

Les Lauriers

Region: French Riviera (Cote D'Azur) **Sleeps:** 6

Overview

This is the type of place that guests return to year after year. There's no surprise with its stunning views, welcoming ambience, glorious swimming pool and hillside setting within walking distance to a beautiful medieval village. All of this and you are only around 30km away from the French Riviera.

Les Lauriers is a fantastic holiday home for so many reasons. Inside, the interiors are incredibly attractive with a charming country kitchen, elegant dining area and cosy lounge, all with doors leading to a perfect terrace with tremendous views. You'll find three comfy bedrooms upstairs and one double downstairs, and across the home there are three smart bathrooms, two of them en suite. The owners have thought of everything with homely touches alongside pretty décor. In a private setting, this is a fantastic home for all ages!

After wandering down to the local *boulangerie* in the morning, enjoy breakfast on the kitchen terrace looking out to the surrounding countryside. Steps lead up to the swimming pool on the upper level where you can gaze out towards the village's medieval castle and admire the magnificent valley views as you laze in the sun, making the most of the villa's south-facing position. As the evening approaches, relax on the upper terrace with an *aperitif* and watch the sun set for the day.

Discover some of the lovely restaurants in the village, reached in under a ten-minute walk (via country lanes) if you don't mind the hilly walk back! It's one of the Pays de Fayence's nine perched villages; others include Montauroux, Fayence and beautiful Seillans where you can enjoy excellent restaurants, visit atmospheric markets and admire the spectacular scenery of this incredible region.

Walk along the shores of the stunning Lac de Saint-Cassien, a short drive away, or partake in summer watersports, horse-riding and mountain biking. Hike through the oak and pine forests so near, splash in the gorges of the Siagne river and play golf in one of the many golf courses across the French Riviera, including the prestigious Terre Blanche Golf Resort just 6km away.

The beaches of the Côte d'Azur are an easy drive away with Cannes, Antibes and Nice ideal for coastal days out or head further inland to the Verdon Gorge, one of France's most spectacular natural sights. This said, as so many guests declare, once you're relaxing by the swimming pool at Les Lauriers, it becomes hard to venture too far with such wonderful views around you.

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Facilities

Cycling • Tennis Nearby • Golf Nearby • Air-Con • Fishing • Historical Sites • Wine Tasting • Private Pool • Canoeing/Kayaking • Horse Riding • Villa • Walking/Hiking Paths • Ideal for Kids • Sailing • Cots (Cribs) • Ideal for Teens • Has Discount • Heated Pool • Special Offer • <1hr to Airport • Pool Safety Feature • Wi-Fi/Internet • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Table Tennis • Tumble Dryer • Safety Deposit Box • Heating • Board games • Boules/Petanque • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interiors

Ground Floor (split-level)

- Open-plan living area with TV and sofas. Two sets of patio doors lead to terrace
- Open-plan kitchen-diner, well-equipped including a dining table and chairs and Nespresso coffee machine. Patio doors lead to covered terrace
- Utility room with washing machine/dryer
- Bedroom with double bed and air-conditioning. En suite shower room and WC
- Hallway and guest WC

Upstairs

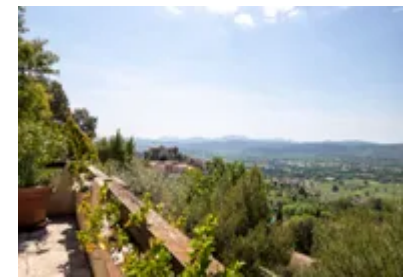
- Bedroom with super king-size double bed, air-conditioning and en suite shower room
- Bedroom with king-size double bed and air-conditioning
- Bedroom with twin beds, air-conditioning and wash basin (cot available in this room on request)
- Family bathroom

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool, can be heated on request (8m x 4m, depth: up to 2m) with safety alarm
- Upper poolside terrace with sun-loungers
- Al-fresco dining terrace with gas barbecue
- Covered terrace with table and chairs
- Terraced grounds (with steps)
- Boules pitch
- Table tennis

Other Facilities

- Air-conditioning (bedrooms only)
- Fans (downstairs)



Location & Local Information

Les Lauriers is set in a wonderful hillside position just a short walk down the country lanes from one of the delightful perched villages of the Var department in southern France, just half an hour from the French Riviera.

