

# Villa La Roque

Region: Provence-Alpes    Sleeps: 8

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## Overview

Set within a gated mature garden with fruit and olive trees, this elegant and welcoming French *maison* welcomes up to 8 guests and is perfectly located for exploring so many wonders of Provence. The house is on the edge of a tiny Vaucluse village with a medieval château and stunning views towards Mont Ventoux, not far from Fontaine-de-Vaucluse, L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue and the landscapes of the Luberon.

Villa La Roque is beautiful – you can tell the owners work in interior design and floristry with their great eye for aesthetic detail. The living and dining area is stylish with modern features alongside classic furnishings whilst the attractive open-plan kitchen is superbly equipped. Pretty French windows open out to the terrace (made from local stone) and swimming pool.

Across the air-conditioned upper floor there are four bedrooms and four bathrooms, making Villa La Roque ideal for a family or small group of friends. Three doubles (two with king-size beds) feature an en suite with Italian shower, then there is a lovely twin and separate family bathroom. Everything has been designed so thoughtfully with character, charm and modern comfort in mind at all times.

The enclosed garden is such a wonderful place to relax – you will always be able to find a shady spot for your morning coffee or evening glass of *rosé* whilst the olive trees and swathes of summer lavender add to the Provençal ambience. The swimming pool is simply gorgeous and can be heated on request (for a supplement) during certain months. Who will be lucky enough to chill out on the rather elegant day bed?

As evening nears, enjoy a little stroll around the local



village which is perched on a promontory with stunning vistas of the Vaucluse plains and famous Mont Ventoux. Saint Didier is just 4km away for small shops and restaurant terraces by the village's plane trees or head to Pernes-les-Fontaines to spot as many fountains as you can and stock up on a wealth of delicious fruit and vegetables at the Wednesday evening Farmer's market (this area is known for cherries, herbs, olives, strawberries, melons and more).

Elsewhere, visit the Sunday morning brocante in L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue, canoe along the Sorgue River near Fontaine-de-Vaucluse, appreciate the lavender fields of Sault and admire the UNESCO World Heritage sites of Avignon. The captivating scenery of the Luberon is also close by – the perched village of Gordes is 22km by car.

Discover the gorgeous countryside by walking, hiking, mountain biking and horse-riding. Keen cyclists will be familiar with this region – the challenging ascent of Mont Ventoux starts in Bédoin, around 21km away, or follow simpler routes passing fruit orchards, vineyards, olive groves and other iconic landscapes of Provence.

## Facilities

Cycling • Horse Riding • Exclusive • Private Pool • Wine Tasting • Recommended • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Ideal for Kids • Walk to Village • Villa • Walking/Hiking Paths • Canoeing/Kayaking • Historical Sites • Tennis Nearby • Ideal for Teens • Cots (Cribs) • Heated Pool • Pets on Request • <1hr to Airport • Pool Safety Feature • Parking Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • Washing Machine • Coffee Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Hairdryer • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • DVD • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Caves/Pre-historic site • Ruins • Kid-friendly excursions • Theme park • Water park • Forest park/High-rope course • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Boules/Petanque • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds

# Interior & Grounds

## Maison Interiors (230m<sup>2</sup>)

### Ground Floor

- Entrance hall
- Open-plan living area with fireplace, TV and DVD player
- Open-plan kitchen-diner, fully-equipped including microwave, dishwasher, electric oven and hob
- Laundry room with washing machine and ironing facilities
- WC

### Upstairs (with air-conditioning)

- Bedroom with king-size double bed (180cm) and bathroom with Italian shower and sink
- Bedroom with king-size double bed (180cm) and bathroom with Italian shower and sink
- Bedroom with queen-size double bed (160cm) and bathroom with Italian shower, sink and WC
- Bedroom with twin beds
- Bathroom with bath, sink and WC
- WC

*Some of the en suite shower rooms are open-plan to the bedroom*

### Outside Grounds (enclosed)

- Swimming pool (11x5.5m; 1.2 – 1.6m depth) with safety cover and alarm. Pool can be heated (for a supplement) in April, May, September and until mid-October
- Stone poolside terrace
- Wrought-iron sun loungers and day bed
- Plancha-style barbecue
- Garden table and chairs
- Shady terraces
- Boules court
- Large garden with olive and fruit trees
- Parking

### Facilities

- Fibre optic WiFi
- Netflix
- Ironing facilities
- Fans
- Pool toys



## Location & Local Information

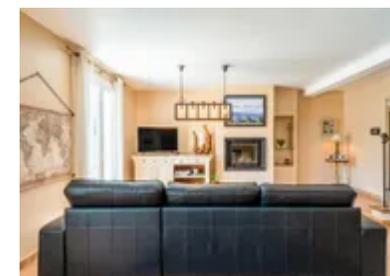
In the Vaucluse department, Villa La Roque is within gated grounds just outside a tiny medieval village close to Pernes-les-Fontaines, Carpentras and L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue. Fly into Avignon Airport (32km), Marseille (78km) or Nimes (93km) whilst fast trains from Paris arrive at Gare d'Avignon TGV (38km).

You can walk to the little village in a few minutes – after admiring the medieval château dating back to the 11th century, take time to appreciate the stunning natural surroundings from lookout points (the village is perched on a rock) including vistas of Mont Ventoux. There are some lovely walking paths from the village as well as hiking, mountain biking and horse-riding nearby.

The nearest restaurants, a grocery store and bakery can be found in Saint Didier (4km), another pretty village with beautiful houses and gorgeous surroundings. The larger Pernes-les-Fontaines (7.5km) is a joy to explore with its many fountains, 17th to 18th century houses and atmospheric Saturday morning market. This region is known for its fruit and vegetable production – look out for melons, strawberries, cherries, peaches, olives, grapes, apples, pears and other seasonal delights. The Wednesday evening Farmer's market is also not to be missed from April to mid-October.

Experienced cyclists will love being so close to the foothills of Mont Ventoux and iconic routes of the Tour de France. Bédoin (21km), a mecca for cyclists, is a good place to start the challenging ascent to the iconic mountain or you may prefer to just soak up the ambience of this attractive town. Other cycling routes up Mont Ventoux start from Malaucène (28km) and Sault (42km) – Sault is also loved for its lavender fields and distilleries.

L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue (14km) is a delightful town to visit with its pretty café terraces (some by the river), little antique stores and Sunday morning market including one of France's most famous brocantes. Fontaine-de-Vaucluse (11.5km) is known for its incredible natural beauty, hiking



trails and canoeing along the Sorgue River whilst there is a tree-top activity centre near Lagnes.

Avignon (34km) is another fantastic day out with its UNESCO World Heritage sites. You are also well located for reaching the captivating landscapes of the Luberon – Gordes and Ménerbes are just half an hour by car with Bonnieux and Roussillon just a little further.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Avignon Airport (32km)</b>
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Marseille Provence Airport (78km)</b>
Nearest Airport 3	<b>Nimes Airport (93km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>Carpentras/Avignon TGV (12km/38km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>Small Vaucluse village (Within 600m)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Saint-Didier (4km)</b>
Nearest Shop	<b>Bakery and grocery store in Saint-Didier (4km)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Intermarché Super, Pernes Les Fontaines (8.5km)</b>
Nearest Town	<b>Carpentras/L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue (11km/14km)</b>
Nearest City	<b>Avignon (34km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Golf de Saumane (9km)</b>
Nearest Tennis	<b>Saint-Didier (4km)</b>

## What we love

- Owned by an interior designer and florist with a great eye for detail, this elegant French home is truly beautiful and so well located in Provence
- The enclosed Provençal garden is idyllic with olive trees, lavender, a terrace made from local stone and the gorgeous swimming pool
- Stroll to the tiny medieval village perched on a promontory with stunning vistas towards Mont Ventoux
- Charming Saint Didier is only 4km away with its restaurant terraces, plane trees and little shops
- Pernes-les-Fontaines, L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue and Gordes are just some of the other highlights within a short drive

## What you should know...

- Air-conditioning is featured on the upper floor only.
- Pool heating is available (for a supplement) during certain months - please see the Terms & Conditions tab for details.

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €600 paid in cash to the caretaker upon arrival and refunded upon 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:** A cot and highchair are available on request.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Yes, standard changeover clean included (and weekend cleaning if staying multiple weeks). 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.
- **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.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **Pool heating charge?:** No, extra €250 per week payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment, during the months April, May, September & October. 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.
- **Stag & Hen Do Allowed? :** Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.