You're ready to book for Jayson's Birthday weekend?

Here's what you need to know....

TRAVEL to the castle:

There are several options for guests travelling to the venue. Please read the information carefully and also please contact the organiser if you have any further questions or need help with your travel plans (enquiry@markdalyevents.com)

WHERE is the castle?

The Chateau Du Campe is also known as: **Hôtel Château de La Côte**. La Côte, 24310 Biras. Jayson has hired the venue for exclusive use on the Friday and Saturday evenings.



ACCESS to the venue: (Details can be found below and also here)



Here are the suggested "arrival" points to help with your travel plans:

FLIGHTS & CAR HIRE

Hiring a car? Here is your 'go-to' guide for driving in France and this car hire company can help hire from most departure locations.

PARIS: Charles de Gaulle Airport

From this airport, it is 5hrs 20min drive south via A10 (via Orléans), then A71 (via Vierzon), then A20 (via Limoges), then N21 direction Thiviers, then D707-D78 direction Brantôme, then D939 direction Périgueux, then D106 E1 direction Biras.

BORDEAU: British Airways from LGW, Air France from LHR, KLM from LHR/LCY.

(UK guests - suggest 12.55 from LGW with BA)

From this airport, it is 1hr 45min drive via A89 (via Périgueux), then exit n°14 Périgueux Ouest (Brantome / Angoulême), then D939 direction Brantome, then D106 E1 direction Biras.

BERGERAC DORDOGNE AIRPORT: British Airways from City or Ryanair from Stansted

From this airport, it is 1hr drive via N21.

Connecting via another European airport? Please ask if you need help with travel.

TRAIN TRAVEL to the venue

SNCF Périgueux train station 15min away

SNCF / TGV Bordeaux train station 75min away

SNCF / TGV Libourne train station 60min away

SNCF / TGV Angouléme train station 45min away

Car rental and taxis available at all SNCF stations.

ADDITIONAL TRAVEL TIPS

<u>Accommodation</u>: I am pleased to say that the birthday boy had generously agreed to cover the first night accommodation, plus the black-tie-masquerade-dinner on the Saturday night.

Additional nights at the castle can be booked (awaiting price from venue) and can be paid on arrival to the castle. Any extras will, of course, need to be covered by each guest.

Luckily, guests can stay on additional nights at this amazing venue, and additional nights can be added on request. Please contact the organiser with your accommodation request and dates.

<u>CHEEKY-PRE-BIRTHDAY-WEEKENDIN-PARIS?</u> To kick start this amazing year, Jayson will be challenging himself by running the Paris Marathon on Sunday April 5, alongside a few other friends.

If you would like to join the runners, please register Needle Description, or if you would like to come and support the birthday boy while he runs (pom poms and cheerleader outfits not provided), then make sure you fly in to Paris in plenty of time to some support him. Following the weekend in Paris you have many opportunities to explore the many wonderful French cities before making your way to the castle.

What to expect from the weekend?

You have RSVP'd, you have booked your flights, but what should you expect from the weekend?

Friday:

Friday is the ideal time to arrive for all guests. It will be a relaxed evening for all guests and opportunity to check in to your room, check out the venue and also meet with other guests attending the weekend. The amazing castle is booked exclusively for Jayson's birthday extravangza, so you will be able to relax and unwind after your journey.

There will be a BBQ/ dinner / relaxed evening meal for anyone who has arrived on Friday. This is not compulsory to attend, but it will be the perfect time to meet other guests over a nice white wine.

Saturday:

There is going to be several 'optional' extras for guests over the weekend should you wish to explore the local region - country walks, visiting local towns, cheese tasting, cycling and many other choices.

However, there will be a wine tasting and lunch at the venue for everyone – think of it as a pre-predinner drink! (It is Jayson's Birthday after all)

Afterwards, guests do have the rest of the day at leisure if you would like to relax and enjoy the grounds of the chateau.

Saturday evening, the main event, will be kicking off at 7pm with a drink and canape reception. This evening will be black tie masquerade fabulousness, and everyone is asked to make an extra special effort to join the birthday boy getting dress up to help him celebrate. A four course dinner will follow the drinks with some fabulous wines and music to keep everyone entertained during the meal.

Following dinner we will be dancing and enjoying marking the birthday boys special birthday with a hearty happy birthday song and a big birthday cake! And who doesn't like cake

Sunday:

A hearty breakfast will be enjoyed by everyone, bring your hangovers, and you can decide whether you are staying for an extra night, or will need to check out by midday to make your onward journey.

For guests who are staying on for extra time, there are ample opportunities to explore the local region and also head further afield.