

Auxerre - Clos des Vignes

Residential park

Situated opposite the prison on a main road into the centre of Auxerre, the Clos des Vignes is a complex of housing units created in the city's former psychiatric hospital, a fine example of 19th-century hospital architecture dating from 1840. Rehabilitation of the site as a quality residential park also contributes towards the development of the north entrance to the city.

Ideally located below the Clos de la Chaînette vineyard and facing the Old Town, the site has been rehabilitated with the help of Pierre Guilaud, architect and planner for the City of Auxerre. The work completed with this specialist in transforming listed historical monuments has succeeded in restoring the original architectural quality of the old hospital and preserving its memory and identity.

The Clos des Vignes stands in 3.2 hectares of land. It is organized to a standard plan, with a main building surrounded by pavilions, courtyards and gardens. The buildings are linked by covered galleries, raised slightly above garden level, which are incorporated in the present walkways.

Most of the many fine species of trees in the grounds have been preserved in the rehabilitation of the landscaped garden.

The main building and the pavilions have all been transformed to create some 200 apartments. The provision of a private underground car park preserves the existing layout, with no additional access roads, and ensures pedestrians can enjoy the grounds in their entirety.

With a site ratio of 0.5, the Clos des Vignes is an exceptional pedestrian residential complex close to the centre of Auxerre. Comprising two and three-storey buildings surrounded by gardens, it offers a quality alternative to other urban housing options and contributes towards limiting the urban sprawl generated by individual houses.

Contracting owner: CRENN

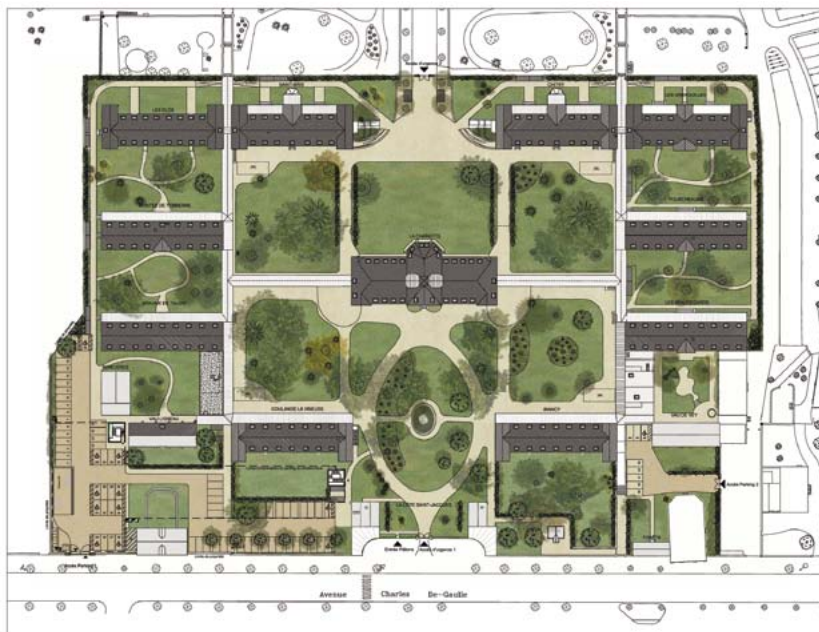
Project management: AREP - J.M. Duthilleul, E. Tricaud
in collaboration with B. Ferré

Start of the work: April 2008

Completion: June 2011

Surface area of site: 32,000 sqm

Net surface area of development: 1,200 sqm



master plan



view from Porte de Paris



outside overview

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main passageway



Chablis house



Fourcheaume court

