

Villa Amalie

Region: French Riviera (Cote D'Azur) **Sleeps:** 32

Overview

This graceful French château is in a stunning location in the Esterel National Park on the French Riviera just minutes from the beaches of the Mediterranean. With fifteen elegant bedrooms and five beautiful reception rooms, this is the perfect place for a relaxing family retreat, a special celebration or a romantic wedding.

Villa Amalie was dreamt up by Lord Amherst at the beginning of the 20th century, much of the charm and character still remains to this day such as the antique furnishings, the grand staircase and of course the lovely views from the bedrooms of mountains, forests and the sea. Recent renovations have brought the villa back to its former glory with added modern amenities such as a heated swimming pool, gym, home-cinema room and pool table plus air-conditioning and WiFi throughout. The atmosphere here is one of romance with a strong sense of history in this dreamy location.

Exclusive services are included with your stay: a security guard, on-site guardians and maid will ease your stay. A private chef or chauffeur can be arranged, a private yacht can be chartered and a whole host of activities can be organised such as art classes, wine-tasting or sporting events in or near the villa.

It is indeed the perfect place for a unique event, celebration or wedding and a special team can be made available to you to ensure every need is catered for. Up to 80 guests can be seated in the historical reception rooms or dine al-fresco in the delightful courtyard surrounded by loggias and the fountain in this magnificent setting.

You are surrounded by woodland walks with direct access to the Esterel National Park and a stunning golf course is just a five-minute drive away. Yet within only five kilometres you can be in the nearby towns of Fréjus and Saint-Raphaël by the sea, each with a distinct character. Fréjus is an ancient Roman city full of monuments, whilst there's plenty of fun to be had in Saint-Raphaël (try the Casino Barrière by the sea)! For fine dining, stop by at the Restaurant Stéphane Léger - a worthy adventure outside your heavenly villa.

Facilities

Watersports • TV • Ideal for Parties • Recommended • Walking/Hiking Paths • Horse Riding • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Wi-Fi/Internet • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Canoeing/Kayaking • Historical Sites • Weddings • Maid Service Included • Table Tennis • Rural Location • Pool/Snooker • Indoor Games • Cots (Cribs) • Wow Factor • DVD • Private Pool • Gym/Fitness Room • Chapel on Site • Chef/Cook Available • Games Room • Beach Nearby • Outdoor Ceremony • Flexible Catering Options • Allow



External Caterers • Indoor Reception Available • Babysitting Available •
On-Site Concierge • Butler Available • Security guard • Heated Pool •
Boules/Petanque • Ideal for Teens • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Wheelchair
Access • Heating • Conference Facilities • Caretaker/Owner on Site •
High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist
Towns & Villages

Interior & Grounds

Interior of villa

Ground Floor

- Three interlinked reception rooms with antique furnishings which can seat up to 80 guests for dinners and events
- Grand salon with antique furnishings and grand fireplace
- Petit salon
- Family kitchen, fully equipped, leading to al-fresco dining terrace and garden
- Professional kitchen for use during dinners and events
- Guest bathroom (with wheelchair access)
- Additional WC

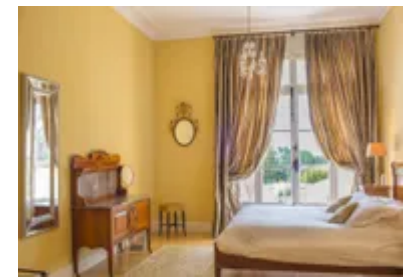
First Floor

- Bedroom 1 with double bed (180cm), en-suite bathroom and separate WC. Cloister and mountain views
- Bedroom 2 with twin beds (90cm), en-suite bathroom and separate WC. - Forest and sea-views
- Bedroom 3 with double bed (180cm), en-suite bathroom and WC. Sea and pool views
- Bedroom 4 with double bed (160cm), en-suite bathroom and WC. Sea and pool views
- Bedroom 5 with twin beds (90cm), en-suite shower room and separate WC. Balcony with sea views. Adjoins to room 6.
- Bedroom 6 (junior suite) with double bed (160cm), seating, en-suite bathroom with walk-in shower and separate WC. Balcony with St Tropez views. Adjoins to room 5
- Bedroom 7 (suite) with double bed (180cm) and open-plan bathroom, separate living room, shower room, two separate WCs. Sea and mountain views
- Bedroom 8 with double bed (160cm), en-suite shower room and WC. Mountain views
- Bedroom 9 with double bed (180cm), en-suite bathroom and WC. Forest/mountain views
- Bedroom 10 with double bed (160cm), en-suite bathroom and separate WC. Cloister and mountain views
- Office with printer
- Laundry room

