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Futuristic Jean Prouvé home is for sale in France's Saint-Die-des-Vosges

Designed for his daughter and son-in-law

Photography: Patrice Besse

This futuristic 1960s French house by Jean Prouvé is a poetic mix of industrial and rustic design and is on sale for €1.484 via Patrice Besse.

Jean Prouvé created Dr Gauthier's House for his daughter, Françoise, and son-in-law in 1962, above Saint-Die-des-Vosges in the forested Vosges mountains. It's located 50 miles outside of Nancy and is listed as a historical monument that embodies many of Prouvé's design ideas on materials and forms.

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The six-bedroom Grand Est house has curved-edged, striated aluminium sheet walls, set on a concrete platform, with a flat corrugated roof. Its metal sides are interspersed with bands of glazing and nautical-style curved windows and doorways.

Wooden ceilings overhang the roofline, and red clay floor tiles flow out to the terrace. Meanwhile, expansive windows fill the house with light and views.

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Using U-shaped cross beams, Prouvé created wide, open living spaces and partitions the kitchen, bathroom and utility rooms in a central core with lozenge windows. An original Prouvé plinth-perched trapezoid metal fireplace adds warmth alongside wall-hung shelving and fitted furniture.

Dr Gauthier's House sits on a 1.5-acre plot with part of its lower story and garage are set into its raised garden.

Take an armchair tour of its midcentury spaces.