

Domaine Saint Peyre

Region: French Riviera (Cote D'Azur) **Sleeps:** 12

Overview

Located between Saint-Tropez and Gorges du Verdon, this gorgeous *domaine* is set in complete privacy surrounded by a hillside garden and forest beyond. A characterful village hosting the region's largest Provençal market is just a 10-minute drive away.

With a glorious heated swimming pool, poolside summer kitchen and various terraces in its vast garden, this is a picture-perfect house in the Dracénie region of Provence. It was a dream come true for its new owners who moved to southern France just a few years ago and they have renovated the house to the highest of standards. What especially attracted them to the *domaine* was the sense of great privacy, surrounded by a 20-hectare forested estate with vistas of vineyards and olive groves – there's an authentic 'wow factor' here!

Sleeping up to 12 guests, there are six bedrooms across three floors. Guests can expect hotel quality mattresses, air-conditioning in the bedrooms, beautiful bath and shower rooms (some en suite) as well as fine furnishings and very tasteful décor across the villa's elegant lounge, TV room and stylish kitchen-diner with everything you may need.

Stone steps lead through the landscaped Provençal garden down to the impressive salt-water swimming pool with its summer kitchen beneath the shaded pool house, including a shower and WC. There are other idyllic spots scattered across the garden, ideal for a morning coffee as the birds sing, al-fresco lunches beneath the fig tree and peaceful evening apéritifs - perhaps a glass of wine from a local family-run winery or even the award-winning vineyards of Château de Berne, only 10km away.

Families will adore the pétanque court, table tennis,



basketball hoop and little football goals whilst there are some wonderful walking opportunities across the estate. When it's time to leave this tranquil idyll, it's just a 6km drive to an old Provençal village known for its pretty houses, fountains and atmospheric Tuesday morning market.

In the Var hinterland, Abbaye du Thoronet is just a 15-minute drive away, the magnificent waterfalls near Sillans-la-Cascade can be reached in half an hour whilst Aups, the gateway to the Parc Naturel Régional du Verdon, is only 29km by car. Closer to home, find horse-riding, mountain biking as well as watersports and summer swimming in the Argens River.

Heading south, wind through the Massif des Maures, stopping off in mountain villages, until you reach flower-filled Grimaud, the beaches of Sainte-Maxime or glamorous Saint-Tropez – it's amazing that you could be on a ferry sailing from Sainte-Maxime to Saint-Tropez within an hour.

Facilities

Weddings • Romantic • Walking/Hiking Paths • Horse Riding • Wine Tasting • Canoeing/Kayaking • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Historical Sites • Wi-Fi/Internet • Cycling • Hairdryer • Coffee Machine • Table Tennis • Saltwater Pool • Chef/Cook Available • Rural Location • Cots (Cribs) • Maid Service Available • Private Pool • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Pool Safety Feature • Heated Pool • Boules/Petanque • Ideal for Kids • Darts • Mini-football goals • Basketball net • Ideal for Teens • Pets on Request • Smart TV • Outdoor Games • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Caretaker/Owner on Site • High Chair(s) • Parking Space • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

Interior & Grounds

Main House Interiors

Main Level

- Living area with fireplace. Doors lead to covered al-fresco lounge terrace
- Open-plan kitchen-diner, fully-equipped including two dishwashers, induction hob, two fridges, ice-maker, espresso machine and table for 10 guests. Doors lead to covered pergola for al-fresco dining
- TV lounge
- Separate WC
- Laundry room
- Master bedroom with king-size double bed (180x210cm), doors opening out to patio with view and en suite bathroom with bath and shower
- Bedroom with one set of bunk-beds (90x200cm each). Shares bathroom with master bedroom (above)
- Bedroom with king-size double bed (180x200cm) and en suite bathroom with bath and shower

Top Floor (attic)

- Bedroom with king-size double bed (180x200cm) and en suite bathroom with shower

Lower Level

- Bedroom with king-size double bed, doors opening out to terrace and en suite bathroom with shower
- Bedroom with twin beds (90x200cm) and doors opening out to terrace. Shares above en suite bathroom

There is also a 2-bedroom cottage within the estate, available on request and subject to a supplement - please enquire.

Outside Grounds (set within a 20-hectare estate)

- Heated salt-water swimming pool (13x7m, depth: up to 1.7m) with safety alarm. Open approximately mid-April to end-October
- Outdoor shower and private WC
- Poolside summer kitchen and barbecue
- Covered al-fresco lounge area
- Al-fresco dining pergola
- Garden (terraced levels and steps)
- Boules court
- Small football goals
- Basketball hoop
- Hammock
- Garden enclosed by gate and electric wire (for wildlife)

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning (kitchen and all bedrooms)
- Fans



- Heating
- Fireplace (wood provided)
- Smart TV
- Sonos speakers (x3)
- Table tennis
- Darts
- Small football goals and basketball hoop
- Hairdryers (most bathrooms)
- Ironing facilities
- Washing machine

Location & Local Information

In the Var hinterland, Domaine Saint Peyre enjoys a stunning setting within a 20-hectare forested estate with views towards vineyards and olive trees so typical of the Dracénie region of Provence. This is a fantastic location for exploring pretty Var villages, visiting award-winning vineyards, partaking in watersports along the Argens River and spending time by the Gorges du Verdon and the French Riviera.

