

Le Mas Clairette

Region: Languedoc Sleeps: 8

Overview

Soft light filters through century-old trees as you arrive at Le Mas Clairette, where the rhythm of the Languedoc unfolds at an easy, unhurried pace. This historic *mas* blends its countryside heritage with thoughtful modern comforts, creating a home that feels both refined and deeply welcoming. Its village setting in the Minervois countryside, less than half an hour from Carcassonne, makes it a wonderful place to stay in southern France.

At its heart, the kitchen and dining area is bright and generous, with garden views and a central island designed for shared cooking and conversation. The ground floor also offers a series of inviting living spaces, from a cosy library-lined sitting room with an open fireplace to a striking billiard room complete with a full-size snooker table and bar. The impressively renovated *Écurie* adds another dimension, with its baby Grand piano, projector and drop-down screen for movies as well as comfortable seating, all opening directly onto the garden.

Upstairs, three bedrooms offer character and comfort, including a master double with exposed beams, a claw-foot bath beneath a skylight and a private dressing area, while a separate mezzanine bedroom above the snooker room provides a charming, tucked-away retreat with its exposed beams, sofa and TV.

Outside, the gorgeous swimming pool awaits, while deck chairs can be moved to follow the sun throughout the day. Olive trees, a pergola and a covered poolside dining and lounge area create a variety of spaces to unwind whilst another terrace sits just beyond the kitchen, perfectly positioned for long lunches in the dappled shade. The enclosed garden ensures privacy, with additional touches such as a games area and shaded parking enhancing the experience.

Set on the edge of Laure-Minervois, the house enjoys easy access to village life, with a local shop, butchers and chemist just a short walk away. The surrounding Languedoc region offers vineyard visits, cycling beside the Canal du Midi and historic towns, including Carcassonne within easy reach. Guests can also enjoy a private cellar tour and use of a tennis court at the owner's wine estate, a short drive away.

Whether gathering with family or enjoying time with friends, Le Mas Clairette offers a setting where indoor comfort and outdoor living come together with effortless charm.



Facilities

Walk to Village • Pure France • Villa • Boat Trips • Cycling • Tennis
Nearby • Historical Sites • Canoeing/Kayaking • Horse Riding • Exclusive

• Walking/Hiking Paths • Ideal for Kids • Private Pool • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Fishing • Special Offer • Has Discount • Pets on Request • Cots (Cribs) • Ideal for Teens • <1hr to Airport • Pool Safety Feature • Parking Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • BBQ • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Pool/Snooker • Table Tennis • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Games Room • Indoor Games • Tumble Dryer • Microwave • Smart TV • Outdoor Games • Table Football • Home Cinema • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Ceiling Fans • Zoo • Kid-friendly museum • Kid-friendly excursions • Wine-Tasting Available • Water park • Forest park/High-rope course • Board games • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds

House Interiors (335m2)

Ground Floor

- Main entrance hallway
- Shower room and WC
- Living room with sofa, armchairs, open fireplace and books
- Second larger open living room (Écurie) with sofas, dining area (with table for 8 guests), baby Grand piano, projector and drop-down screen, and double doors opening to garden
- Open-plan farmhouse-style kitchen and dining area. Kitchen well-equipped including oven, five-ring stove top, large two-door fridge-freezer and central cooking island
- Back kitchen/pantry with KitchenAid mixer and blender, drinks fridge, microwave, two washing machines and dryer
- Billiard room with full size snooker table, wooden bar and doors opening to garden

Mezzanine Level (above billiard room, reached via steep open-tread wooden staircase)

- Loft-style mezzanine bedroom (160cm) with queen-size double bed (160cm), sofa and TV (room features low exposed beam)

First Floor (via staircase from kitchen)

- Master bedroom with wood beams, brass queen-size double bed (160cm), ceiling fan, garden view, small sitting area, desk, hand basin and claw bath tub (in the room). Walk-in wardrobe and partially partitioned en suite walk-in shower and toilet
- Bedroom with wrought-iron queen-size double bed (160cm), garden view, ceiling fan and clothes storage
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- Bathroom with small bath (with hand-held shower), hand basin and toilet

Outside Grounds (1700m2)

