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A Luxurious Loire Valley Hotel With Gardens Galore

This 1760s French Chateau Is Ready for You.
They've Made Some Updates Since Then.

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The Château du Grand-Lucé was constructed in the 1760s as a place for sophisticated royals to rest their heads after a full day of enlightened discussions and wearing frilly cravats.

So, it can definitely accommodate you after a full day of wine, cheese and sightseeing.

Now dubbed [Hotel Château](#), the revamped and just-opened property has more than 250 years of history enclosed, plus all the suites, pools, spa treatments,

fine dining, bocce ball courts and gardens you require for a Loire Valley vacation.

Let's take a peek inside, shall we?



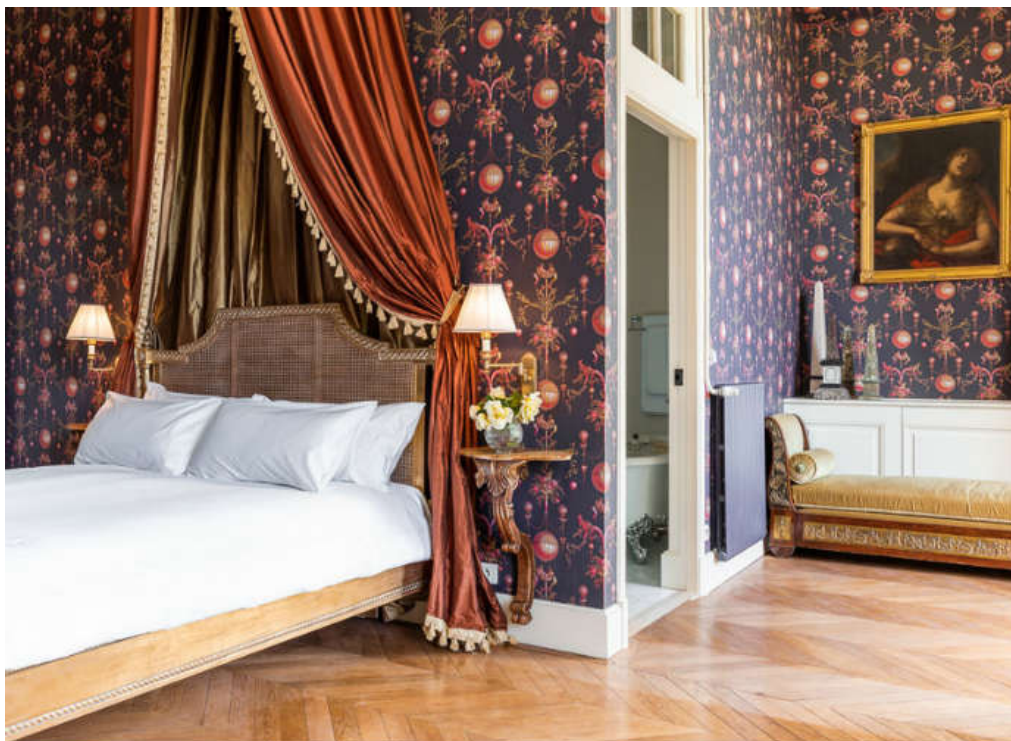
Actually, that's the outside. But it's nice, isn't it?



Inspired by the gardens at Versailles, the grounds are massive and manicured, perfect for taking a stroll while getting lost in your thoughts. Or literally lost in a row of hedges.



This pool will accommodate you when it's hot outside, as all the finest pools do.



Twelve rooms and suites are decked out with period-piece furniture, marble bathrooms and lavish wallpapers.



If you'd really like to go for it, the massive Baron Suite has three entrances, a private library, gilded art and a museum-worthy salon. It might just be the most extravagant room in all of Europe.

And when has French opulence ever backfired?