HOTELCHÂTEAU

CHÂTEAU DU GRAND-LUCÉ



CLASSIC SPLENDOR

In 1760, Baron Jacques Pineau de Viennay instructed architect Mathieu de Bayeux to construct a summer palace on the site of the Baron's medieval castle. Pineau de Viennay demanded the most au courant in design – it was to represent the pinnacle of eighteenth-century extravagance. Numerous statues commissioned by King Louis XV (exact replicas of statues at Versailles) were placed on the Château grounds as a gift to the Baron. In 1764, the Château du Grand-Lucé was completed – a stunning representation of classicism and modernity — intended for splendor.

The Château and the gardens were constructed with precision and symmetry on a North-South axis. It was a beacon for the Age of Enlightenment and hosted visitors including Voltaire, Rousseau, and Diderot. During WWII, paintings from the Louvre were hidden in the Château, and for a period, it was used as a hospital for wounded British officers.

Set on a private enclave of eighty acres surrounded by its original medieval wall, The Château du Grand-Lucé, one of France's finest examples of neoclassical architecture, is now home to Hotel Château. Following an exquisite restoration and refurbishment, the meticulous transformation honors the building's architectural heritage as a mid-18th-century masterpiece and one of the few structures to survive the French Revolution completely intact. Featuring 17 stunning rooms and suites in the 45,000-square-foot main Château, Hotel Château comfortably sleeps 36 to 42 adults. The resplendent property is also home to a ballroom, boutique, fine dining restaurant, bar, spa and fitness salon, an outdoor pool, classic French gardens, a kitchen garden, orchards, lake and a private historic white oak forest.

The Château has survived wars and revolutions, hosted nobles, writers and philosophers, and has been the exquisite backdrop to diplomatic events, weddings and celebrations. After an immaculate restoration of the gardens and interiors, Hotel Château is opened to fulfil the purpose for which it was originally intended — to host and inspire the most discerning traveller.

"THE PERSON WHO HAS LIVED THE MOST IS NOT THE ONE WITH THE MOST YEARS

BUT THE ONE WITH THE RICHEST EXPERIENCES." — JEAN-JACQUES ROUSSEAU



THE NEW NOBLE

Hotel Château is located in the idyllic village of Le Grand-Lucé, in the Loire Valley, just south of Paris. Its unapologetically opulent chic interiors are a stunning tribute to its noble provenance and are a gallant steward of its rich history. With a certain éclat reflecting lifetimes of pure refinement, Hotel Château — with reimagined rooms and suites, ballroom and salons, classical gardens and grounds — delivers unparalleled service and uncompromising splendor.

Hotel Château has a total of 17 rooms and suites, including two fabulous pieds-à-terre complete with their own petites cuisines. The Baron's Suite, with a private library, petit salon, garden entrance and exclusive access to the extraordinary Salon Chinois — named for the canvas covered walls painted with Chinoiserie murals by Jean-Baptiste Pillement — is quite possibly the most remarkable suite in Europe.

The interiors and gardens of Hotel Château have been meticulously restored with an incredible reverence to the Castle's history, while adding layers of modern splendor. Guest rooms are filled with curated antiques and vintage pieces. The finishes include French fabrics and archival documented wallpapers, from visionaries like Pierre Frey, Christian Lacroix, Jean-Paul Gaultier and de Gournay. The impossibly luxe beds are custom made and stacked with fine European linens and lofty down duvets.

The restaurant, Le Lucé, with reclaimed tomette floors, exposed timbers overhead, and grand casement windows facing the formal gardens, is captivating. The classic French dishes are prepared with a reverence for tradition, and a nod to refined modern simplicity, sourcing locally, and prepared with produce from the Château's gardens and orchards. Adjoining Le Lucé is a bar built in the former private chapel of the Baron de Lucé. Cheekily named Jack Pine's (the English translation of the Baron's name — Jacques Pineau de Viennay) in honor of our French-American partnership, it is here that guests can enjoy convivial conversation, try some house cocktails infused with herbs from the potager gardens, and taste fare from Chef Thomas' elevated Bistro menu.

The Loire Valley is filled with fabulous châteaux and gardens to tour. Famous for its Sancerre wine, vineyards are plentiful where private tastings and picnics can be arranged. There is antiquing in La Chartre-sur-le-Loir, biking through the Bercé forest and fields filled with sunflowers and mustard, and touring La Cité Plantagenêt in Le Mans. Easy day trips include the beaches of Normandy, the historic town of Amboise (Leonardo Da Vinci's residence), and of course Paris, 55 minutes by train. Although tempting to tour the French countryside, it may prove hard to leave Hotel Château as it all feels quite noble.





