and DIESEL fuel is readily available and there are many 24 hour pumps. We recommend ALWAYS taking the receipt option and making sure your transaction is completed before moving away from the pumps.

Road signs:

Although giving way to the RIGHT is almost phased out, it has not gone entirely.

Beware of the difference:

A: this road sign which indicates that the road you are on MAY HAVE priority. Check the white lines carefully as you get there.



B: This sign indicates that your road DOES NOT have priority (although it may seem like the main road) and it is necessary therefore to give way to any traffic emerging from the right at the next junction. These junctions, as with all junctions, are clearly marked with white and red posts, but they are distinguished by the fact that there are no white lines..



ⁱ Information correct at the time of going to print – sources AA and RAC