

# Water Lily House

**Region:** Provence-Alpes **Sleeps:** 16

## Overview

Water Lily House is set within its own 20-acre estate ensuring you feel totally immersed in the beauty, peace and privacy of your surroundings. Whether strolling around the renowned formal gardens, playing tennis or basking by one of its two swimming pools, it is the perfect place to unwind and spend quality time with family and friends. Just a 10-minute drive from artistic Saint-Rémy, this beautiful residence has all the charm of a secluded paradise yet is a short drive from all the best that Provence has to offer.

The main house is a beautiful old *mas* decorated in keeping with the charm and character of the local Provencal area. The kitchen is new yet with a rustic feel and has a large *La Cornue* cooker and leads through to a traditional and intimate dining room. For relaxing indoors there is a formal drawing room with fireplace and an air conditioned lounge. All the ground floor rooms look out to the sensational gardens. The terrace is the perfect place to sit and soak up the view and the large outdoor dining table is protected from the midday sun by leafy trees.

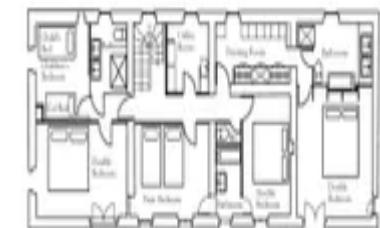
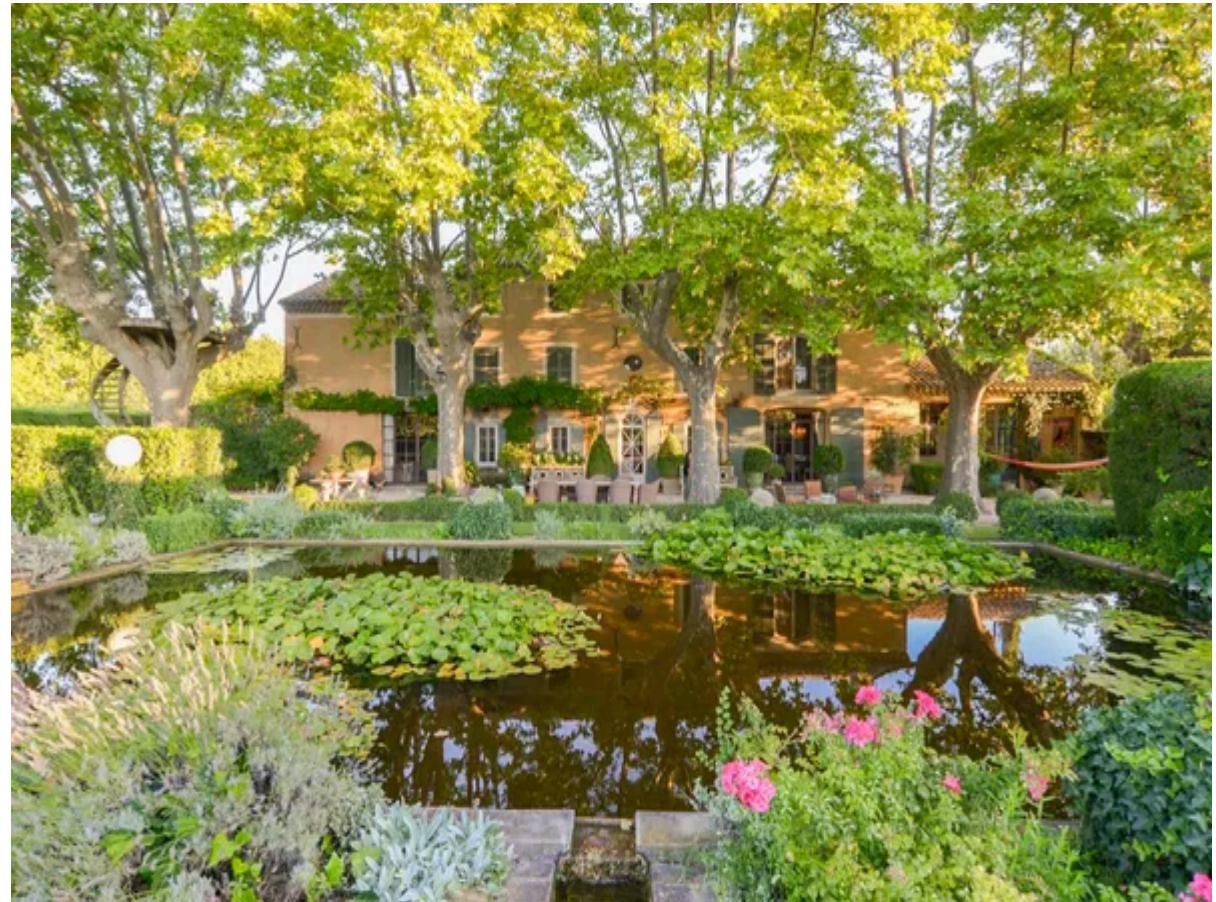
The owner has recently converted an outbuilding into a simply stunning indoor dining area where you can feast with family and friends in beautiful surroundings. Meanwhile, guests can rest well across ten bedrooms (some with air-conditioning) and seven bathrooms.

