

Villa De La Baie

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

Overview

A literal stone's throw from the Mediterranean, this characterful French Riviera home enjoys the most magnificent sea views from its swimming pool and terrace. This almost sea-front abode has direct access to this region's famous coastal walking path, Le Sentier du Littoral, and cove below.

Once the home of a highly-regarded Rugby coach and former player, guests can expect an abundance of French charm and authenticity alongside contemporary touches. The interiors have been simply yet thoughtfully furnished with four pretty bedrooms (two with air-conditioning) and three bathrooms in the main house alongside two separate studio-style bedrooms sat around a pretty terrace, allowing Villa De La Baie to sleep up to 12 guests.

Sit back in the attractive lounge and open the French windows out to the stone terrace overlooking the sea. Prepare your breakfast in the modern and spacious kitchen-diner and enjoy it in peace in the summer room or beneath the shade of the fig tree. The wisteria-clad dining terrace is an idyllic spot for leisurely al-fresco meals with views of the bay. Not forgetting the long swimming pool with its decked terracing, sun loungers and yet more beautiful scenery.

The Mediterranean garden is filled with citrus, olive and fig trees whilst pines lean over the terraces towards the sea, such a typical sight along this coastline. A little gate allows direct access to the much-loved coastal walking path and a rocky cove below for swimming in the sea.

You can walk just 400m to a popular summer restaurant right by the sea serving catch of the day for lunch. In this tiny former fishing village you will also find a pretty beach for snorkelling.



It is lovely being just 2.5km from Toulon's charming Mourillon neighbourhood with its restaurants, daily market, blue-flag beach and summer activities including watersports. Take time to visit the maritime city of Toulon itself and experience a boat tour of the grand harbour, then admire the glorious coastal views from Mont Faron reached via cable car.

In the other direction is the pretty port of Carqueiranne and the windsurfing beaches of the Giens peninsula as well as ferries from La Tour Fondue to the very beautiful Île de Porquerolles.

You could even venture as far as Saint-Tropez and its iconic Plage de Pampelonne, or head west to Cassis with its pretty fishermen cottages, vineyards and Parc national des Calanques hiking trails. Return to your sea-facing terrace for a glass of Cassis white wine as you listen out to the sea lapping over the rocks below you in this idyllic corner of the French Riviera.

Facilities

Private Pool • Watersports • Horse Riding • Walking/Hiking Paths • Romantic • Historical Sites • Tennis Nearby • Villa • Cycling • Wine Tasting • Scuba Diving • Fishing • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Boat Trips • Walk to Beach • Cots (Cribs) • Wow Factor • Beach Nearby • <1hr to Airport • Parking Space • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Seaview • Seafront • On-Street Parking • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Forest park/High-rope course • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds

House Interiors (220m2)

Main House

Ground Floor

- Lounge with doors opening out to terrace with sea view
- Kitchen-diner, well-equipped
- WC
- Conservatory-style summer room with doors opening out to terrace with sea view

First Floor

- Bedroom with double bed, air-conditioning and en suite bathroom with WC
- Bedroom with double bed and air-conditioning
- Bedroom with double bed
- Bedroom with two single beds
- 2 x bathrooms (one WC)

Independent Annexed Bedrooms (located off a terrace)

- Studio-style bedroom with double bed, kitchenette and bathroom
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Outside Grounds (2500m2)

- Swimming pool (15x2m)
- Sea-view terrace with sun-loungers
- Al-fresco dining table and chairs
- Barbecue
- Outdoor seating
- Mediterranean garden with terraced levels (with steps and low walls)
- Access to the coastal walking path and small cove
- Private parking (two small cars)

Facilities

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



Location & Local Information

Set in its Mediterranean gardens perched above the sea, this is truly a breathtaking setting only 5km from the heart of Toulon. Fly into Toulon Hyères Airport (18km) or you may prefer Marseille Provence Airport (95km), just over an hour away by car. Meanwhile, if arriving by train, Gare de Toulon (5.5km) has TGV arrivals from Paris (Paris to Toulon takes just under 4 hours by fast-speed train).

