

Chateau Du Marquisat

Region: Languedoc Sleeps: 10

Overview

Set amid 60 hectares of Languedoc vines and close to the Canal du Midi, Château du Marquisat is a rare Art Deco jewel offering a refined yet welcoming retreat within a wine estate. Built in the 1920s and exuding all the charm of its heritage, this beautifully preserved French château invites guests into a world of timeless elegance, with every modern comfort discreetly woven into its graceful design.

From the moment you ascend the stone steps to its stately terrace, you are greeted by a sense of grandeur balanced by warmth and authenticity. Inside, generous rooms flow across three storeys, where high ceilings, gorgeous flooring and vintage furnishings set the tone. Five spacious bedrooms and four bathrooms provide comfort and privacy for groups of up to 10 guests. The main floor is designed for convivial living, with a smartly equipped kitchen, formal dining room and an elegant salon opening onto the terrace. Air-conditioning throughout ensures year-round comfort, while thoughtful touches like Smart TV, a sound system and table football add a relaxed, family-friendly feel.

Outside, the château's grounds unfold in a series of serene and playful spaces. The private pool, framed by a sun terrace and superb summer kitchen, is the centrepiece of long, lazy afternoons. Meals can be savoured al-fresco beneath the shade, followed by a round of boules or a table tennis match. The tranquil fountain with koi carp adds to the allure of the handsome grounds.

Perfectly positioned between the pretty villages of Homps and Olonzac, Château du Marquisat places you within easy reach of markets, bakeries, cafés and the shimmering waters of Lac de Jouarres. The tree-lined Canal du Midi is just 3km away, ideal for gentle strolls or bike rides. Carcassonne, with its iconic citadel and summer festivals, lies only 35 minutes to the west whilst the Mediterranean shores of Narbonne Plage can be reached in less than an hour.

Whether sipping wine overlooking the vines, exploring the medieval wonders of the region or simply gathering with loved ones in a setting of understated luxury, Château du Marquisat invites you to experience the very best of southern France in unforgettable style.



Facilities

Private Pool • Walking/Hiking Paths • Walk to Village • Horse Riding • Watersports • Canoeing/Kayaking • Historical Sites • Ideal for Kids • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Sailing • Scuba Diving • Boat Trips • Wine Tasting • Villa • Fishing • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Pure France • Ideal for Teens • Beach Nearby • <1hr to Airport • Walk to Restaurant • Parking

Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • BBQ • Rural Location • Easy By Train • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Table Tennis • Indoor Games • Bicycles Provided • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Smart TV • Outdoor Games • Table Football • Caretaker/Owner on Site • Boules/Petanque

Interior & Grounds

Château Interiors

Main Level

- Main entrance (via steps)
- Living room with leather sofa, armchairs, Smart TV, Wi-Fi, sound system and table football. Doors opening to terrace
- Open dining area with doors opening to terrace
- Kitchen, well-equipped including gas hob, oven, microwave, dishwasher and American-style fridge-freezer, leading through to conservatory with breakfast table and courtyard access
- 2 x WCs with sink
- Utility room with sink, washing machine and dryer



First Floor

- Bedroom 1 with double bed, door to two balconies and ensuite bathroom with walk-in shower and sink
- Separate WC
- Bedroom 2 with two single beds and door to balcony
- Jack and Jill bathroom (between Bedrooms 2 and 3) with WC, bath and twin sinks
- Bedroom 3 with double bed and doors to balcony



Second Floor

- Bedroom 4 with double bed, small double bed (for one person) and door to balcony. Ensuite shower room with walk-in shower and twin sinks
- Separate WC with sink
- Bedroom 5 with double bed, doors to two balconies and ensuite bathroom with WC, corner bath/shower and two sinks

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (10x5m) with shallow entry 'plage' and steps
- Poolside sun loungers
- Summer kitchen with fridge-freezer, plancha and barbecue
- Dining terrace
- Courtyard and fountain/pond with koi carps
- Boules court
- Table tennis table
- Large garden with lawn and mature trees
- Mountain bikes
- Private gated drive
- Parking

Location & Local Information

Set within a 60-hectare working wine estate between the charming villages of Homps and Olonzac, this beautiful location places you in the heart of the Minervois, just 36km from the fairy-tale citadel of Carcassonne. With views across rolling vineyards and easy access to some of southern France's most captivating villages and towns, it's an ideal base for discovering the beauty, culture, gastronomy and wine of the Languedoc region.

