

La Pierre Claire

Region: Provence-Alpes Sleeps: 4

Overview

Surrounded by olive groves, La Pierre Claire is a striking 18th-century former oil mill that captures the charm and easy rhythm of life in Les Alpilles. Set within a working olive estate just a 5-minute drive from the village of Mouriès, this wonderful hideaway blends historical character with contemporary comfort, offering an idyllic base for a family, couple or close friends to gather and unwind.

Inside, the home opens up into a breathtaking living and dining space where vaulted ceilings, natural stone and original mill machinery evoke a timeless elegance. The well-equipped kitchen is perfectly set up for preparing everything from local market feasts to simple picnics to enjoy across the Provençal landscapes.

Two beautifully appointed bedrooms offer a sense of calm and privacy, each with a queen-size double bed and high ceilings. A sleek, modern bathroom features a bathtub, shower and double vanity, with a separate WC for convenience. Underfloor cooling is another contemporary feature of this remarkable holiday home.

Outdoors, the garden invites you to slow down and savour the moment. The swimming pool is a standout feature, complete with whirlpool jets and a counter-current swim system. A pool house with a fridge to keep drinks cool, alongside sun loungers and parasols, promise comfort in every corner.

Just a short drive from both Mouriès and Maussane-les-Alpilles, La Pierre Claire offers the best of this storied region – olive groves, limestone peaks, characterful villages, superb restaurants and markets brimming with local colour. Further afield, day trips across Provence include Saint-Rémy, Arles and the Camargue or even the beaches of the Mediterranean.

Whether you're lingering by the pool or exploring the sun-drenched trails of Les Alpilles, this is a place where Provence unfolds at its most authentic and relaxed.

Facilities

Golf Nearby • Recommended • Wine Tasting • Private Pool • Ideal for Xmas/NY • Cycling • Tennis Nearby • Historical Sites • Horse Riding • Walking/Hiking Paths • Pets on Request • Special Offer • Has Discount • <1hr to Airport • Heritage Collection • Pool Safety Feature • Wi-Fi/Internet • BBQ • Rural Location • Decorated for Christmas • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Coffee Machine • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Dishwasher • Microwave • Working Fireplace/Woodburner



Interior & Grounds

House Interiors (188m2)

- Open-plan living and dining space (130m2) with original mill features and fireplace (fire wood provided)
- Open kitchen, well-equipped including dishwasher, gas hobs, two ovens, microwave, fridge and freezer
- Small secondary kitchen/laundry room
- Bedroom (25m2) with queen-size double bed (160cm)
- Bedroom (17m2) with queen-size double bed (160cm)
- Bathroom with bath, shower, two sinks and independent WC

Outside Grounds (2000m2)

- Swimming pool (12x6m, depth: 1-1.6m with whirlpool jets and counter-current feature) with safety fence/gate access
- Pool house with fridge, sink and WC
- Sun loungers (x10)
- Shaded sail and parasols (x3)
- Dining table
- Washing line
- Barbecue/plancha
- Part of a olive farm

Other Facilities

- Underfloor cooling/heating



Location & Local Information

La Pierre Claire is located in the heart of Provence in Les Alpilles Natural Regional Park, between the villages of Mouriès (3km) and Maussane-les-Alpilles (5km).

Surrounded by olive groves and fragrant garrigue, Mouriès is considered the olive oil capital of France, with traditional mills and weekly markets brimming with local produce. Stroll its traditional streets, pause at a shaded café terrace and let the slow Provençal rhythm work its charm.

Just minutes away, the neighbouring village of Maussane-les-Alpilles (5km) boasts its own unique appeal, beloved for its pretty central square, excellent bistros and the lively Thursday market. Meanwhile, Le Paradou (6.5km) enchants with its sleepy lanes and authentic stone houses, home to the famous Bistrot du Paradou.

A short drive also leads to the spectacular Les Baux-de-Provence (8.5km), a dramatic hilltop fortress ranked among France's most beautiful villages. Explore its medieval ruins and take in sweeping views over Les Alpilles. Outdoor lovers can hike or cycle through the incredible landscapes, a protected natural haven of limestone cliffs, pine forests and olive groves where golden light bathes every vista.

Nearby Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (14km) tempts with boutiques, galleries and Roman ruins, while artistic Arles (29km) opens the door to the untamed beauty of the Camargue, with its pink flamingos, white horses and wild beaches. For those keen to venture further, day trips abound - visit the iconic Pont du Gard (45km), the Roman treasures of Nîmes (50km), the papal grandeur of Avignon (34km) or the elegant streets of Aix-en-Provence (63km).

And when the mood strikes for a day by the water, head south to the sandy Mediterranean shores of Fos-sur-Mer (35km) or to Martigues (42km) where L'Étang de Berre offers lakeside strolls and family-friendly leisure.

With its rich blend of natural beauty, culture and Provençal charm, Mouriès is the perfect base to explore the treasures of southern France.



Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Avignon Airport (32km)
Nearest Airport 2	Nîmes Airport (49km)
Nearest Airport 3	Marseille Provence Airport (50km)
Nearest City	Avignon (34km)



Nearest Golf	Golf de Servanes (4km)
Nearest Restaurant	Mouriès (3km)
Nearest Shop	Spar, Mouriès (3km)
Nearest Tennis	Tennis Club Mouriesen (4km)
Nearest Town	Saint-Martin-de-Crau (11km)
Nearest Town	Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (14km)
Nearest Train Station	Saint Martin De Crau (15km)
Nearest Train Station	Avignon TGV (39km)
Nearest Village	Mouriès (3km)

What we love

- Set on a working olive estate, this former 18th-century oil mill exudes remarkable historic charm alongside contemporary touches
- Relax in the stunning living and dining space, complete with original mill features and vaulted ceilings
- Cool off in the private pool with whirlpool jets and a counter-current swim system
- Just a 5-minute drive to Mouriès and close to Maussane-les-Alpilles, with fantastic restaurants, markets and scenic hiking trails nearby
- Ideal for couples, a small family or friends seeking an authentic escape amid the olive groves of Les Alpilles

What you should know...

- Part of an olive-growing estate, there are two dwellings here – La Pierre Claire (4 guests) and La Petite Pierre (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/france/south-of-france/provence-alpes/saint-remy-de-provence/la-petite-pierre/>) (6 guests). If you wish to book both together to make 10 guests, please contact us for a quote.
- La Pierre Claire has exclusive use of the pool, unless both properties are booked by the same group.
- The caretaker/gardener tends to the swimming pool, flowers and lawn each morning between 7.00 a.m. and 9.00 a.m.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €2,000 charged to client's credit card by Oliver's Travels as a pre-authorisation at least 2 weeks prior to arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 5.00p.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:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.

 No A/C but there is a floor cooling system.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday from June to September. All other changeover days on request.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Smoking and vaping are not permitted.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **Tax:** France 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.