Le Joyau Du Berger

Region: Provence-Alpes **Sleeps:** 10

Overview

Carved into the limestone cliffs just beneath the picture-perfect village of Les Baux-de-Provence, Le Joyau du Berger is a rare fusion of elemental beauty and refined living. Crafted by the owners behind some of Oliver's Travel's most prestigious abodes, this former shepherd's shelter has been reimagined with poetic restraint, where raw stone walls, handmade ceramics and reclaimed timber meet artistic design and understated luxury. Here, in the heart of Les Alpilles, the house seems to grow from the very rock, offering a retreat that is both grounded and spectacular.

Stepping into Le Joyau du Berger feels like entering a world apart. Five air-conditioned, en-suite bedrooms unfold across three levels, with the master suite carved beneath the cliffs themselves, complete with a copper bathtub in the room. The living spaces breathe with character and calm, from the bespoke kitchen to the grand salon, where vintage seating is arranged beneath the imposing limestone rock.

Wellness is woven into the very fabric of the house. A vaulted spa beneath the rock invites long hours of repose, with an indoor heated pool and sauna offering sanctuary from the summer sun. Outdoors, the salt-water heated pool is so beautifully positioned, while evenings are made for slow dining beneath the stars, with a Japanese-style Kamado grill and a table set for ten.

Surrounded by verdant nature and hiking paths that thread into the Alpilles, the house sits just minutes by car from the centre of Les Baux-de-Provence. Lose yourself in its medieval lanes, indulge in the shade of the mulberry trees at gastronomic La Cabro d'Or, or explore the markets of Saint-Rémy and the galleries of Arles. Every experience here is shaped by Provence's timeless and romantic rhythm.



Facilities

Walking/Hiking Paths • Romantic • Villa • <1hr to Airport • Horse Riding • Historical Sites • Tennis Nearby • Golf Nearby • Air-Con • Cycling • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Private Pool • Wine Tasting • Heated Pool • Cots (Cribs) • Wow Factor • Pets on Request • Maid Service Included • Chef/Cook Available • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Indoor Pool • Instagrammable • Saltwater Pool • Pool Safety Feature • Parking Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • BBQ • Rural Location • Outstanding Landscapes • Coffee Machine • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Spa/Massage • Tourist Towns & Villages • Dishwasher • Smart TV • Sauna/Steam • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Spa Treatments Available • Transfers Available • Babysitting Available • Butler Available • High Chair(s)







Interior & Grounds









House Interiors

Ground Floor

- Bedroom 1 (31m2) with king-size double bed, desk, Smart TV and en suite bathroom with walk-in shower, double sink and toilet

First Floor

- Living room carved into rock with large sofa, bench and armchairs. Doors open to garden
- Kitchen and dining area (52m2), fully-equipped including Lacanche gas stove, dishwasher, double fridge, ice-maker, wine fridge and Nespresso coffee machine. Doors open to garden
- Hallway with guest WC and spa access
- Bedroom 2 (31m2) with king-size double bed, Smart TV and en suite bathroom with walk-in shower, double sink and toilet

First Floor Spa (57m2)

- Indoor heated salt-water swimming pool (3.5x6m, depth: 1.4m), available and heated all year
- Armchairs (x4)
- Sauna
- Walk-in shower

Second Floor

- Bedroom 3 (32m2) with king-size double bed and en suite bathroom with walk-in shower, double sink and toilet
- Master Bedroom (50m2, carved into rock) with king-size double bed, armchairs and open en suite bathroom with copper bathtub, walk-in shower, double sink and toilet. Private balcony (with stairs leading to property's gate) with sun bed and small table with chairs

Please note a fifth bedroom is due to be added by Spring 2026 – watch this space for updates and details.

Outside Grounds

- Salt-water swimming pool (10x3.5m, depth: max 1.4m) with pool safety alarm. Open approximately April to October and heated (max 29C) approximately May to September
- Poolside garden with sun beds (x5)
- Al-fresco dining table for up to 10 guests
- Kamado Japanese style barbecue
- Beautiful grounds (on different levels)
- Parking for 4-5 cars

Location & Local Information

Carved into the rugged limestone folds of Les Alpilles, Le Joyau du Berger is a rare Provençal treasure just minutes from the extraordinary village of Les Baux-de-Provence. Every handcrafted detail here reflects the natural beauty of the Alpilles, offering guests not just a place to stay, but a deep and immersive connection to Provence itself.