Second Floor

- Bedroom 11 with small double bed (140cm)
- Bedroom 12 with 2 x double beds (a family room: can sleep 2 adults and 2 children)
- Bedroom 13 with small double bed (140cm)
- The above three bedrooms share one bathroom and one shower room, each with WC
- Living area with sofa-bed
- Roof terrace with stunning views

Garden level



- Bedroom 14 with double bed (180cm), en-suite bathroom and separate WC, private terrace
- Bedroom 15 with double bed (180cm), en-suite bathroom and WC and garden
- Gym
- Home cinema and games room

Outside Grounds

- Heated infinity pool
- Pool gardens with seating for up to 30 guests
- Cloister courtyard and loggias for al-fresco dining
- Boules
- Woodland area
- Direct access to Esterel National Park
- Ample parking
- Electric gates
- Security fences/cameras

Facilities

- Air-conditioning
- Heating
- Wi-Fi
- Sound system
- Home-cinema
- Lift
- Washing machine and dryer
- Iron
- Pool table
- Table-tennis
- Boules

Location & Local Information

Located in the Esterel mountains with direct access to the Esterel National Park, Villa Amalie is only five minutes drive from the medieval village of Fréjus with its Roman amphitheatre and charming seaside town of St. Raphael. In both places you will find some interesting shops, fantastic restaurants and a good choice of bars. Don't miss the twice weekly Provençal market in the old town in Fréjus, a wonderful place to pick up fresh local produce.

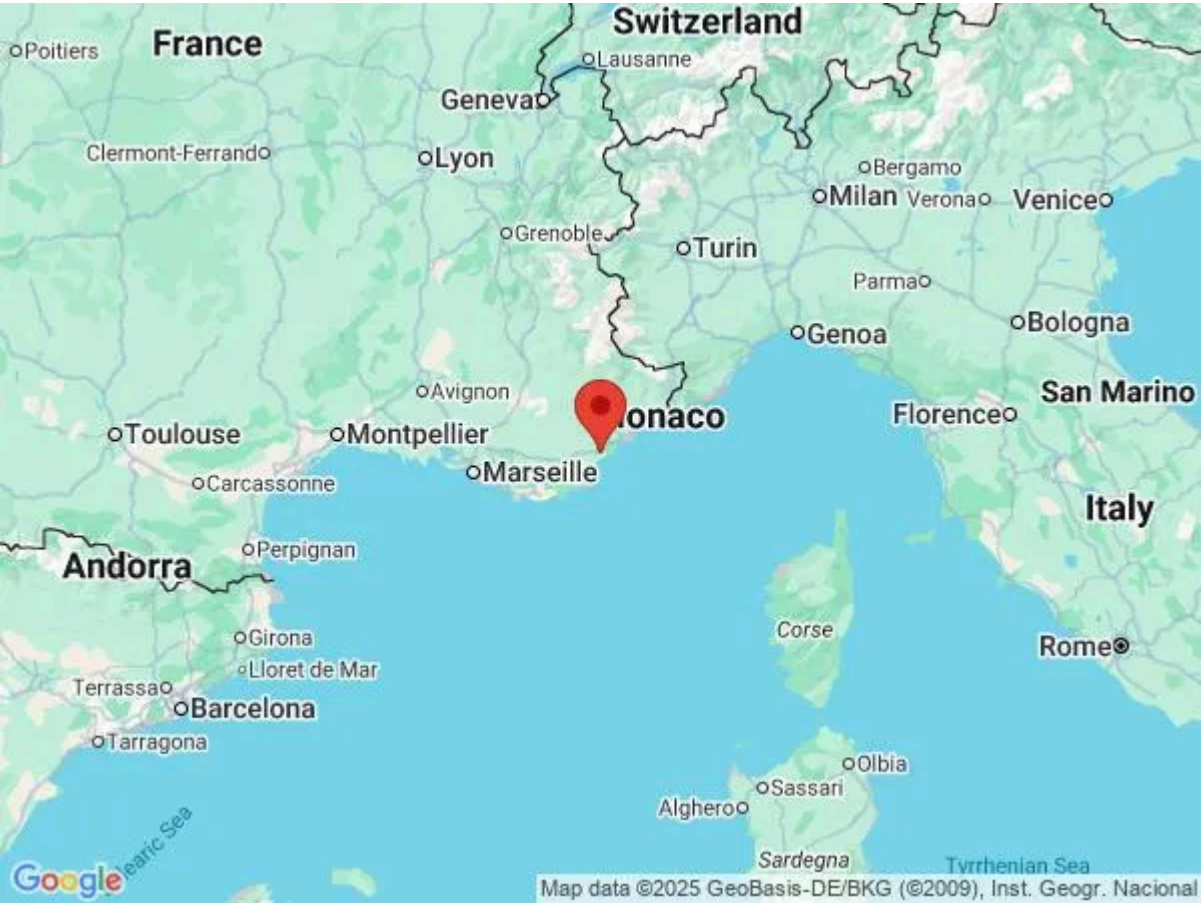
Those looking for sporting and cultural activities are in a prime location. The Golf and tennis Club of Valescure is just five minutes away by car and trekking and mountain biking can be organised in the Esterels. Sailing, wind surfing and kite surfing are available nearby at Agay Plage and St. Aygulf. Sailing trips to St. Tropez and the Lerin Islands are available daily and fishing and diving trips can be arranged.

