



▲ THE ALP'HÔTEL, La Clusaz, Aravis

The Alp'Hôtel is in the centre of the historic village and ski resort of La Clusaz and welcomes dogs. There are great walks on the doorstep that the hounds will love and it is just a short drive down to Annecy with its lovely lakeside paths. The hotel

has a restaurant for guests wanting to eat in, plus an indoor pool and sauna – although better not take the dogs in there! The 15 rooms have balconies and are traditionally decorated in an alpine style. Doubles from €70 per night. Tel: (Fr) 4 50 02 40 06 clusaz.com



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On a wooded hill overlooking the spa town of Vals-les-Bains is the stunning Château Clément. This ornate 19thcentury château is surrounded by four hectares of parkland featuring a heated swimming pool and terrace. There are five elegant rooms sleeping up to six people as well as a loft apartment with four bedrooms and a private pool, a two-bedroom apartment on the ground floor and a three-bedroom gîte. Each room is uniquely decorated with parquet floors and antique furniture and there is a spa area with an indoor pool on the top floor. The château is open from April to November with no pet surcharge. Doubles from €180 per night, breakfast included. Tel (Fr) 4 75 88 33 53 auchateauclement.com

▼ HÔTEL LES CYGNES, Évian, Haute-Savoie

Located on the banks of Lake Geneva, this waterside three-star hotel welcomes dogs at no extra cost – the owner even lets his own pup roam freely in the establishment. The 1920s property offers a quirky and welcoming atmosphere throughout its 36 rooms and two

restaurants. Guests can also take advantage of its large area of parkland and terrace, private beach on the lake with pontoon and mooring for boats, swimming pool, mini golf, children's play area and flower and vegetable garden. Doubles from €95 per night. Tel: (Fr) 4 50 75 01 01 hotellescygnes.com



L'AUBERGE BRESSANE DE BUELLAS, Buellas, Ain

Enjoy a comfortable stay in this threestar hotel located near Bourg-en-Bresse. The 11 rooms are all bathed in light and decorated in a subtle modern style. Guests can enjoy lounging by the large swimming pool set in a fenced garden, which is spacious enough for your dog to have a wander around safely. There is also a whirlpool bath and small fitness room. You can dine at the hotel owners' gastronomic restaurant called L'Intimiste

or tuck into a more traditional meal at the hotel itself.

Doubles from €85 per night. Tel: (Fr) 4 74 24 20 20 auberge-buellas.com





► ABBAYE DE LA BUSSIÈRE,

La Bussière-sur-Ouche, Côte d'Or Located between Beaune and Dijon, this beautiful four-star hotel is housed in a 12th-century Cistercian abbey set in a huge park. Boasting 17 acres of lawns, a lake and ponds, the parkland has plenty of nooks and crannies for your dog to run, explore and snuffle about in. The 20 hotel rooms all look out onto the park, but the two duplex suites in the former nun's house would be most ideal for families and friends with dogs as they have their own garden and lead straight out onto the park, without having to go through the hotel.

Doubles from €225 per night. Tel: (Fr) 3 80 49 02 29 abbayedelabussiere.fr



▲ HÔTEL DE LA POMMERAIE, Le Mans, Sarthe

This charming boutique hotel is located three kilometres from the centre of Le Mans and nine kilometres from the famous Le Mans circuit. The hotel is set in large grounds where you can enjoy an evening drink, relax with a book or play table tennis or badminton - and with almost an acre, there is plenty of space to exercise your canine companion. There are 23 en-suite rooms ranging from single to family rooms which have views over the beautiful grounds or forest, TV and free wifi. There is free parking and access to a gym as well as a reception area open till 10pm.

