



## EXPAT LIVES EXPOSED

Having spent most of his adult life in France, the British photographer Rip Hopkins trained his lens on the British expatriates who have settled in the Dordogne. He photographed them at home, often in risqué poses. The Dordogne has the highest concentration of British residents

in France — an estimated 30,000 expats. The influx began in earnest in the 1960s — some villages are now predominantly English-speaking. Top left: Peter Evans, a painter, and his wife, Kate, moved from Solihull in 1996. Their children and grandchildren live nearby.



Top centre: former dancer Jeanne Chapman moved from Abu Dhabi to the Dordogne in 1997. She hasn't ruled out returning to Britain. Top right: Rachel Evans, an artist and mother of two, poses with her donkey, Stan. She says she would not even consider moving.



Bottom left: Lizzie Henty makes a living selling erotic haute couture over the internet. She and husband, Michael, moved in 1991 from Wiltshire and hope to stay. Bottom centre: Jenny and Michael Boyd-Carpenter came from Hertfordshire in 1990. Now in their seventies, they

are considering returning to Britain. Bottom right: personal trainer Marion Jackson arrived from London in 1997. She expects to leave once her two daughters have finished school. Hopkins's book *Another Country* (Filiigranes) is out now **Photographs by Rip Hopkins**

