# **Mas Aux Herbes**

Region: Provence-Alpes Sleeps: 14

### **Overview**

Less than 5km from Gordes, this Provençal mas in the Luberon exudes elegance and character, set in the most beautiful landscaped gardens with olive and fruit trees, summer flowers, cypresses and herbs.

Embrace the timeless charm of Mas aux Herbes, a traditional farmhouse in the Luberon which has been renovated to create a stunning holiday abode for up to 14 guests. There's a calming ambience across the living and dining space with its fireplace, grand piano, tiled flooring and pretty French windows allowing light to flood in. Meanwhile, modern amenities include airconditioning, a Sonos sound system (with speakers also by the covered terrace) and an impressively equipped modern kitchen for the keenest of cooks.

The spacious en suite ground floor bedroom opens out to the courtyard garden with its trickling fountain whilst there are a further four double bedrooms upstairs, each one with its own bathroom (three en suite). The sixth and seventh bedrooms can be found in a garden annexe, each with their en suites and little terraces.

The vast grounds are simply idyllic. Enjoy relaxed meals on the covered terrace by the summer kitchen and barbecue, swim in the heated swimming pool or chill out on the surrounding sun loungers. The vine-covered pergola is another lovely spot for lunch on the long table overlooking the pool before strolling through the formal garden and joining in with a game of pétanque. In another hidden corner you will find the hot tub and ping-pong table – there really is something for everyone.

It's wonderful being only a short drive from Gordes, officially classified as one of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages'. Be inspired by Gordes' picture-perfect hilltop setting with its medieval castle, art studios, restaurants and lovely weekly market on a Tuesday morning. You are also close to the authentic village of Coustellet with good shops, supermarkets, a Lavender museum and a Sunday morning farmer's market.

Meanwhile, explore the landscapes of the Luberon as you pass olive groves, vineyards, dense forest and cherry orchards. Other iconic villages include Ménerbes and Roussillon, both within a 15-minute drive, or head away from the tourist trail as you discover the incredible scenery on hikes, horse-back tours and cycle rides.

Beyond the Luberon, visit the antique stores of L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue, the daily farmers market in Velleron, the art galleries of Saint-Rémy and the UNESCO World Heritage sites of Avignon by the banks of the Rhône.







### **Facilities**

Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Hairdryer • Cycling • Tennis Nearby • Historical Sites • Canoeing/Kayaking • Horse Riding • Walking/Hiking Paths • Coffee Machine • Villa • Washing Machine • TV • Wi-Fi/Internet • Golf Nearby • Air-Con • Wine Tasting • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Table Tennis • Private Pool • Cots (Cribs) • Pool Safety Feature • Heated Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Boules/Petanque • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Hot Tub • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Outdoor Games • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • High Chair(s) • Parking Space • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

### **Interior & Grounds**

#### Mas Interiors

#### Ground Floor

- Open-plan living and dining area with fireplace, grand piano, dining table for 10 guests and Sonos sound system. Doors open out to garden and dining terrace
- Kitchen, well-equipped including dishwasher, oven, gas stove, microwave, fridge-freezer, filter coffee machine, Nespresso machine, toaster, kettle and mixer
- Laundry room with washing machine, dryer and ironing facilities
- Office with raised workstation
- Master bedroom (located off the office) with queen-size double bed (1.6m), doors opening to courtyard garden and en suite bathroom

#### First Floor

- Bedroom with king-size double bed (1.8m), garden view and en suite bathroom with bath, shower, sink and WC
- Bedroom with double bed (1.4m) and garden view
- Bathroom with shower, WC and sink
- Bedroom with queen-size double bed (1.6m), garden view and en suite bathroom with shower, sink and WC
- Bedroom with queen-size double bed (1.6m), garden view and en suite bathroom with shower, sink and WC

#### Separate Garden Annexe Bedrooms

- Bedroom with double bed (1.4m), terrace and en suite bathroom with bath, shower, sink and WC
- Bedroom with king-size double bed (1.8m), terrace and en suite bathroom with bath, shower, sink and WC

#### **Outside Grounds**

- Heated swimming pool (13m long) with safety cover
- Poolside area with sun loungers
- Outdoor lounge
- Covered terrace with Sonos sound system
- Barbecue and summer kitchen
- Pergola with long table and chairs
- Courtyard garden with dining area, pond and fountain
- Formal garden with fountain and boules court
- Hot tub
- Table tennis
- Secured gates
- Parking beneath the trees









### **Location & Local Information**

Less than 10-minute drive from Gordes, Mas aux Herbes is in the Luberon region of Provence, part of the Vaucluse department and 35km east of Avignon.

