

6. Le Boutique Hotel



“Le Margaux” junior suite at Le Boutique Hotel has all the comfort and style you could want in a room. (Photo: Le Boutique Hotel)

Bordeaux has a reasonable assortment of places to sleep off your wine binge, and they include the formidable [Grand Hotel](#) on the main square, but I got lucky. I found, almost by chance, the delicious one-of-a-kind [Le Boutique Hotel](#) tucked away in a tree-filled courtyard about 10 minutes away from the center of town.

The hotel manager greeted me and upgraded me to a fabulous junior suite named “Le Margaux,” for the great Bordeaux wine. All 12 rooms and suites are, in fact, named for famous wines, and all have been carved out of a couple of old town houses. Mine, a kind of kitsch but hugely comfy toast to the 1960s, looked out over the courtyard, had a balcony where I ate breakfast, a huge bed, white leather sofas, a great bathroom, a separate alcove with an enormous Jacuzzi, and vintage photographs of Marilyn Monroe on the walls.

Downstairs is a bar (more wine!) and a breakfast room. This place is sensational. Grab a room here before everyone finds out about it.