

**These are comments submitted to one of our websites (VRBO). None has been omitted. If I also transcribed the (similar) comments written in our physical guest-book in the gite, this file would run to about 50 pages.**

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### **A little gem**

Neil and Jayne Austin and Candy the dog                      Derbyshire, England  
Review Submitted **July 25, 2014**    Date of Stay **September 8<sup>th</sup> 2012**

La Dehayrie is a little gem. We had the most excellent time and you couldn't wish for nicer hosts. The 'cow shed' is just lovely, perfectly situated in the rural quiet for those relaxing evenings, but within easy drives to so many areas of interest, you really are spoiled for choice. Doug and Heather's internet information enabled us to plan a little in advance so we could see as much as possible in the 7 days we were there. We managed to visit Coutances, Granville, Hauteville, Mont-St-Michel (which is a must), Arromanches and the landing beaches (again, a must see) and Bayeux and it's amazing tapestry. Doug would help us with routes when we asked. The nearest town of Gavray we found interesting and had a little climb to it's old fort, great exercise for us and the dog! In Gavray the restaurant du Delice serve the best fish and chips. We also had a meal at the nearest bar/restaurant Bar de l'Etang in Grimesnil, especially nice as we could take our dog, as we could in all the restaurants we visited in the area. The great thing about La Dehayrie, is that Doug and Heather's main house is just next door, so we didn't feel isolated....the nights are very dark, great for star gazing! The only thing you can hear in the early morning are the cows mooing in the nearby fields. We highly recommend this fantastic gite/area and to make your holiday complete, visit Honfleur on the way home!

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

### **Lovely quiet location**

Margaret Britton                      France  
Review Submitted **June 26, 2014**    Date of Stay **June 29, 2014**

La Dehayrie is in a lovely quiet location but near to everything you would want to visit: the landing beaches, Mont St Michel, Bayeux, Hambye Abbey and a host of other places. The gite is very romantic and is so well equipped and beautifully furnished and the garden is really lovely. Heather and Douglas were very kind letting us use their laundry facilities etc. We actually ended up staying for eleven weeks and bought a house not too far away.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

### **Wonderful Area**

Elaine Stiver                      Ontario, Canada  
Review Submitted **June 2, 2011**    Date of Stay **May 10, 2011**

We had the pleasure of staying at La Dehayrie in May 2011. The description of the property is accurate and great thought has been put into the comfort of their guests. We were within easy driving distance of the Landing Beaches, Mont St Michel and many interesting historical churches and chateaus. We were also just a short drive from bakeries (most important), shops

and restaurants. I would recommend this property to anyone, this was the first time we had rented using the VRBO website and we couldn't have picked a better owner to deal with.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

### **Country peace with central location**

Kathy Buck & Claude Selitrennikoff    Denver, CO

Review Submitted **June 7, 2011**    Date of Stay **May 9, 2011**

This gite is the perfect escape for a quiet retreat in the country, but central to the Normandy beaches, exploring the countryside and visiting the many quaint villages in the surrounding area. Coutances is a 15 min drive with a great shopping selection for the small French bakery, patisserie, meat market or a larger LeClerc (similiar to Target/WalMart in the USA). While we also missed meeting the owners, Doug & Heather, we spent a very enjoyable evening with the caretakers, Allen & Lynn. We highly recommend this gite!

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

### **Best holiday we've had for years**

Oliver & Elaine

Review Submitted **January 18, 2010**    Date of Stay **January 18, 2010**

Fantastic setting, perfect break. Best holiday we've had for years. Thanks very much. See you soon. Oliver and Elaine. Tydd.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Berry and Dale Hoak    Williamsburg, VA, USA

Review Submitted **November 7, 2009**    Date of Stay **November 7, 2009**

La DeHayrie provides a peaceful and rural retreat after exploring Normandy's treasures, many within 1- 2 hours drive. Heather and Douglas are very helpful with their suggestions and sharing their lovely garden.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Bliss FitzRandolph    Paradise, Nova Scotia, Canada

Review Submitted **November 5, 2009**    Date of Stay **November 5, 2009**

My husband, Bill O'Neill, and I stayed at La Dehayrie this past May and had a wonderful time. We loved the "cow shed" and were very comfortable there. We were fortunate that our hosts arrived before we left for Canada and found them very accommodating and they made us feel very welcome. We would go back and would recommend La Dehayrie to friends.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Scott & Vicki Worthing    Brunswick, ME

Review Submitted **November 4, 2009**    Date of Stay **November 4, 2009**

Enjoyed a wonderful time in the Normandy region. The gite was perfect for our needs: small, quiet, comfortable, and well located.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Mr & Mrs Bennett Byfleet, Surrey. UK