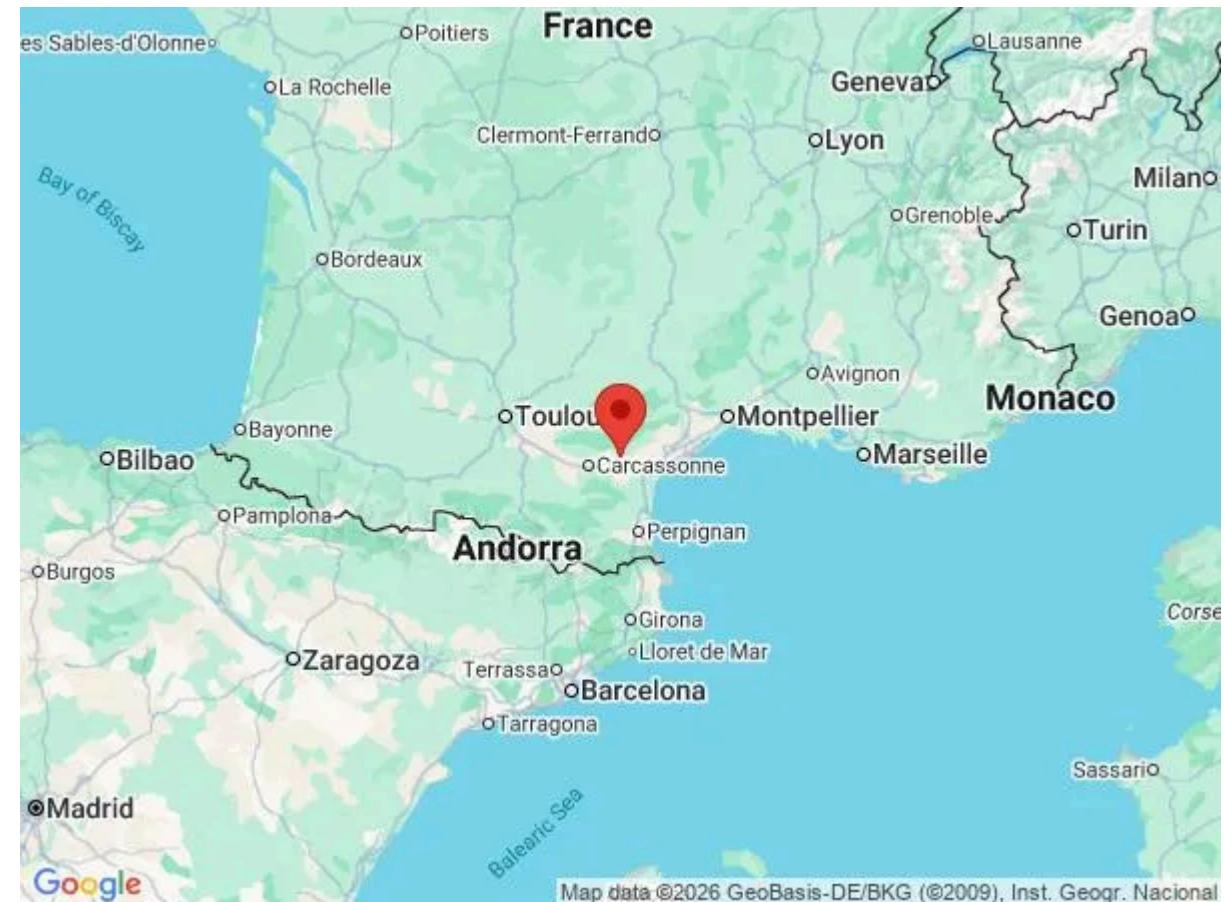
Less than 3km away, Homps is a delightful canal-side village with restaurants, cafés and a wine shop perfect for sampling local vintages. The nearby Canal du Midi, a UNESCO World Heritage site, invites leisurely walks or boat trips beneath its iconic plane trees, while bikes can be hired to cycle to other local canal-side villages and sights. Only 900m from the château lies Lac de Jouarres, a popular spot with its lakeside beach, snack bar and water-based activities in the height of the summer.

Olonzac, the 'capital of the Minervois', is just 3km away, home to bakeries, shops, a supermarket and its bustling Tuesday morning market. For those keen to sample the region's winemaking heritage, tastings at family-run domaines and larger châteaux are easily arranged in the surrounding countryside. History lovers will find the ancient hilltop village of Minerve (12km) a rewarding trip, with its dramatic gorge setting and links to the Cathar past.

For more extensive days out, Carcassonne's medieval ramparts and summer festivals offer something for all ages, while Narbonne (30km), with its Roman heritage, vibrant covered market and laid-back canal promenades, is also within easy reach. Sunseekers can continue to Narbonne Plage (50km) for golden sands and Mediterranean views. Alternatively, Béziers (47km), one of France's oldest cities, enchants with its cathedral, flower markets and summer festivities.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Carcassonne Airport (45km)
Nearest Airport 2	Béziers Cap d'Agde Airport (65km)
Nearest Airport 3	Montpellier-Méditerranée Airport (130km)
Nearest City	Carcassonne (38km)
Nearest Golf	Golf de la Barouge (57km)
Nearest Restaurant	Olonzac (3km)



Nearest Supermarket	Olonzac (3km)
Nearest Town	Lézignan-Corbières (12km)
Nearest Train Station	Lézignan-Corbières (14km)
Nearest Village	Olonzac (3.5km)

What we love

- A rare Art Deco château set on a private wine estate, blending 1920s elegance with modern comfort including air-conditioning throughout
- Stylish interiors with vintage charm, beautiful furnishings and gorgeous flooring
- Relax by the stunning private pool and cook up feasts in the superb outdoor summer kitchen beside the shaded terrace
- Families will also enjoy the table football, Smart TV and spacious garden with games
- Just 3km from the Canal du Midi and even closer to Lac de Jouarres for scenic strolls, bike rides and water-based activities
- Don't miss the famous bustling Tuesday morning market in nearby Olonzac, only 3km away
- Other wonderful trips include Minerve, Carcassonne and Narbonne or venture to the Mediterranean for a day by the beach in less than an hour

What you should know...

- Part of a wine estate, the château's owners live in separate and private accommodation on site.
- If travelling with young children, please note there is a koi pond in front of the château.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €1500 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?**: Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday from June till October. 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?**: Smoking and vaping are not permitted.
- **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.
- **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.
- **Beach towels included?**: Yes.