

# La Bastide De Laura

**Region:** French Riviera (Cote D'Azur) **Sleeps:** 14

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## Overview

Stay in a historic villa which has been wonderfully renovated, set in vast grounds and in close proximity to a couple of remote bays on the Côte d'Azur between Carqueiranne and Toulon.

In the style of a classic '*Bastide Aixoise*', this villa dates back to the 18th century and retains much of its old-world charm. Admire the unique tiles on the eastern side of the home which traditionally protected it from the wind in cooler months. Elsewhere, admire original fireplaces and floor tiling alongside traditional stone doorways, all adding to the historic ambience of this handsome abode.

La Bastide de Laura is a fine residence for a family or group of friends, sleeping up to 14 guests across its seven bedrooms, two of which are en suite. Downstairs the open plan living and dining space leads to the modern kitchen whilst characterfully arched windows look out towards the covered terrace. Outside, sit back on the terrace with a good book or stroll around the front of the house to look over towering pines - you may even catch a glimpse of Mont Coudon in the distance.

Set in a hectare of grounds, you are ideally positioned with the sea in one direction and the road connecting Toulon to Carqueiranne in the other. A 700m walk partially via steps will take you down to the nearest bay where you will be rewarded with a summer beachside restaurant. There's a slightly longer bay further along, reached via a woodland hiking path, whilst the sandy shores of Toulon's Plages du Mourillon are just over a 10-minute drive away.



## Facilities

Historical Sites • Private Pool • Wine Tasting • Fishing • Golf Nearby • Cycling • Tennis Nearby • Scuba Diving • Boat Trips • Canoeing/Kayaking • Watersports • Villa • Ideal for Kids • Walking/Hiking Paths • Horse Riding • Walk to Beach • Cots (Cribs) • Ideal for Teens • Chef/Cook Available • Pets on Request • <1hr to Airport • Parking Space • Pool Safety Feature • Wi-Fi/Internet • Washing Machine • Coffee Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Hairdryer • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Outdoor Games • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Kid-friendly museum • Kid-friendly excursions • Water excursions/Boat trips • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Cooking Classes Available • Yoga Classes Available • Spa Treatments Available • Wine-Tasting Available • Babysitting Available • On-Site Concierge • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Boules/Petanque • High Chair(s)

# Interior & Grounds

## Bastide Interiors (280m2, various floors)

### Ground Floor

- Open plan living and dining room
- Partially open plan kitchen, well-equipped

### First Floor

- Master bedroom with double dressing room and double en-suite bathroom (bathtub and shower)
- Double bedroom
- Double bedroom
- Twin bedroom
- Two separate bathrooms
- Separate WC

### Second Floor

- 3 x double bedrooms
- Separate bathroom

*Two of the bathrooms feature baths, the other two feature showers*

## Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (15m) with fully equipped pool house (summer kitchen, shower and WC)
- Terrace for al-fresco dining/lounging
- Boules
- Cabin with shower (for when returning from the beach)
- 1-hectare of grounds with use of vegetable garden
- Parking for 4 cars

## Facilities

- Fans in bedrooms (on request)