Review Submitted **October 30, 2009** Date of Stay **October 31, 2009**

We thoroughly enjoyed our stay at La Dehayrie. Our trip was out of season in October so the area was very peaceful & relaxing. The accommodation was very comfortable & had everything we needed.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Krishan Pandit and Laura Milford Southampton and Newton Abbot, UK

Review Submitted **July 24, 2008** Date of Stay **July 24, 2008**

We both had a wonderful 5 days staying at La Dehayrie, which was a perfect base for exploring most of Normandy. The peace and quiet experience was unrivalled and we would stay here if we were ever to visit the area again! Many thanks should go to Douglas and Heather for inviting us into their home and making us feel at ease with their valuable advice about the local area!

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Marcel & Cheryl Abbeville, Louisiana, USA

Review Submitted **July 17, 2008** Date of Stay **July 17, 2008**

We really enjoyed the gite. It was our first time in Normandy and we couldn't have found a more charming location and accommodations. I'm only sorry we missed meeting Douglas and Heather as they were in the western hemisphere while we were in the eastern. Maybe next time. If we ever get back to that part of the world we would love to stay once again in La Dehayrie!

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

John Kettle Perth, Australia

Review Submitted **July 4, 2008** Date of Stay **July 4, 2008**

A delightful little property, well equipped, very comfortable, very quiet & secluded and close to the sites we wanted to visit. Would recommend highly.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Susanna and Neil London

Review Submitted **July 3, 2008** Date of Stay **July 3, 2008**

We had such a lovely time. The house was very nice and the area was very convenient with beautiful countryside. La Dehayrie comes very highly recommended.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Jacques & Georgia Drouin Denholm, Quebec  
Review Submitted **July 2, 2008** Date of Stay **July 2, 2008**

We cannot say enough good things about La Dehayrie! It was peaceful, comfortable and very welcoming. The location is great for taking daytrips all around Normandy and being within an hour or two of most everything we wanted to see. Many great restaurants to be found in the area as well! We loved coming back to the most comfortable bed on our entire vacation and having absolutely no noise to disturb our sleep!! So perfect for 2 people. Our hosts, Douglas & Heather were there to greet us and it was wonderful to have the use of a washer & dryer whenever we needed. Thank you so much for a wonderful and memorable stay for our first time in Normandy!

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Rod & Elaine Halifax UK

Review Submitted **November 5, 2007** Date of Stay **November 6, 2007**

Douglas and Heather have set up an ideal holiday residence for those that appreciate a complete change. The Gite is ideally located away from the crowds but within less than an hour from many different interesting locations. The gite is uncomplicated and comfortable with all the facilities required. Douglas and Heather are rightly proud of their home and gite obviously putting many hours and thought into making of an ideal holiday home. We have no reservations on recommending this as an ideal holiday giving you all the choices.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Judy Schueneman Aizona in winter, Minneapolis in summer

Review Submitted **November 4, 2007** Date of Stay **November 4, 2007**

Are you looking for an exciting getaway with expensive restaurants, upscale shops and theatre openings? If so, keep looking. If, however, you have in mind, walking quiet country lanes, shopping at local markets, stopping at a Salon de The midafternoon for a cup of tea and a pastry or having fish and chips on a Friday night in nearby Gavray, you'll find La Dayhrie offers it all...and so much more! Married for 47 years, our month at this well appointed gite was like a fifth or sixth honeymoon. Just the two of us re-discovering why we'd committed ourselves to one another that day in June of 1960.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Bryan Tozer Bristol

Review Submitted **October 30, 2007** Date of Stay **October 30, 2007**

A very pleasant and peaceful cottage situated in lovely countryside with very friendly and welcoming hosts. It is very convinient for almost anywhere in Normandy and the beaches on the west coast are well worth a visit. All in all a very nice place.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Brian & Carol Hardiman Hampshire England

Review Submitted **October 30, 2007** Date of Stay **October 30, 2007**

We had a lovely restfull two weeks in August 2007, a great little hide away!!

