

# Maison Chambord

Region: Provence-Alpes    Sleeps: 12

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## Overview

This contemporary air-conditioned holiday home comfortably sleeps up to 12 guests and is located just outside one of the most picturesque villages in Provence. There is everything you need here for a relaxing holiday in attractive surroundings, making it the ideal base from which to explore this gorgeous part of southern France.

Maison Chambord has some traditional features, such as stone floors and wooden beams, which mingle beautifully with its minimalist and sleek modernity. The lounge has cathedral style ceilings and spectacularly tall windows opening out to the pretty garden and there is a large table in the dining room, just right for a peaceful breakfast or a convivial feast at the end of the day.

The well equipped kitchen has everything you need to produce delicious dishes with some of the excellent local produce available in the local shops and markets or you may prefer to treat yourselves to a meal or two from the available in house catering service.

Sip a glass of wine beneath the sheltered terrace, play a game of *pétanque* or swim in the heated pool which has steps and small beach area next to the lawns. After your dip, take a shower in the pool house and bask behind its huge windows as you look across the garden.

Stroll into the village (via country lanes) which is so full of authentic charm that a small handful of A-list celebrities have bought houses here away from the glitz of the French Riviera. There is a church, bakery, butchers, a handful of restaurants and bars as well as an atmospheric weekly Provençal market. The fragrance of Mediterranean herbs and the background noise of cicadas are a frequent accompaniment to leisurely local walks and bike rides.



Les Alpilles Natural Park is a wonderful area of vineyards, idyllic villages, world-renowned towns and summer swathes of sunflowers. Nearby St-Rémy-de-Provence is popular with artists and the town is also renowned for its many eating places from bistros to Michelin starred restaurants. Les Baux-de-Provence, one of France's acclaimed '*Plus Beaux Villages*', and Van Gogh's beloved Arles are also both within easy reach.

There are ample family-friendly activities such as tennis, golf, hiking, horse riding, mountain biking and rock climbing. Don't forget to visit the stunning landscapes of the Camargue, a beautiful melange of land and lagoon with pink flamingos, black bulls, wild white horses, rice fields and beaches where there are plenty more opportunities for adventure.

## Facilities

Villa • Historical Sites • Horse Riding • Tennis Nearby • Walking/Hiking Paths • Cycling • Ideal for Kids • Private Pool • Wine Tasting • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Heated Pool • Has Discount • Special Offer • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Instagrammable • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Modern • <1hr to Airport • Pool Safety Feature • Wi-Fi/Internet • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Coffee Machine • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Smart TV • Boules/Petanque

# Interior & Grounds

## Maison Interiors (300m2)

### Ground Floor

- Lounge with cathedral high ceilings and large windows opening up to the garden
- Kitchen, well-equipped including American fridge, dishwasher, electric oven, induction hob, microwave, steam oven and Nespresso machine
- Dining area with gas fireplace
- Cellar/laundry room
- 2 x WCs
- Bedroom with double bed (160x200cm) and bathroom with bath, shower and WC

### First Floor

- 3 x bedrooms with double bed (160x200cm) and bathroom with shower and WC
- Bedroom with double bed (180x200cm) and bathroom with shower and WC
- Bedroom with twin beds (90x200cm, can be made up as double) and bathroom with shower and WC
- Separate WC

## Outside Grounds (4200m2)

- Heated swimming pool (13x5m, depth: 1.5m with steps and 'plage' area) with electric safety cover
- Pool house with shower room and WC
- Al-fresco dining terrace
- Barbecue/Plancha
- Pétanque court
- Garden
- Large parking area
- Electric gate with videophone

## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning



- Smart TV with TNT and Netflix
- Washing machine and dryer

## Location & Local Information

Maison Chambord is set amongst other villas on the edge of a charming village in Les Alpilles Natural Park in the fabulous Provence region of southern France, a 20-minute drive from St-Rémy-de-Provence.

The nearby village (1km) is so full of quiet, authentic charm that it has been discovered by a small handful of A-list celebrities who have bought houses here away from the glitz of the French Riviera. There is a church, bakery, butchers, a handful of restaurants, bars and an atmospheric weekly Provençal market. The main street winds up to the old village from which there are some spectacular views over Les Alpilles.

