

Villa Serenite

Region: Provence-Alpes **Sleeps:** 10

Overview

Soak up village life all around you as you stay at Villa Sérénité, an enchanting holiday home with a gorgeous garden, picture-perfect terraces and a heated swimming pool, just a short stroll from restaurants, cafés and the village's weekly market on a Thursday morning.

This traditional village house is a place of beauty with its authentic charm and artistic character. There's an air of minimalism across the vast lounge despite the many books, paintings and objets d'art whilst the welcoming kitchen-diner showcases the house's original features such as wood-beamed ceilings and terracotta flooring. The artistic theme continues upstairs across the villa's six bedrooms of varying sizes, four of which feature en suites whilst the fifth/sixth bedrooms share a shower room.

Outside it feels like your very own Provençal paradise with south-facing terraces, a vine-clad pergola and a salt-water heated swimming pool, all surrounded by a verdant garden filled with the sights and scents of Provence. Protected from the mistral, admire cypresses, olive and fig trees, colourful oleander, summer roses and lavender alongside deck chairs, sun-loungers, a pretty stone bench and sculpture.

Wander out of your front door, pass neighbouring houses, and soon you will find yourself in the heart of a charming village, home to well-regarded restaurants, a weekly Provençal market and little shops selling some of the finest French olive oil produced from the many groves surrounding the village. A perfect base for exploring the captivating landscapes of Les Alpilles Natural Regional Park and beyond.

Just a short drive away is the hilltop village of Les Baux-de-Provence, officially classified as one of France's '*Plus*



Beaux Villages' whilst other gems of the region include Eygalières and the art-lovers towns of Saint-Rémy and Arles, both famed for their associations with Vincent Van Gogh. Les Alpilles is wonderful for keen walkers, hikers, horse-riding enthusiasts and cyclists with its woodland, rolling hills of olive groves, vineyards and rich rural heritage.

Further afield, spend time in the historic city of Avignon, drive out to the mesmerising Camargue, visit some of the Luberon's idyllic perched villages or canoe along the Sorgue River near Fontaine-de-Vaucluse and L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue.

Facilities

Hairdryer • Cycling • Tennis Nearby • Historical Sites • Horse Riding • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wi-Fi/Internet • Golf Nearby • TV • Wine Tasting • Maid Service Included • Saltwater Pool • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Walk to Village • Private Pool • Maid Service Available • Chef/Cook Available • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Cooking Classes Available • Wine-Tasting Available • Transfers Available • Babysitting Available • On-Site Concierge • Butler Available • Pool Safety Feature • Heated Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • Parking Space • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interiors (400m2)

Ground Floor

- Large entrance with office area
- Lounge with stone fireplace (not in use)
- Kitchen-diner, well-equipped including American fridge-freezer, electric oven, gas hob, microwave and dishwasher
- Cellar/laundry room
- WC

First Floor

- Bedroom with double bed (160x200cm), south-facing garden view, dressing area and bathroom with sink and separate WC
- Bedroom with double bed (160x200cm), south-facing garden view and bathroom with sink and WC
- Bedroom with single bed (90x190cm) and shower room with sink
- Bedroom with double bed (160x200cm) leading to children's bedroom with single bed (80x190cm) and sofa
- Shower room with sink and WC
- Bedroom with double bed (160x200cm), south-facing garden view, dressing area and bathroom with sink and WC

Outside Grounds (1000m2, enclosed)

- Heated salt-water swimming pool (12x4m, depth: 1.2-1.7m) with electric safety cover
- South-facing terraces and vine-covered pergola
- Garden with many flowers, shrubs, trees, fountain, sculpture etc
- Private parking (3 spaces in front of the property)

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air conditioning (upstairs bedrooms only)



- TV
- Hairdryers
- Washing machine and dryer

Location & Local Information

In the Bouches-du-Rhône department of southern France, Villa Sérénité is in a charming Provençal village just a short stroll from restaurants, cafés, a grocery store and the weekly market on a Thursday morning.

