

Manoir Roquesante

Region: Provence-Alpes Sleeps: 7

Overview

Live like the lord of the manor at this historic village home deep in the alluring Luberon region of Provence.

Dating back to the early 1700s, with some parts even older, Manoir Roquesante offers guests charm and authenticity with its wonderfully restored interiors. Previously owned by a lord when it was the most important house in the village, admire the manoir's original doors, grand fireplaces, 18th century grain jugs and most of all a wonderful terrace with panoramic views of the village rooftops and Provençal countryside beyond.

Kick back in the top-floor lounge with lovely views, prepare good food to enjoy with family or friends in one of the two well-equipped kitchens and dine in style in the grand dining room with its vaulted ceiling and exposed stone walls. The pretty balcony is another gorgeous spot for al-fresco meals under the vine-covered shade whilst stairs lead down to a perfect pool for warm summer days.

Each of the five bedrooms is unique, scattered across three levels from the mid-floor double with its en suite bathroom featuring a claw-foot bath to the top-floor bedroom with a feature 17th century copper bath and an original wooden toilet in its en suite! There are also three pretty singles, allowing up to 7 guests to experience this unique and historic home.

It's wonderful to be able to stroll around the picturesque hilltop village with its 12th century church, *boulangerie*, terrace café-restaurant and grocery store. Typically Provençal in style, admire its old stone houses, attractive doorways and pretty little gardens as you wander through its lanes. Also look out for summer festivities and cultural events taking place in the little village.



Explore further afield within the southern Luberon to villages such as La Tour-d'Aigues, Ansouis and Cucuron or discover why Lourmarin, one of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages' was so loved by Albert Camus. Pick up all sorts of Provençal delights at local village markets, visit nearby vineyards and cycle or hike through the undulating landscapes of this glorious region.

Then there's the idyllic perched villages to the north such as Bonnieux, Gordes and Roussillon or drive south to Cezanne's beloved Aix-en-Provence with its museums, parks, street-cafes and overall charming atmosphere. That's if you can leave the beautiful and authentic surroundings of your grand village home.

Facilities

Walk to Village • Wi-Fi/Internet • Golf Nearby • Laptop Friendly Workspace
• Villa • Zoo • Kid-friendly museum • Kid-friendly excursions • Water excursions/Boat trips • Amusement park • Water park • Forest park/High-rope course • Private Pool • Pool Safety Feature • Ideal for Teens • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • Washing Machine • Dishwasher • Microwave • Coffee Machine • TV • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Cycling • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

Interior & Grounds

Manoir Interiors

Main Floor

- Kitchen, fully-equipped with dishwasher, oven, hobs (x3), microwave, fridge-freezer with cooled water, coffee machine and Sodastream. Door leads to balcony
- Dining room with large stone fireplace, dining table and door leading to balcony
- Bedroom (accessed via kitchen) with single bed and en suite shower room

First Floor

- Bedroom with double bed (1.4m wide), en suite bathroom with claw foot bath tub, double sink and separate WC. Separate stairs link the bathroom to the ground floor single bedroom (with an en suite shower)
- Study with desk and fireplace

Top Floor

- Living room with fireplace and TV
- Second kitchen, well-equipped with dishwasher, oven, microwave, hobs (x4) and washing machine. Doors lead to upper terrace
- Bedroom with double bed (1.6m wide)
- Bathroom with clawfoot bath, shower, sink and original wooden WC
- Bedroom with single bed
- Bedroom with single bed

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (5.5x5.5m) with safety alarm (accessed via stairs from the balcony)
- Balcony (off the main floor) with vine-covered al-fresco dining table and chairs
- Barbecue
- Panoramic terrace (off the top floor) with table and chairs



Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Heating
- Fireplace
- TV
- Washing machine
- Ironing facilities

Location & Local Information

Manoir Roquesante is set in the heart of a typically Provençal village in the southern Luberon region, around 40km north of Aix-en-Provence.

Follow the footsteps of Marcel Pagnol as you stroll around this small charming village, after all he chose to film some scenes of *La Gloire De Mon Père* here. The perched village is home to a *boulangerie*, café-restaurant and small grocery store. There is a well-regarded restaurant and a pharmacy at the lower end of the village, about 1.5km away.

Stroll around the village's narrow lanes, admiring beautifully restored stone houses, pretty doorways, colourful little gardens and look out to the glorious views of the Aigues valley with its vineyards, orchards and farms.

There are many other villages to discover within a short drive such as La Tour-d'Aigues (7km) with its impressive chateau and historic Ansouis (15km), one of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages' and home to a Michelin starred restaurant. Cucuron (16km) is another magical place to spend time in, especially on a Tuesday morning when you can pick up all sorts of local produce from the market, followed by a lunch by the picturesque square, plane trees and *bassin*.

Not forgetting the idyllic perched village of Lourmarin (24km), another 'Plus Beaux Village' where Albert Camus lived for many years. The ambience is wonderful whether relaxing in a charming street café or dining out in one of the many excellent restaurants. The Friday morning market is also a joy – buy wine, olive oil, honey, herbs and all sorts of other enticing local produce.

Explore the stunning landscapes of the Luberon by hiring bikes or hiking through the hills and woodland, following routes between the villages or trails through vineyards and farmland. Head to the Durance river for canoeing and kayaking or enjoy nature walks through the pine forests at Étang de la Bonde, where locals also swim and fish.



Head further north to other archetypal villages of the Luberon with Bonnieux, Ménerbes and Roussillon all about an hour away or spend time in the pleasant Provençal town of Pertuis (13km). Then there's Aix-en-Provence of course, around a 40-minute drive away, with its street-cafes, Cézanne carousel, galleries, museums and fantastic parks.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Marseille (60km)
Nearest Airport 2	Avignon (74km)
Nearest Train Station	Gare de Pertuis (14km)
Nearest Restaurant	Cafe-restaurant in village (Short walk)
Nearest Shop	Small grocery store/bakery (Short walk)
Nearest Town	Pertuis (13km)
Nearest City	Aix-en-Provence (40km)
Nearest Golf	Golf Du Luberon (17km)
Nearest Tennis	Tennis Club Tourain (6km)

What we love

- An exceptional early 18th century village manoir with historic features in every room
- Prepare feasts in one of the two kitchens, then serve al-fresco on the vine-covered balcony or upper terrace with panoramic views
- Marcel Pagnol filmed a number of scenes from *La Gloire De Mon Père* in this enchanting hilltop village
- Visit other idyllic villages of the southern Luberon such as Ansouis, Cucuron and Lourmarin
- Spend the day soaking up the Provençal ambience in Aix-en-Provence

What you should know...

- Please note that published rates are only valid for the current year. Any bookings for subsequent years will be on request only and correct rates will be confirmed at the time of booking.
- Please note that your booking will only be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner or their property manager.
- The swimming pool and surrounding terrace are on the lower ground level of the house, reached via steps from the main floor balcony.
- Over four floors with many steps throughout (and in the village), the *manoir* is not suitable for guests who may have restricted mobility and care should also be taken with youngsters.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €1000 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation one month before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 5.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Please note that your booking will only be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner or their property manager. Please note that published rates are only valid for the current year. Any bookings for subsequent years will be on request only and correct rates will be confirmed at the time of booking. Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
- **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?:** Outside only.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **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.