

Normandy Life



The arrival of HD Ferries provides a long awaited bridge at an affordable price between two wonderful areas for tourism - the Channel Islands and Normandy. Now there's nowhere better, or easier to access, than "La Manche" - the most westerly département of Normandy for short breaks, holidays and holiday homes - it's only a short boat ride from the Channel Islands!

If the smell of log fires, the taste of apple cider, the thought of mussels and chips, charming fishing villages, traditional horse fairs (such as at Gavray and Lessay), wide expanses of sandy beaches, Chausey - (yes, the French have some Channel Islands too) or French markets fill you with envy then you might want to think about La Manche as a possible place for buying a holiday or permanent home. Maison Bleue based in La Manche also has some excellent investment opportunities available for fund managers, as well as private and commercial investors. If you prefer other parts of France they have links with agencies in the Aveyron, Dordogne, Lot, Tarn and Garonne areas in particular...

With the world famous Le Mont St. Michel at its western end, Cherbourg at the North, St. Lo towards its eastern borders, Coutances in the middle, and the historical towns of Avranches, Villedieu and Domfront to the south La Manche has so much to offer and provides the best of both worlds to the British choosing to settle or have a holiday home there.

Philippa Weitz, Managing Director of PWT NormandyLife and Negotiator with Maison Bleue, one of la Manche's leading estate agencies, says "I feel truly proud to have become "manchoise". I love the friendliness and welcome of the people of la Manche". She continues, "We are utterly spoilt for choice here. There is so much to do and to see, we are never bored." If you feel like town activities then there is the sparkle of Granville, if you are looking for history there is no better place than Villedieu-les-Poelès and its bell foundry, copper museum and museum of Norman furniture, or the World War II museums and the D-Day beaches. If it is the wildlife that you love then a trip through the Marais (a bit like the Norfolk

Broads) will have you drooling...and don't forget the Bayeux Tapestry and Cité de la Mer. If you just like walking, horse riding or cycling there are hundreds of miles of bike paths for you to choose from. But best of all - are the friendships that develop across nationalities and the unfolding of a new and different way of life. It's only a short train ride to Paris where city life - shows, theatre, concerts, museums and beautiful buildings provide a counterbalance to the country life.

If you are thinking of working from home some or all of the time, La Manche has invested heavily in IT and is one of the few French départements to have nearly 100% broadband coverage which means that working from home via the internet is a serious option. This is what I do - I usually spend about half of my time at home in La Manche and the other half (just enough to keep my right side of the residence laws!) in the UK.

Being situated just across the water from the Channel Islands and the UK, a home in La Manche really does combine the best of both worlds. Of course, Maison Bleue will also be delighted to help you choose your new home in La Manche! You may never have thought of this before, but now with the arrival of HD Ferries anything is possible and you will find Maison Bleue has houses for most budgets.

Of course if you are thinking of buying further afield Maison Bleue has its specialist prestige property department with chateaux, manors, "belles demeures", longères and maisons de maître. For these look at www.chateauxforsale.net.

Former Presbytery Avranches area
 Good condition, living room with chimney, 7 bedrooms, kitchen, dining room with chimney, beautiful staircase, Outbuildings, former bakery & well, 1,800 sqm approx of gardens.
 €191,700 inc. agent's fees (approx £132,200)
 Ref: HD-AV2454

Pretty Bungalow Coutances area
 In a hamlet. Living room, kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, WC. External boiler room, oil tank & laundry space. Garage. 2 small sheds. 2,000 sqm land. 88 sqm of living space.
 €150,140 inc. agent's fees (approx £103,545)
 Ref: HD-BR4719

16th/18th C. Chateau Calvados
 Main chateau, 20+ rooms, caretaker's cottage, outbuildings, park with lake, avenue of trees, wood, 22 hectares. 800 sqm living space. Currently a quality Bed and Breakfast.
 Price available on request
 Ref: HD-AB3408

Former Mill Cérences
 Stone house. Open-plan living room/ kitchen/diner, WC. 3 bedrooms, shower room, bathroom, WC. Attic to renovate. Fabulous setting on River Sienne + salmon fishing. 6,043 sqm of gardens with stone steps to river.
 €275,100 inc. agent's fees (approx £189,725)
 Ref: HD-BR4538

Raised Bungalow Montmartin-sur-Mer
 with basement. Living room, fitted kitchen, 3 bedrooms, 2 WCs, bathroom, shower, laundry/workshop, garage. Attic for conversion. 1,300 sqm established garden. 3km to the sea.
 €181,640 inc. agent's fees (approx £125,270)
 Ref: HD-BR4736

Weekend Get-away Mont St Michel area
 House to renovate. 1,000 sqm of land. The land is planted with fruit-bearing trees. Quiet setting. 40 minutes from Le Mont St Michel and Granville and 20 km from the A84 motorway.
 €35,740 inc. agent's fees (approx £24,372)
 Ref: HD-BR4305

