

Pottery course at Fifield Bavant

## ABOUT US

Jennie Gilbert and Emily Myers have run pottery courses in the Chalke Valley in Wiltshire since 2013. Now, thanks to Jennie's sister Fiona and her spare bit of barn in the beautiful Lot Valley, we have decided to branch out to France, which has (funnily enough) attracted a wider range of visiting tutors! This will also broaden the variety of techniques and styles we can teach.

Jennie Gilbert and other experienced potters, such as Jennifer Hall, Katherine Winfrey, Nicola Gladwin and of course Emily are excited to offer 2 and 4-day pottery courses in the inspirational French countryside of South West France.

In our light, spacious workshop we provide versatile courses for adult potters of all levels. With a low student to tutor ratio (max. 6 students : 2 tutors), we ensure that everyone gets as much individual attention as possible.

**Tuition** is provided each day (9am – 4pm) and potters have free rein of the pottery to hone their skills in the afternoon. Pottery closes at 9pm.

**Food**. Drinks and Supper on Sunday evening to welcome you to Mas Sarrat and help orientate you. A delicious midmorning snack and locally produced, home-made lunches including local wines will ensure a relaxed, creative environment!

Accommodation is available on site or we are happy to provide details of local cottages or bed and breakfasts in the area.

# Pottery Courses in South West France

with Jennie Gilbert & Emily Myers



#### Your Tutors

Our French pottery is in the heart of beautiful, unspoilt countryside with bountiful wildlife, including many birds and rare wild flowers. The small hamlet of Mas Sarrat is 2kms from the village of Lherm in the Lot department of South West France and 35mins drive from the city of Cahors famous for its vineyards, gastronomy and medieval architecture.



Mas Sarrat

# COURSES

## INTRODUCTION TO POTTERY

This course is aimed at enthusiastic beginners and those with limited experience. It covers the basic handbuilding techniques of pinch pots, slab building, coiling and throwing on the potter's wheel. We will explore basic decorating techniques including slips and under glazing.

## **IMPROVERS POTTERY**

This course is aimed at more experienced potters wishing to develop and hone their skills. It will cover the same subject matter in more depth giving ample opportunity for students to practise and perfect their techniques.



Some of Jennie's pots

## PRICE

#### £400 per person

4 day course to include:

- 5 hours tuition per day (including coffee break)
- All materials and firing costs
- Free use of the workshop and equipment (excluding kiln) in the afternoon (to 7pm)
- Mid-morning coffee and biscuits
- Lazy lunch of locally produced food and wine
- Tea and coffee-making facilities in the workshop

## Contact

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Nearest airports/car hire: Bergerac and Toulouse



Lunch

#### **Course Dates**

9th-13th May 2022

16th – 17th May 2022

19th – 20th May 2022