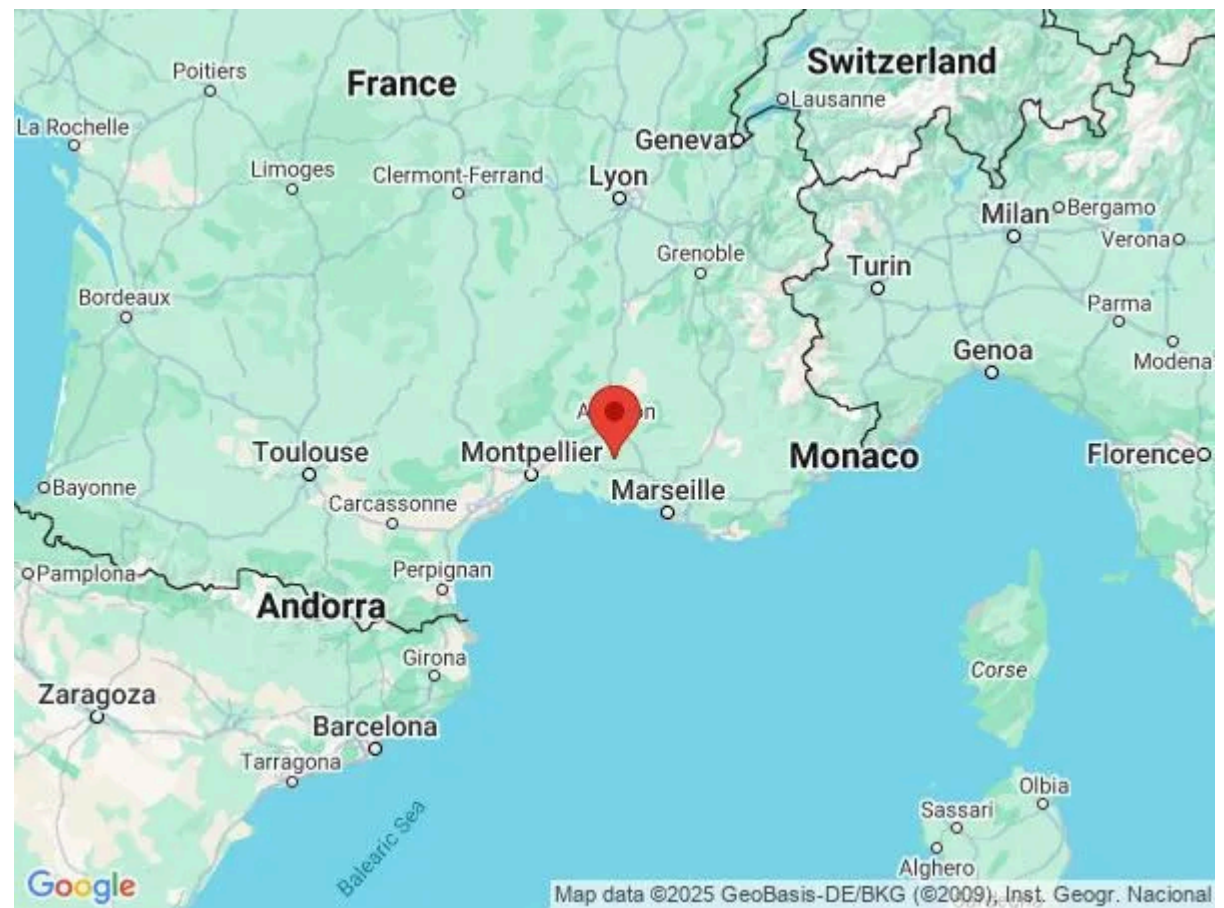
You are truly surrounded by village life yet so many sights of Provence are within easy reach. Driving past woodland and olive groves that surround the village, within ten minutes you will reach one of France's classified '*Plus Beaux Villages*', Les Baux-de-Provence (4km) and its hilltop château which affords sensational vistas of the surrounding landscapes of Les Alpilles. Even closer is the small village of Paradou and the well-known Le Bistrot du Paradou.

Continuing further north, Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (11km) is not to be missed with its Van Gogh trail, art galleries, restaurants, wine-bars and atmospheric Wednesday morning market. Eygalières (20km) is another gem of Les Alpilles where a small handful of A-list celebrities have bought houses.

Arles (18km) is a much-loved day trip with its fascinating heritage and artistic vibe – it's also the gateway to the captivating Camargue. Antique lovers won't want to miss the charming town of L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue (42km) with its Sunday morning brocante, little antique shops and picturesque waterways, whilst outdoor adventurers will adore the tree-top activity centre and canoeing/kayaking opportunities in Fontaine-de-Vaucluse (48km).

Historic Avignon (31km), Nîmes (45km) and Le Pont du Gard (40km) are other wonderful places to visit during your time in this part of southern France. Alternatively, head east to admire the undulating scenery of the Luberon region of Provence, famous for its vineyards, lavender fields, orchards and idyllic perched villages such as Gordes, Ménerbes and Oppède le Vieux, all reached within an hour by car.

Local Amenities



Nearest Airport	Avignon Airport (30km)
Nearest Airport 2	Nîmes Airport (44km)
Nearest Airport 3	Marseille Airport (66km)
Nearest Train Station	Arles/Gare d'Avignon TGV (17km/32km)
Nearest Village	Heart of Provençal village (500m)
Nearest Restaurant	Local village (Within 200m)
Nearest Supermarket	Village grocery store (600m)
Nearest Town	Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (11km)
Nearest City	Avignon (31km)
Nearest Golf	Golf des Baux de Provence (1.5km)

What we love

- An enchanting village home with such an artistic vibe with plenty of original features throughout
- The garden feels like your very own corner of Provençal paradise with its heated swimming pool, cypresses, olive and fig trees, oleander and more
- Stroll to the heart of the village with its charming restaurants and weekly market
- Make sure you sample the village's olive oil, one of the finest in France
- A perfect location for exploring Les Alpilles and beyond – brilliant trips include Les Baux-de-Provence, Arles and Avignon

What you should know...

- One of the six bedrooms is a children's single which is attached to a double – see the "Layout" tab for further information.
- Please note air conditioning is in the upstairs rooms only.
- The property is close to the road, so some traffic noise may be heard.
- 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:** €2500 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:** 11.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pets welcome?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- **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. One of the six bedrooms is a children's single which is attached to a double – see the "Features" tab for further information. Please note air conditioning is in the upstairs rooms 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?:** Outside only.
- **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.
- **Pool heating charge?:** No. 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.