The magnificent gardens at Water Lily House are famous throughout the gardening world for their outstanding beauty and originality - they have inspired gardeners the world over. The garden is divided into separate areas each with its special atmosphere. Within the formal landscaped gardens are two swimming pools. The main swimming pool is situated within The African Garden where you can enjoy doing lengths overlooked by the lifelike giraffe and elephants.

The adjoining Pool House continues the African themed décor and has its own summer kitchen. There is a large built in Weber BBQ and outdoor dining area for days when you don't want to leave the pool. You will also find a bathroom and wonderful outdoor shower making sure the whole area is completely self-sufficient to the main house.

The tennis court is at the front of the house and can be reached from the African Garden swimming pool through a lavender pathway. The tennis court has an inbuilt basketball net and two inbuilt football nets, ensuring hours of family fun - with floodlights, it's especially great in the evening after a long summers day.

Water Lily House is perfect getaway whether you are a big family or a group gathering, there is something here for everyone!



## Facilities

Private Pool • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Air-Con • Golf  
Nearby • Ideal for Kids • Tennis Court • Historical Sites • Ideal for Teens •  
Chef/Cook Available • Heated Pool • Cots (Cribs) • Wow Factor • <1hr to  
Airport • Parking Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Easy By Train •  
Washing Machine • Coffee Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Hairdryer  
• Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Spa/Massage •  
TV • Table Tennis • Indoor Games • DVD • Bicycles Provided • Tumble  
Dryer • Dishwasher • Smart TV • Outdoor Games • Working  
Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Theme park • Water park • Forest  
park/High-rope course • Breakfast Available • Board games • Babysitting  
Available • Children's videos/DVDs • Children's books • Trampoline •  
Treehouse • Bikes • Badminton • Croquet • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers •  
Pool inflatables • High Chair(s)

# Interior & Grounds

## House Interiors (sleeps a maximum of 16 adults and 2 children)

### Ground Floor

- Hallway with large fireplace
- Drawing room with fireplace, piano and library with extensive collection of books
- Kitchen, fully-equipped including La Cornue range cooker with two ovens, Quooker boiling hot water tap, two dishwashers, large fridge-freezer, microwave, toaster and coffee machine
- Dining area (adjoining to kitchen) with circular oak dining table for 8 guests
- Lounge with air-conditioning, sofas and 85-inch Smart TV. Open-tread stairs lead up to a mezzanine-level reading nook with children's books and toys/games



### First Floor

- Master bedroom with king-size double bed (180x200cm), air-conditioning, dressing room and en suite bathroom with bath and separate shower
- Bedroom with twin beds (90x190cm each)
- Bedroom with king-size bed (180x200cm) and air-conditioning
- En suite bathroom with bath and separate WC (shared between above two bedrooms)
- Family suite - bedroom with king-size double bed (180x200cm) and air-conditioning and adjoining children's bedroom with twin beds (90x190cm, can be joined as double) and wooden cot (cannot be moved). En suite bathroom with shower
- Utility room with washing machine and dryer



### Second Floor

- Bedroom with king-size double bed (180x200cm), air-conditioning, walk-in wardrobe and en suite bathroom with bath and separate shower
- Bedroom with twin bedroom (90x190cm each)

- Attic children's dormitory with four single beds (90x190cm each) and air-conditioning
- Hallway bathroom with shower

*Garden Bedrooms (separate to main house, each one is within the gardens)*

- Bedroom with double bed (160x190cm), air-conditioning and en suite shower room
- Bedroom with twin beds (90x200cm each, can be joined as double), air-conditioning and en suite shower room

