

Maison Des Platanes

Region: Provence-Alpes **Sleeps:** 11

Overview

There is an air of romance at this 18th Century *Maison de Maitre* as the dappled light shines through the century old plane trees. In a perfect position between Avignon and St-Rémy, this beautiful manor house set in vast gardens is a wonderful home for families or friends wanting to stay in this captivating part of Provence.

Great care has been taken to retain many original features of this elegant house and the owners have created a classic look with contemporary design. Bedrooms are bright with beautiful windows overlooking the gardens whilst the living space is ample and designed with comfort in mind. Modern and antique furnishings stand side by side alongside the impressive 21st century kitchen which complements features such as the living room's grand 18th century fire-place.

Gather your loved ones outside for a long lunch under the shade of the ancient trees or simply find your own secret spot in the vast gardens filled with fig trees, oleander, lavender and olives. Colours spill out of the terracotta pots by the original well and fountain and little stone benches or deck chairs can be found across the estate. The shaded terrace along the south façade is the perfect place for your morning coffee as you chat with friends or take a dip in the inviting heated swimming pool, bordered by pristine lawns and cypress trees.

Situated just north of Les Alpilles National Park, you are perfectly positioned between the idyllic villages of the south and Avignon to the north. Visit the Sunday morning market at nearby Chateaurenard, a rural village surrounded by vast orchards and countryside. You may be lucky enough to stay during one of the village's many festivities and be sure to try the local speciality made from herbs; *liqueur de Frigolet*.



Facilities

Historical Sites • Wine Tasting • Walking/Hiking Paths • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Wi-Fi/Internet • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Horse Riding • Canoeing/Kayaking • Cycling • Hairdryer • Coffee Machine • Villa • Washing Machine • Indoor Games • Rural Location • Chef/Cook Available • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Garage • Maid Service Included • Private Pool • Modern • Zoo • Climbing • Kid-friendly museum • Kid-friendly excursions • Water excursions/Boat trips • Forest park/High-rope course • Babysitting Available • Butler Available • Meal delivery service • Pool Safety Feature • Heated Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • <1hr to Airport • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Satellite TV • Wine Cellar • Outdoor Games • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Fenced Grounds • Parking Space • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

Interior & Grounds

Interior of House (400m2)

Ground Floor

- Living room with fire-place
- Small TV lounge
- Dining room
- Kitchen, well equipped including fridge-freezer, ice-maker, electric oven, microwave, induction hob, dishwasher and Nespresso coffee machine
- Cellar/Laundry room
- WC
- Master double bedroom (180x200cm bed) with shower room and WC

First Floor

- Double bedroom (180x200cm bed) with shower room and separate WC
- Double bedroom (160x200cm bed) with bathroom and WC
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- 3 additional single beds available (2 of 90x200cm and 1 of 120x200cm beds)

Outside Grounds

- Heated swimming pool (15x7m, max depth 1.8m) with security fence
- South-facing terrace
- Barbecue
- *Boules* pitch
- Enclosed grounds/gardens (2 hectares)
- Fountain
- Well
- Small garage for prestige car
- Private parking area

Facilities



- Reversible air-conditioning (bedrooms only)

