

Les Alpilles

Region: Provence-Alpes Sleeps: 10

Overview

With enchanting views over the roof tops towards the mountains and landscapes of Provence, Les Alpilles enjoys an enviable setting in the idyllic village of Eygalières.

This is a rare find, a house with immense character set above the village amongst old stone houses. It is in fact two houses side by side which are joined together by a charming Provençal patio, plus a third cottage just by the garden.

Inside the rambling interiors you'll discover vaulted kitchens, six pretty bedrooms, five quirky bathrooms and comfortable living spaces amongst traditional features such as exposed rock, wood beamed ceilings and steep steps and passages. The home is full of light yet thick stone walls keep the interiors cool in the heat of the summer sun. The furnishings are the perfect blend of old-style vintage and modern pieces whilst contemporary art adds to the bohemian vibe.

Dine al-fresco with friends and enjoy good local wine in authentic surroundings on the stone patio overlooking the fountain or follow the steps down to the garden with a dazzling swimming pool and glorious mountain views. With towering Cypress trees and mesmerising vistas around, this is an idyllic setting and it's no wonder A-list celebrities have bought houses in the village, including just next door.

You can wander into the heart of Eygalières in a couple of minutes where you'll find a bakery, butchers, restaurants and a lovely Farmer's market on a Friday morning. This is an archetypal Provençal village with winding lanes, an old church, beautiful gardens and amazing views of olive groves, vineyards and Les Alpilles mountains afar.

Cyclists and keen walkers can follow stunning trails in the surrounding valleys, winding through landscapes of lavender, pine forests and olive trees. Delightful St-Rémy is just fifteen minutes by car whilst other magnificent villages of Les Alpilles Natural Park include Mausanne and Les Baux-de-Provence, one of France's *Plus Beaux Villages*.

Whether discovering the beauty of the nearby Luberon National Park with villages such as Van Gogh's beloved Gordes or visiting the fascinating cities of Arles, Avignon and Nimes, this is quintessential Provence and an absolutely wonderful place to be.



Facilities

Golf Nearby • Cycling • Historical Sites • Horse Riding • Walking/Hiking Paths • Walk to Village • Air-Con • Wine Tasting • Private Pool • Ideal for Teens • Special Offer • Has Discount • Wow Factor • Cots (Cribs) • <1hr to Airport • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Electric Car Charger • Table Football • Heating • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds

Property Interiors (various levels)

First House (two floors)

- Living room with fireplace and TV
- Well-equipped kitchen with doors leading to al-fresco dining area
- Bedroom with double bed and bathroom with WC and air-conditioning

Second House (two floors)

- Lounge with TV
- 4 x bedrooms with double bed, air-conditioning and separate shower room

Third House (accessed via garden or street)

- Living area with TV and fireplace
- Kitchen-diner, well-equipped including relaxation area
- Bedroom with double bed (180cm) shower room with WC and air-conditioning

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (11mx5m) open approximately May to end-September
- Summer kitchen and barbecue
- Central patio with fountain and al-fresco dining/lounge area
- Upper terrace with seating area
- Terraced gardens
- Boules pitch
- Large wooden terrace overlooking the garden with magnificent views of the Alpille

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning (six rooms in total)
- TV x 3



- Fireplaces x 5
- Piano
- Hi-Fi system inside and outside the garden and patio
- Table football
- Green'Up socket in the car park for electric car charging

Location & Local Information

Les Alpilles is a village house set in an elevated position with stunning mountain views just a couple of minutes walk from the heart of the pretty Provençal village of Eygalières.

Set in Les Alpilles Nature Park, this is one of the prettiest villages in Provence with its winding lanes, lovely landscapes of the surrounding countryside and authentic charm. In recent years some A-list celebrities have bought villas in and around the village, including just next door to Les Alpilles.

There is a village church, a bakery, butchers, a handful of restaurants and cafes-bars plus a lovely Provençal market on a Friday morning.

Just a short drive away is famous St-Rémy (12km), a town well-known as a home to many artists who sell their work in the local art galleries. In the summer months, on selected Sundays, the 'Route des Artistes' fills with local artists showing off their work creating a wonderful and bustling atmosphere. 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.

Further south in Les Alpilles Nature Park are many other archetypal Provençal villages such as Mausanne, well-known for its amazing olive oil and Les Baux-de-Provence (22km), one of France's *Plus Beaux Villages*, built into the rock in an incredible setting.

Van Gogh's favourite haunts of Arles (41km) to the south and Gordes (33km) in the outstanding Luberon region, are other wonderful places to visit, passing fields of sunflowers or lavender in the summer as well as vineyards and olive groves across this captivating region.

The small but lively city of Avignon (32km) is worthy of a visit during your stay. Explore the winding medieval



streets, experience further excellent dining opportunities and visit two UNESCO world heritage sites, the Pope's Palace and Saint Benezet Bridge. The covered market offers all sorts of delights or head to the weekend farmers, flower and flea markets for wonderful local produce and a bargain or two. 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.

Those looking for activity have so much on their doorstep with tennis in the village, both horse-riding and golf within a short drive as well as some beautiful hikes and cycle routes to follow, with some wonderful walks from the house itself. Family-friendly activities across the region include pony-rides, rock-climbing, a zoo to the south and even a delightful model-railway to the north whilst the most adventurous can try trekking across the tree tops at an activity centre or kayaking in Provence.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Avignon/Nimes (20km/62km)
Nearest Train Station	Avignon (32km)
Nearest Village	Eygalières (2-min walk)
Nearest Restaurant	Eygalières (2-min walk)
Nearest Supermarket	Small grocery store in Eygalières (800m)
Nearest Town/City	Saint-Rémy/Avignon (12km/32km)
Nearest Golf	Golf de Servanes (15km)
Nearest Tennis	Eygalières (200m)

What we love

- Eygalières is one of the prettiest hilltop villages in Provence - a handful of discerning A-list celebrities have bought holidays homes here including just next door!
- With an elevated position, this villa affords beautiful views of the Alpilles mountains
- Don't miss the bustling Provençal market in Eygalières on a Friday
- St-Rémy is just a fifteen-minute drive away whilst spectacular Les Baux-de-Provence, one of France's *Plus Beaux Villages*, is also a short drive
- Avignon, Arles and Nimes are all within an hours drive

What you should know...

- Les Alpilles is in fact three stone houses on various levels that can be accessed from the street or the large patio - see the "Layout" tab for more details.
- Air-conditioning is featured in five bedrooms only. Please see the "Layout" tab for more details.
- The beautiful old stone staircases and the terraced layout, both inside and out, can be steep and slightly uneven at times.
- Walking distance to a village and restaurant however please note that some parts of the route do not have pavements.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €3000 paid by credit card pre-authorisation and refunded on departure subject to full inspection
- **Arrival time:** 3.00 p.m.
- **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:** Weddings and other special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges. Stag/hen parties are not permitted. The pool is open approximately May to end-September (cooler months may not be suitable for swimming). Air-conditioning is featured in five bedrooms only. Please see the "Layout" tab for more details.
- **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.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Outside only.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights.