

Pauline & Aidan

WILL YOU BE ATTENDING?

HOW ARE YOU GETTING THERE?

WHEN WILL YOU ARRIVE / LEAVE?

WHERE ARE YOU STAYING?

DO YOU HAVE ANY ALLERGIES?

DO YOU NEED HELP WITH ANYTHING?

PLEASE LET US KNOW ASAP

BY 31.12.24

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Logistic Details

*We appreciate the effort you will be making by attending,
and we will do our best to make it as easy as possible for you.
There are options detailed below, but please let us know if
you're unsure on how to get there or where to sleep!*



Important locations



Travelling from abroad



Getting around in France



Accommodation



Local life



Additional information



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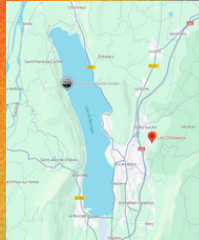
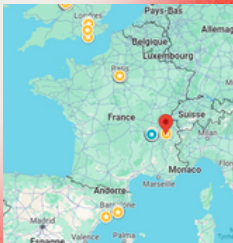
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Important Locations

All the fun will be in Grésy-Sur-Aix (FRANCE), a small village in the French Alps (500m altitude). The nearest city is Aix-Les-Bains (3.5 miles), but you are also fairly close to Annecy (20 miles), Lyon (75 miles), and Geneva (50 miles).



The ceremony on the 17th April will be held at the Gresy-Sur-Aix townhouse, and the celebration will be at Pauline's family home. The party on the 19th will be in a nearby village's function room.



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Travelling to France

The two nearest airports are Geneva (Switzerland) and Lyon St-Exupery (France). Both are serviced by EasyJet.

LYON ST-EXUPERY

- *2 daily flights from and to London Gatwick*

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- *1 daily flight from and to London Luton*

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GENEVA

- *flights from and back to Birmingham every Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays*

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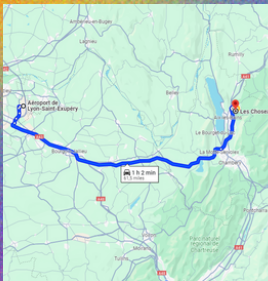


Travelling to France

*Once you are at either airports or once you made it to Aix-Les-Bains, we can come and pick you up. Just let us know!
Please remember to bring a valid passport with you*

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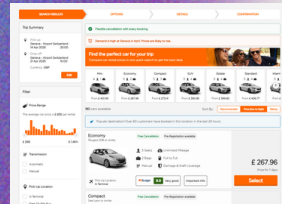
- coach from the airport to the Aix-Les-Bains train station (around 4h, 1 change)
- rent a car from the airport and drive to Gresy-sur-Aix



GENEVA

- shuttle from the airport to the Geneva train station, then a direct train to the Aix-Les-Bains
- rent a car from the airport and drive to Gresy-Sur-Aix

--> Please ensure the agency knows you are heading to France as you will need a Border sticker on the car.



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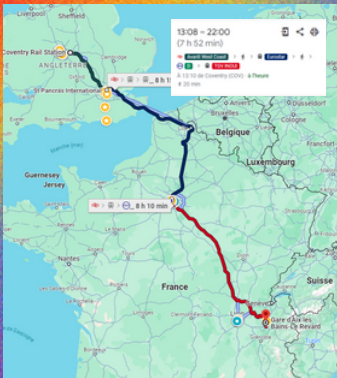
Travelling to France

If you are considering driving the whole way down, or coming by train... just know that we advise against it. However, we've put together some information just in case it's what works best for you

TRAIN

- Train to London Euston (1h-2h)
- go to St Pancras International
- Take the Eurostar to Paris Gare du Nord (2h20)
- go to Paris Gare de Lyon (14min Metro)
- Take a TGV (High Speed Train) to Aix-Les-Bains (3h30 direct, 6h30 if 1 change)

Google Maps is confident that this can be done in one day - provided that all of the train times align.

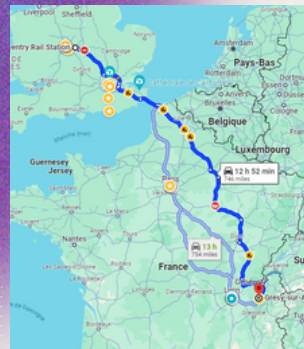


DRIVE

The way is pretty straight forward. It is quicker to go through the tunnel under the Channel, as opposed to taking the ferry (although the view doesn't quite compare).

Once you're in Calais, you will mainly be driving on the motorway - beware that you will have to pay fees at different tolls.

This can definitely be done in 13-14h, but we highly recommend you split the journey and stop somewhere overnight.



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Getting around in France

There is no public transport nearby Pauline's home village in the mountain. While it will be easier if you rent a car to get around - especially if you want to explore the beautiful region, there should always be someone around who's willing to drive you if need be!

Nearby train stations:

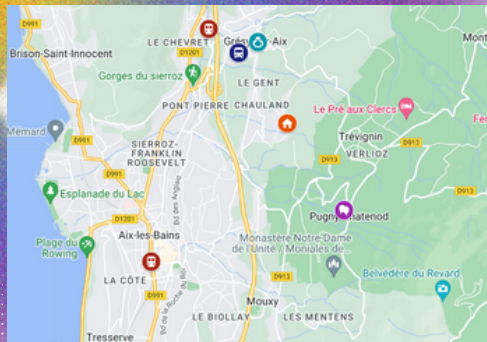
- Gresy-Sur-Aix - 7min drive to Pauline's family home
- Aix-Les-Bains - 12min drive to Pauline's family home

Nearby bus stop:

- 'College de Gresy' (Line 2 towards Aix-Les-Bains town centre) - 5min walk from the townhouse, 5min drive to Pauline's family home

Taxis and rideshare:

- There are no Uber nor any similar rideshare app
- If you need a taxi, you will need to call ahead and book your journey. (We cannot guarantee they will speak English but Pauline can help with the French)



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Accommodation

Pauline's family will be happy to have you stay over! Beds are however limited - especially around 18th-20th August, but you will find below a list of nearby hotels and B&Bs.

Let us know ASAP if you want to book a room and we will pre-book however many rooms our guests will need!

Tavignot family home:

- semi-detached studio - 1-4 people

--> this will however be reserved for Pauline's uncle from the 18th August-20th August

- double bedroom - 2 people

--> this will however be reserved for Pauline's aunt from the 18th August-20th August

- caravan (stationed in the garden) - 2 people
- if you're adventurous, you're more than welcome to camp in the garden - up to 3 x 2-persons tents.

Local hotels:

- Le Bellevue Hotel (4.4 ★)

--> 5min drive to Pauline's family home, 10min walk to the function room

- La Jument Verte (4.5 ★)

--> 6min drive to Pauline's family home, 5min walk to the function room

- Comme Une Evidence (4.9 ★)

--> 6min drive to Pauline's family home, 6min walk to the function room

- Villa des Rubens (4.9 ★)

--> 3min drive to Pauline's family home, 8min drive to the function room

- Chateau Brachet (4.7 ★)

--> 6min drive to Pauline's family home, 9min drive to the function room

- B&B Hotel (4.6 ★)

--> 6min drive to Pauline's family home, 9min drive to the function room

- Ibis Budget Hotel (3.5 ★)

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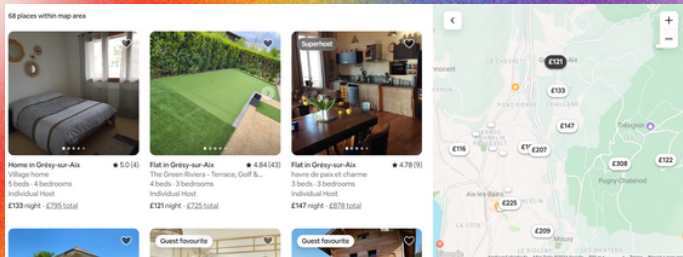


Accommodation

While the closer you will stay, the easier it will be to get to the parties (and get back after a few drinks), there are other options further away if you'd like to see more of what Aix-Les-Bains has to offer.

Air BnB:

We recommend that you search for **Gresy-Sur-Aix (73100)** +5miles / +10km.



Camping:

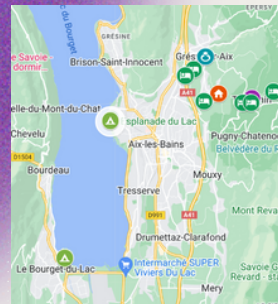
If you enjoy a more aquatic lifestyle, there are 2 main lakeside campings (1 on our side of the lake, the other one a little further down). You will be about 20-30min drive away, but you will be much closer to leisure activities, and Aix-Les-Bains town centre.

