

# Chez Broche

Lakeside Family Holidays



## Happy New Year!

We hope this email reaches you and your family in good health. We would like to wish you all a very happy and healthy 2023.

We would like to say a huge thank you to those of you that have taken a holiday here at Chez Broche as well as all the support on Facebook, Instagram and our website. It's great to get your feedback and to keep in touch with you and your families.



## Our Guests

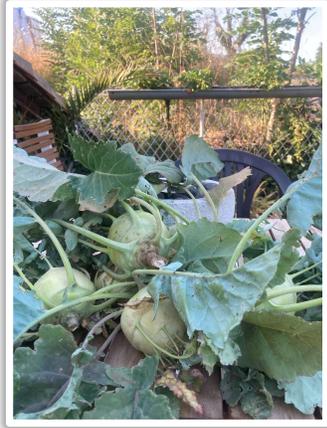
We have had a good 2022 and have been very fortunate to have had a full Summer Calendar. Again we have met lots of lovely guests from all over France and indeed the world. It always surprises us when people come from such far flung places such as Costa Rica for a holiday in sleepy rural France. We get so much feedback from City folk saying how they leave here relaxed and refreshed. And this we think is where our strengths lie. We try to make holidays as stress free and relaxed as possible.





## Improvements

To help guests to relax we have added one or two new facilities and services. We now have a table tennis table which has proved really popular with both children and adults. Also we are now offering Pizza Nights. Which nearly all our guests took up this year and loved. We had great feedback about the pizzas and that guests enjoyed an evening off where they can relax, eat and drink for a very reasonable price. Stuart also built a smoker this summer out of an old water tank found in the barn. The plan this year is to host bbq evenings offering a fully inclusive evening of food and drink served by the pool while you relax and enjoy a stress free evening in relaxing surroundings.



## Vegetable Garden

The vegetable patch had it's ups and downs this year. Lots of cabbage, broccoli, tomatoes and cucumbers. But it was a real challenge this year due to the drought. We did our best by watering twice a day pumped from the spring fed stream. But unfortunately some of the vegetables failed purely due to lack of water.

Kohl Rabi did well!



## Chickens!

We now have 8 happy chickens that love any left over vegetables or pretty much anything else we give them and love nothing more than when we dig up some soil in their area so they can scratch around for grubs and worms. Happy chickens = lots of eggs! Our small guests have loved watching them and enjoyed the fresh eggs!

This is Margo and Barbara who insist on sleeping up a tree!

60 years old!!! Where did the time go?



What a fantastic few days! It was absolutely amazing to actually take advantage of our lovely house and surroundings ourselves. This is not something we generally get the opportunity to do in the Summer, so it was a real treat. Friend, family and neighbors from near and far celebrated with us. We had sports day, boot camp, bbq birthday party and lots of time to relax together.

How beautiful!!



## Fishing!

We have had so much interest in fishing this year. And wow we learned a lot! We had two families who were extremely keen anglers and very kindly gave us a report detailing how and where the fish were caught along with photographed evidence during their stay! It was a real joy to see people enjoying the fishing, seeing young children catch a fish for the first time and enjoy such a relaxing pastime. We have some small (by French standards) but very beautiful carp.





Thank you to all our guests once again for making our job fun, rewarding, interesting and varied.

Happy New Year to you all. We look forward to meeting new guests as well as familiar faces in the coming year.

Best wishes  
Linda and Stuart

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