



# Lot

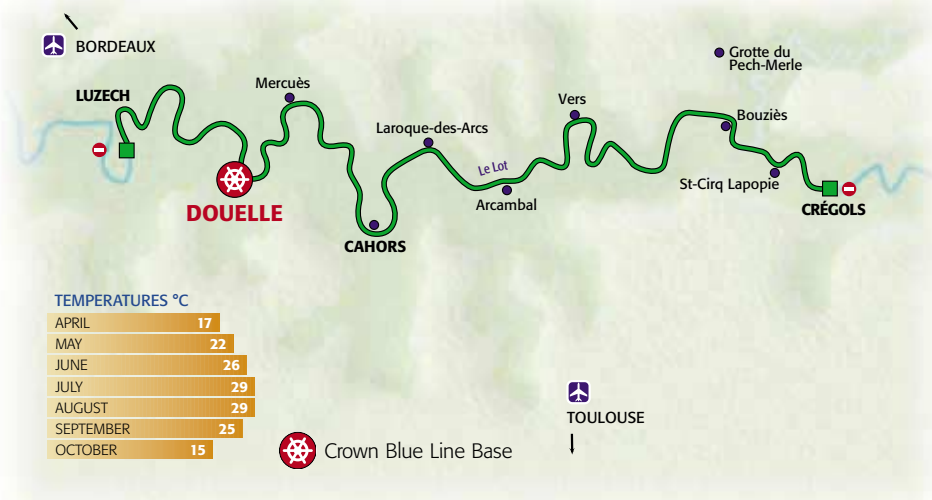
*magnificent gorges*



## *Cruise and ride*

If you would like to alternate between boating and riding during the week, don't rely on finding stables at every stop. Why not hire your own horse to take with you for the duration of your cruise? This is an original way to discover the hidden treasures of The Lot and guarantees a mixture of boating and riding. Detailed itinerary, further information and prices are available on request.

Tucked behind tobacco fields and walnut copses of the Quercy region lie the wide valleys and dramatic gorges of the Lot river. Spectacular, towering, limestone cliffs frame your journey to famous spots such as the medieval town of Cahors and the fascinating Pech Merle caves. Enjoy a swim in the clear waters and cool off on a hot summer's day. A bird watcher's delight, the Lot valley is renowned for the wild birds that can be seen including colourful kingfishers, majestic eagles and graceful herons.



## *Cruising suggestions*



1 WEEK - RETURN TRIP

### ■ *Douelle/Luzech/Cregols*

#### **Lot**

Towering over **Mercuès** is an imposing 7th century castle and famous restaurant. Cruising to **Cahors**, famous for its wine, you'll find the 14th century Valentré Bridge, a stunning structure with three towers. Sample La Biere d'Olt at **Arcambal**, a traditional brewery close to the river. Discover red roofed, honey coloured houses in **St Cirq Lapopie**. Cycle to the famous Pech-Merle caves, close to **Cabrerets**, and marvel at the prehistoric drawings and remarkable stalagmites.

128 km • 28 locks • 27 hr round trip cruising time

#### **Cruising hints**

There are no lock keepers in this area and the locks are manual but straightforward to operate. We recommend this region for people with some boating experience.