

# Le Refuge du Pecheur

**Region:** French Riviera (Cote D'Azur) **Sleeps:** 8

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## Overview

On the seafront and with a private heated swimming pool, Le Refuge du Pecheur, is a gem of a holiday villa situated on the north coast of the Giens peninsula, around 12km from the traditional French town of Hyères.

Formerly a fisherman's house, this unique abode enjoys the most sensational views over the glistening sea towards the coast between Hyères and Toulon. The stylish open plan kitchen and dining space features windows that slide fully open to a decked terrace for al-fresco dining with amazing vistas and, on the other side, the inviting swimming pool which is perfect for cooling off on hot summer days.

In this wonderfully renovated villa, sleeping up to 8 guests, find four comfortable bedrooms across three floors. The highlight is surely the master double upstairs with its own sea-facing balcony and freestanding bath tub looking out towards the Mediterranean.

As you enjoy the grounds, find a shady spot beneath the trees for reading, play boules in the garden and make the most of the direct sea access with a private mooring, ideal for boats, kayaks or perhaps a paddle board, a wonderful way to tour the peninsula.

Stroll down the road to reach a marina and restaurant or wander towards the little village of Giens, home to further amenities including a Tuesday morning market. It's a peninsula of such contrasts – on one day you could be kite-surfing along the much-loved Plage de l'Almanarre, then spotting pink flamingos across the salt marshes, the next day you could be paddling in the gentler shores of Plage La Bergerie or even hiking along some incredible coastal trails, coming across steep coves below.



Ferries and taxi boats depart La Tour Fondue for the idyllic island of Porquerolles, best explored by bike with its Caribbean-like beaches and landscapes of orchards, vineyards, olive groves, pines and eucalyptus trees.

Back to the mainland, the charming old quarter of Hyères is worthy of a visit with its markets, wine-bars and excellent restaurants, or potter along the coast coming across picture-perfect stop-offs such as Carqueiranne and the iconic Plage des Pins Penchés.

## Facilities

Historical Sites • Ideal for Kids • Walking/Hiking Paths • Private Pool • Horse Riding • Wine Tasting • Watersports • Canoeing/Kayaking • Fishing • Golf Nearby • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Sailing • Scuba Diving • Boat Trips • Cots (Cribs) • Ideal for Teens • Wow Factor • Chef/Cook Available • Walk to Beach • Heated Pool • Beach Nearby • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • <1hr to Airport • Pool Safety Feature • Wi-Fi/Internet • Seafront • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Transfers Available • Babysitting Available • Boules/Petanque • High Chair(s)

# Interior & Grounds

## Villa Interiors

### Ground Floor

- Open-plan lounge, dining area and kitchen with ceiling fan and doors opening out to terrace and swimming pool
- TV lounge
- Bedroom with double bed and bathroom with shower and WC
- Guest WC

### First Floor

- Master bedroom with double bed and open plan bathroom with sea-facing bath tub, shower and WC
- Children's bedroom with twin beds
- Bathroom with shower and WC