- Swimming pool (10x4m, depth: max 1.5m) with pool safety alarm. Open approximately May to October
- Garden deck chairs
- Covered terrace (near pool) with al-fresco dining and lounge area
- Covered pergola
- Kitchen terrace with shady trees, tables and chairs (overlooking garden and pool)
- Barbecue
- Garden (enclosed) with olive trees
- Large covered open shed for shaded parking (three cars) and outdoor games (ping-pong, boxing bag and table football)

Additional Facilities

- Projector and drop-down screen (home cinema)



Location & Local Information

Set on the edge of Laure Minervois, a typical Minervois village, Le Mas Clairette enjoys a convenient yet private and authentic setting. It's around a 5-minute stroll to a local butcher, a small shop, a chemist and a post office. This is a superb location for exploring the Languedoc region of southern France, close to traditional villages, the Canal du Midi and the world-famous UNESCO World Heritage site, La Cité de Carcassonne.

This area is particularly renowned for its wine, and guests have the unique opportunity to experience it first-hand. The owner's family-run wine estate, set within a 115-hectare domaine just 7km away, offers a complimentary cellar tours and wine-tasting alongside use of a tennis court. It's a wonderful chance to immerse yourself in local winemaking traditions while enjoying the beauty of the Minervois landscape.

Nearby villages such as Caunes-Minervois and Rieux-Minervois provide a range of amenities, all within a 10 to 15-minute drive. Also close by is Trèbes (10km), set along the Canal du Midi and the Aude River, with a picturesque port, waterside restaurants and a couple of good-sized supermarkets.

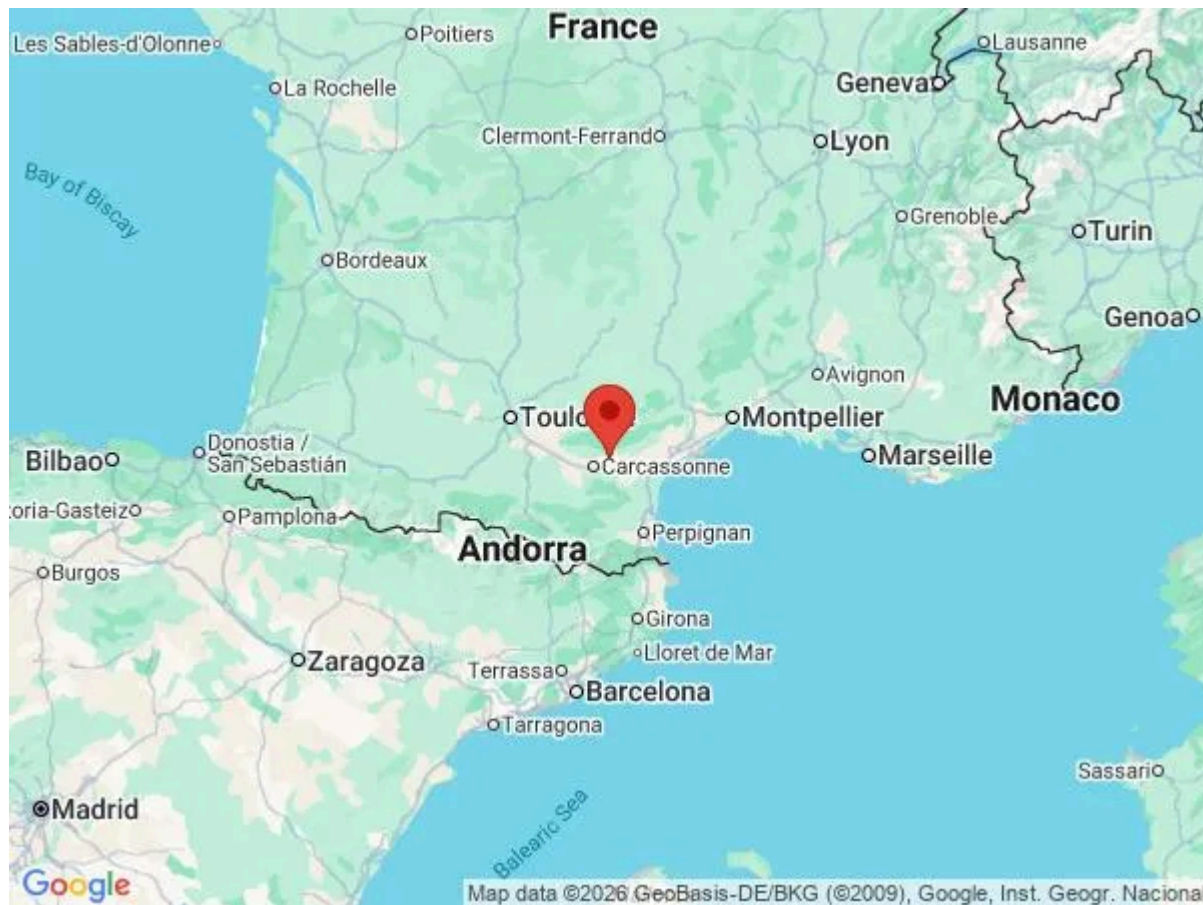
The Canal du Midi itself is a highlight of the region, with scenic walking and cycling routes tracing its tree-lined banks. Seasonal boat trips are available, and nearby canal-side villages such as La Redorte and Homps invite relaxed exploration.

