

La Colline Du Soleil

Region: French Riviera (Cote D'Azur) **Sleeps:** 10

Overview

With incredible views as far as the Massif de l'Esterel, this wonderful holiday home is close to some of southern France's most beautiful villages and countryside as well as being within easy reach of the glitz and glamour of the Côte d'Azur.

In a quiet and private setting looking over the landscapes around you, you will soon appreciate the relaxed ambience of this traditional home. Greeted with chilled rosé in the fridge on your arrival, sit back in the al-fresco lounge under the shade of the towering pine trees and listen to the birds sing as you gaze out over the vineyards and valleys.

The calming atmosphere continues inside with a welcoming lounge, a perfectly equipped kitchen, new bathrooms and five charming bedrooms scattered across the two floors. Small toys, books and games, a DVD player and even Netflix add to the homely appeal whilst a Bose sound system, Egyptian cotton bath linen and even Turkish pool towels are further examples of the owner's caring attention to detail in this comfortable abode.

The Provençal gardens are just wonderful; explore the stone steps and rambling terraces dotted with olive trees, herbs, jasmine and lavender. You can dine al-fresco on the magnificent terrace with glorious views or wander up the steps to the pool-house with its summer kitchen, pizza oven and barbecue. Spend warm summer days in the salt-water swimming pool, lazing on the sun-loungers or enjoying long poolside lunches with family and friends.

It's just 3km to Fayence, wonderful for a morning coffee in a pretty café or evenings out in one of the many excellent restaurants. The market on a Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday is a particularly great way to pick up all sorts of



local produce or explore the village's charming shops. Medieval Seillans is also close by, one of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*' with its steep, winding lanes, picturesque squares and fountains.

Indeed, every day you can discover an idyllic village or town to explore from nearby Tourrettes and Montauroux to Grasse and St Paul de Vence a little further.

Head across to Lac de Saint-Cassien for wonderful walks and watersports or drive down to the French Riviera with the beaches of Cannes, Saint-Raphaël and Théoule-sur-Mer easily reached. Golf-lovers have a great choice of courses across the region and the super adventurous can book a flight excursion at Fayence's famous gliding centre.

Whether visiting Provençal markets, exploring medieval villages, kayaking in beautiful lakes or relaxing on the French Riviera, La Colline Du Soleil offers a wealth of spectacular experiences across this wonderful part of southern Provence and the Côte d'Azur.

Facilities

Indoor Games • Cots (Cribs) • Maid Service Available • DVD • Watersports • Tennis Nearby • Wi-Fi/Internet • Golf Nearby • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Spa Treatments Available • Catering Available • Board games • Babysitting Available • Children's videos/DVDs • Children's books • Swings • Private Pool • Pool Safety Feature • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Baby bath • Pushchair • Ideal for Teens • <1hr to Airport • Heating • High Chair(s) • Sailing • Canoeing/Kayaking • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Cycling • Horse Riding • Fishing • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interiors

Ground Floor

- Open-plan living room and well-equipped kitchen including dishwasher, range cooker and fridge-freezer
- Utility room
- Double bedroom
- Two bedrooms with king-size double beds
- Bathroom with WC
- Shower room with WC

Mezzanine Level

- Dining area for 6 guests

First Floor

- Master bedroom with king-size bed and en suite shower room with WC
- Twin bedroom

The first floor can be accessed either via an open, spiral staircase inside or via external stairs leading to the master bedroom.

Outside Grounds

- Salt-water solar heated swimming pool (9x4m, depth: 1.4-1.9m) with fence and safety gate (via eight steps). Open approximately May to September
- Pool house with kitchen including pizza oven, large Weber barbecue, fridge-freezer, dishwasher and sink
- Poolside dining table and chairs for 10-12 guests
- Terraced gardens (1/2 acre)
- Al-fresco upper lounge terrace accommodating 10 people (south-west facing views)
- Covered dining terrace for up to 10 guests
- Three barbecue options: Weber gas grill (pool terrace), Traditional open fire (pool side), French Blooma gas grill (summer kitchen)
- Swing
- Gated drive and parking for up to four cars

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Solar panels
- Tower fan (in each bedroom)
- Smart TV with Netflix
- DVD player
- Bose sound system with Bluetooth (inside and outside)
- Board games
- Small toys and colouring pens
- Books and DVDs
- Hairdryers
- Washing machine and external air drier



Location & Local Information

Set on a quiet country lane in the outstanding Var department of Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur, La Colline Du Soleil is only a short drive from some of the region's loveliest hilltop villages and 40km from Cannes and the glamorous French Riviera.