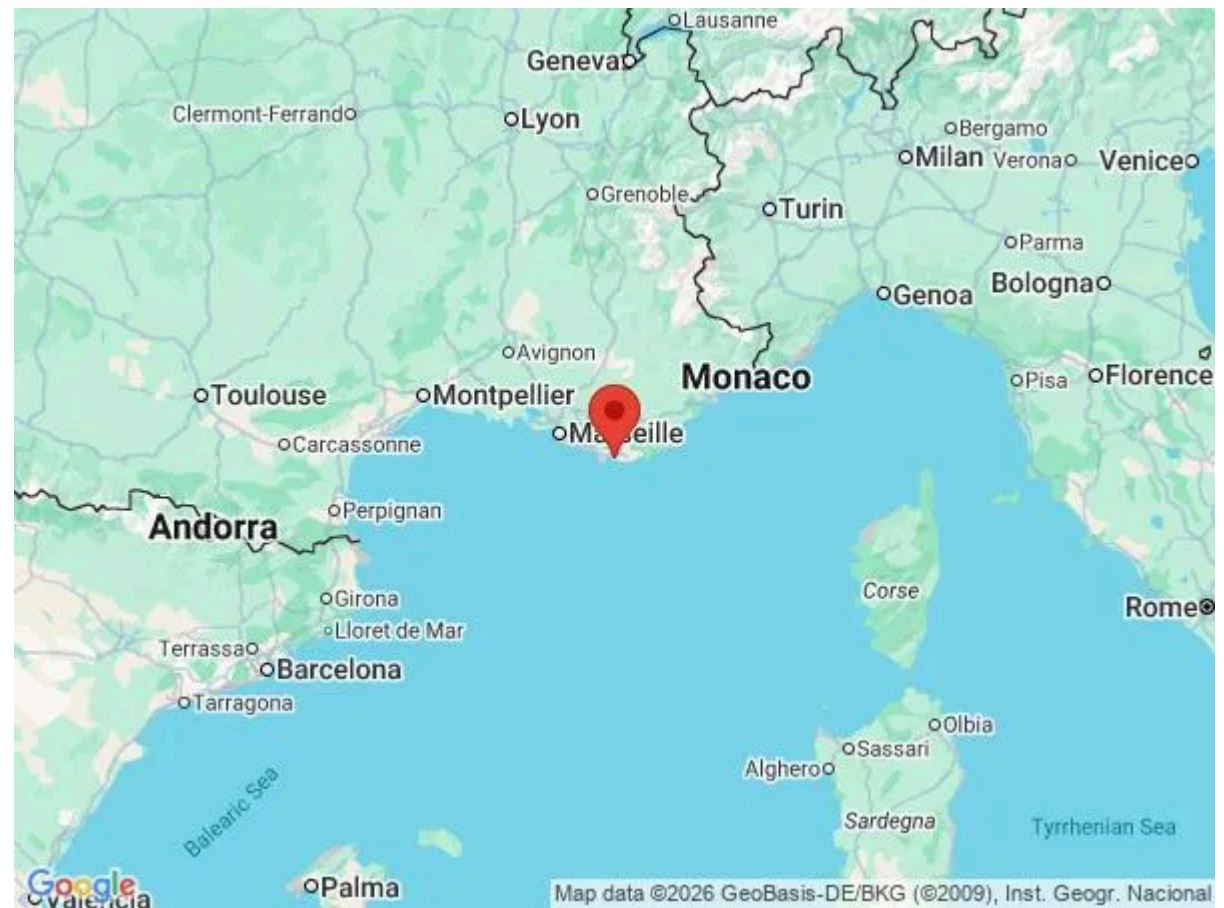
Between the sea and the house (with direct access from the grounds) is the much-loved coastal walking trail, Le Sentier du Littoral, and a small rocky cove below via steps (around 30m on foot). In the other direction you can stroll around 400m to a popular seafront restaurant in a tiny former fishing village. Check opening times/dates in advance - in the summer it is usually open daily for lunch as well as Friday/Saturday evenings.

Once Toulon's fishing neighbourhood, Mourillon is around 2.5km by car (or experienced walkers can follow the coastal hiking trail). Here you will find inviting restaurants, cafes, shops, a daily market (except Mondays) and a blue-flag sandy beach with seasonal watersports and other summer activities. This is an especially lovely place for families with its summer seaside ambience.

Food-lovers should visit the maritime city of Toulon (5km) with its daily morning market, gourmet food hall and great choice of restaurants. Visit the city's museums, explore the harbour by boat, admire Toulon's charming old town and take the cable car to the top of Mont Faron for fantastic views of the city and its coastline.

In the other direction is the pretty port of Carqueiranne (10.5km), the windsurfing beaches and bird-watching of the Giens peninsula and the charming French town of Hyères (20km). Another wonderful day out is the idyllic island, Île de Porquerolles, reached via ferry from La Tour Fondue or Toulon – hire bikes on the island to discover the gorgeous natural landscapes and beaches.

A little further afield, spend the day soaking up the



glamour of Saint-Tropez (69km), dine in an exclusive beach club at Plage de Pampelonne (73km) or try the wines of La Croix Valmer (66km), an area also known for its pristine beaches and coastal walking.

Wine enthusiasts should also try the wines of Bandol (25km) or venture to the vineyards near Cassis (52km), a picture-perfect fishing village on the edge of the Parc National des Calanques, a paradise for keen hikers.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Toulon Hyères Airport (18km)
Nearest Airport 2	Marseille Provence Airport (95km)
Nearest Train Station	Gare de Toulon (5.5km)
Nearest Beach	Small cove via steps and walking path (30m)
Nearest Restaurant	Seafront restaurant (seasonal opening) (400m)
Nearest Supermarket	(3km)
Nearest City	Toulon (5km)
Nearest Golf	Golf de Valgarde (7.5km)
Nearest Tennis	Tennis Club Du Littoral (4km)

What we love

- You can almost touch the sea from here – the Mediterranean vistas are incredible
- Embrace the beauty and charm of the garden with citrus trees, century-old pines and olive trees
- A little gate leads down to Le Sentier du Littoral coastal walking path and a cove below for swimming in the crystal-clear sea
- You can also walk to a popular restaurant serving catch of the day by the edge of the sea
- Hike along the coastal path to Toulon's charming seaside neighbourhood of Mourillon with its restaurants, market and blue-flag sandy beach and summer watersports

What you should know...

- The house sleeps up to 12 guests across four bedrooms in the main villa and two separate studio-style bedrooms located off a pretty terrace.
- Air-conditioning is only featured in two of the bedrooms.
- Guests need to be able to manage the many characterful old steps and terraced grounds (children should be supervised outside).
- 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.n.
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** A cot and highchair are available on request. Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges. 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. Air-conditioning is only featured in two bedrooms.
- **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. All other durations on request.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax payable locally (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.