WEDDINGS + EVENTS

Hotel Château is an incredible destination for any event and an enchanting location for a wedding. Built for a nobleman, the Château and grounds are breathtaking. The symmetry and precision of the formal French gardens coupled with the eighteenth-century neoclassical architecture of the forty-five thousand square foot Château is extraordinary.

Set in the village of Le Grand-Lucé, Hotel Château is surrounded by the bucolic French countryside. Steps from the gate of the Château, and across the cobblestone square, is an eleventh century church, complete with spire and melodic bells. Two bakeries in town assure that fresh-baked pastries and baguettes are available daily.

From a grand wedding or event of noble proportions to an intimate soirée in the garden, Hotel Château has infinite possibilities. The eighty acres of Loire Valley beauty surrounded by a medieval wall and featuring a lake, meadows, exquisite gardens and a historic white oak forest are otherworldly. With multiple courtyards, terraces, and secret gardens — the options for an event are limitless.

A ballroom of royal proportions designed in the former stables allows events year-round, in any type of weather. The original twelve-foot tall windows of the ballroom have been draped in a fabulous custom-colored Pierre Frey velvet inspired by the green of the garden, gorgeous French oak point de Hongrie flooring, and resplendent crystal chandeliers and sconces have been installed, resulting in unequaled grandeur.

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WEDDING PACKAGES

The easiest – and chicest – way to organize a wedding, our curated wedding packages make the planning process as simple as can be. Private dinner for two or weekend property buyout, you can customize them to your heart's content.

A buy-out includes the entire forty-five thousand square foot main Château with a total of seventeen rooms and suites, including two fabulous suites, two pieds-à-terre crafted in an adjoining building, a classic french breakfast, twice daily room servicing and full use of the gardens and grounds — spa, pool, orangerie, and the ballroom.

ELOPEMENT PACKAGE | 4,700 EUROS

- Two-night stay in Le Grand-Lucé Suite
- Private dinner for two at Le Lucé or in-suite
- Celebratory romantic room preparation
- Impromptu ceremony space in gardens
- Private photography session

BARON PACKAGE | 9,900 EUROS

- Two-night five-room block (12 guests maximum)
- Romantic bridal suite preparation
- Wedding night formal dinner in gardens or formal dining room
- Impromptu ceremony space in gardens
- Private photography session

VICOMTE PACKAGE | 22,800 EUROS

- One-night weekday property buyout (17 Rooms/42 guests maximum)
- Exclusive use of entire Château and gardens
- Use of property equipment (tables, chairs, plate and glassware)
- Post ceremony cocktail reception
- Wedding night formal dinner in gardens or the ballroom
- European-style breakfast

MARQUIS PACKAGE | 62,500 EUROS

- Two-night weekend property buyout (17 Rooms, 42 guests)
- Exclusive use of entire Château and gardens
- Use of property equipment (tables, chairs, plate and glassware)
- Rehearsal dinner in our formal dining room or gardens
- Pre-ceremony cocktail reception
- Wedding night formal dinner
- European-style breakfast
- Departure day brunch
- Late check-out (3 pm)

DUC PACKAGE | 69,000 EUROS

- Two-night weekend property buyout (42 inhouse guest/250 event guests maximum)
- Exclusive use of Château and gardens
- Rehearsal dinner in gardens or the ballroom (60 guests maximum)
- European-style breakfast for inhouse guests
- Departure day brunch
- Late check-out (3 pm)

KING PACKAGE | 106,800 EUROS

- Three-night weekend property buyout (42 inhouse guest/250 event guests maximum)
- Exclusive use of Château and gardens
- Choice of one daytime activity (inhouse guests only)—hot air balloon rides, horseback riding, spa treatments, guided Loire Valley Chateaux tours, guided wineries tour/tasting
- Rehearsal dinner in gardens or the ballroom (60 guests maximum)
- European-style breakfast for inhouse guests
- Fireworks display on wedding night
- Departure day brunch
- Late departure (3 pm)



"ONCE IN A WHILE, RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF ORDINARY LIFE, LOVE GIVES US A FAIRY TALE." —UNKNOWN



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