Fayence (3km), less than a ten-minute drive away, has a good range of shops and many wonderful restaurants as well as a great market on a Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday morning where you can pick up all sorts of local produce from fresh fruit and vegetables to olive oil, cheese and herbs.

Another beautiful hilltop village, Seillans, is also just under ten-minutes away and an amazing place to visit with its steep medieval lanes and little squares. Classified as one of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*', there are atmospheric cafes, ancient plane trees, pretty fountains and a delightful market on a Wednesday morning. Just outside the village, visit the enchanting Chapelle Notre-Dame de l'Ormeau with its 16th century altarpiece.

Other picturesque hilltop villages include Tourrettes, Callian, Montauroux, all within around twenty minutes by car. Further afield, discover other famous villages and towns of this region such as Grasse (30km), Mougins (42km), Valbonne (48km) and St Paul de Vence (62km). Pass landscapes of mesmerising Provençal countryside filled with olive groves, vineyards and forests.

You can reach the coast within about 45 minutes with the beaches of Cannes, Mandelieu-La-Napoule, Saint-Raphaël and Théoule-sur-Mer easily reached. A little further afield, you could even drive all the way to Saint-Tropez (70km) and its famous Pampelonne beach or in the other direction the beaches around Antibes (54km) and Juan-les-Pins are also wonderful. You'll also find a great range of watersports along the coast and some lovely boat trips from Cannes, particularly out to the Mediterranean island of Île Sainte-Marguerite.



Closer to home, there are also some great watersports at Lac de Saint-Cassien, about a 40-minute drive away, as well as lakeside beaches, lovely restaurants, swimming, fishing and pedaloes. For further watersport adventures, drive to the famous Verdon Gorge around 80km away.

Golf-lovers only have to drive 15 minutes to find one of the region's most prestigious courses, Terre Blanche, whilst other activities include cycling, mountain biking, horse-riding, tennis and some excellent walking including trails from right outside the house. There is also a gliding centre only a short drive away for a unique experience during your stay.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Nice (62km)
Nearest Airport 2	Toulon Hyères (127km)
Nearest Village	Fayence (3km)
Nearest Restaurant	Fayence (3km)
Nearest Shop	Fayence (3km)
Nearest Supermarket	Fayence (3km)
Nearest Town/City	Mandelieu-La Napoule/Cannes (33km/40km)
Nearest Beach	Mandelieu-La Napoule (35km)
Nearest Golf	Terre Blanche Golf (10km)

What we love

- The views from the wonderful al-fresco terraces are just stunning
- Enjoy poolside dining at its best with the lovely summer kitchen, pizza oven and barbecue
- It's a really homely abode with books, games, DVDs, toys and even Netflix
- The beautiful village of Fayence is just 3km away or it's a short drive to Seillans, chosen by The Guardian as one of France's Top 20 most beautiful villages in 2019
- Cannes and the French Riviera are within easy driving distance

What you should know...

- The first floor is reached via a narrow spiral staircase or there are also external stairs that lead up to the first floor via the master bedroom.
- Other than steps up to the swimming pool and pool house, the stunning al-fresco lounge and dining terraces are on the same level as the *maison*.
- You are also welcome to explore the enchanting terraced gardens below with little stone steps, Provençal plants and olive trees.
- We highly recommend renting a car as the property is located in the quiet countryside.
- Guests are asked to thoroughly clean BBQs and outdoor cooking areas to avoid a €50 additional cleaning fee.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €700 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation one month before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection. A €50 fee will be deducted if the barbecues are not left clean on departure.
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, changed once for stays over 7 nights.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and other special events are not permitted. A highchair and 2 cots are available. Please note that the cots come with mattress covers but not bed linen/duvets/pillows.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** No. Extra €375 payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment. This is for a standard changeover clean. Guests are required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival. Any extra cleaning, laundry, maintenance and/or rubbish disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Outside only.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment (typically costs €1-€10 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes, changed once for stays over 7 nights.
- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open approximately May - September. Please note that pool opening dates are subject to local weather conditions and pool maintenance requirements and that cooler months may not be suitable for swimming.