Meanwhile, Carcassonne (19km) lies just 30 minutes away, offering one of southern France's most iconic historical settings. The remarkable La Cité de Carcassonne, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is a beautifully preserved medieval citadel with imposing ramparts, watchtowers and winding cobbled streets that transport visitors back in time. Across the River Aude, the Bastide Saint-Louis presents a contrasting charm, with its elegant grid layout, lively squares and inviting cafés. Together, these two distinct quarters showcase the city's rich heritage, from medieval fortifications to more classical French town life.

Blending authentic village life with easy access to cultural landmarks, vineyards and waterways, this location offers a richly rewarding and beautifully balanced escape.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Carcassonne Airport (21km)
Nearest Airport 2	Béziers Cap d'Agde Airport (84km)
Nearest Airport 3	Perpignan Airport/Toulouse Airport (107km/121km)
Nearest Beach	Narbonne Plage (67km)



Nearest City	Carcassonne (18km)
Nearest Golf	Golf de Carcassonne (20km)
Nearest Restaurant	Villeneuve-Minervois (8km)
Nearest Shop	Village shop and butchers (Within 300m)
Nearest Tennis	Complimentary use of tennis court at owner's wine château (7km)
Nearest Town	Trèbes (10km)
Nearest Train Station	Carcassonne (18km)
Nearest Village	Laure-Minervois (In the village)
Sightseeing	La Cité Médiévale, Carcassonne (19km)
Nearest Supermarket	Peyriac-Minervois (8km)

What we love

- On the edge of a Minervois village, enjoy the charm of a historic Languedoc *mas*, beautifully balanced with stylish comforts and a warm, welcoming feel
- A selection of Minervois white, red and rosé wine will be waiting for you on arrival - a case of each from the owner's family-run estate
- The gorgeous swimming pool, enclosed private garden and shaded terraces make outdoor living here especially easy and relaxing
- Older children and adults alike will love the full-size snooker table and outdoor games for laid-back entertainment at home
- Stroll into Laure-Minervois for handy village amenities, including a local shop, butchers and chemist
- A cellar tour/wine-tasting is included at the owner's wine domaine (only a short drive away)
- From vineyard visits and cycling along the Canal du Midi to discovering Carcassonne nearby, this is a fabulous base for exploring the Languedoc

What you should know...

- This beautiful village farmhouse sleeps up to 8 guests across four bedrooms – please see the "Layout" tab for full details.
- One of the bedrooms is a loft-style mezzanine overlooking the billiard room below, reached via its own wooden staircase (open-tread and fairly steep). This bedroom room features an exposed low wood beam - if you are taller than 1.7m, you will need to take extra care.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €1000 charged to client's credit card by OT as a pre-authorisation 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, changed once for stays over 7 nights.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges.
- **Changeover day:** Flexible.
- **End of stay cleaning:** Yes, including mid-stay clean if staying over 7 nights. 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. 3 nights during other months.
- **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 towels included?:** Yes.