The fashionable city of Cannes (35km) is within easy reach, here you can take a walk along the city promenade in Cannes, La Croisette, as you soak up the glitz and glamour that surrounds you. The city has a brilliant nightlife, some superb restaurants and a great choice of lovely sandy beaches, both public and private. To discover Cannes from its days as a fishing village, head to the narrow labyrinth of lanes in Le Suquet, where the fishermen and their families used to live. Nowadays it has a magical atmosphere with pretty restaurants, bars and shops for visitors to enjoy.

Other delights of the French Riviera are easily reached such as historic Grasse (45km), in the hills north of Cannes, known for its perfume heritage and fields of lavender. Alternatively, drive south to the family friendly beaches and pretty town of Sainte Maxime (27km) and then onwards to prestigious St Tropez (42km) or during the summer months leave your car in St. Raphael and take a boat or even charter your own private yacht for the day.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Nice (60km)
Nearest Bar/Pub	St. Raphael (4km)
Nearest Beach	St. Raphael/Agay Plage (5km/12km)
Nearest Ferry Port	Nice (60km)
Nearest Golf	Valescure (4.5km)
Nearest Restaurant	St. Raphael/Fréjus (4km/5 km)



Nearest Tennis	Valescure (4.5km)
Nearest Town/City	Cannes (35km)
Nearest Village	St. Raphael/Fréjus (4km/5km)

What we love

- Dreamy views of forests, mountains and glimpses of the sea from many of the elegant bedrooms
- The courtyard is an easy, elegant place for a al-fresco dining - the fountain and open terraces are simply stunning and can be set up for a special event
- There's a rooftop terrace with wonderful vistas of the sea and countryside
- The villa can offer any extra services you desire such as a private chef, butler, chauffeur or babysitter. Please see the 'Extras' tab ask us for further details and prices
- A dedicated team can help plan your wedding, event or celebration here to meet your exact requirements - see the 'Events' tab and contact us for further information and prices
- Villa Amalie was used as a set for a well known US television show

What you should know...

- All the bedrooms are en-suite except the three rooms on the top floor which share two bathrooms, an ideal space for families
- The English speaking caretakers live in a separate apartment on site and are on hand if needed
- Discounts may be available at times for bookings of smaller groups requiring less bedrooms - please enquire for further details and prices
- Advertised rates are guide prices and the final price and/or any discounts will be confirmed at the time of booking
- The owner has informed us that this property has wheelchair access. However, please contact us before booking so we can discuss individual accessibility requirements with the owner to ensure that this property is suited to your specific needs.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €15,000 cheque collected by the owner upon arrival. The cheque will be returned upon departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** Flexible.
- **Departure time:** Flexible.
- **Energy costs included?:** Energy costs are included.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Towels and bed linen is included.
- **Pets welcome?:** No pets allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** The use of the commercial kitchen and the Tower Suite is included in the rental rate but additional cleaning may be applied.
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- **Changeover day:** Any day of the week.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** End of stay cleaning is included, on the condition that the villa is left tidy and reasonably clean.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Outdoors only.
- **Insurance:** An insurance policy will be required for the duration of your stay. We can assist with arranging this.
- **Minimum stay:** 2 nights, except July and August when 7 nights.
- **Pool heating charge?:** No. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- **Tax:** French Tourist Tax is included
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes.