Maison de Terre

Region: Provence-Alpes Sleeps: 6

Overview

A short stroll from the little village of Paradou, this charming villa offers a welcoming getaway with its attractive interiors and fantastic swimming pool. In the heart of Les Alpilles Natural Regional Park, this is a great location for exploring this enchanting part of Provence.

Whether relaxing in the cosy lounge or enjoying meals in the open-plan dining area, every detail has been designed to create a memorable escape. The villa includes a fully equipped kitchen with a great range of appliances, including a large fridge, dishwasher and Nespresso machine.

Sleeping up to 6 guests, Maison de Terre boasts three pretty bedrooms upstairs, each with a queen-size bed, airconditioning and en suite bathrooms (one with a bath, the other two with a shower).

Step outside, and you'll find your very own swimming pool alongside a poolside terrace for soaking up the sun. The generous grounds feature fruit and olive trees as well as a covered terrace perfect for al-fresco lunches or evening meals on warm summer evenings.

Paradou is a lovely village to potter around with its treelined streets, bakery, grocery store and charming restaurants including Le Bistro du Paradou, so loved by Rick Stein and other famous chefs.

Venture into Les Alpilles to discover scenic hiking trails, olive groves and the historic villages and towns such as Les Baux-de-Provence and Saint-Rémy-de-Provence. Whether cycling past olive groves or visiting historic sites, this captivating corner of Provence offers endless opportunities for relaxation and adventure.







Facilities

Wi-Fi/Internet • Golf Nearby • Air-Con • Wine Tasting • Washing Machine • Villa • Coffee Machine • Cycling • Tennis Nearby • Historical Sites • Horse Riding • Walking/Hiking Paths • Garage • Saltwater Pool • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Walk to Village • Private Pool • Pool Safety Feature • Pets on Request • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Parking Space • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

Interior & Grounds

Maison Interiors (142m2)

Ground Floor

- Lounge with sofa, two chairs and fireplace
- Open-plan dining area and kitchen, fully-equipped including oven, microwave, dishwasher, fridge-freezer, hob, toaster, kettle, Nespresso machine and filter coffee maker
- Office area
- Laundry room with washing machine and dryer
- WC

Upstairs (via open-tread stairs)

- Bedroom with queen-size double bed (160cm) and en suite bathroom
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Outside Grounds (2868m2)

- Salt-water swimming pool (8.5x3.5m, depth: 1.3m) with electric safety shutter
- Poolside changing area
- Poolside terrace with sun-loungers (x6) and parasols
- Large covered terrace with al-fresco dining table
- Garden/grounds with olive and fruit trees
- Garage (one space)
- Parking

Other Facilities

- Heating (ground floor)
- Air-conditioning (upstairs)
- Videophone and alarm









Location & Local Information

Maison de Terre is in the heart of Les Alpilles, around a 40-minute drive south of Avignon. The house is located on a country road within walking distance from the tiny village of Paradou with its bakery, grocery store, bike hire shop and a small handful of places to eat.

Paradou is a picturesque village that promises an authentic taste of French charm and tranquillity. This hidden gem is a haven for travellers seeking a traditional escape, where cobblestone streets, sun-drenched landscapes and centuries-old stone houses create an idyllic setting. The village is home to the highly regarded Le Bistrot du Paradou – book ahead to enjoy the changing daily menu.

There are further restaurants and inviting shops in Maussane-les-Alpilles, just 2km away. This bustling village is famed for producing some of the finest extra virgin olive oil in France – pick some up at Maussane's weekly market on the main square on a Thursday morning.

Discover the enchanting landscapes of Les Alpilles Natural Regional Park. Explore scenic hiking trails that wind through olive groves, forests, limestone peaks and vineyards. The breathtaking views are worth every step, offering panoramas that capture the essence of Provence. For art and history enthusiasts, a visit to the nearby Les Baux-de-Provence (4km) is a must. This medieval village perched on a rocky outcrop boasts a fascinating blend of history and culture and is classified as one of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages'.

Further afield, day trips include the art galleries of Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (12km) and Arles (17km) and the UNESCO World Heritage sites of Avignon (36km). Enjoy lunch in a gastronomic restaurant in hilltop Eygalières (19km) where A-list celebrities have bought houses, or venture further east to the iconic perched villages of the Luberon (Ménerbes, Gordes and Roussillon, for example) for yet more beautiful landscapes of Provence.









Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Avignon Airport (32km)
Nearest Airport 2	Nimes Airport (42km)
Nearest Airport 3	Marseille Airport (56km)
Nearest Village	Paradou (500m)
Nearest Restaurant	Le Bistrot du Paradou (400m)
Nearest Shop	Spar grocery store (650m)
Nearest Supermarket	Super U (10.5km)
Nearest Town	Saint-Martin-de-Crau (10.5km)
Nearest City	Avignon (36km)
Nearest Train Station	Saint-Martin-de-Crau/Avignon TGV (13km/33km)
Nearest Tennis	Tennis Club Du Paradou (1.2km)
Nearest Golf	Domaine de Manville (3km)

What we love

- Such an attractively designed home with warm and inviting interiors
- Soak up the sun as you lounge by the swimming pool, set in the spacious grounds with fruit and olive trees
- It's lovely to be able to stroll to the heart of Paradou, home to the highly regarded Le Bistro du Paradou (book ahead)
- Hire bikes in the village and explore the beautiful surrounding landscapes of Les Alpilles

What you should know...

- Air-conditioning is featured on the first-floor only.
- If travelling with young children, supervision is needed on the open-tread stairs.
- Car hire is needed to be able to fully explore this wonderful part of Provence.

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: 4.00 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: Mid-stay cleaning for stays of more than 7 nights is mandatory during your stay: 3 hours of cleaning on Wednesdays for a week (flat rate of 90€). For 2-week stays: 5 hours on Friday (€150 excl. VAT), with a change of bedding, and household linen. Air-conditioning is only featured on the first-floor.
- Changeover day: Saturday all other changeover days on request.
- 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?: Outside only.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights all other durations on request.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment (typically costs €1-€10 per adult per night please enquire if exact amount is required).
- 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.