From your idyllic perch, the enchanting medieval streets of Les Baux-de-Provence and its chateau are only a short drive away. The village itself is classified as one of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*'. Even closer, at the foot of the village, the celebrated Restaurant La Cabro d'Or Baumanière awaits (reserve in advance).

Surrounded by olive groves, Maussane-les-Alpilles offers a more laid-back charm, with a good selection of shops and restaurant terraces, olive oil mills and a traditional Provençal market on a Thursday morning. Paradou is another delight, home to Le Bistrot du Paradou.

Adventure calls from Les Alpilles themselves - a striking landscape of jagged peaks, olive groves and cypress-lined paths. Walking, cycling and horse riding trails weave through the hills (with hiking and biking trails straight from the house), offering endless opportunities to explore. Golf enthusiasts will find two excellent courses nearby, including the prestigious Domaine de Manville. Just ten minutes away by car, Saint-Rémy-de-Provence enchants with its Wednesday morning market, Roman ruins and a buzzing arts scene inspired by Van Gogh's legacy.

Further afield, the cobbled lanes and Roman wonders of Arles and Nîmes make for perfect day trips, while Avignon's Papal Palace and festival spirit are just under an hour away. For a wilder experience, the Camargue's salt flats, flamingos and wide open skies are within easy reach. Alternatively, discover the charm of Eygalières, the hilltop beauty of Gordes or L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue, famous for its antiques and canals.

With private jet access via Avignon, Nîmes or Aix-en-Provence, Le Joyau du Berger is perfectly placed for a discreet and high-end escape into the heart of Provence where beautiful landscapes, gourmet pleasures and cultural gems await just beyond your doorstep.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Avignon Airport (31km)**
Nearest Airport 2	**Nîmes Airport (42km)**
Nearest Airport 3	**Marseille Provence Airport (68km)**
Nearest City	**Avignon (37km)**









Nearest Golf	**Domaine de Manville (2km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Les Baux-de-Provence (Within 1.5km)**
Nearest Shop	**Les Baux-de-Provence/Maussane-les-Alpilles (1.5km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (11.5km)**
Nearest Tennis	**Maussane-les-Alpilles (3km)**
Nearest Town	**Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (11km)**
Nearest Train Station	**Tarascon/Gare d'Avignon TGV (17km/28km)**
Nearest Village	**Les Baux-de-Provence (2km)**

What we love

- A spectacular retreat, seamlessly carved into the limestone beneath Les Baux-de-Provence
- Stunningly beautiful interiors blend raw stone, reclaimed timber and artisan design for a truly atmospheric stay
- Unwind in the vast lounge beneath the rock of spend time in the spa with a heated indoor pool and sauna
- Soak up the surrounding nature as you swim in the outdoor heated pool and dine under the stars with a Kamado grill
- Just a short drive from the medieval charm of Les Baux-de-Provence or follow hiking and biking trails through Les Alpilles straight from the house
- Explore other wonderful parts of Provence from the art galleries of Saint-Rémy to Arles' Roman sites

What you should know...

- Please note a fifth bedroom is due to be added by Spring 2026 – watch this space for updates and details.
- This is a beautiful and unique setting, carved into the rock – small children will need to be supervised across the different levels (inside and out).

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €10000 charged to client's credit card by the owner as a pre-authorisation one month before/upon 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, changed once for stays over 7 nights.

- **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 between June and September. Flexible during the rest of year.

- **End of stay cleaning:** 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.

- **Other Cleaning:** 4 hours of daily cleaning included in rental price.

- **Smoking Allowed?:** Outside only.

- **Other 2:** A cot and high chair are available on request.

- **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 between June and September. 3 nights during the rest of the year.

- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.

- **Pool heating charge?:** Included from May to September. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.

- **Tax:** 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, changed once for stays over 7 nights.

- **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.