

Villa Belle Eclat

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

Overview

Between Saint-Tropez and Hyères, only a short stroll from idyllic beaches and restaurants, this architect-designed villa on the French Riviera enjoys the most magnificent sea views. Sit out on a warm summer evening with an apéritif in hand and gaze out towards the Îles d'Hyères.

You can appreciate the vistas as soon as you walk into the top-level of the house with its two double en suite bedrooms both opening to the upper balcony overlooking the Mediterranean. The next level down is home to the stylish living space, modern kitchen and dining area, again leading out to a sea-facing balcony – such a scenic spot throughout the day, especially as the sky changes colour at night.

There is another double and a twin on this level, alongside a family shower room, whilst the fifth double bedroom can be found on the lower level near the swimming pool. All bedrooms are air-conditioned and have Egyptian cotton bed linen whilst furnishings throughout are classic and contemporary. Other great features include TV with English/French channels and an Amazon Firestick, a DVD player, books and games as well as a sound system.

The Mediterranean garden is beautiful with terraces so perfectly positioned for those 180 degree sea vistas. Dine al-fresco beneath the shade, relax by the poolside bar or watch fellow guests enjoy the swimming pool as you sit back in the outdoor lounge. There is also a traditional boules court on the lower level.

Stroll down the winding lane to reach the coastal road which leads to a small handful of seasonal restaurants and a couple of gorgeous beaches, the nearest being a small and wild sandy bay with turquoise sea backed by rocks, reached via steps through the pine trees. Plage



d'Aiguebelle is another picture-perfect place for swimming or sunbathing at one of the summer beachside restaurants.

The attractive seaside resort of Le Lavandou is only 5km away, loved for its authentic French Riviera charm, pretty fountains and more glorious beaches (especially loved by divers thanks to the clear water). Boat trips depart the marina towards the incredible Îles d'Hyères – a day trip to one of the islands is a must!

Elsewhere, venture along the coast to the pristine beaches and vineyards around La Croix Valmer, then continue to experience the glitz and glamour of Saint-Tropez and it's iconic Plage de Pampelonne.

Closer to home, explore the medieval flower-filled lanes of Bormes-les-Mimosas, follow wonderful coastal and mountain hiking routes, hire bikes to cycle from beach to beach or just make the most of your stunning terraces facing the sea at your elegant Côte d'Azur holiday abode.

Facilities

Villa • Walking/Hiking Paths • Ideal for Kids • Horse Riding • Watersports • Historical Sites • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Sailing • Private Pool • Wine Tasting • Fishing • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Scuba Diving • Boat Trips • Ideal for Teens • Walk to Beach • Wow Factor • Cots (Cribs) • Beach Nearby • Modern • <1hr to Airport • Pool Safety Feature • Parking Space • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Seaview • On-Street Parking • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Coffee Machine • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Indoor Games • DVD • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Heating • Kid-friendly museum • Kid-friendly excursions • Water excursions/Boat trips • Board games • Children's videos/DVDs • Children's books • Boules/Petanque • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Pool inflatables • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interiors

Upper Entrance Level

- Entrance and large hallway with doors leading to balcony
- Master bedroom with double bed, air-conditioning and en suite bathroom with shower, two sinks, bidet and WC
- Bedroom with double bed, air-conditioning, balcony access and en suite bathroom with bath, shower and sink

Main Level

- Open-plan lounge and dining area with seats for 8 guests and doors leading to balcony
- Kitchen, well-equipped including induction hob, oven, large fridge-freezer, dishwasher and coffee machine (pod)
- Bedroom with double bed and air-conditioning
- Bedroom with twin beds and air-conditioning
- Bathroom with shower and WC

Lower Poolside Level

- Separate bedroom with double bed, air-conditioning, poolside access and en suite bathroom with shower and WC

Three doubles feature king-size beds (180x160cm) and one double is queen-size (160x200cm)

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (10x4m, depth: 2.2m) with safety alarm
- Poolside terrace with sun loungers, outdoor lounge and bar
- Covered balcony
- AI-fresco dining area
- Gas barbecue
- Boules
- Terraced grounds (different levels and many steps)
- Car parking (within property and on-street)



Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- TV (UK and French)
- Amazon Firestick
- DVD player
- CD player and Bluetooth sound dock
- Books and games
- Pool and beach toys
- Boules

Location & Local Information

With glorious sea views, Villa Belle Éclat is a short walk to a beautiful beach around 5km east of the picturesque French Riviera resort of Le Lavandou, located between Saint-Tropez and Hyères.