It's less than a ten-minute walk down the hill to the village (very much uphill on the way back!) or if you're not so keen on the hilly surroundings then pop in the car and be there in a couple of minutes. This charming village with its medieval castle is perfect for picking up fresh croissants and bread in the morning or simply wandering down to one of the many restaurants in the evening. There's also good choice of large supermarkets a short drive away.

This village is one of the nine perched villages of the Pays de Fayence; others include Montauroux with its Tuesday morning market and artisan craft studios, Fayence with its lovely restaurants, cafes and twice-weekly Farmer's market and idyllic Seillans, classified as one of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*'. You can even follow the winding roads up to Mons, one of the highest villages in the Var department with incredible mountain and distant sea views.

Lac de Saint-Cassien, around a 20-minute drive away, is a perfect spot for long hikes, horse-riding, picnics on lakeside beaches and summer watersports with canoes, kayaks, stand-up paddle boards as well as fishing.

Those seeking other natural landscapes for outdoor activities should escape to the oak and pine forests covering so much of this area. Discover little gorges, waterfalls and stone bridges along the Siagne river as well as great cycling trails, bird-spotting opportunities and rock-climbing. Further afield, spend the day canoeing, white-water rafting or just admiring the amazing vistas when visiting the Verdon Gorge.

You are also close to the Mediterranean sea – visit some of the Cote D'Azur hot-spots such as Cannes (40km), Antibes (50km) and Nice (64km) or drive to some of the



brilliant beaches near Théoule-sur-Mer (36km) or Saint-Raphaël (35km). Boat excursions depart Cannes as far as Saint-Tropez, Villefranche-sur-Mer or Villefranche-sur-Mer or take a ferry to the beautiful Île Sainte-Marguerite.

Golf lovers have the prestigious Terre Blanche Golf Resort just a ten-minute drive away (as well as many other golf courses across the French Riviera), there are tennis courts in the local village and the famous flying school in Fayence is also close by where you can book flight-excursions, a unique way to view the magnificent scenery of this region!

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Nice Airport (57km)
Nearest Airport 2	Marseille Airport (167km)
Nearest Beach	Saint-Raphaël (35km)
Nearest Golf	Terre Blanche Hôtel Spa Golf Resort (6km)
Nearest Restaurant	Local village (600m)
Nearest Shop	Boulangerie (600m)
Nearest Supermarket	E.Leclerc Montauroux-Fayence (3.5km)
Nearest Tennis	Near the village (2km)
Nearest Town/City	Cannes (40km)
Nearest Train Station	Cannes (40km)
Nearest Village	(600m)

What we love

- Wander down to the local village for your morning croissants, then enjoy them on your breakfast terrace with a gorgeous view of the surrounding valley
- Head to the terrace to watch the sun-set with a glass of local wine by the swimming pool, gazing towards the village's medieval castle
- It's such a beautifully appointed villa with a welcoming ambience throughout, as well as stunning vistas
- Visit the perched villages of Fayence, Montauroux and Seillans or enjoy summer watersports at Lac de Saint-Cassien
- Cannes and the beaches of the French Riviera can be reached in around half an hour

What you should know...

- It's worth noting there are steps to the swimming pool and some low walls and horizontal bars around the pool and terrace.
- It's a steep driveway up to the house. When leaving by car, you reverse out of the drive and up a little, as it is a one-way system – once you have done it once you will soon become used to it!
- Due to the hillside position, the 6-minute walk down to the village is uphill to return.
- Air-conditioning is featured in the bedrooms only.
- Walking distance to a village; however, please note that some parts of the route do not have pavements.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €800 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation at least 2 weeks prior to arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, excluding period 1st October to 1st June (see 'heating costs').
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes and linen is changed mid-stay for stays of more than one week.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** In times of drought, please note that the local council may impose an additional charge for water consumption over a certain threshold – please enquire before departure for the most up to date information in the area. Weddings, stag/hen parties and other events are not permitted. Please note that a cot and highchair are available on request. Air-conditioning is featured in the bedrooms only.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Yes. However, 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?:** Strictly outside only and with extreme care.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- **Heating costs included?:** No. Heating is by six electric radiators and two large towel radiators. Hot water is also electric. From 1st October to 1st June the electricity metre will be read on the morning of your arrival and upon your departure and the usage will be charged against your security deposit. As electricity is quite expensive in France, please enquire if you'd like further information on potential charges.
- **Pool heating charge?:** Extra £175 per week, on request (to be arranged in advance and paid to the owner via Oliver's Travels). Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax is included.
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pool opening dates?:** 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.