Weekend Home Périers
 Single storey stone house + conservatory, 2,157 sqm of planted gardens, close shops. 2 bedrooms, dining room, living room, kitchen, utility room, shower room WC. Attic.
 €226,250 inc. agent's fees (approx £156,035)
 Ref: HD-BR4312

Gîtes Complex La Haye du Puits
 Cob house with 2 gîtes (2 bedrooms each), & landscaped gardens (1000sqm). Main house - 4 double twin bedrooms. Oil fired central heating throughout. HEATED SWIMMING POOL.
 €299,240 inc. agent's fees (approx £206,372)
 Ref: HD-BR4501

Weekend Get-away St Jean de Corail
 Semi-detached stone village house for renovation. Slate roof. Situated in village near Mortain. Living room with chimney. Attic. Rear extension needs total renovation. Small garden.
 €43,980 inc. agent's fees (approx £30,330)
 Ref: HD-BR4170

Modern House Coutances area
 Living room + chimney, fitted kitchen, 2 gr. fl. bedrooms + bathroom, WC. 1st floor: 3 bedrooms, shower room, WC. Basement: games room, wine store, double garage, laundry room. 2,730 sqm land.
 €244,650 inc. agent's fees (approx £165,960)
 Ref: HD-BR4712

Traditional Farmhouse Coutances area
 Longère for total renovation together - 2nd house & quality outbuildings. Farmyard. Ideal for long-term lets, gîtes & B & B. Approx 1 hectare (tbc).
 €213,140 inc. agent's fees (approx £146,993)
 Ref: HD-BR4804

18th C. Chateau Calvados
 High standard of renovation. 12 rooms two drawing rooms, 6+ bedrooms, 4 bathrooms + orangery & second magnificent outbuilding, landscaped parkland - 2.5 hectares
 €850,000 inc. agent's fees (approx £586,200)
 Ref: HD-AV2992

Barn + Building Plot Gavray area
 approximately 1,800 sqm. Boundaries to be confirmed by land surveyor. Electricity and water near by, septic tank required. Outline planning permission has been granted.
 €30,000 inc. agent's fees (approx £420,690)
 Ref: HD-BR4820

Corps de Ferme Gavray area
 Former farm + buildings & courtyard, 60% to renovate. Lovely features, 2 bedrooms (1 to finish), living room, kitchen-diner, bathroom + roll-top bath. Great potential, great views. 1.2 hectares.
 €197,380 inc. agent's fees (approx £136,131)
 Ref: HD-LH4880

Farm La Haye -Pesnel
 Longère/farmhouse and farm buildings to renovate. Kitchen/ dining room with granite chimney, living room, laundry & storage rooms. Outbuildings + garage. 3.5 hectares land.
 €178,490 inc. agent's fees (approx £123,096)
 Ref: HD-LH4881

Gîtes Complex La Haye -Pesnel
 3 gîtes running for 9 years, 9000 sqm + SWIMMING POOL & pond. Gîte 1: 4 beds each + shower or bathroom. Gîte 2: 3 beds each + shower or bathroom. Gîte 3: 1 bed + shower room 2 bedrooms, large bathroom.
 €496,100 inc. agent's fees (approx £342,135)
 Ref: HD-BR4500

Stone Country House Coutances area
 Good condition. Fitted kitchen, dining room, living room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, shower room, 2 WCs, conservatory. Attic to renovate. Garages & outbuildings. Gardens with well.
 €197,350 inc. agent's fees (approx £136,100)
 Ref: HD-BR3296

Former Farmhouse Coutances area
 for total renovation, with outbuildings, in a hamlet. Living room with chimney, room, store room, 2 bedrooms, numerous outbuildings. Yard, walled garden + fields - approx 1 hectare (tbc).
 €108,140 inc. agent's fees (approx £74,579)
 Ref: HD-BR4805

Historic House Coutances area
 16th century, 3 bedrooms, attic to renovate, original features, inc. quarry tiling & chimney, 50% of internal space converted. New roof, central heating. Outbuildings 2,000 sqm land.
 €186,350 inc. agent's fees (approx £128,515)
 Ref: HD-AV0385

Stone Country House Gavray area
 for total renovation. Approx 80 sqm internally. 800 sqm of land. Boundaries to be confirmed by land surveyor - Outline planning permission is in the process of being requested.
 €60,360 inc. agent's fees (approx £41,813)
 Ref: HD-BR4822

Stone Barn Gavray area
 Barn/longère for conversion. Tile roof. Approx 250 sqm internally, 2,500 sqm of land. Boundaries to be confirmed by land surveyor. Outline planning permission is in the process of being requested.
 €60,360 inc. agent's fees (approx £41,813)
 Ref: HD-BR4822

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