

Le Mas Des Herbes

Region: Provence-Alpes **Sleeps:** 7

Overview

The owners have restored this old Provençal farmhouse near Saint-Rémy in such a sensitive manner, respecting its original character and rural setting in the countryside of Les Alpilles.

Le Mas Des Herbes is a charming holiday home for guests wishing to experience authentic life in Provence whilst also unwinding in beautiful surroundings. At the end of a row of houses, the *mas* dates back to the mid-1700s and has been wonderfully renovated to welcome 7 guests across its four bedrooms.

We adore the exposed stone walls, tiled floors and wood beamed ceilings of this characterful home. By contrast, the contemporary kitchen is so elegant and the lounge is cosy with its attractive furnishings and satellite TV. The four bedrooms are each individually styled (including one on a mezzanine level) and you can tell that this is an authentic family home.

It's bucolic outside with rosemary, thyme, oleander, cypresses, olive trees, a fountain and terraces for al-fresco dining and relaxing in the sun or shade. Escape to the pool house with its sofas, summer kitchen and dining area, then swim and splash around in the salt-water pool. Le Mas Des Herbes offers such beautiful yet rustic and relaxed outdoor space for spending quality time together.

There are walks on your doorstep along the nearby canal or pass local vineyards, olive groves and pine trees as you appreciate the landscapes of Les Alpilles. The bustling town of Saint-Rémy is just a 5km drive away with its café terraces, restaurants, shops and art galleries – don't miss the atmospheric market on a Wednesday morning.

Meanwhile, there is so much to explore across Les Alpilles



and beyond whether venturing to Arles, Avignon or Gordes or staying closer to home as you admire the hilltop vistas from Les Baux-de-Provence, try some of France's finest olive oil in Maussane-les-Alpilles or dine out in Michelin starred establishments in Eygalières.

Facilities

Tennis Nearby • Villa • Laptop Friendly Workspace • DVD • Bicycles Provided • Rural Location • Golf Nearby • Wi-Fi/Internet • Animal farm • Zoo • Kid-friendly museum • Kid-friendly excursions • Water excursions/Boat trips • Children's books • Private Pool • Pool Safety Feature • Saltwater Pool • Boules/Petanque • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • <1hr to Airport • Washing Machine • Dishwasher • Coffee Machine • Hairdryer • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Satellite TV • Parking Space • Canoeing/Kayaking • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Cycling • Horse Riding • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

Interior & Grounds

Maison Interiors (160m2)

Ground Floor

- Open-plan dining area and kitchen, well-equipped including fridge/freezer (and additional freezer in pantry), Lacanche range with gas hob, gas and electric oven, grill, dishwasher and washing machine. Doors lead to terrace and garden
- Lounge with large TV (international channels)
- WC
- Bedroom with king-size double bed (180cm), TV, open-plan shower room and access to terrace with fountain.

First Floor

- Mezzanine hallway area
- Bedroom with double bed (160x200cm) and shower room
- Mezzanine level bedroom (reached via narrow ladder-style stairs) with double bed (160x200cm) and desk/seating area in room below
- Bedroom with double bed (160x200cm) and shower room
- WC

Outside Grounds (2200m2)

- Salt-water swimming pool (10.5x3.5m, depth: 1.4m) with corner steps and submerged safety alarm
- Pool house (30m2) with sofas, dining area, fridge and tap
- Raised poolside terrace (at end of pool) with sun loungers
- Gas plancha
- Shaded terrace for al-fresco dining
- Boules pitch
- Fountain
- Bikes
- On-site cat
- Private covered parking



Location & Local Information

This old Provençal farmhouse enjoys a rural setting in beautiful countryside only 5km from the charming town of Saint-Rémy-de-Provence, almost equidistant between Avignon and Arles.

The semi-detached farmhouse is on the end of a small cluster of houses surrounded otherwise by farmland and rural countryside, around 200m from the main road that leads directly towards Saint-Rémy. You are surrounded by the sights of Les Alpilles with a small olive grove nearby and a hillside of pine trees. There are walking trails directly from the house whether joining the canal route towards Saint-Rémy-de-Provence, discovering local vineyards or hiking further south in the direction of Les Baux-de-Provence.

Saint-Rémy-de-Provence is just 5km by car with its large supermarkets, restaurants, tennis courts and other useful amenities. Enjoy a morning coffee on a shady café terrace before exploring the old town with its shops and art galleries, perhaps following the footsteps of Van Gogh. Don't miss the famous bustling market on a Wednesday morning which attracts visitors from across the region.

Les Alpilles is such a beautiful part of Provence with its hilltop villages alongside iconic landscapes of olive groves, dense forests and limestone peaks. Les Baux-de-Provence (7.5km) is classified as one of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages' whilst Eygalières (17km) and Maussane-les-Alpilles (11km) are other gems to consider with their high-end restaurants and charming weekly markets. Activities across the region include golf, cycling, horse-riding, rock-climbing, wine or olive oil tastings and farm/vineyard tours.

Artistic Arles (20km) is another fine day out with its Van Gogh heritage, Roman sites and annual Photography Festival, also the gateway to the captivating Camargue. To the east are the perched villages of the Luberon (Bonnieux and Gordes, for example, are around an hour away) or head north to Avignon (25km) to admire the two UNESCO



World Heritage sites, Le Palais des Papes and Le Pont d'Avignon.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Avignon (25km)
Nearest Airport 2	Nimes Airport (39km)
Nearest Airport 3	Marseille Airport (65km)
Nearest Train Station	Avignon TGV (22km)
Nearest Town	Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (5km)
Nearest Restaurant	In and around Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (Within 5km)
Nearest Supermarket	Intermarché Super Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (5km)
Nearest City	Avignon (25km)
Nearest Tennis	Tennis Club Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (6km)
Nearest Golf	Golf des Baux de Provence (10km)

What we love

- The owners have renovated this 18th century farmhouse so beautifully and truly respected its authenticity and rural character
- The Provençal gardens are idyllic with oleander, rosemary, thyme, pines and olive trees, not to mention the idyllic terraces and swimming pool
- There are some wonderful walks directly from the farmhouse, a great way to appreciate the gorgeous surrounding landscapes
- The heart of Saint-Rémy-de-Provence is only 5km away with its restaurants, café terraces, art galleries and Wednesday morning market

What you should know...

- One of the bedrooms is located on a mezzanine level reached via ladder-style stairs (not suitable for young children).
- Air-conditioning is featured in the 3 bedrooms on the first floor only. The thick stone walls keep the rest of the house cool during summer.
- There is a resident cat who lives here too.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €1500 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:** Please note a resident cat lives on site. Please note, air-conditioning is featured in the 3 bedrooms on the first floor only. Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** No. €150, payable locally. This is for a standard changeover clean. Guests should be respectful of the property and leave the accommodation in a clean and tidy condition. Any extra cleaning, laundry, maintenance and/or rubbish disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Not allowed.
- **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.
- **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.