### Lower Level

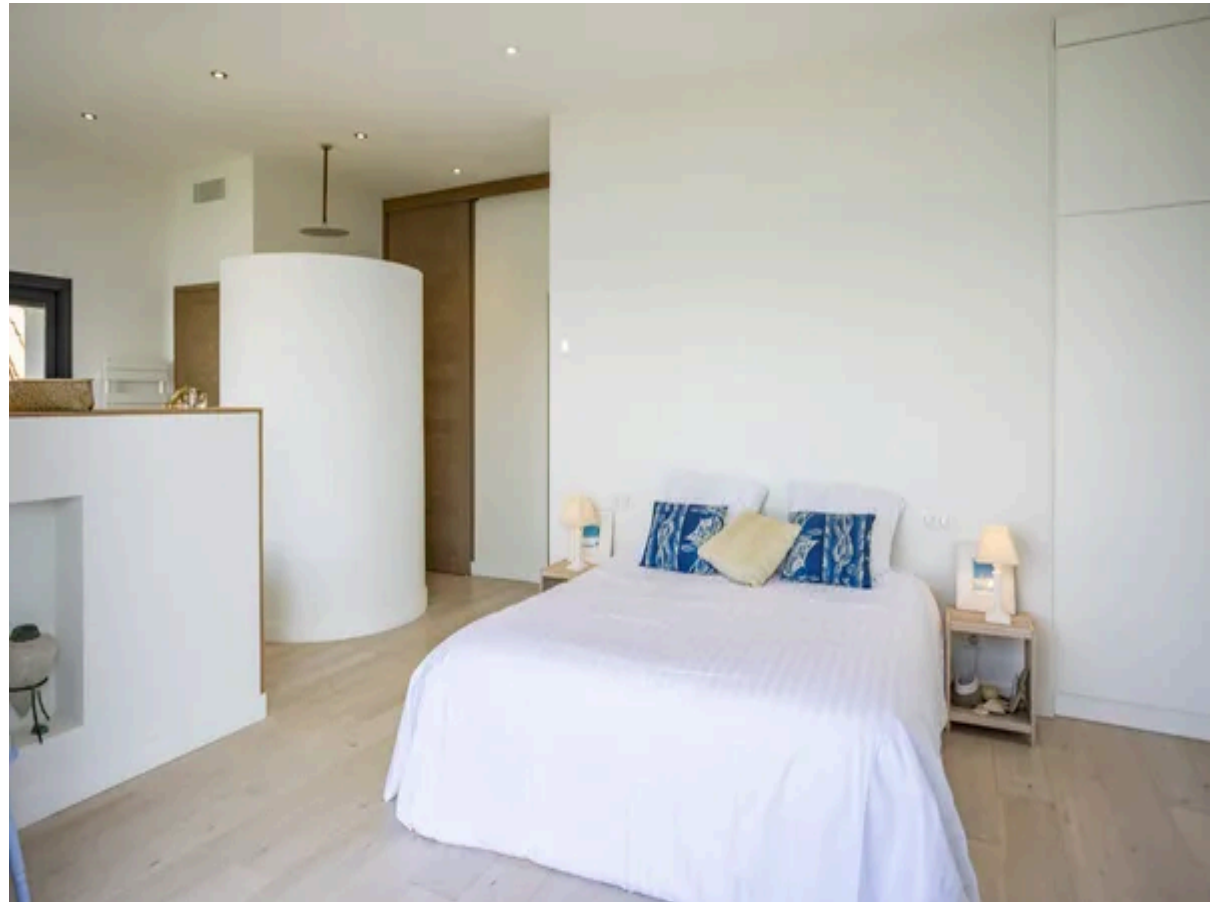
- Bedroom with double bed and door leading to garden. En suite bathroom with shower and WC

## Outside Grounds

- Heated swimming pool (8x5m) with safety cover
- Al-fresco dining terrace
- Barbecue
- Garden (terraced levels)
- Boules
- Direct access to the seafront
- Private jetty
- Kayak and paddle
- Parking (one space)

## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Large wooden fan (in living room)
- TV



## Location & Local Information

Le Refuge du Pecheur enjoys a seafront setting at the foot of the beautiful Giens peninsula, around 12km south of Hyères and a similar distance from Toulon Hyères Airport.