- Stereo system

- Iron and ironing board

Location & Local Information

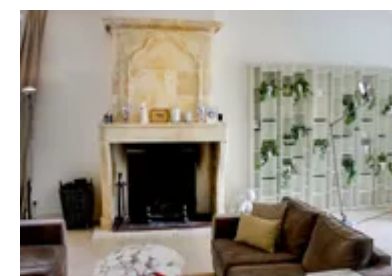
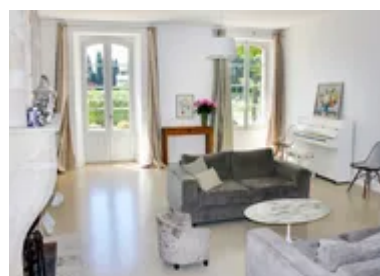
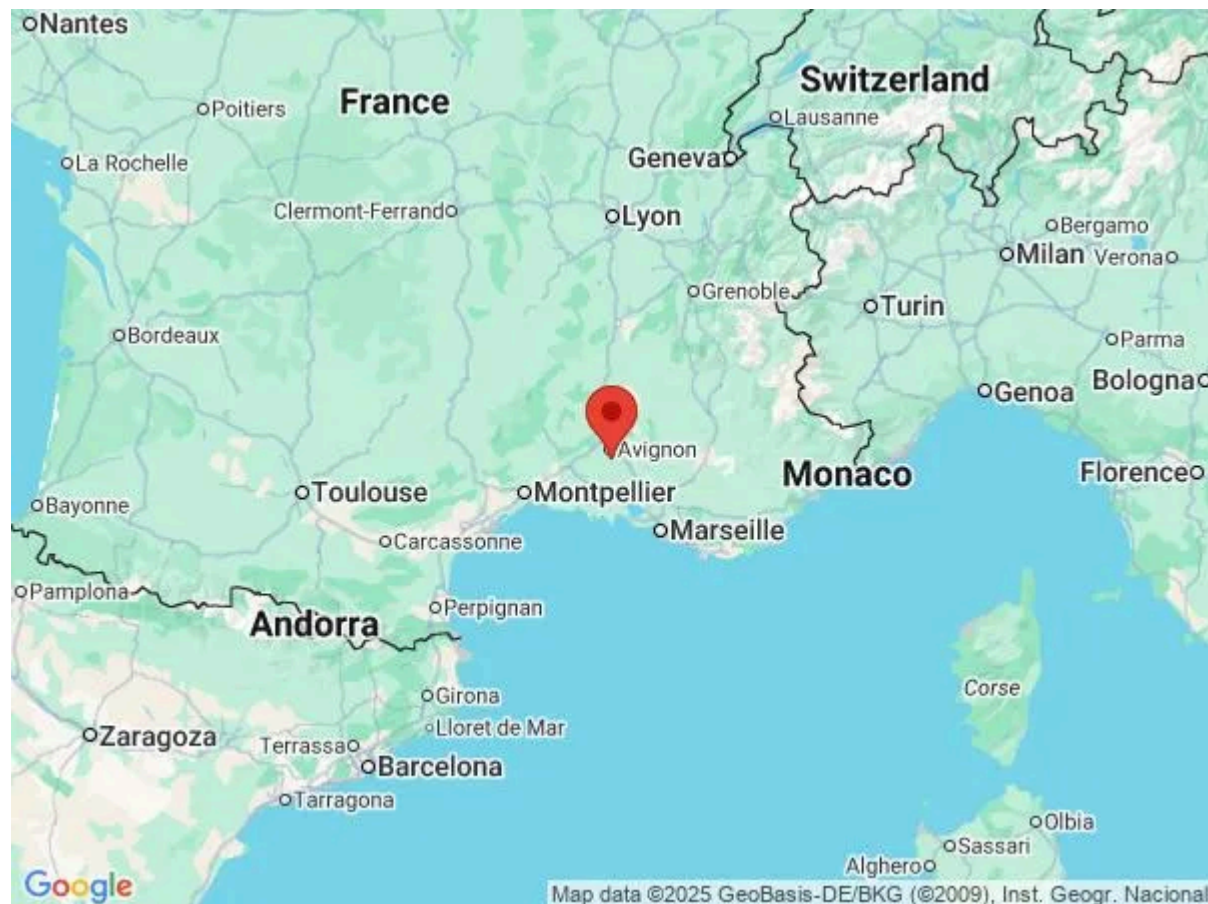
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Nearby Châteaurenard is a rural village surrounded by vast orchards and countryside. There's a market on a Sunday morning where you can pick up some liqueur de Frigolet (herbal liquor), a local speciality. This is the real Provence which is relatively peaceful yet full of charm and character. You may be lucky enough to stay during one of the village's many festivities.

The small and lively city of Avignon is just a short drive away. Explore the winding medieval streets, experience the excellent dining opportunities and visit two UNESCO world heritage sites, the Pope's Palace and Saint Benezet Bridge. The bohemian quarter of the city, just next to the Sorgue river, has more of a village atmosphere with its artists, musicians, cafes and wine-bars.

The region is in the heart of this formidable area of vineyards, idyllic hilltop villages, world-renowned towns, and summer landscapes of sunflowers. Gordes is just one of the beautiful villages worth visiting with stunning architecture, set in the outstanding Luberon region, surrounded by lavender fields in the summer months. Or head south to the heart of the Parc Naturel Regional des Alpilles and the charming town of St-Rémy-de-Provence where you can soak up the true Provençal way of life, especially on markets days.

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 along the Rhône or Sorgue and there are plenty of other family friendly activities throughout the region from model railways and open castles to trekking across the tree tops and visiting a zoo.



History lovers should also visit the city of Nîmes with its fine collection of Roman remains including Maison Carree, one of the best preserved Roman temples in the country. Just north of the city is the stunning Roman aqueduct, Pont du Gard, now a UNESCO World Heritage site.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Avignon Airport (14km)
Nearest Airport 2	Marseille Airport (80km)
Nearest Town/City	Avignon (11km)
Nearest Restaurant	Châteaurenard (3km)
Nearest Supermarket	Châteaurenard (3km)
Nearest Golf	Golf Barbentane (9km)

What we love

- The 2 hectare estate is filled with lawns, flowering pots, fig trees, cypresses, oleander and lavender as well as an olive grove
- The century old plane trees provide the perfect shade for dining al-fresco, as does the lovely shaded terrace across the south façade of the house
- Avignon is just twenty minutes by car, with St-Rémy even closer
- This is the perfect location for day trips to many places including Nîmes, Châteauneuf-du-Pape and the mesmerising Luberon

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 or their property manager
- Three additional beds can be made available to sleep up to 11 guests across the four bedrooms
- The heated swimming pool is fenced off so that young kids can play with ease in the surrounding lawns
- Air-conditioning is featured in the bedrooms only

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €3000 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.
- **Pets welcome?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
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- **Changeover day:** Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Yes, standard changeover clean included. 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.
- **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:** 14 nights beginning-mid June and mid-end August. 7 nights during all other periods.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes.