

Maison Miel

Region: French Riviera (Cote D'Azur) **Sleeps:** 6

Overview

In the stunning hinterland of the French Riviera, where you'll find landscapes of olive groves, pines, thyme and lavender, the charming Maison Miel is a delightful 3-bedroom holiday home near the sleepy village of Spéracèdes.

With rustic and homely interiors and comfortable touches throughout, this is the perfect place to relax in characterful surroundings with exposed stone walls, Provençal tiled floors and wood-beamed ceilings. A beautiful stone archway separates the spacious living and dining room whilst delightful French windows lead to an al-fresco terrace with incredible views. This is a wonderful spot for long lunches gazing out over the valley as far as the sea or feasting al-fresco under the clear sky at night.

Steps take you down to the swimming pool terrace where you can sip your morning coffee under the pergola, lounge in the summer sun or take a dip in the inviting pool. For the more active guests there is table-tennis and gym equipment outside or you may prefer to simply stop and take in the breathtaking vistas from the terraced gardens.

Set in an elevated position, you can walk to the local village where you will find a lovely café-restaurant and local bar as well as a bakery and small grocery store. Here you are surrounded by glorious villages and towns so typical of the French Riviera, from nearby Cabris and Peymeinade to famous spots like Mougins, Biot and Valbonne. The exquisite town of Grasse is only a ten-minute drive away, known for its perfume heritage and amazing fields of lavender.

The glitz and glamour of Cannes is also within striking distance as are the wonderful beaches along the Côte d'Azur. Watersport enthusiasts can try out a number of activities even closer at Lac de Cassien whilst golf-lovers have a great choice of incredible courses within a short drive. It goes without saying that this region is a walkers and cyclists paradise with amazing trails both in the rugged interiors and along the beautiful coast.



Facilities

Tennis Nearby • Watersports • Horse Riding • Walking/Hiking Paths • Walk to Village • Canoeing/Kayaking • Historical Sites • Cycling • Go-Karting • Private Pool • Wine Tasting • Fishing • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Cots (Cribs) • Ideal for Teens • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • <1hr to Airport • Pool Safety Feature • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Table Tennis • DVD • Gym/Fitness Room • Outdoor Games • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interior

Ground Floor

- Open-plan living room with satellite TV and fireplace
- Open-plan dining room with French windows leading to covered terrace
- Kitchen, well-equipped including dishwasher and microwave
- Guest WC
- Bedroom with double bed (140cm) with French windows. Small ensuite shower room

First Floor

- Bedroom with twin beds
- Bedroom with double bed (140cm)
- Bathroom with WC

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (11x5m) with pool alarm
- Shaded pergola
- Gas BBQ
- Table-tennis
- Outside fitness area with gym equipment

Facilities

- Internet access
- Satellite TV
- DVD player
- Washing machine



Location & Local Information

Lou Mas is just outside the charming and sleepy villa of Spéracèdes. You can stroll into the village (it's hilly in parts and steep access from the home) where you will find a lovely café-restaurant and local bar, a bakery and a small grocery store. Make sure you try some of the olive oil which is produced in a local mill.

There are some delightful local villages within a short drive such as neighbouring Cabris (3km), perched on the hillside and a popular place for writers and artists past and present and pretty Peymeinade (2km) where there are some lovely walks along the Canal de la Siagne. A little further is wonderful town of Grasse (6km), known for its perfume heritage and amazing fields of lavender. All around this region you have a stunning backdrop of rolling hills, olive groves and vineyards.

From many of these villages you have views down to Lac de Saint-Cassien (16km). It's only 20-30 minutes by car to the lake where there is carp fishing, canoeing, windsurfing, pedalos, paddle boats and beaches for swimming and picnics. There are also some wonderful hidden trails through the wild landscape.

Head even further inland to the rugged interior and enjoy more spectacular views of the whole riviera from Gourdon (21km). Swim from the rocks in Gorges du Loup (20km) or head north to wonderful Caussols (22km) you will find an observatory in this spectacular location.

Other idyllic villages towards the coast include Opio (14km), Valbonne (17km), Mougins (16km) and Biot (28km), all perfect places to stop off for a leisurely lunch in atmospheric surroundings.

The stylish and chic city of Cannes is around 25km away, oozing splendour from La Croisette, the glamour-drenched promenade, many beaches and yet more vibrant nightclubs, of course famous for its international film festival which runs each year in May.

Mandelieu La Napoule (18km), just a little south-west of Cannes, is an alternative, beautiful cultural hub with a rugged and rocky coastline that drops dramatically into the sea. A little further south at Théoule-sur-Mer (27km), enjoy the beautiful beach with its wonderful red cliffs.

The region offers fantastic opportunities for horse-riding, hiking and cycling as well as a wealth of family-friendly activities, from go-karting and paintballing at Plateau de la Saree (14km) near Grasse to water-sports and waterparks in Antibes (32km). When in Antibes, don't miss the old town as well as some of the chic bars in Juan-les-Pins just to the south.

Those who enjoy a day of golf are utterly spoilt for choice in this region, with the Royal Mougins (17km) only 30 minutes away or a choice even nearer at Golf Du Claux Amic Sa (6km) and Golf Grande Bastide (13km) near Opio.



Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Nice (40km)
Nearest Train Station	Grasse (8km)
Nearest Village	Spéracèdes (500m)
Nearest Town/City	Grasse (8km)
Nearest Shop	Butchers/Bakery/Small Grocery (500m)
Nearest Restaurant	Spéracèdes (500m)
Nearest Supermarket	Intermarché Super (3km)
Nearest Golf	Golf Du Claux Amic Sa (6km)
Nearest Tennis	(4km)
Nearest Beach	Cannes (25km)

What we love

- This homely villa offers a wonderful swimming pool as well as table-tennis and gym equipment
- There are glorious views of the surrounding valley as far as the sea from the wonderful terrace
- The bedrooms and living room have air-conditioning
- You can wander into the village where there's a typically French café-restaurant and local bar, a bakery and a small grocery store
- Make you sure try the local olive oil which is produced locally in an old mill
- This area is dotted with incredible villages and towns such as Cabris, Grasse, Gourdon and Valbonne
- Watersports lovers only need to travel twenty minutes to the stunning Lac de Saint-Cassien
- It's 25km down to the glitz and glamour of beautiful Cannes and the French Riviera coastline

What you should know...

- Access up to the villa is steep but you are rewarded with beautiful views!
- Indeed, this area is very hilly; even the stroll into the village isn't flat. Perfect for keen walkers as there are some amazing hiking routes across the region
- The terraced gardens, which are partially protected, means this home is better suited for older children/teens rather than younger ones
- Despite being so near a village, car hire is needed to be able to explore this wonderful region
- The security deposit is paid on arrival in cash - please refer to the T&Cs tab for full details

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €600 paid on arrival in cash to the owner in Euros and refunded on departure subject to full inspection (no alternative payment will be accepted). Please note that access to the villa will not be possible without this payment.
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?**: Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?**: Yes.
- **Pets welcome?**: No.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and other celebrations are not allowed. There is air-conditioning in the bedrooms and the living room.
- **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 rubbish disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- **Smoking Allowed?**: No.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights.
- **Heating costs included?**: Yes.
- **Pool towels included?**: No, these can be rented at a supplement of 40 euros per stay per 6 people.