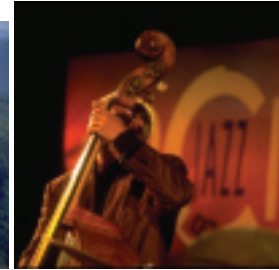


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Whether the preference is to experience culture, pursue an activity or simply to enjoy French hospitality, the Midi-Pyrénées has it all. From Toulouse to the Canal du Midi, Saint-Cirq Lapopie to the Millau Viaduct and with festivals such as Jazz in Marciac, there is so much on offer, all easily accessible with direct flights from eight UK and Irish airports.

- **Charming accommodation** - The collection of family sized hotels, chambres d'hôtes and gîtes throughout the region all guarantee a level of comfort and standard of welcome for which they are proud. The locales are tempting and rooms can be found in anything from old chateaux to mills and farms. Some of the smaller, cosy establishments have a table d'hôtes arrangement where superb local cuisine can be savoured.
- **Camping is back in vogue** - Fresh air, great facilities, a wealth of places to visit with time to recover from the hustle and bustle of everyday life - the Midi-Pyrénées is the ideal holiday destination. To help select a destination, the campsites are categorised under the particular characteristics they feature: Tonic Holidays, Getaway, Pampering, Discovery and Holidays Together.
- **Festival paradise** - There are hundreds of festivals organised each year throughout the region such as Jazz in Marciac, "les Orgues" in Toulouse (organ music), Tempo latino and "Alors... chante!" in Montauban. Traditional fairs are also popular with such events as the "Fête de la Truffe" (truffle fair) in Lalbenque, the flower market in Fourcès as well as the "Flamme de l'Armagnac".
- **Gastronomic heaven** - The region is awash with great food products: foie gras; Toulouse sausages; cassoulet; Magret de canard; Roquefort and garlic. (The Gers region is France's number one garlic producer.) On the beverage side, Armagnac and wines such as the Black Wine of Cahors are available.
- **A spiritual haven** - UNESCO has 33 monuments in the region on the route to **Santiago de Compostela**. The religious history of the **Cathars** is visible in places such as Montsegur. The **Knights Templar** built five important towns on the Causse du Larzac. 150 years on, Lourdes is one of the world's most visited religious sites.
- **Ever popular river cruising** - The navigable waterway provides one of the most original and placid holiday opportunities, allowing holidaymakers to explore the locks, canals and rivers of areas such as the Canal du Midi and the Lot River.