The farmhouse is located on the edge of a small neighbourhood/hamlet around 150m from the road connecting Gordes (4.5km) and Cavaillon (13km). There is an upmarket French restaurant along this main road just a couple of minutes away on foot whilst a good selection of food shops and supermarkets can be found in Coustellet (4km) as well as a Sunday morning farmer's market and the Musée de la Lavande Luberon.

Possibly the Luberon's most iconic destination, Gordes (4.5km) is classified as one of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages'. Explore its narrow alleys with cafes, restaurants, art studios and lovely shops. Potter around its Tuesday morning market and look out for delicious local products such as cheese, honey, wine, olive oil and lavender gifts. As you explore you will soon realise how artists have been so inspired by the village's timeless charm and surrounding landscapes. During lavender season, head to Abbaye Notre-Dame de Sénanque (8km) to admire the famous purple fields in front of the 12th century abbey.

There are amazing hiking trails through the wild landscapes of the Luberon close to Gordes such as the challenging Les Gorges de Véroncle. Cyclists have a great choice of cycling routes across the Luberon including the family-friendly Véloroute du Calavon.

There are of course many other beautiful villages across the Luberon (Ménerbes, Roussillon and Bonnieux are all within a 20-minute drive) as well as wine châteaux and vineyards, cherry orchards, dense forest and some of the finest restaurants in Provence (including Michelin starred establishments).

Further afield, other wonderful day trips include the art galleries of Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (39km), the antique stores and Sunday morning *brocante* in L'Isle-sur-la-









Sorgue (14km) and the UNESCO World Heritage sites of the historic small city of Avignon (35km), around a 45-minute drive from your Luberon holiday home.

## **Local Amenities**

| Nearest Airport       | Avignon Airport<br>(26km)                                |
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| Nearest Airport 2     | Marseille Provence Airport<br>(72km)                     |
| Nearest Airport 3     | Nimes Airport<br>(78km)                                  |
| Nearest City          | Avignon<br>(35km)  |
| Nearest Golf          | Golf de Saumane<br>(13km)                                |
| Nearest Restaurant    | Upmarket French restaurant<br>(200m)                     |
| Nearest Supermarket   | Super U et Drive<br>(4.5km)                              |
| Nearest Tennis        | Tennis Club de Cabrières d'Avignon<br>(3km)              |
| Nearest Town          | Cavaillon/L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue<br>(13km/14km)            |
| Nearest Train Station | Gare de Cavaillon<br>(14km)                              |
| Nearest Village       | Cabrières-d'Avignon/Coustellet/Gordes<br>(3km/4km/4.5km) |

### What we love

- The vast landscaped grounds embrace the essences of Provence with olive and fruit trees, cypresses, summer flowers and scented herbs
- Swim in the heated swimming pool, relax in the hot tub, play pétanque by the formal garden or enjoy long al-fresco feasts with family by the summer kitchen
- The elegant living space is full of character with its traditional tiled floors, pretty French windows and grand piano
- This is a fantastic base in the Luberon, less than 5km from the heart of Gordes, officially classified as one of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages'
- There are some lovely artisan shops in nearby Coustellet and don't miss the Sunday morning Farmer's market

# What you should know...

- The main house is home to five double bedrooms whilst the sixth and seventh bedroom are in a charming garden annexe.
- 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 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?: Not allowed.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any other special events are not allowed. 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. Cot and highchair available on request.
- Changeover day: Saturday.
- 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?: Not allowed.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- Pool heating charge?: Included. 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.