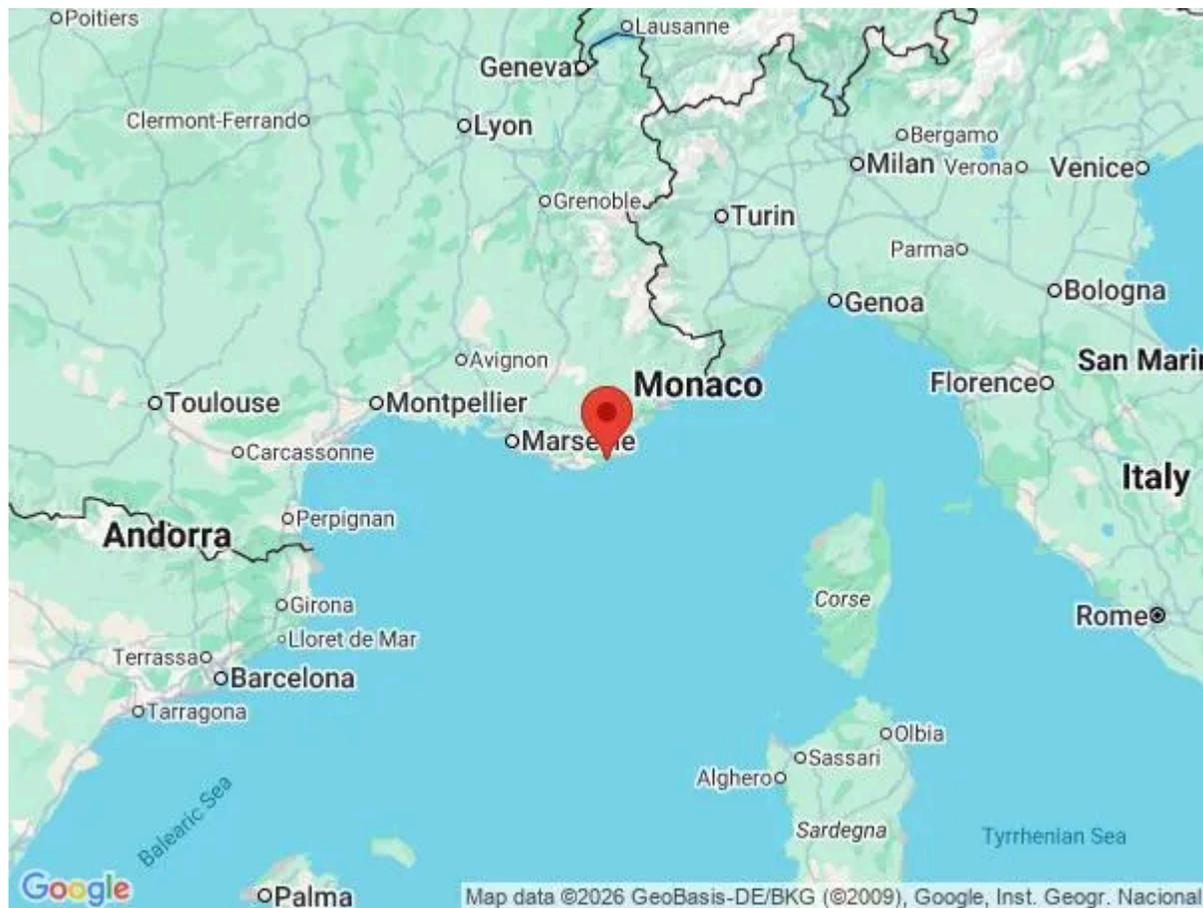
Fly into Toulon Hyères Airport, just over half an hour away (Nice and Marseille are both other options within a two hour drive), or arrive by TGV train into Toulon (45km) with connections onwards to Hyères. A car is recommended to be able to fully explore the region but there is a bus stop on the coastal road with buses towards Toulon or Saint-Tropez (do check seasonal timetables in advance).

