

Villa Paradou

Region: Provence-Alpes Sleeps: 8

Overview

This exquisite home in the foothills of Les Alpilles National Park enjoys lovely mountain views from the glorious heated swimming pool. With four stunning bedrooms and wonderful living space, it is a stylish house, perfect for a family or friends wanting to stay in this idyllic part of Provence.

Villa Paradou has been designed with style and elegance with modern furnishings, contemporary features and a great level of comfort throughout. There is a wonderful feeling of light and space across the two storey home with French windows opening up from the ground floor on to the incredible terraces and gardens. Young kids can play on the vast lawns or find shade by the surrounding trees whilst teens relax on the sumptuous outdoor furnishings by the luxurious poolside before taking a dip surrounded by great privacy and views.

Just outside the heart of nearby Paradou, you can wander down (partially along country lanes) for your morning pastries or to try out the well-regarded bistro; it's a small yet delightful village full of characterful houses and colourful gardens. This is Provence at its best, full of charm and surrounded by beautiful countryside at the foot of the Alpilles mountain range.

You are of course in the heart of this formidable area of vineyards, idyllic villages, world-renowned towns and summer landscapes of sunflowers and lavender both in Les Alpilles and beyond. Within a short drive you will find charming Mousanne, known for its amazing olive oil, and Les Baux de Provence, a unique and incredible place classified as one of France's *Plus Beaux Villages*. St-Rémy and Van Gogh's beloved Arles are within easy reach whilst mesmerising Luberon and the wonderful Camargue can also be easily visited in a day.

Whether exploring the local markets, cycling through lavender fields or hiking through the magnificent countryside, this region is sure to offer memorable activities for all ages, before returning to your beautiful contemporary home in idyllic Provençal surroundings.

Facilities

Cycling • Historical Sites • Horse Riding • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wi-Fi/Internet • Golf Nearby • Recommended • Wine Tasting • TV • Chef/Cook Available • Rural Location • Cots (Cribs) • Private Pool • Maid Service Included • Modern • Babysitting Available • Butler Available • Meal delivery service • Pool Safety Feature • Heated Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • <1hr to Airport • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

Interior & Grounds

House Interior

Ground Floor

- Open-plan living-dining room
- Well-equipped kitchen including dishwasher, electric oven, microwave and fridge-freezer
- Access to the laundry room
- Double bedroom (king bed) with en-suite shower room and separate WC

First Floor

- Double bedroom (king bed) with en-suite shower room and WC
- 2 x Double bedroom (140cm bed)
- Bathroom with bath, shower and separate WC

Outside Grounds

- Salt-water heated swimming pool (11mx4m) with pool safety alarm. Pool heating must be requested at a supplement outside the months of June - August
- Al-fresco dining terrace
- Gas BBQ
- Gardens (1500m2, enclosed)
- Private gated parking

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Underfloor cooling system
- Cable TV (no English channels)
- CD player
- iPod dock
- Washing machine and dryer
- Iron and ironing board
- Hairdryers



Location & Local Information

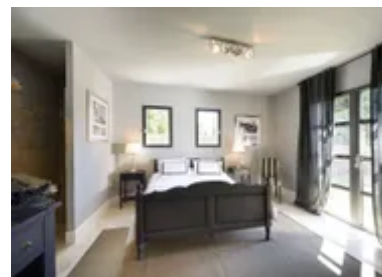
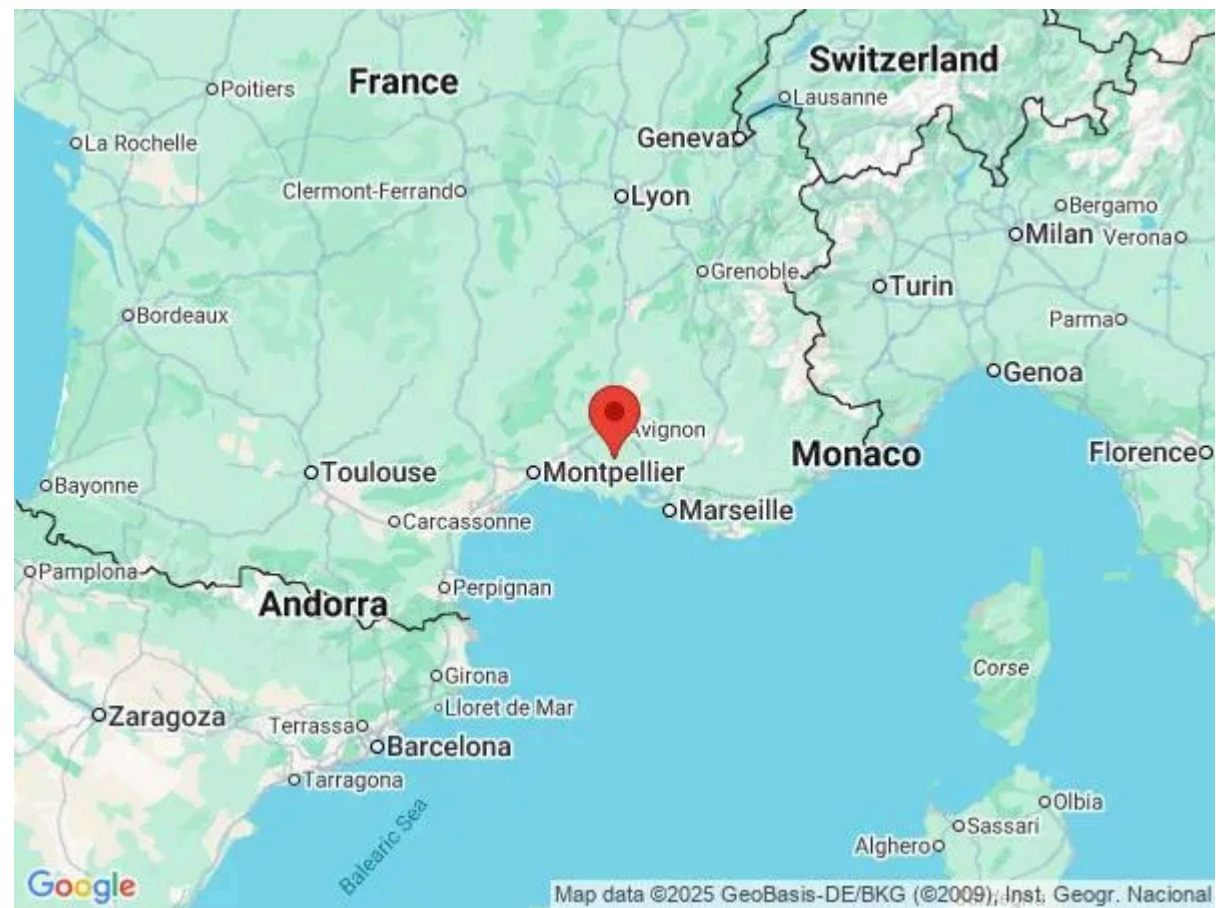
Villa Paradou is in a residential area just outside the centre of Paradou (1km), a small yet delightful village full of characterful houses, colourful gardens and an interesting museum. This is Provence at its best, full of charm and surrounded by beautiful countryside at the foot of the Alpilles mountain range.