## Location & Local Information

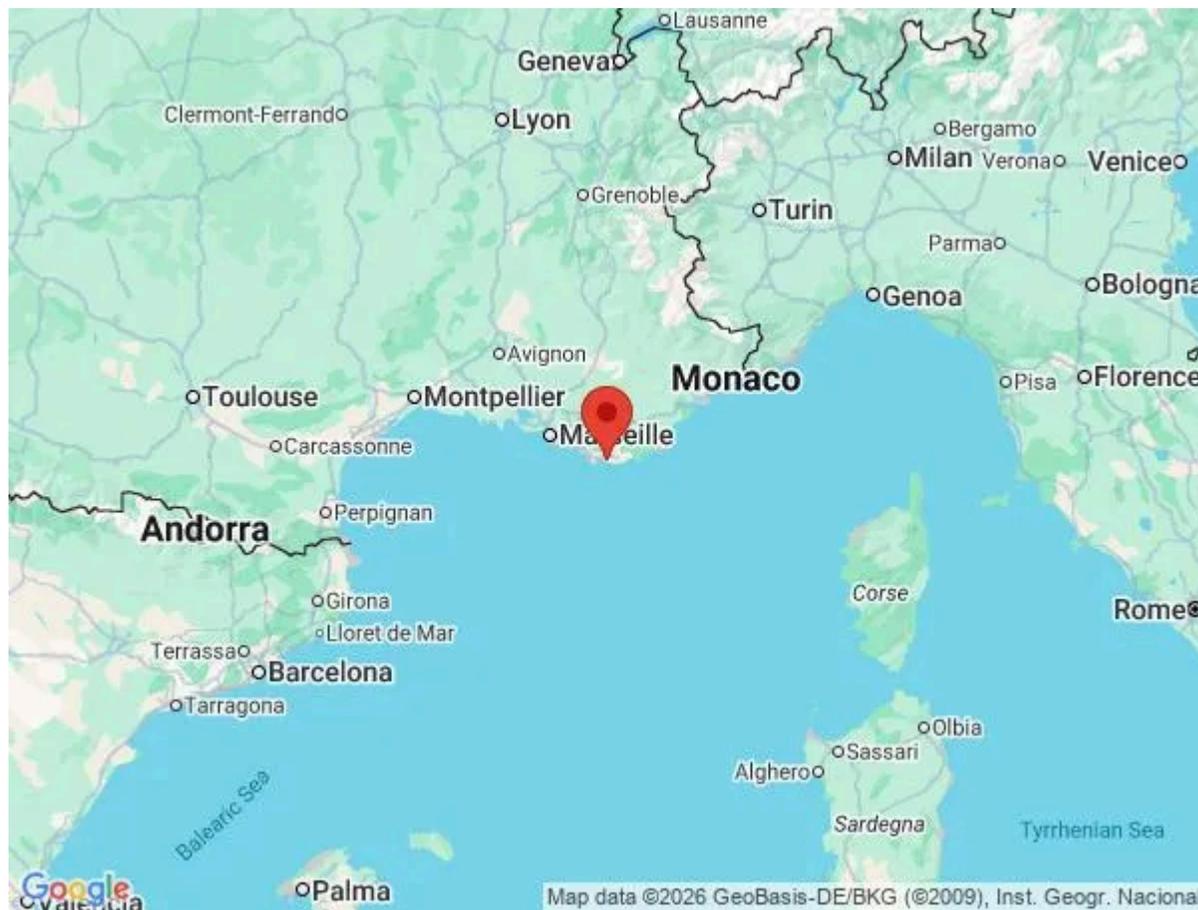
La Bastide de Laura is located in the Var department of southern France, between the picturesque port of Carqueiranne and the maritime city of Toulon. Toulon Hyères Airport is a 13km drive away or arrive by TGV train into Toulon, 8km by car.

Set in a hectare of grounds, a pretty bay can be reached in around 700m, partly via steps, where there is a summer restaurant (book ahead) and pebbly shores. Another gorgeous bay is slightly further along, reached via a forest trail, perfect for beachside picnics, swimming and snorkelling. Keen walkers take note that there are some superb coastal hiking paths close by.

In the other direction from the villa, the main road connecting Toulon, Carqueiranne and Hyères (and also a cycling path) is around 200m away and there are plenty of local amenities reached within 2km in the little town/village where a small Farmer's market takes place on a Friday morning. Stop off for a drink or bite to eat at the bustling town square with its terrace cafes, then admire the grand fountains by the *Mairie*.

The port of Carqueiranne (7km) is an attractive place for lunch out before walking to the small beach with its leaning pine trees, La Plage des Pins Penchés. Continue on to the Giens peninsula (16km), home to Plage de l'Almanarre, a popular place for kite-surfing, and the gentler beaches on the opposite side backed by the Étang des Pesquiers, a paradise for nature lovers. If you'd prefer head to Sanary-sur-Mer and Six-Fours-les-Plages for watersports, around half an hour away. Nearby you'll find the Janas forest which is fantastic for horse-riding, biking and hiking. On summer evenings, drive to Les Sablettes (17km) near La Seyne-sur-Mer, to experience the atmospheric markets by the beach.

Toulon (8km) is another great day out with its markets, restaurants and historic quarter. Enjoy a boat tour of the harbour or take the cable car up to the summit of Mont Faron for amazing views. The charming old town in Hyères



(13km) is also worthy of a visit – soak up its authentic ambience.

In the other direction, it's around a 60-minute drive to Saint-Tropez and the famous beach clubs of Plage de Pampelonne. Alternatively, another wonderful day out is the car-free island of Porquerolles, reached via ferry from La Tour Fondue (20km), where you can hire bikes to reach pristine beaches and discover the stunning scenery of this special island.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Toulon Hyères Airport (13km)</b>
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Marseille Airport (95km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>Toulon (8km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>(1km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Local French restaurant (300m)</b>
Nearest Shop	<b>Vival grocery store (2km)</b>
Nearest City	<b>Toulon (8km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Small bay (700m partly via steps)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Golf de Valgarde (4km)</b>

## What we love

- Stay in a traditional bastide within walking distance to a gorgeous little bay
- Admire the beauty of original walls, floors and ceilings of the bastide
- Set in one hectare of grounds with north and south facing terraces perfect for any time of day
- The Toulon to Saint-Tropez cycling trail passes close by whilst there are also many wonderful walking paths along this part of the coast
- As well as the pretty bay only 300m away, spend time visiting other wonderful beaches and take the ferry to the idyllic island of Porquerolles
- Other brilliant day trips include Toulon, Sanary-sur-Mer, Bandol and even Saint-Tropez

## What you should know...

- You will need to be able to manage steps and paths to reach the nearest beaches within walking distance.
- 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?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges. High chair and cot are available on request. 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. All other changeover days on request.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Yes, standard changeover clean included. 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.
- **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.