There are many walks and bike rides through the nearby olive groves and vineyards accompanied by the fragrance of Mediterranean herbs and the background noise of cicadas. Indeed, you are in the heart of an amazing area of vineyards, idyllic villages, world-renowned towns, and summer swathes of sunflowers both in Les Alpilles Natural Park and beyond. There are so many family friendly activities to be enjoyed including hiking and mountain biking along its many trails, horse riding, and rock climbing while the gentler pursuits of tennis and golf are easily accessible.

Nearby St-Rémy-de-Provence (14km) is popular with artists, many of whom live in the area and sell their art in the village's galleries. The town is renowned for its many restaurants, from bistros to Michelin starred restaurants, and food lovers who want to cook at home shouldn't miss the Wednesday morning market.

South of St-Rémy-de-Provence is Les Baux-de-Provence (22km), classified as one of France's Plus Beaux Villages, perched high on a rocky plateau with pretty squares, narrow streets, little shops and a fortified-château. There are some good walking trails around the village or you may prefer to go straight to the surrounding vineyards and olive groves to sample some of the region's excellent produce. Just south of Les Baux is Mausanne-les-Alpilles



which produces some of the best olive oil in France using the energy of its two windmills.

Head northwards from Maison Chambord towards the lively city of Avignon (30km), explore its winding medieval streets and visit its two UNESCO world heritage sites, the Pope's Palace and Pont Saint-Bénézet, the famous medieval bridge across the Rhône. The covered market offers all kinds of treasures and delights while the weekend farmers', flower and flea markets are great for finding local produce and a bargain or two.

Another city worth visiting is Arles (40km), renowned for its incredible architecture and fascinating Roman remains. It was much loved by Vincent Van Gogh who managed to paint many works during his relatively short time in the city. There is a self-guided walking tour here following the artist's footsteps with reproduction paintings on easels indicating the actual places painted.

A short drive southwards from Arles is the fabulous Camargue Regional Park, a beautiful melange of salt marshes, lagoons and sea with pink flamingos, black bulls, wild white horses, rice fields and endless wild countryside and beaches, covering 900 square kilometres of land. Endless activities can be enjoyed here from horse-riding, trekking, quad biking to exciting jeep tours across this unique area. Its capital, Sainte-Maries-de-la-Mer, is only 60km away from home and has some fine sandy beaches.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Avignon Airport (20km)</b>
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Nîmes Airport (67km)</b>
Nearest Airport 3	<b>Marseille Airport (63km)</b>
Nearest City	<b>Avignon (30km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Golf des Baux de Provence (20km)</b>

Nearest Restaurant	<b>Local village (1km)</b>
Nearest Shop	<b>Local village (1km)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Intermarché Super Orgon et Drive (7km)</b>
Nearest Town	<b>Saint-Rémy-de-Provence/Cavaillon (14km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>Gare de Cavaillon/Gare d'Avignon TGV (14km/35km)</b>

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## What we love

- Contemporary holiday home with some lovely features which can comfortably accommodate larger groups of family and friends
- Enjoy the pretty garden with lawns, heated pool, pool house and a pétanque court
- On the edge of one of Provence's most authentically charming villages, close to artistic St-Rémy-de-Provence and the idyllic landscapes of Les Alpilles
- An ideal location for day trips to many beautiful places including Avignon, Arles and the Camargue

## What you should know...

- You can stroll to the local village around 1km – as is typical in this part of Provence, it is partly via a country road with no pavement.
- 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.

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €5000 charged to client's credit card 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, and changed once for stays over 14 nights.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed. 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.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday.
- **End of stay cleaning:** Standard changeover clean and mid-stay cleaning are included in the price. 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?:** No.
- **Insurance:** Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for civil liability as well as cancellations, personal belongings, public liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay. A copy of this policy may be requested by the owner before arrival.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **Pool heating charge?:** Included in July and August, otherwise extra €200 per week payable locally. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax payable locally (typically costs €1-€10 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes, and changed once for stays over 14 nights.
- **Pool opening dates?:** Pool open between May and 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.