You can walk down the hill to the coastal road where you will find a small handful of seasonal restaurants as well as a wild sandy beach with turquoise-coloured sea, reached via steps through the pine trees. Head there early if staying in the height of the summer – this is such an idyllic spot. A little further along, Plage d'Aiguebelle (1.5km) is another pretty beach which is easier to access and home to summer beachside restaurants with sun loungers to hire.

Le Lavandou (5km) is a much-loved French Riviera seaside resort with restaurants, shops and other glorious beaches. Look out for the Thursday morning Provençal market, soak up the charm of the old town, visit the many art galleries, admire the fishing boats and yachts swaying in the marina and partake in a range of seasonal watersports – this coastline is a paradise for keen snorkellers and diving enthusiasts.

In the summer you can catch a boat to the wonderful Île de Porquerolles where you should hire bikes and cycle to your heart's content passing olive groves, vineyards and eucalyptus trees to pristine beaches. Back on the mainland, keen walkers have a choice of hikes along the coast (Le Sentier des Douaniers) or through the Massif des Maures.

The gorgeous village of Bormes-les-Mimosas (9km) is not to be missed with its medieval flower-filled lanes.



Meanwhile, spend time in the family-friendly resort of Cavalaire-sur-Mer (15km), head to the vineyards of La Croix-Valmer (21km) and discover the beauty of the beaches and walking paths around Plage de Gigaro (23km).

The allure of Saint-Tropez (33km) also awaits, one of the France's most famous destinations, as do the watersports and exclusive beach clubs of Pampelonne Beach (38km). Drive to picture-perfect Côte d'Azur villages such as Gassin, Ramatuelle and hilltop Grimaud in this captivating corner of the French Riviera.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Toulon Hyères (28km)
Nearest Airport 2	Nice Côte d'Azur/Marseille Airport (127km/133km)
Nearest Village	Le Lavandou (5km)
Nearest Town/City	Hyères/Saint-Tropez (28km/33km)
Nearest Restaurant	By the coast (seasonal opening) (<1km)
Nearest Supermarket	(5km)
Nearest Beach	Pretty sandy beach (1km)
Nearest Golf	Golf Club du Jardin/Golf De Valcros (6km/22km)
Nearest Tennis	Tennis Club Lavandou (5.5km)
Nearest Train Station	Gare de Hyères/Toulon (28km/45km)

What we love

- The glistening sea views are sensational from this architect-designed villa on the Côte d'Azur
Enjoy an apéritif at the poolside bar, relax in the outdoor lounge and dine al-fresco – there are so many idyllic spots across the beautiful grounds
- It's a short stroll down the hill to one of the region's prettiest beaches with sandy shores and turquoise sea
- The charming French Riviera resort of Le Lavandou and the flower-filled medieval village of Bormes-les-Mimosas are both just a short drive away
- Spend time soaking up the allure of Saint-Tropez, visit the beach clubs of Plage de Pampelonne and try the wines of La Croix Valmer
- The villa looks out towards the gorgeous Porquerolle Islands

What you should know...

- Please note that air-conditioning is featured in the bedrooms only.
- In a beautiful setting with sea-views, guests need to be able to manage many steps (the main entrance is on the top level).
- Indeed, if travelling with young children then supervision is needed across the balconies, steps and terraced grounds.
- It is great to be able to walk down the winding road (no pavement) towards the beach and seasonal restaurants - do note it's uphill on the way back (the views make it worth it)!

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** £2500 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation at least 2 weeks prior to arrival 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:** Cot and high chair can be provided free of charge, on request. Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed. Please note that air-conditioning is featured in the bedrooms only.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- **End of stay cleaning:** Standard changeover clean 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.
- **Other Cleaning:** Mid-stay clean for bookings of 8+ nights
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Not allowed.
- **Insurance:** Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for cancellations, loss of personal belongings, personal liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax paid to the owner via bank transfer (typically costs €1-€10 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.