## Outside Grounds

- Main swimming pool
- Pool house with summer kitchen (with sink, fridge-freezer, microwave and dishwasher) and poolside dining area
- Outdoor shower
- Plunge-style deep swimming pool
- Terrace overlooking formal gardens with large marble table for al-fresco dining
- Outbuilding converted into dining area with Sonos speakers (next to main house)
- Built-in barbecue
- Children's playground and play area with sandpit, sunken trampoline and wooden playhouses
- Ping pong
- Badminton, croquet and cricket sets
- Boules
- Tennis court (with basketball net and two in-built goals)
- Landscaped formal gardens
- Viewing platform (via spiral stairs)
- Kitchen garden and chickens
- Water feature / pond
- Field (ideal for playing games)

## Other Facilities

- Air-conditioning (certain rooms only – see above)
- Library (books in English and French)
- Sonos music system (ground floor rooms)
- Dressing gowns and toiletries

# Location & Local Information

Water Lily House enjoys a wonderfully central position to explore the many delights of Provence, just a short drive from Saint-Rémy-de-Provence and the historic city of Avignon.

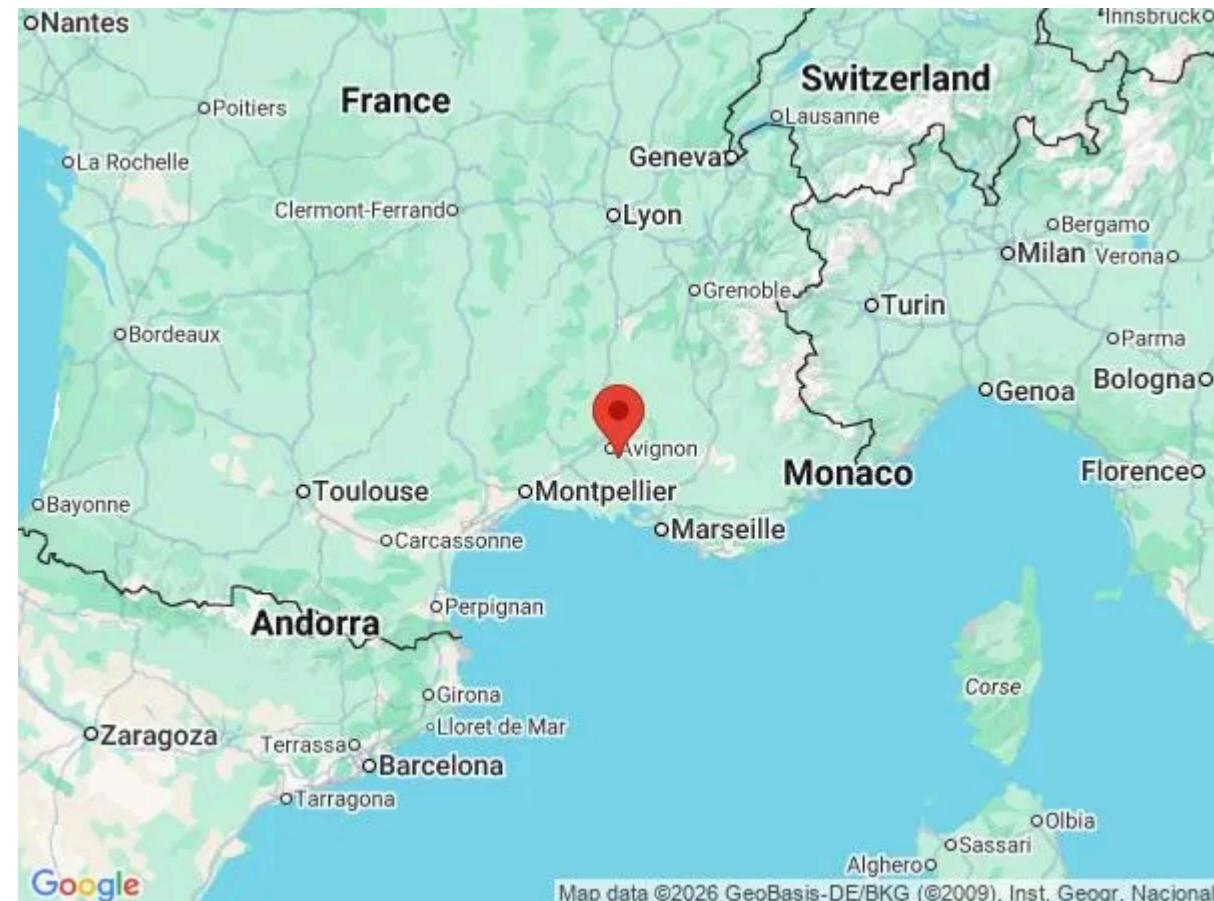
The beautiful residence and its world-renowned gardens are just over 2km from Nôves, an attractive medieval village in Provence with all essential amenities including a supermarket, two chemists and an excellent local bakery for morning croissants and fresh bread.