Doubles from €60 per night, pets €7, breakfast €9.50 per person. Tel: (Fr) 2 43 85 13 93 hotel-de-la-pommeraie.com

▼ MORE MOUNTAIN -WATERSIDE, Morzine, Haute-Savoie

Keep your pup in check in one of the five luxury self-catering More Mountain apartments located in the ski resort of Morzine. These apartments are perfectly suited to accommodating dogs due to their fully-enclosed gardens and secure terraces. Plus, they offer an 'Alpine Pups' package in partnership with Mutts & Hounds, which includes a jacket, toys, treats and a

complimentary guided dog-friendly walk, plus use of a dog bed, towel and food. The apartments are close to great trails and there are plenty of places to let your dog roam free. This three-bedroom top-floor apartment (pictured) is set next to the River Dranse and can sleep up to six people. From €1,600 in the winter and €1,400 in the summer for a week's stay; Alpine Pups one-week package: €150 extra. Tel: (Fr) 6 86 02 18 05 moremountain.com/apartments/waterside









▲ LION D'OR, Cauterets, Hautes-Pyrénées

Built in the mid-19th century, the hotel Lion d'Or is located in the spa town of Cauterets, surrounded by the wild mountain landscapes of the Hautes-Pyrénées, and has retained its authentic character as a family-run business. Antique furniture and uniquely decorated rooms offer a warm atmosphere, typical of the local area. There is a pretty flowered inner courtyard which provides a private and sunny spot to relax in and let your dog sit in the sunshine. The hotel staff is happy to help with ideas for hikes to enjoy in the area.

Doubles from €80 per night. Tel: (Fr) 5 62 92 52 87 hotel-cauterets.fr

► HÔTEL LA CHAUMIERE, Honfleur, Calvados

Relax in style at this four-star hotel located on the Seine estuary between Deauville and Honfleur and just 10 kilometres from Le Havre ferry terminal. There is private access to the beach just a short walk from the hotel and stunning views of the estuary from the restaurant and some of the rooms. In the 17th-century half-timbered house, there are nine bedrooms as well as a renovated sheepfold that sleeps two. The hotel has a tennis court, pretty garden, terrace and an indoor pool that you can reserve, plus a restaurant that serves local seasonal produce.



Doubles from €165 per night, pets €15, breakfast €16 per person. Tel: (Fr) 2 31 81 63 20 hotel-chaumiere.fr



▲ HOLIDAY INN CALAIS-COQUELLES, Calais, Pas-de-Calais

Travelling with the dogs often requires a stopover, and this Holiday Inn is conveniently placed, just a short drive from the Eurotunnel, Calais Eurostar station and the centre of Calais itself. The Holiday Inn Calais-Coquelles is surrounded by eight acres of parkland and the dog-friendly beach of Escalles is just a few minutes away. The hotel also offers a fitness centre with indoor heated swimming pool, sauna, hammam and gym. The hotel has a restaurant which serves classic French cuisine and offers a buffet breakfast; kids aged 12 and under eat free. Doubles from €70.81 per night (€85.36 per night with breakfast), pets €10 per night with a €10 deposit.

Tel: 0800 02 85 880

ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/gb/en/calais/calcq/hoteldetail

▼ HÔTEL VULCAIN, L'Horme, Loire

Situated in the town of L'Horme, between Lyon and Saint-Étienne, the modern Hôtel Vulcain has 30 comfortable rooms and welcomes pets at no extra charge. The hotel has private gardens of almost two acres and is at the edge of the stunning mountainous countryside of the Parc Naturel Régional du Pilat so is perfect for hikers and their dogs. The spacious rooms have private bathrooms and views of either the gardens or valley and there is a bar and breakfast room where a continental breakfast is served as well as two small lounges. There is free parking and 12 garages that are available to book. Doubles from €64 per night, breakfast €9.50 per person. Tel (Fr) 4 77 22 17 11 hotel-vulcain.com



▼ CHAMBRE D'HÔTES LE GRAND NOÉ, Roisey, Loire

Le Grand Noé is a renovated farmhouse in the Parc Naturel Régional du Pilat, just five kilometres from the medieval village of Malleval and an hour from Lyon airport. There are plenty of hiking trails near the chambres d'hôtes and the area is also popular with cyclists. There are four bedrooms sleeping two to four people, each with a private bathroom and views of either the Alps, Vienne or the Rhône Valley. Guests have access to a garden, terrace and living room and an organic breakfast is served each morning. Doubles from €80 per night, pets €15 (€20 for large dogs over 30kg), breakfast included. Tel (Fr) 4 74 48 36 33 legrandnoe.fr