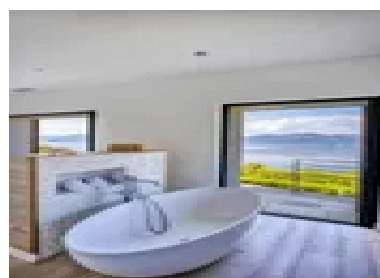
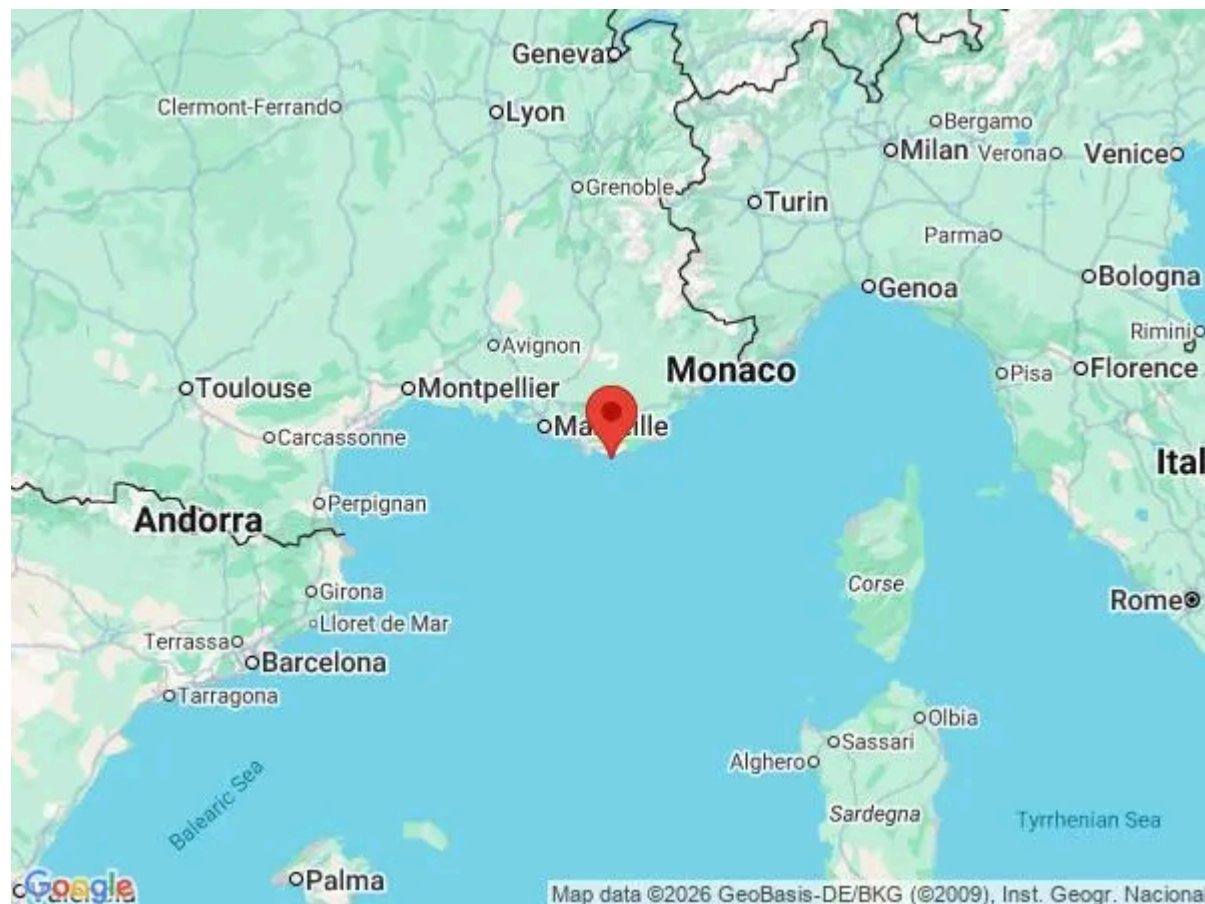
Along the north-facing coastline dotted with seafront villas, you can stroll to a little port and French restaurant within 500m whilst the tiny village of Giens with its restaurants, grocery store, bakery and Tuesday morning market is a 20-minute walk away.

Across the Giens peninsula, discover a wealth of watersports including kite-surfing, paddleboarding, kayaking and more. A short drive to the north, the long sandy beach, Plage de l'Almanarre, is famous for its kite-surfing whilst there are gentler beaches on the other side such as Plage des Pesquiers and Plage La Bergerie offering shallower waters for families. Look out for pink flamingos in the salt marshes between the two sides of the peninsula.

To the south are little coves such as Plage de la Vignette and Plage des Darboussières, some more challenging to access than others. This part of the peninsula also features glorious coastal hiking trails for the most adventurous of visitors who will be rewarded with sensational vistas of the sea.

From the port at La Tour Fondue, ferries and private taxi boats depart to the idyllic Îles d'Hyères. Taking around 15 minutes by boat, the island of Porquerolles is a picture-perfect place for a day exploring its gorgeous landscapes and beaches. With virtually no vehicles on the island, hire bikes by the port and cycle along country lanes and trails passing vineyards, orchards, olive groves and forests of pine and eucalyptus trees. Find summer watersports and discover why some of the beaches are compared to those in the Caribbean.

Back to the mainland, the old quarter of Hyères (12km) is worthy of a visit with its flower-filled lanes, bustling markets, shops, wine-bars and restaurants. Families can



seek shade in the attractive gardens at Parc Olbius Riquier with bamboo trees, animals and little road-train tours, one of four Jardins Remarquables scattered across the town.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Toulon (12km)</b>
Nearest Airport	<b>Marseille (118km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>Giens (1.5km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>(500m)</b>
Nearest Shop	<b>Tabac (500m)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Convenience Store (2km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>(2km)</b>

## What we love

- On the Giens peninsula seafront, there are such spectacular Mediterranean views from the villa, pool and gardens
- The lounge's sliding windows open to the swimming pool and sea-facing terrace
- We love the master bedroom with its free-standing bath and yet more vistas of the sea
- You can stroll out to local restaurants and a little port
- Experience kite-surfing on the peninsula's vast beach, Plage de l'Almanarre
- Take the ferry from La Tour Fondue over to the gorgeous Porquerolles Island

## What you should know...

- With its seafront location and terraced grounds, children will need to be supervised outside.
- It's around 1.5km to the local restaurants and amenities; if you are walking, bear in mind that the lanes and roads may at times be without pavements.
- 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.

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €5000 charged to client's credit card by the owner one month before 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.
- **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. A cot and highchair are available on request. Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
- **Changeover day:** Flexible.
- **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.
- **Pool heating charge?:** Included. 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-€5 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).
- **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.