Heading south, Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (13km) awaits, renowned for its vibrant Wednesday morning market, artistic heritage and charming pavement cafes. Wine lovers can visit Château Romanin (18km) for a tour and tasting amid breathtaking vineyard scenery. The surrounding landscapes of Les Alpilles offer picturesque cycling routes and invigorating hikes, while nearby Eygalières (15km) invites relaxed lunches in a postcard-perfect Provençal village. For something more active, try horseback riding in the surrounding hills or tee off at one of the excellent golf courses across the area.

Art and history enthusiasts will be drawn to the captivating town of Arles (37km), with its Roman amphitheatre, excellent museums and bustling Saturday market. Equally enticing is a trip to Avignon (17.5km), where the mighty Palais des Papes dominates the skyline. Wander its medieval streets or take a scenic boat ride on the Rhône.

Heading towards the Luberon instead, explore the charming canals and antique shops of L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue (21km), a pretty town famous for its working water wheels and laid-back Provençal charm. You could even combine it with a trip to the perched village of Gordes (32km), one of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*'.

Closer to home, Les Baux-de-Provence (23km) will equally enchant you with its hilltop charm and surrounding olive groves. Indeed, Water Lily House really is your perfect



## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Avignon Airport</b> (8km)
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Nimes Airport</b> (55km)
Nearest Airport 3	<b>Marseille Airport</b> (70km)
Nearest Bar/Pub	<b>Noves</b> (Within 2.5km)
Nearest City	<b>Avignon</b> (17.5km)
Nearest Golf	<b>Golf Barbentane</b> (15.5km)
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Noves</b> (Within 2.5km)
Nearest Supermarket	<b>U Express et Drive, Noves</b> (2.5km)
Nearest Town	<b>Châteaurenard/Saint-Rémy-de-Provence</b> (8km/13km)
Nearest Train Station	<b>Avignon TGV</b> (17.5km)
Nearest Village	<b>Noves</b> (2km)

## What we love

- The spectacular, unforgettable landscaped gardens are world renowned
- Whilst retaining an authentic and traditional atmosphere, the house has recently been renovated as to include all the modern amenities
- Other superb features include the swimming pool, plunge pool and private tennis court
- A paradise for families with its many outdoor games and play areas
- 5-hours per day cleaning is included so you can spend more time relaxing
- An ideal location just a short drive from all the joys Provence has to offer
- Indeed, Saint-Rémy-de-Provence and Avignon are idyllic days out and you are well placed for visiting other gems such as L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue and Les Baux-de-Provence

## What you should know...

- The rates are for a maximum of 16 adults and 2 additional children. Please note two of the bedrooms (the attic dorm and a small single room) are only suitable for children.
- Air-conditioning is featured in the living room and seven of the bedrooms – please see the "Layout" tab for further details.
- It goes without saying that children should be carefully supervised across the beautiful and expansive grounds with the large pond.
- There are two French-speaking gardeners who work full time on site.

## Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €2000 paid to the owner and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** After 4.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** Before 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?**: Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?**: Yes.
- **Pets welcome?**: Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Advertised prices are for a maximum of 16 adults and 2 children. A/C is available in the living room and seven of the bedrooms only. See 'features' tab for full details. A non-refundable 50% deposit is required to confirm the booking (or full payment if booking within 12 weeks of departure).
- **Changeover day:** Saturday in July & August. Flexible during all other periods.
- **End of stay cleaning available?**: Yes. However, 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, August and over Christmas/NY. 4 nights during all other periods.
- **Heating costs included?**: Yes.
- **Pool heating charge?**: No.
- **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.