- **Camping du Sierroz (4.0 ★)**

--> 16min drive to Pauline's family home, 19min drive to the function room

- **Camping Ile aux Cygnes (3.9 ★)**

--> 23min drive to Pauline's family home, 22min drive to the function room



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Leisure & Local life

The region around Aix-les-Bains is rich in nature, landscapes, leisure activities, and fun potential.

- **Le Lac du Bourget**
walk, boat, kayak/paddleboat
- **The Alps**
hiking, caves, hidden lakes
- **Regional tourism**
Aix-Les-Bains, Abbaye d'Hautecombe Annecy, Lyon
- **Other regional activities**
rafting, paragliding, museum

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LOCAL TOURISM

The Lake

Aix-Les-Bains is the host of the biggest natural lake in France: Le Lac du Bourget. Many aquatic activities will be available in April (the water might not be warm enough to swim though).



- Walking / Cruise skating

You can walk for about 12 miles (there an back) along the lake, and enjoy the beautiful views. There are a few small ‘beaches’ to stop at and test the water.

It is a 15min drive to get to the lake from Pauline’s family home.



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- Le Petit Port & Le Grand Port

Separated by a mere 20 minute walk on the 'Esplanade', you will find a plethora of lakeside restaurants, bars, and ice cream huts to choose from. This is also where you will find the Tourism Office, conveniently situated facing the departure dock of the 'Discovery Cruise' - 1h long boat ride on the lake (16€/person)



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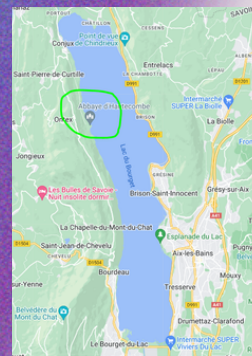
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- Visiting the Hautecombe Abbey

The cistercian Abbey, built in the 12th Century, has been a regional jewel of architecture and landscaping. Overlooking the lake, its gardens notably inspired many poets and artists, and while this is still an active religious structure, the whole site is open to visitors.

The Abbey is a 30min drive from Pauline's village, and entry is Free. One of the discovery cruise also goes around the Abbey.



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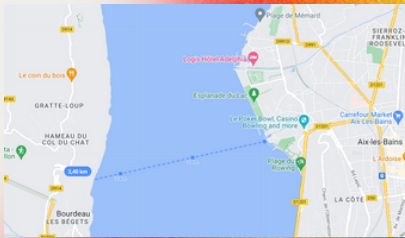
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- Aqua activities

You can rent kayak, paddleboards, canoes, and even motorboats (no license required) off local businesses.



The Lake is about 2.5 km wide, which is about 2h there and back on a kayak. Alternatively, you could opt for a longer journey - there are many small beaches on which you can stop and rest.



If you are more of a lounge, the whole Esplanade is punctuated by benches, and stretches of grass. The town's swimming pool also gives access to a private beach with water slides and inflatable water structures (depending on the time of the year)



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The Alps

Nested within the French Alps, the Aix-Les-Bains region offers hundreds of hiking paths of varied difficulty. And if walking uphill across cow fields isn't your thing, you might consider horse riding in the mountain, exploring natural caves and hidden streams, or simply go snowboarding!

- Hiking

- Foret de Corsuet

Difficulty - !

3h30 (9.20km) - 250 uphill

Aix-Les-Bains

- Creux Lachat

Difficulty - ! !

4h30 (10.5km) - 860m uphill

St-Francois-de-Salle - 30min drive from Gresy-Sur-Aix

- Les Balcons du Lac du Bourget

Difficulty - ! !

4h (13.5km) - 432m uphill

La Feclaz - 35min drive from Gresy-Sur-Aix

- La Croix du Nivollet

Difficulty - ! !

2h30 (6km) - 300m uphill

La Feclaz - 35min drive from Gresy-Sur-Aix

La Croix du Nivollet (wider circuit)

Difficulty - ! ! ! !

6h (9.5km) - 900m uphill

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- Nature sites

- Le Belvedere du Revard

A see-through platform suspended off the mountain. ⚠ Beware of vertigo!

25min drive from Gresy-Sur-Aix



- Gorge du Fier

A natural canyon made accessible for hiking.

