Villa Les Fortunes

Region: Provence-Alpes **Sleeps:** 6

Overview

It's simply idyllic sitting out on your terrace within the landscaped garden making the most of the glorious views of the Luberon countryside. This beautifully restored farmhouse is surrounded by vineyards and within walking distance to medieval Ansouis, classified as one of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*'.

Embrace the essence of Provence during your stay at Villa Les Fortunes. It's not just the serene setting that you will enchant you but the home's characterful features such as exposed stone walls, pretty green shutters and tiled flooring. The lounge is gorgeous with its Provençal fireplace and arched French windows whilst the delightful kitchen leads straight out to the picturesque terrace for al-fresco dining beneath the pergola.

The air-conditioned bedrooms upstairs are so pretty – we especially love the four-poster bed and the bathroom with a romantic rolltop tub and elegant shower. Occasional artwork adds to the farmhouse's charm, as do the peaceful Luberon surroundings. The owners have taken such great care to ensure this is a welcoming and comfortable holiday abode.

Admire shady trees, Provençal plants, flowers and herbs across the landscaped garden alongside the swimming pool which can be heated during certain months (for a supplement). The vistas of the vineyards and Luberon countryside are magical.

Walking, cycling or driving along the country roads, picturesque Ansouis is less than 2km away, home to a patisserie-boulangerie, grocery store and a small handful of places to eat including the Michelin starred La Closerie. Head to the market on a Sunday morning and find time to visit the village's historic church and château.

There's another Michelin starred restaurant and colourful weekly market in nearby Cucuron or just sit on a café terrace overlooking the village's bassin and century-old plane trees. Not forgetting hilltop Lourmarin, another '*Plus Beau Village*' so loved for its immense character and artistic charm.

Discover the Luberon landscapes by hiking or cycling through the vineyards, olive groves and almond orchards. To experience yet more of Provence, there are so many wonderful day trips - soak up the beauty of the Luberon's iconic perched villages to the north (from Roussillon to Gordes) and the romance of Aix-en-Provence, the artistic Provençal town so loved by Cézanne.









Facilities

France250 • Cycling • Tennis Nearby • Historical Sites • Canoeing/Kayaking • Horse Riding • Exclusive • <1hr to Airport • Walking/Hiking Paths • Walk to Village • Romantic • Villa • Private Pool • Golf Nearby • Air-Con • Wine Tasting • Recommended • Fishing • Special Offer • Cots (Cribs) • Has Offer • Has Discount • Pets on Request • Heated Pool • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Pool Safety Feature • Walk to Restaurant • Parking Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Theme park • Forest park/High-rope course • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds









Mas Interiors

Ground Floor

- Open-plan living area with provençal fireplace and doors opening out to a terrace with garden and Luberon mountain views
- Open-plan dining area with doors to terrace
- Kitchen, fully-equipped, with doors opening to a terrace for al-fresco dining
- Shower room and WC (accessed via pool area)

Upstairs

- Bedroom with double bed, air-conditioning and bathroom
- Bedroom with double bed, air-conditioning and bathroom
- Bedroom with two single beds, air-conditioning and bathroom
- Small lounge area

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (9x4m). Can be heated (for a supplement) in April, May, September and October
- Poolside sun loungers
- Terrace with pergola for al-fresco dining
- Barbecue
- Landscaped garden with beautiful Luberon views

Other Facilities

- Air-conditioning (bedrooms only)
- Laundry facilities

Location & Local Information

Set in the Luberon countryside, Villa Les Fortunes is set in gorgeous landscaped gardens bordering vineyards with glorious views. It's only 1.7km up to the delightful village of Ansouis whilst Lourmarin is just over 10 minutes away by car – they are both officially classified as two of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*'.

It's a short drive, cycle ride or leisurely walk along the local roads (no pavements) to Ansouis, a hilltop village surrounded by a sea of vineyards below. The wedding scenes in Manon des Sources were filmed at the village's pretty church, Église Saint-Martin d'Ansouis, and Château d'Ansouis is also so impressive – guided tours can be arranged. The village itself is beautiful with old lanes and medieval houses whilst amenities include a couple of useful shops (a grocery store, patisserie etc) and a small handful of places to eat including the Michelin starred restaurant, La Closerie. A colourful market takes place on a Sunday morning.

There is another Michelin starred establishment in Cucuron (7km), a very pleasant village home to Le Bassin de l'Étang, an atmospheric square with a bassin, café terraces and century-old plane trees. Yet again, it is such a picturesque village to explore – head there on a Tuesday morning for the charming market.

Follow Albert Camus' footsteps in Lourmarin (12km), another picture-perfect village of the Luberon, and look out for festivities and events at Château de Lourmarin on the edge of the hilltop village. Back in the heart of Lourmarin, sit out on a café terrace watching the world go by before pottering around the little shops - don't miss the photogenic Friday morning market, one of the best in the area.

There are many wonderful walking, hiking and cycling routes across this part of the Luberon alongside canoeing/kayaking along the Durance River, summer swimming at Étang de la Bonde and golf in stunning surroundings at Golf Du Luberon (26km).









Of course, you can discover many other villages and towns including the iconic perched Luberon villages to the north (Bonnieux, Ménerbes, Gordes and Roussillon), all within a 30 to 45-minute drive. Heading south instead, experience the romance of artistic Aix-en-Provence (30km) and venture to the foothills of Montagne Sainte-Victoire to appreciate the landscapes that so inspired the likes of Cézanne.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Marseille Airport (54km)**
Nearest Airport 2	**Avignon Airport (61km)**
Nearest Train Station	**Gare de Pertuis/Aix-en-Provence TGV (8km/43km)**
Nearest Village	**Ansouis (2km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Ansouis (2km)**
Nearest Shop	**Ansouis (2km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**(7km)**
Nearest Town	**Pertuis (6.5km)**
Nearest Golf	**Golf Du Luberon (27km)**
Nearest Tennis	**Cucuron (7km)**

What we love

- Magnificently restored, experience Provençal charm alongside elegant décor
- Bordering vines, the landscaped garden is truly idyllic with its pergola, shady trees, cypresses and swimming pool with glorious vistas
- Stroll to a nearby wine château to try its highly regarded AOC Luberon reds, whites and rosés as well as visit its wine museum
- You are only 1.7km from the beautiful village of Ansouis, classified as one of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*'
- Gastronomes note there are Michelin starred restaurants in Ansouis, Cucuron and Lourmarin as well as colourful weekly markets
- Aix-en-Provence is a wonderful day out, just over half an hour by car

What you should know...

- Air-conditioning is featured in the bedrooms only.
- You can drive, cycle or walk along country roads (no pavement) to the beautiful local village, Ansouis, around 1.7km away.
- The pool can be heated (for a supplement) in certain months – please see the 'Terms and Conditions' for details.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €750 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:** 5.00 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:** Air-conditioning is featured in the bedrooms only. Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed. Cot and high chair available on request.

- **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 included if staying multiple weeks

- **Smoking Allowed?:** Outside only.

- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights - all other durations on request.

- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.

- **Pool heating charge?:** Yes, pool heating is available from April to May and September to October at an extra charge of €250/week payable with balance. 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.