# **Maison Naturelle**

Region: Provence-Alpes Sleeps: 8

### **Overview**

Pass towering pines as you follow the winding path towards this Provençal hideaway near Saint-Rémy-de-Provence. Here you are surrounded by the beauty of Les Alpilles Regional Natural park with cypresses and lavender alongside olive and apricot trees.

Set within 1.5 hectares of gardens, Maison Naturelle allows you to truly unwind from modern day life as you relax by the heated swimming pool, dine al-fresco beneath the vine-clad pergola or soak up the sun on the outdoor lounge beside the jasmine and agapanthuses.

There's a sense of grandeur inside Maison Naturelle with its spacious living area with artwork and sculptures leading through to an elegant kitchen and dining area with French doors opening out to the terrace. A traditional fireplace and wood-beamed ceiling add to the home's Provençal character whilst there is a separate TV lounge for chilling out away from the sun (air-conditioning is featured throughout the main house).

Sleeping 8 guests, there is an attractive double en suite bedroom downstairs and the striking open-sided stairs lead to two spacious loft doubles beneath the beams, both with gorgeous bathrooms. The fourth en suite bedroom is located in a pretty annexe in the garden with doors opening out to its own little terrace, ideal for guests seeking a little independence and privacy.

The heart of Saint-Rémy-de-Provence is around 5km away, an artistic town famed for its Van Gogh heritage. Wander around the old quarter's cobbled lanes, pop into little art galleries, enjoy a coffee beneath shady plane trees and dine out in excellent restaurants. The Wednesday morning market draws visitors from across the region and it's a fine way to pick up seasonal produce







for delicious Provençal meals chez vous.

Pass olive groves, vineyards, dense forest and limestone peaks as you hike, cycle or drive through the landscapes of Les Alpilles. Visit picture-perfect villages such as Les Baux-de-Provence, Maussane-les-Alpilles and Eygalières, come across Michelin starred restaurants and visit local farms to sample honey, olive oil and cheese.

You could even venture to Avignon or Arles for a wonderful day out to experience yet more history, art and charm in this authentic and beautiful part of Provence.

#### **Facilities**

Historical Sites • Washing Machine • Villa • TV • Walking/Hiking Paths • Horse Riding • Wine Tasting • Recommended • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Wi-Fi/Internet • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Hairdryer • Coffee Machine • Saltwater Pool • Rural Location • Cots (Cribs) • Private Pool • Maid Service Included • Chef/Cook Available • Maid Service Available • Butler Available • Meal delivery service • Pool Safety Feature • Heated Pool • <1hr to Airport • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Parking Space • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

### **Interior & Grounds**

#### Maison Interiors (250m2)

Ground Floor (split-level)

- Open-plan lounge with fireplace
- Open-plan kitchen and dining area, well-equipped including fridge, freezer, gas hob, plancha, oven, toaster, kettle, Nespresso machine and dishwasher
- Library
- TV lounge
- Laundry room with washing machine and dryer
- Bedroom with double bed, shower, sink and independent WC
- Guest WC

First Floor (via open-sided stairs)

- Bedroom (40m2) with double bed and open bathroom with bath, shower and WC
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- Independent dressing area

#### Garden Annexe

- Bedroom with double bed, terrace access, shower, sink and independent WC

All four bath/shower rooms are open-plan to the bedrooms.

#### **Outside Grounds (1.5 hectares)**

- Heated salt-water swimming pool (10x5m, depth: 1-1.8m) with safety alarm
- Poolside sun loungers
- Various terraces around the house for al-fresco dining and lounging
- Summer kitchen
- Barbecue
- Shaded boules court









- Olive and apricot groveLarge lawn facing the house
- Automatic underground watering system
- Electric gate

#### **Other Facilities**

- Air-conditioning (main house)

#### **Location & Local Information**

This stunning house is set in beautiful grounds with lavender, olive and apricot trees, around 5km from the heart of Saint-Rémy-de-Provence, just over a 30-minute drive south of Avignon. In a remote setting, the house is accessed via a 1.5km unmade track that winds through the hills in this glorious part of Les Alpilles.

Despite the rural location, you are only a 15-minute drive from the artistic town of Saint-Rémy-de-Provence where Vincent Van Gogh once lived. Artists are still drawn to Saint-Rémy and display their work in galleries and summer art markets.

Take time to explore the old quarter of Saint-Rémy-de-Provence with its tree-lined roads with café terraces, cobbled lanes, art studios and restaurants. The Wednesday morning market is the highlight of the week, a fantastic way to stock up on seasonal produce and other local delights. To the south of the town is the archaeological site of Glanum, not far from Saint-Paul de Mausole, the monastery where Van Gogh spent the final years of his life.

Discover the natural beauty of Les Alpilles Regional Natural park as you drive, cycle or hike past idyllic landscapes of olive groves, vines, dense forest and limestone peaks. Try regional cheeses, honey, extra virgin olive oil and wine at authentic farms and wineries and dine out in extraordinary restaurants, some with Michelin stars. Come across picture-perfect places such as Eygalières, Maussane-les-Alpilles and the famous perched village of Les Baux-de-Provence.

A little further afield, head north to Avignon (25km) to visit its UNESCO World Heritage sites or follow more of Van Gogh's footsteps in Arles (25km), a historic town famed for its artistic heritage, annual Photography festival and Roman amphitheatre. Arles is also the gateway to the Camargue for more incredible scenery in this captivating corner of southern France.









### **Local Amenities**

Nearest Airport	Avignon Airport (23km)
Nearest Airport 2	Nimes Airport (45km)
Nearest Airport 3	Marseille Provence Airport (65km)
Nearest City	Avignon (25km)
Nearest Golf	Golf des Baux de Provence (13km)
Nearest Restaurant	Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (5km)
Nearest Supermarket	Utile Saint Rémy de Provence (4km)
Nearest Tennis	Tennis Club Saint Rémy de Provence (4.5km)
Nearest Town	Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (5km)
Nearest Train Station	Avignon TGV (25km)

### What we love

- With apricot and olive trees, pines, summer lavender and glimpses of Les Apilles, this verdant setting is truly idyllic
- The interiors are traditionally Provençal with a sense of grandeur and great comfort
- Enjoy al-fresco meals beneath the vine-clad pergola before retiring to the outdoor lounge for a glass of local wine by the jasmine and agapanthuses
- Despite the remote setting, the heart of artistic Saint-Rémy-de-Provence is around 5km away

## What you should know...

- There are three bedrooms in the main house and one bedroom in a garden annexe.
- An open-sided staircase leads to the first floor children will need to be supervised.
- In a beautiful and remote setting, the house is accessed via a 1.5km unmade track that winds through the hills.

• Air-conditioning is featured throughout the main house.

### **Terms & Conditions**

- Security deposit: €2000 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?: Pets can be accepted on request.
- Other Ts and Cs: The villa is accessed by a 1.5 km unpaved track that winds through the hills overlooking the village. Cleaning during the stay is included: 6 hours/week. 3 hours on Tuesday and 3 hours on Friday. Additional cleaning is possible but at an extra cost.
- Changeover day: Saturday all other changeover days on request.
- End of stay cleaning available?: No. €100, payable locally. This is for a standard changeover clean. Mid-stay cleaning of 6 hours included. 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.
- Pool heating charge?: No charge. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax payable locally in cash (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.