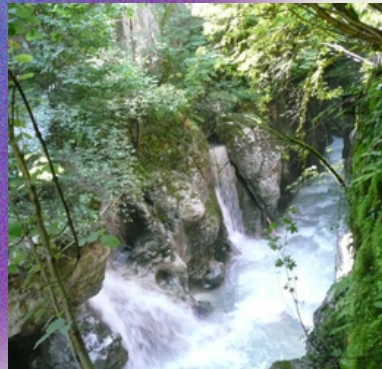
⚠ Beware of claustrophobia! Cash on entry.

Lovagny (74330) - 35min drive from
Gresy-Sur-Aix

- Gorges du Sierroz

A natural valley carved around
the Sierroz river.

10min drive from Pauline's
family home.



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- Skiing

The nearest station at Le Revard (25min drive from Gresy-Sur-Aix) specialises in cross-country ski. it happens to be the first winter sports station built in France, and it offers a breathtaking view on the lake, the Alps, and the Mont-Blanc in some places.

There are 27 skiing paths available spread over 32km - of all difficulty. You can rent all equipment there, and the day pass is 23€.

There is sadly a chance there won't be any snow in April.



- Snowboarding

You will have to travel to bigger structures to snowboard. We have included the list of nearby stations below:

- La Plagne (1h50 drive from Grey-Sur-Aix)
- La Rosiere (2h drive from Gresy-Sur-Aix, 15min drive to the Italian border)
- Courchevel (1h30 drive from Gresy-Sur-Aix)
- Tignes (2h15 drive from Gresy-Sur-Aix)
- Val-Thorens (2h drive from Gresy-Sur-Aix)

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Lyon

This one goes out to the skaters. Besides being the most beautiful city in the world in Pauline's eyes, Lyon is a pretty cool place to visit, hang around, and skate. Thanks to Aidan's skatepark app - which you probably all already have, we compiled a list of the best suggested spots. Also included is a list of cool shops and places you might wanna check out!

- Place Bellecour

In the centre of the Presqu'île (peninsula in between the two rivers that cross Lyon), this plaza is a must-see to chill for a while.

Wall Street skate shop (Lyon 1)
Advice Shop (Lyon 5)



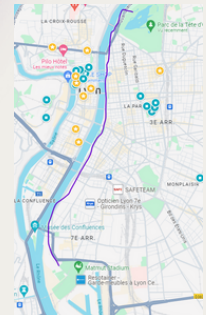
- Vieux-Lyon

The Renaissance district of Lyon is famous for its 'traboul' - which are very small streets going all round the hill, as well as its cultural and architectural heritage.

Musee du Cinema et de la Miniature
(Lyon 5)

- Les Quais

If you want to cruise skate, you can ride along the Rhone river for about 5 miles (the path ends in a public park on one end, and at Interpol on the other). You will find many cafes, restaurants, as well as boat-nightclubs.



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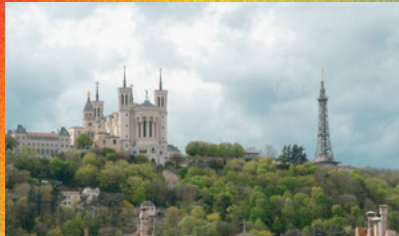
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- Cathedrale de Fourvière

Take the gentle hike through the Old-town of Lyon, take a break by the vestiges of a Roman theatre, and make it to the top of the Fourvière hill. You can visit the beautiful basilica for free, and enjoy Lyon from a height.



- Parc de la Tete d'Or

While most of the park is free to walk/skate through, there is also an entire zoo and botanical gardens to explore.

- Skating spots (Mairie du 1er, Republique, quais)

Please don't break any bones! especially if your last name is Wilson...



We kindly ask that you do not attempt to jump the Lyon 25 stairs. Though if you do wish to see them, you can take a stroll along the Interpol HQ and the International city district.



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Additional activity at the end:

Bus Line ONDEA
Rent a car website
EasyJet
Trainlines
Hotes list

Bellevue - [https://www.logishotels.com/fr/hotel/logis-hotel-bellevue-2104?](https://www.logishotels.com/fr/hotel/logis-hotel-bellevue-2104?PARTID=1466&gad_source=1&gclid=Cj0KCQjw5ea1BhC6ARIsAEOG5pyRUQNTz1qLKDVeseSQYJDkVWjerZpOnitvx_cULn3aVJq6tq1qG4gaAoggEALw_wcB)

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Comme Une Evidence - <https://www.comme-une-evidence-savoie.com/>

Revard Randonnee - <https://www.savoiegrandrevard.com/randonnee-pedestre.html>