

Spotlight on Dinard



The English discovered this coastal village in 1852 and created a tourist resort in 1879. Soon Parisian high society and British tourists were visiting in increasing numbers...

Top 10 attractions:

- 1) **Plage de l'Ecluse** - Dinard's main beach, also known as La Grande Plage.
- 2) **Sea Museum** - This museum houses exhibitions which document the explorer Jean-Baptiste Charcot, and his boat the Porquoi Pas.
- 3) **Musee du Site Balneaire** - This interesting museum houses exhibitions that document the history of Dinard, and its development into a seaside resort, and Brittany region.
- 4) **Casino Barriere de Dinard** Located on the waterfront. The casino is the place to go if you're looking to have some fun and play a few games. It offers a wide range of facilities, including a restaurant; a bar; 100 slot machines; 4 Roulette tables; 2 black jack tables; a stud poker table; and 2 boule tables.
- 5) **Port Breton Park** - Beautiful park with lake, animals, aviary and pretty rose garden.
- 6) **Plage du Prieure** - This beach is another great spot to sit back and relax, taking a break away from the hustle and bustle of the other tourists centres.
- 7) **Grand Hotel Barriere de Dinard** - This hotel is the largest in Dinard, and dates back to 1859 with an amazing view of the harbour.
- 8) **Shopping** - Rue du Marechal-Leclerc; rue Levasseur; and boulevard du President-Wilson. The shops along these streets sell a wide range of goods, fashion; arts; sculptures; local crafts; gifts and local food.
- 9) **Le Dinard Golf** - Located just out of Dinard at St-Briac. This is one of the best golf courses in Brittany, it is a par-68, 18 hole golf course.
- 10) **Plage de St Enogat** - Located just out of Dinard, by St Enogat. This smaller and slightly isolated beach is a great place to go if you're looking for a more private and peaceful day out.

Make a wish and wake up in France!



Beat the summer crowds and head for France during the early Spring and summer sunshine, when so many of France's top holiday spots are at their best. Think carefully about which region – or regions - of France best suit your needs. Should you aim for the glorious sandy beaches and forests of the Vendée, just a short hop from St. Malo, or explore further south, making tracks for the fertile plains, wooded valleys and limestone cliffs of the Dordogne? How about celebrity-spotting on the Ile de Ré or surfing in Biarritz? Or, for those of you who weaken at the merest mutter of an 'are we nearly there?', consider the alternative of keeping driving distances to a minimum and opt for a week or two pottering around the bustling fishing ports and sandy coves of Brittany.

value-for-money villas and apartments on residences with shared pools and sports facilities to large independent villas with private pools. Wake up in France is based in France so has excellent local knowledge but you can also call the UK office to discuss any specific property or region.



You'll also be spoilt for choice if you're a keen golfer. Much of their accommodation is based on or close to some superb golf courses – such as the prestigious course at Moliets on the west coast, or in the south, the championship Saumane golf course in Provence.

Prices vary, starting from as little as around £150 per week in May

for a family of four. If, however, you've decided that 2008 is, both metaphorically and physically, the year to push the boat out, then head for Cap d'Agde where you can stay in a brand new, supremely luxurious waterfront villa with private garden, outdoor waterfront jacuzzi and your own private boat mooring!

If you're looking for a family holiday, the chances are you'll be looking for clean, comfortable accommodation, beaches, the opportunity for your kids to meet up with other playmates and possibly some sports and leisure facilities.

The www.WakeupinFrance.co.uk (tel. 01484 680855) website is an excellent starting point. The company offers a vast range of accommodation throughout France, from budget

WIN A WAKE UP IN FRANCE HOLIDAY!

We've teamed up with Wake up in France to offer one lucky prizewinner a one-week family holiday for 4 at a choice of properties in the Vendée, Brittany, the Dordogne, SW France or the Ile de Ré. You can take your holiday on selected dates throughout the summer and choose the accommodation that best meets your needs.



To enter the competition, please answer the following question:
Which region of France is most famous for its 'crêpes'?
A. Brittany B. Normandy C. The Dordogne

Send your answers to:
Kirsty Laifa, "Wake Up In France Competition", 2morrow Court, Appleford Road, Sutton Courtenay, Oxon, OX14 4FH, United Kingdom.

Terms & Conditions:

- Holiday is for a maximum of 2 adults and 2 children (under 14);
- Accommodation is in a 2-bedroom apartment or villa at a selection of participating holiday villages/residences;
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