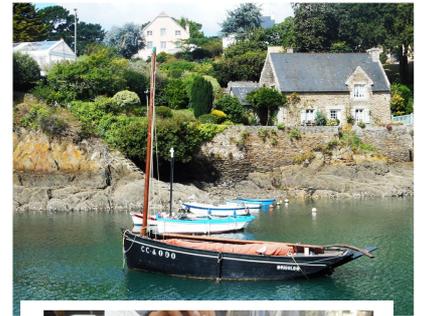


Les Petits Villages de Bretagne...

Brittany is known for its crepes, galettes (pastry base filled with sweet or savoury filling), mussels and seafood. You could spend months exploring all the ancient villages....we decided to pick out just a few and take our time. The weather held....and held...and held all the way into October. One of the warmest and driest summers we've ever had. So, although we were disappointed at not being able to sail, we did get to see some places we never would have seen otherwise.



(Above) **Doelan** – one of our favourites, tucked away in a deep, narrow inlet with its striped lighthouses, pretty white cottages and mussels served on the quay. Wooden boats swinging lazily on their moorings, dinghies hanging on the walls until the tide comes in. What more could you ask for? It doesn't get better than this.



Our land-based home away from home....very reasonable (around 600 kr per night) for 2 bedrooms/bathroom, living/dining room and kitchen and terrace. Swimming pool on site, very quiet and peaceful. Good value.



Pont Aven- another picture postcard village known for its school of painters who followed Gauguin who spent some time here. Nestled on the Aven estuary, it's a bustling little place with its galleries, watermill and bridge...time for a crepe.



Another gem at **La Roche Bernard** (below) on the Vilaine River with its many painstakingly-restored traditional wooden boats and in the upper town, a lovely street of local craftsmen....gorgeous pottery, and paintings hung imaginatively in the streets, designated with good reason as "a small town of character". It is utterly charming, a port built into the rocks where they traded wine, cereals and salt. Beautiful views from the steep little streets



down to the tiny port below, where we enjoyed fish & chips at the packed Teatre de Sarah Bernhardt. Louie was always given a warm welcome wherever we went in France and was always given a bowl of water and sometimes a treat or two. He's become a café hound...It's not unusual to see small dogs sitting up at the table on their own chair....