Within a short drive you will find charming Mousanne, known for its amazing olive oil, and Les Baux de Provence, a unique and incredible place classified as one of France's *Plus Beaux Villages*. Those who are more adventurous can find some beautiful walking trails around the villages and beyond or simply head to the surrounding vineyards and olive groves to sample some of the region's fine produce from this gastronomic region.

With its rich historical past, nearby Arles (23km) is a fantastic place to visit, well known for its incredible architecture and fascinating Roman remains. It is also famous for its connections to Vincent Van Gogh who managed to paint over 500 works during his relatively short time in the city he loved so much. The city is full of museums and galleries and there is a great market on a Saturday morning. Food lovers will also appreciate the wonderful dining opportunities from pavement cafes to fine food establishments.

You are of course in the heart of a formidable area of vineyards, idyllic villages, world-renowned towns, and summer landscapes of sunflowers both in Les Alpilles National Park and beyond. Nearby St-Rémy is well known for being popular with artists, many live in the area and display or sell their works of art in the village's art galleries. The town is also famous for its many restaurants, from down to earth bistros found on pretty narrow streets to Michelin starred establishments and food lovers shouldn't miss the market on a Wednesday morning!

Eygalières, one of the prettiest hilltop villages in Provence, is also within easy reach whilst Gordes is yet another one of the beautiful villages worth visiting with stunning



architecture, set in the outstanding Luberon region, surrounded by lavender fields in the summer months.

Those looking for activity have so much on their doorstep. There is both horse-riding and golf within a short drive and both the immediate and wider area are a walkers and cyclists paradise with stunning countryside and landscapes. Older children will love kayaking in the Sorgue and there are plenty of other family friendly activities throughout the region from model railways, open castles to trekking across the tree tops and visiting a zoo.

Not forgetting the stunning landscapes and natural beauty of the Camargue, which is just a short drive away. A beautiful melange of land, lagoon and sea with pink flamingos, wild white horses, rice fields and endless wild countryside and beaches, this natural park covers 900 square kilometres of land. Endless activities can be offered from horse-riding, trekking, quad biking and jeep tours across this diverse and unique area.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Avignon/Nimes/Marseille (32km/42km/58km)
Nearest Village	Paradou (1km)
Nearest Restaurant	Village bistro (1km)
Nearest Supermarket	Grocery store (1km)
Nearest Town/City	Arles (15km)
Nearest Golf	Domaine de Manville (4km)

What we love

- This is a beautifully styled contemporary home set in glorious gardens with mountain views
- Head down to nearby Paradou for your morning pastries or try out the village bistro
- Les Baux-de-Provence, one of France's *Plus Beaux Villages*, is just 7km away
- Don't forget to sample some of the amazing olive oil produced in the immediate region
- St-Rémy, Arles and the Camargue are all near enough for wonderful day-trips

What you should know...

- Please note that published rates are only valid for the current year. Any bookings for subsequent years will be on request only and correct rates will be confirmed at the time of booking
- Please note that your booking will only be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner
- It's under 1km to the little village of Paradou; if you are walking bear in mind that the surrounding lanes and roads tend to be unlit and without pavements

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €1500 charged to client's credit card before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 5.00 p.m. Late arrivals after 9.00 p.m. may be charged a late arrival fee of €120.
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, including pool towels.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for civil liability as well as cancellations, personal belongings, public liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay. A copy of this policy must be provided to the owner minimum one month before arrival. Weddings, stag/hen parties and other celebrations are not permitted. Please note that your booking will only be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner. Please note that published rates are only valid for the current year. Any bookings for subsequent years will be on request only and correct rates will be confirmed at the time of booking.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday.
- **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 garbage disposal required will be charged against the security deposit. 2 hours of maid service also included.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Outside only.
- **Insurance:** Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for civil liability as well as cancellations, personal belongings, public liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay. A copy of this policy may be requested by the owner before arrival.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **Pool heating charge?:** Pool heating must be requested in advance at a charge of €200 per week. There is no charge from June - mid-September. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet access included. However, due to the location of the property, access may be limited.