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Helen London

Review Submitted **October 28, 2007** Date of Stay **October 28, 2007**

The cottage is really beautiful, exactly the sort of thing we were looking for. Douglas and Heather are very generous with their time and care and with their house only a few steps away from the gite they are usually on hand to offer advice and help.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Chris Pope Taunton

Review Submitted **June 21, 2007** Date of Stay **June 22, 2007**

Douglas really went the extra mile with helpful notes in advance so we guessed the gite would be well appointed and we were not disappointed. A real showcase for peace and natural surroundings. Amazing wild strawberries on the doorstep. Handy shopping in Gavray - not far away. To wake to the sounds of the birds and the church bells ! Have already recommended it to friends who need the great escape.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Alf Ward Rock Hill - South Carolina

Review Submitted **June 18, 2007** Date of Stay **June 18, 2007**

Our two week vacation at La Dehayrie was a wonderful experience. This quiet haven was so peaceful and well appointed that we just didn't want to leave. The rural setting was enhanced by the kind hospitality of the owners and their agent. The location was ideal for us because most of the major historical and cultural attractions were in close proximity. Also, the beaches nearby were sandy and ideal for families. If we ever visit France in the future we would seek to stay at La Dehayrie again.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

The Emberleys

Review Submitted **June 10, 2007** Date of Stay **June 10, 2007**

The cottage was all we had hoped for and more. Beautifully equipped...very peaceful and near so many wonderful towns. A lovely memory for us both. Wish it were closer...but made the long journey worth-while.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Karen Washington -

Review Submitted **February 27, 2007** Date of Stay **February 28, 2007**

We had a very enjoyable short break at La Dehayrie. It was very comfortable and peaceful with everything we needed for our stay provided. Given the opportunity we will hopefully return again to this little gem of a cottage. Karen & Mike

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

frank jones cheshire

Review Submitted **November 19, 2006** Date of Stay **November 19, 2006**

We thoroughly enjoyed our stay in this delightful gite. It was very clean, well equipped, great shower with a comfortable bed and the location was very peaceful. Heather and Douglas made us feel very welcome giving us lots of helpful suggestions on places to visit and even letting me raid their herb garden – thank-you. The whole area was very pretty; a real pleasure to drive in and there's so much to see! Great little hamlets and villages surrounded by beautiful countryside. The beach is 20mins away and hardly anybody else on it. D Day beaches and the War Cemetery made a real impression on us. Mont St Micheal an amazing place. But most of all the great food, Granville- a fish lover's paradise. Local Restaurants – which we had some superb meals, great markets with fresh local produce. A thoroughly enjoyable holiday, which we have no hesitation in recommending to others. Joyce and Frank Jones

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Liron & Sagi Tel Aviv, Israel

Review Submitted **November 6, 2006** Date of Stay **November 6, 2006**

La Dehayrie is the place you look for a peaceful and relaxing vacation. The gite situated in a great location. Inside you'll find every thing you need. We had the best sleep in the super comfortable bed and the best time in our vacation.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

John and Irene

Review Submitted **August 28, 2006** Date of Stay **August 28, 2006**

Most relaxing spot, extremely peaceful, rural but not too far away from interesting towns and beaches. An ideal spot for holiday cycling. Gite had everything you would need with a particularly delightful bedroom and very comfy bed.

Rating:

★★★★★5 out of 5

Alan and Lyn Roberts Crieff Scotland

Review Submitted **August 24, 2006** Date of Stay **August 24, 2006**

We had a wonderful time at La Dehayrie. The gite is perfect for a couple, Douglas and Heather have thought of everything. The location too is spot on. Quiet and peaceful at the Gite but close to the coast and to other villages and towns. What else can I say - We liked it so much we bought a house nearby and are now looking forward to spending much longer periods in this fabulous part of the world.

Rating:

★★★★★ 5 out of 5

Sally and Jason Stephens    Woking, Surrey

Review Submitted **August 22, 2006**    Date of Stay **August 22, 2006**

We had 2 very peaceful weeks in the gite. Great location for various sites around Normandy including the D-Day Beaches, Bayeaux and Mont St Michel. Well equipped, clean and comfortable.

Rating:

★★★★★ 5 out of 5

Katie Mackie    Musselburgh, Scotland

Review Submitted **July 31, 2006**    Date of Stay **July 31, 2006**

We had a really wonderful holiday at La Dehayrie. The gite is in a very quiet, rural location which is extremely peaceful and relaxing. We became quite indignant when we heard a car pass the gite - very rare! Normandy is lush and green with pretty countryside. Lots to see and do and the nearby town of Coutances is lovely to do your shopping in. The gite is simply furnished, with nice paintings, a small modern kitchen, BBQ, very comfortable bed and great shower. Super getaway for a couple.

Rating:

★★★★★ 5 out of 5

W. Shew

Review Submitted **June 12, 2006**    Date of Stay **June 12, 2006**

My wife and I stayed at La Dehayrie for one of the most calm and pleasant Christmas weekends of our lives. Doug and Heather were very friendly and couldn't have been more helpful.

Rating:

★★★★★ 5 out of 5