



Welcome to ...

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How to get there.....

The quickest way is to head for Paris, go round the Peripherique (avoiding rush hours if poss) and exit via the Route Nationale A6 (Signed for Lyon, Chartres, Orly & Rungis. It has 2 exits from the south side of the Peripherique marked 6a and 6b which join eventually to become the A6 ... take whichever appears first, depending on which way you are travelling round the Peripherique). This is the major road going to the South of France known as the 'Autoroute du Soleil'. It's a pay road, or 'peage' and will cost about 12 euros to get to the Avallon turnoff which is exit 22. This is about a couple of hours' drive from Paris.

Almost immediately as you come through the pay booth there's a roundabout which you go across, and about 200 yards further on you keep to the centre of the dual carriageway and turn LEFT following a small sign which says Montréal. (Most of the traffic will be turning right to go to Avallon.) This small country road (D50) will wind its way back across the motorway and through a couple of small villages to a long straggly village called 'Maison Dieu'. At the end of Maison Dieu there's a turning to the left to Montréal (D133). The road wiggles on to the join the D957 at the edge of Montreal. (Montreal is about 9 km from the motorway).

Drive to the centre of the village (about 500 metres) where there's a group of trees on the right and a war memorial on the left. Behind the war memorial you'll see a mediaeval pointed arch. Drive through this and 200 metres further on (and about 100 metres before the town hall / "mairie", you'll find 22 Grande Rue on the right. Please ring the bell on the left hand side of the big metal arch front door, to pick up the key for Petit Crème, which is 150 metres away. (see below)

The other way to get to Montréal from the Channel (avoiding Paris and the peripherique) is by motorway through Reims and round Troyes, then across country, touching the outskirts of Tonnerre, then weaving your way south through Noyers and L'Isle-sur-Serein to Montréal.

Very briefly, you take the A26 (E15 then 17) motorway to Reims (going past Arras, St. Quentin and Leon). You go through one pay booth before Reims, but keep on the 'motorway' past the city, and then join the paying system again (E50/E17 in the direction of Châlons-sur-Marne) having passed Reims. Continue along this peage following signs for Troyes until you've just passed exits to Troyes. The motorway then intersects with the A5/E54. Follow the PARIS direction until the first exit along there (only a few km, and it's exit 21 signed to Tonnerre, Chaource, Auxerre). Follow the D444 all the way to Tonnerre, going through Chaource (where they make a lovely soft cheese). At the roundabout at the bottom of the hill as you approach Tonnerre, don't go into the city but turn left following the major road over the river to where there's a junction with the D905& 965. Go up the steep hill cut through the rock in the direction of Auxerre (D965). Beyond the top of the hill there's a turning on the left to Avallon (the D944), which may well also be signed to Yrouerre, or Sainte Vertu or Nitry. Just after Yrouerre, (and before Ste Vertu,) look out for the small D86 on your left to Noyers.

Take this, and if time, go into Noyers itself (it's only one main street) as it is reputedly the prettiest village in France ... all black and white half-timbered houses, like a Disney film set. From Noyers, carry on down the D86 through Massangis to L'Isle-sur-Serein. As you leave L'Isle-sur-Serein, there's a sly oblique turn to the left (the D11) which has a sign for Montréal AFTER the turn You'll miss it and carry on, but if you've left the village and crossed the little river with a crazy garden turret room to your right, you've gone too far. About 5 or 6 km along the D11 you come to a point where 5 roads meet, one them being the D957. You'll see the hill of Montréal on your right. Turn right along the D957 for the 2 km into the village. In the centre you'll see the war memorial on your right and a formally laid out clump of trees on your left. Turn off the main road to the right going beside the war memorial and then under the mediaeval arch into the old part of the village. Under the arch you're already on Grande Rue. We live a couple of hundred metres up the little hill on the right hand side – No. 22 Grande Rue. The bell is by the arched entrance porch filled in by a forbidding metal screen! Please call in here to pick up the key.

A pretty route, a six-hour (plus) drive, depending on speed, allowing an hour for lunch at a motorway café near Reims. (L'Arche is O.K.)

You may park in front of 5, rue des Jardins, or further up Grande Rue by the cross in front of the Mairie (Town Hall).