## How to Get to Centre Quaker de Congénies

There are a range of travel options available. Some of the routes by air and rail are seasonal operating between the beginning of April and the end of October, you will need to check with specific operators for exact availability. Some guests travel by car or hire a car as part of their stay. We have a private car park available for guests with a car or camper van.

#### Rail

The closest *main* railway station is **Nimes Centre**. From Nimes there is a bus direct to Congénies, the Number 141, its final destination is Sommieres. The bus station is at the back of the railway station and the number 141 that stops in Congénies generally departs from about stands13, 14 or 15. You can find the bus timetable through the following links:

https://www.edgard-transport.fr/ftp/FR lignes/FICHES%20LIO%20141.pdf

https://ot-sommieres.com/reseaux-de-bus/

https://www.edgard-transport.fr/horaires/?rub code=23

## www.edgard-transport.fr

If your train does not get to Nimes in time for the last bus (or you just prefer it), we can arrange a pick-up (see below) from the railway station.

The nearest *local* railway station is **Vergeze**. If you travel to Vergeze you would either need to get a taxi or arrange for us to pick you up from the station. It is about 10 mins drive.

#### **Eurostar from the UK**

If you travel by Eurostar there are a number of routes you can choose, including booking right through to Nimes. Nimes now has two stations **Nimes Centre** and **Nimes Pont du Gard**. Most routes involve a change in Paris but is possible to take the Eurostar to Lille and to catch the onward train without changing stations. Some of these trains go to Nimes Pont du Gard, rather than Nimes Centre. If you arrive at Nimes Pont du Gard, you will either need to get a connection to Nimes Centre and then the bus to Congenies, or arrange for us to pick you up from Nimes Pont du Gard. Several websites such as The Trainline or OUI sncf, can help you plan your route. They sometimes offer different options depending on the website, so it is worth checking more than one site to find the ones that works best for you. When planning a Eurostar route it is also possible to go via Lyons, Marseille and Avignon depending on the time of year you wish to travel.

https://www.thetrainline.com/

#### https://en.oui.sncf/en/

#### By Air

If you are flying: the closest airports are **Nimes** (approx. 35 mins by car from us) and **Montpelier** (45 minutes from us).

If you are flying from North of England, the Midlands or the South West you could also consider flights to **Marseille**, **Beziers**, **Carcassonne** from your nearest regional airport. These airports are about 1 hour 15 mins by car from us. It is possible to get buses or trains to Nimes or Vergeze where we can arrange to pick you up. The possibilities are as follows:

- Marseille to Nimes or Vergeze by train or « Bla Bla Bus » to Nimes
- Montpellier to Vergeze by train
- Carcassonne to Vergeze by train
- Bezier to Vergeze by train

If you are a transatlantic visitor then you can get connecting flights from Paris or Barcelona to Nimes or Montpellier. If you fly into Paris or Barcelona you can take the high-speed train (TGV) and get to Nimes in about 3 hour (Paris is easier because the TGV station is right inside the Charles de Gaulle Airport).

**From the UK and Europe:** EasyJet and Ryan Air are the main carriers to Nimes or Montpellier.

**From America:** Carriers are Air France and British Airways for *direct* flights across the Atlantic (usually through Paris). Budget carriers are Norwegian Air, Aer Lingus, WOW, Icelandic Air.

## **Pickups**

Once you are in the neighbourhood, the most inexpensive way to get to us is by bus from Nimes Station: cost 1.60 euro. If you arriving by plane, or after the last bus, you can take a taxi or have us pick you up (more costly than the bus but less than a taxi). If you can get together with other guests coming to Maison Quaker, we can take up to four people each trip—cost is by the trip, not per person:

# We will be offering pickups from:

Vergeze Station: 12€ (10 minutes by car to Centre)

Nimes Rail/Bus Stations: 40€ (about 30/50 minutes by car) (1.60€ by bus)

Montpellier Airport: 55€ (about 45 minutes by car)

Nimes Airport: 40€ (about 30 minutes by car)