

Maison De La Mairie

Region: Languedoc **Sleeps:** 8

Overview

In the heart of the Minervois village of Paraza, Maison de la Mairie invites guests to experience the warmth and character of a fully renovated family home. With pretty green shutters, original architectural details and relaxed interiors, this is a place where modern comfort meets traditional village life.

Spanning three floors, the house offers flexible accommodation with four bedrooms and three bathrooms. Mornings begin with coffee around the central island or a gentle breakfast beneath the vine-covered terrace. Later, cool off in the courtyard swimming pool, unwind on a sun lounger or dine al-fresco beside the gas barbecue. Indoors, high-speed fibre Wi-Fi and Smart TVs provide entertainment and there's even table football to keeps younger guests occupied.

Just 250m from the house, a village shop and café provide fresh croissants and other essentials. A short walk leads to the banks of the Canal du Midi, where tree-lined towpaths, waterside cafés and cycling trails invite hours of easy adventure. Nearby Ventenac offers a bakery and renowned wine outlet, while the market town of Narbonne, just 19km away, is a hub of culture, cuisine and Mediterranean energy. A little further afield, the Languedoc coastline and Carcassonne are both wonderful day trips.

With its authentic charm, courtyard swimming pool and village location, Maison de la Mairie is an ideal base for relaxed holidays in the South of France.



Facilities

Pure France • Cycling • Tennis Nearby • Historical Sites • Canoeing/Kayaking • Watersports • Horse Riding • Wi-Fi/Internet • Sailing • Walking/Hiking Paths • Boat Trips • Villa • Washing Machine • BBQ • Wine Tasting • Fishing • Golf Nearby • Easy By Train • Rural Location • Walk to Village • Indoor Games • Private Pool • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Pets on Request • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • Dishwasher • Microwave • Smart TV • Table Football • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Parking Space • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

Interior & Grounds

Maison Interiors

- Living-dining area with Smart TV and fibre Wi-Fi internet
- Kitchen with central island, breakfast bar, iPod dock and wood-burning stove, well-equipped including fridge, microwave, dishwasher and gas range cooker. Doors open to vine-covered terrace
- Utility room with freezer, washing machine and table football
- Bathroom with WC, roll-top bath and sink

First Floor

- Hallway (with access to the garden)
- Living room with Smart TV, wood-burning fireplace and door to garden
- Bedroom 1 with double bed
- Shower room with shower, sink and WC
- Bedroom 2 with two single beds

Second Floor

- Bedroom 3 with two single beds
- Shower room with shower, sink and WC
- Bedroom 4 with double bed

Outside Grounds (with steps and different levels)

- Swimming pool (8x4m) with corner steps
- Courtyard dining area with parasol (close to the pool)
- Courtyard seating area with table, chairs and sun loungers
- Gas barbecue
- Vine covered terrace (outside the kitchen) with dining table and chairs
- Courtyard parking



Location & Local Information

In the heart of Paraza, Maison de la Mairie enjoys a prime spot in this small Minervois village, a short walk from the banks of the Canal du Midi, almost equidistant between Béziers and Carcassonne and less than 40km from Narbonne Plage.

Just 250m from the house, a shop and café provides essentials, from fresh croissants to local snacks, whilst there are a couple of other cafes near the Canal du Midi, only a 5-minute walk away. This picturesque waterway, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, brings a gentle rhythm to village life, where colourful boats drift past and towpaths invite leisurely strolls or cycle rides.

From your doorstep, you can explore the rich surroundings by bike or within scenic drives. Ventenac-en-Minervois (3km) is a traditional canal-side village with a bakery, post office, impressive wine outlet and two waterside restaurants perfect for a relaxed lunch. For more amenities and a taste of local life, nearby Saint-Nazaire-d'Aude (6.6km) offers bike hire (ask about bike delivery to your door) whilst the surrounding villages of Roubia (4km), Ginestas (6km) and Canet (4.5km) offer traditional eateries and laid-back cafés, ideal for soaking in the region's slow and relaxing pace.

Those with a taste for adventure can head to Minerve (21km), a dramatically perched medieval village that once sheltered the Cathars and now offers spectacular views and wine-tasting opportunities. Tuesdays are perfect for a visit to the nearby market in Olonzac (12km), where stalls brim with seasonal produce, cheeses and local delicacies. A day trip to Narbonne (19km) offers vibrant markets, Roman ruins, chic boutiques and a wide choice of restaurants — or make a day of it with a picnic by the Mediterranean at Narbonne Plage (37km).

Carcassonne (45km) and Béziers (41km), both under an hour's drive, provide striking contrasts: Carcassonne with its fairy-tale medieval citadel and buzzing summer festivals, and Béziers with its elegant architecture and celebrated wine heritage. Whether you're exploring historic towns, cycling along the Canal du Midi or simply relaxing with a glass of local wine, Maison de la Mairie places you at the heart of it all.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Carcassonne Airport (54 km)
Nearest Airport 2	Béziers Cap d'Agde Airport (65 km)
Nearest Airport 3	Aéroport Sud de France Perpignan (80 km)
Nearest City	Perpignan (80 km)
Nearest Ferry Port	Port Minervois (14 km)



Nearest Golf	Golf Pitch and Putt de Narbonne (21 km)
Nearest Restaurant	Paraza (2 km)
Nearest Supermarket	Paraza (2 km)
Nearest Town	Roubia (4 km)
Nearest Town/City	Lézignan-Corbières (10 km)
Nearest Train Station	Lézignan-Corbières (5 km)
Nearest Village	Paraza (1 km)
Sightseeing	Pont des États du Languedoc (12 km)

What we love

- A charmingly renovated village house with original features, inviting interiors and a relaxed ambience
- Enjoy breakfast on the vine-clad terrace, then cool off in the courtyard swimming pool
- There's a village shop and café just a short walk away
- The Canal du Midi is also a short stroll away, perfect for long cycle rides along the tree-lined tow paths
- Soak up the traditional way of Languedoc life as you discover vineyards, traditional wine villages and pretty markets
- Wonderful day trips include Minerve, Narbonne and Carcassonne – the Mediterranean coast is also just 40 minutes by car

What you should know...

- Despite the village setting a short walk from a shop and cafes, a car is essential to be able to stock up in supermarkets and fully explore the surrounding region.
- Bike hire is also very much recommended for glorious rides along the Canal du Midi and beyond.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €400 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:** 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:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday in July and August. Flexible during all other periods.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Standard changeover clean included in the price. 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 in July and August. 4 nights in all other periods.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment.
- **Internet access?:** Yes.
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes.
- **Beach towels included?:** Yes.