There are local villages around a 10-minute drive to the south and north. The most popular one, 6km by car, is an old Provençal village famed for its Tuesday morning market, the largest in the Var department, and its surrounding vineyards. Even if not market day, it's a joy to potter around its lanes, coming across pretty squares, fountains and old houses. There are a couple of supermarkets just outside the village as well as the Michelin starred Chez Bruno (8km) and the award-winning vineyards and wine-tasting cellar of Château de Berne (10km).

Indeed, there are plenty of opportunities to sample excellent local wines both around the village and slightly further afield near Vidauban (16km) including the vineyards of Château d'Astros where 'Le Château de ma Mère' was filmed. The Argens River runs near Vidauban and beyond, a paradise for keen watersport enthusiasts with canoeing, kayaking and stand-up paddle boarding opportunities close by. Mountain biking and horse-riding are other popular pursuits in the area.

Close to the *domaine* you will come across character villages including Flayosc (18km), Salernes (20km) and Cotignac (22km) as well as summer festivities, markets and brocantes. The waterfalls at Cascade de Sillans are half an hour by car whilst Aups, the gateway to the Parc Naturel Régional du Verdon, is 29km away – the south shore of Lac de Sainte-Croix with its incredible scenery and outdoor activities can be reached within an hour.

Heading south, drive into the heart of the Massif des Maures to mountain villages surrounded by oak and chestnut forests such as Le Plan-de-la-Tour (38km), La Garde-Freinet (30km) or even flower-filled Grimaud (40km) with incredible views towards the bay of Saint-Tropez.

Indeed, Saint-Tropez is around an hour by car with the exclusive beach clubs of Plage de Pampelonne just a little further whilst the family-friendly shores of Sainte-Maxime are 45km by car. To avoid the heavy summer traffic in the area, it may be better to drive to Sainte-Maxime and catch the ferry to Saint-Tropez.

If you wish to spend further time by the French Riviera coastline, consider driving to the historic seaside resort of Saint-Raphaël (46km) and neighbouring Fréjus (43km), loved for their rich heritage, summer ambience and glorious beaches. You could even continue onwards to Cannes (85km) to really soak up the glamour of the glistening Côte d'Azur.



Local Amenities

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| Nearest Airport | Toulon Hyères Airport (66km) |
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| Nearest Airport 2 | Nice Airport (96km) |
| Nearest Airport 3 | Marseille Provence Airport (119km) |
| Nearest Train Station | Les Arcs - Draguignan TGV (19km) |
| Nearest Village | Two provençal villages (5-6km) |
| Nearest Restaurant | Local villages (5-6km) |
| Nearest Supermarket | (5km) |
| Nearest Town | Vidauban/Le Luc (16km) |
| Nearest Golf | Golf de Barbaroux (24km) |
| Nearest Beach | Sainte-Maxime/Saint-Tropez (46km/52km) |

What we love

- Such privacy and beauty! Set within a 20-hectare estate of forests, this is a remarkable location and the views are incredible
- Across the hillside gardens, there are so many idyllic spots for al-fresco dining and relaxation, not to mention the heated swimming pool and a wealth of outdoor games
- The local village's traditional market is one of the largest in the Dracénie region
- Food and wine-lovers also note the close proximity of Château de Berne, Château d'Astros and Michelin starred Chez Bruno
- Spend the day in Saint-Tropez or venture up to the incredible Parc Naturel Régional du Verdon

What you should know...

- A separate cottage can also be booked for up to an additional 4 guests - availability and price on request.
- Air-conditioning is featured in the kitchen and bedrooms only.
- The owners (and their small dog) live within the estate (50m from the house) and whilst they remain discreet they are there to help you if needed.
- Guests need to be able to manage the pretty stone steps across the grounds and youngsters will need supervising across the idyllic terraced garden and beyond.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €1250 paid via bank transfer to the owner one month before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 9.00 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. Air-conditioning is featured in the kitchen and bedrooms only. The owners (and their small dog) live within the estate (50m from the house) and whilst they remain discreet they are there to help you if needed.
- **Changeover day:** Sunday (or Saturday and Friday on request only).
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** No. €500 paid at the time of your final balance. This is for a standard changeover clean. 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 garbage disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Outside only.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **Pool heating charge?:** Yes, extra €150 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-€5 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open approximtely mid-April to end-October. 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.