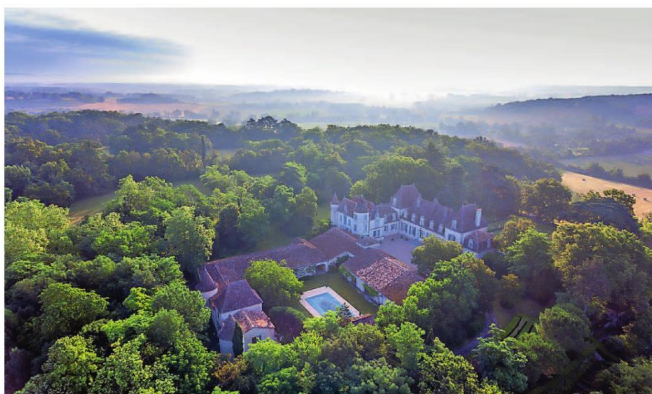




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My dream home

An elegant chateau with 23 hectares of land in Lot-et-Garonne has **Tanya Andrews** dreaming of idyllic walks in the grounds

I'm in love with this dreamy castle just on the border of Lot-et-Garonne and Dordogne. The impressive chateau, sitting in an estate of 23 hectares, was built in the 17th century and has been beautifully restored. The living space of 1,400m² includes 10 luxurious bedrooms, each with a beautiful outlook. Tucked away on the first floor there's even a chapel!

My favourite part has to be the Cour d'Honneur with its 19th-century clocktower, complete with the original mechanism. Here an archway leads to a pretty inner

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courtyard and a saltwater pool surrounded by stone outbuildings and stables.

The chateau has so many wonderful features, but the wow factor really is the grounds. The luxury of hectares of space to roam in total peace and privacy is more attractive than ever in these difficult times. It wouldn't be

hard to fill my time out here in the landscaped parkland, brimming with mature trees, ancient box balls, 300 roses and a lovely orchard with plum, apple, cherry and fig trees.

For any horse lover, the stables with tack room, two paddocks and numerous bridle paths throughout the estate, are an enormous bonus.

There are also two lovely cottages where I'd host friends—they would have no trouble getting there, as Bergerac airport is 25 minutes away and Agen, Toulouse and Bordeaux airports are within two hours.

Nearby there's a charming *bastide* town which has all basic amenities as well as a cinema and market. The whole area is known for its outdoor activities including bicycling, canoeing, kayaking and riding. ■

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