



CLAIR DE LUNE

6 Passengers / Canal du Midi

*Measures 100 ft. long by 16.5 ft. wide
Three (3) onboard cabin accommodations
Individually Controlled Air Conditioning and Heating*

A newly purpose-built boat, the **Clair de Lune** is the fruit of Barbara and Berend Gozens' thirty years of experience in boat building and organizing luxury barge cruises in France. They designed her to have an airy, spacious and luminous interior with the style and comfort of a first-class hotel.

PERSONNEL

(4) crew members who speak both English and French (some may speak other languages, as well).

PUBLIC ROOMS

- **Salon/Dining Room**
- **Sun Deck**

ONBOARD LEISURE AND ENTERTAINMENT

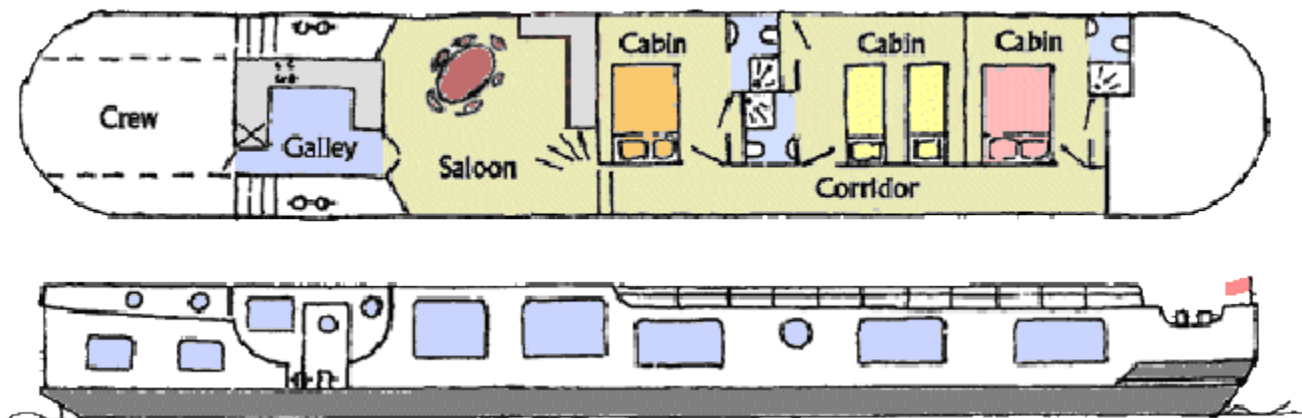
Jacuzzi • HI FI system with CD player • Touring bikes • Board games • Small library of books

MOBILITY RESTRICTIONS

Clair de Lune has **no wheelchair access**, but was designed for easy access throughout the vessel. As a result, she was built with as few stairs as possible, but there are some steps which may be difficult to navigate for those with extremely limited mobility.

DECK PLAN

Designed for the comfort of six passengers, the Clair de Lune is 100 ft long and 16.6 ft wide — the maximum navigable size for a craft on the Canal du Midi.



CABINS

There are three (3) cabins on board **Clair de Lune**. Each cabin was designed to provide a high level of comfort and luxury with large windows allowing plenty of light to flood the roomy quarters. With beds facing the windows, **Clair de Lune** allows passengers to still enjoy the scenery from the privacy of their own rooms. All cabins are equipped with private en suite bath facilities and individual climate control.

CABIN SIZE

In addition to being elegantly decorated, each cabin is similarly comfortable and spacious. With a wealth of headroom and minimal furniture, the cabins are guaranteed to provide plenty of space for passengers on board.

BEDDING CONFIGURATION & SIZE

All cabins have flexible bedding configurations. Each cabin may be fitted with either two (2) twin beds or one (1) double bed. When the cabins are in twin configuration, the beds will be parallel to each other with a space in between them.

BATHROOMS

The stylish en suite bathroom provides a high level of privacy and elegance to each cabin. All bathrooms feature a shower, wash basin, and toilet. Each is well-stocked with plenty of fresh towels and bath products.



AMENITIES

Individually Controlled Air Conditioning and Heating • Hairdryer • Storage Space • Electricity (220V, French two pin plugs)

SALON/DINING ROOM

Beautiful Mediterranean sycamore and cherry wood furnishings lend a quiet sophistication to the modern and relaxing interior. In the **Salon/Dining Room**, guests still have a splendid view of the changing landscape through large picture windows. Also fitted with a comfy sitting and dining area, stereo, library, and a well-stocked open bar, the **Salon/Dining Room** makes for a perfect place to spend time with friends indoors. The **Salon/Dining Room** furniture consists of:

- Sofa
- Armchairs
- Coffee table
- Well-stocked bar
- Dining table with seating for six (6) people

ON DECK

The **Sun Deck** is a spacious open-air gathering area, over 600 sq. ft., equipped with handsome teak lounge furniture and heated Jacuzzi. There are parasols for shade and plenty of seating whether the intent is to recline in the sun, or have a lovely "al fresco" meal. The beautiful teak deck furniture consists of:

- 3 Reclining chairs
- Dining table with seating for six (6) people
- Parasol



OFF BOAT

Passengers are welcome to walk or cycle using the onboard bicycles as often as they like. Most People choose to disembark the barge at a lock to visit local villages, then return to the canal and meet the barge further along (the barge travels slowly; therefore, this is not a problem). An air-conditioned minibus is also available for transfers and shore excursions.

ITINERARY

A voyage on the **Clair de Lune** on this historic and fascinating waterway is like taking a step back into Riquet's 17th century France. You'll be awed by his science and the art of his canal structures at each lock passing; charmed by the thousands of trees that line the canal to shade its towpaths and hold its banks; and pleased by the architectural harmony of the characteristic oval

locks and buildings. Any available date may be booked for any of these cruise routes until an adjacent booking date dictates otherwise. Please contact us for current availability and possible cruise route on a specific date.

Itinerary Highlights:

You'll be astounded crossing the Répudre aqueduct, the first canal bridge built in France, and the second in the world; mesmerized going through the majestic, multiple staircase locks of Fonserannes; and amazed passing through the Tunnel de Malpas, the first navigable canal tunnel ever — and one which Riquet had secretly excavated using gun powder (another first), against the advice of the king's finance minister who thought it to be an insurmountable task

With spectacular staircase locks to compensate for a 190-meter difference in altitude, the canal connects Sète on the Mediterranean coast to the Garonne River, which flows from Toulouse to Bordeaux on the Atlantic. Classified by UNESCO as a World Monument in 1996, the **Canal du Midi** was built during the reign of Louis XIV and is Europe's oldest operating canal

FOOD & WINE

Cuisine on board **Clair de Lune** is French and made using the freshest ingredients the region has to offer.