

# Maison Boisee

Region: Provence-Alpes    Sleeps: 6

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## Overview

In tranquil surroundings yet only a five-minute drive from the charming Provençal town of L'Isle sur la Sorgue, Maison Boisée is a striking and beautiful home for guests looking to relax as well as explore one of Provence's most enchanting regions.

With vast air-conditioned living space featuring elegant sofas, a fireplace, contemporary fittings and bold artwork, Maison Boisée is architecturally beautiful. Bring the inside out as you step out of the large sliding windows on to the peaceful terrace, listening to the morning birdsong with your coffee.

Alongside the modern and fully-equipped kitchen, there's a lovely al-fresco dining terrace where you can enjoy long meals with loved ones by the *plancha*-barbecue on warm summer evenings.

Each of the three bedrooms is bright and homely with cool tiled floors, splashes of colour and doors leading out to the gardens. There are also two modern en suite shower rooms and an additional bathroom, allowing ample space and practicality whether staying with family or friends.

Swim in the large swimming pool and appreciate the tranquillity around you or wander into the 4000m<sup>2</sup> of wooded grounds to seek shade or swing in a hammock. You can also play boules, a game of table tennis or just snooze in a deckchair. The Mediterranean surroundings create such a peaceful and idyllic ambience.

The lovely but unobtrusive owner also lives in her own apartment, with its own entrance in the west-wing of the *maison*. She can give you lots of local recommendations if you would like her to or you may just see her tending to the pool and gardens from time to time.

The charming and pretty town of L'Isle sur la Sorgue is only 2.5km away where you can be enjoying long lunches by the riverside or canals, exploring the many antique shops or experiencing the famous Sunday morning *brocante*, one of the largest in Europe. Canoeing along the Sorgue from the source of the river in Fontaine de Vaucluse is also a truly magical experience.

From Apt to Avignon and Cavaillon to Châteauneuf-du-Pape, there are so many amazing places to explore across this part of Provence whether you are seeking history, wonderful local cuisine or vineyards. The Luberon's idyllic Provençal villages are within easy reach whilst activity lovers will appreciate the golf courses alongside the many hiking and cycling trails. This is Provence at its very best with landscapes of rolling hills, lavender fields and perched villages in the distance.

Maison Boisée is a truly unique and special place, not just its visual and contemporary beauty but also its tranquil setting in this wonderful part of southern France.



## Facilities

Villa • Walking/Hiking Paths • Horse Riding • Canoeing/Kayaking • Historical Sites • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Ideal for Xmas/NY • Eco Friendly (Sustainable) • Wine Tasting • Recommended • Fishing • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Wi-Fi/Internet • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Private Pool • Table Tennis • Cots (Cribs) • Rural Location • Modern • Babysitting Available • Pool Safety Feature • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Boules/Petanque • Ideal for Kids • Baby bath • Ideal for Teens • Pets on Request • <1hr to Airport • Electric Car Charger • Satellite TV • Outdoor Games • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Caretaker/Owner on Site • High Chair(s) • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

# Interior & Grounds

## Maison Interiors

### Ground Floor (split-level)

- Open-plan living room (70m2) with TV, BOSE radio and fireplace. Sliding doors leading to terrace
- Kitchen, well-equipped including oven, microwave, induction hobs, fridge, freezer, coffee machine and breakfast table
- 2 x double (160cm) bedrooms with doors leading to terrace
- 1 x twin/double (90cm each/180cm together) bedroom with doors leading to terrace
- 2 x en suite shower rooms
- Separate bathroom
- Laundry room

*The owner lives in a first-floor apartment with its own entrance in the west-wing of the main house*

## Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (16m x 6m) with safety gate and fence, open approximately May to end-October
- Al-fresco covered dining terrace
- Al-fresco lounge
- Boules
- Plancha/BBQ
- Wooded grounds (4000m2)
- Parking
- Electric gates
- Electric car charger (extra charge based on consumption, €0.161 per KW, payable locally)

## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Heating
- Air-conditioning (living room only)
- TV
- Table tennis
- Hairdryer
- Washing machine
- Fans in the bedrooms



## Location & Local Information

In this wonderful part of Provence, 36km east of Avignon, in a residential area and surrounded by 4000m2 of lovely woodland grounds, Maison Boisée is only 2.5km from the charming village of L'Isle sur la Sorgue. There are supermarkets, shops and a variety of lovely restaurants within a five-minute drive.

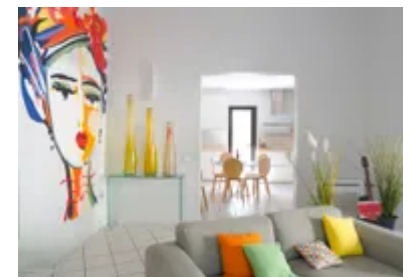
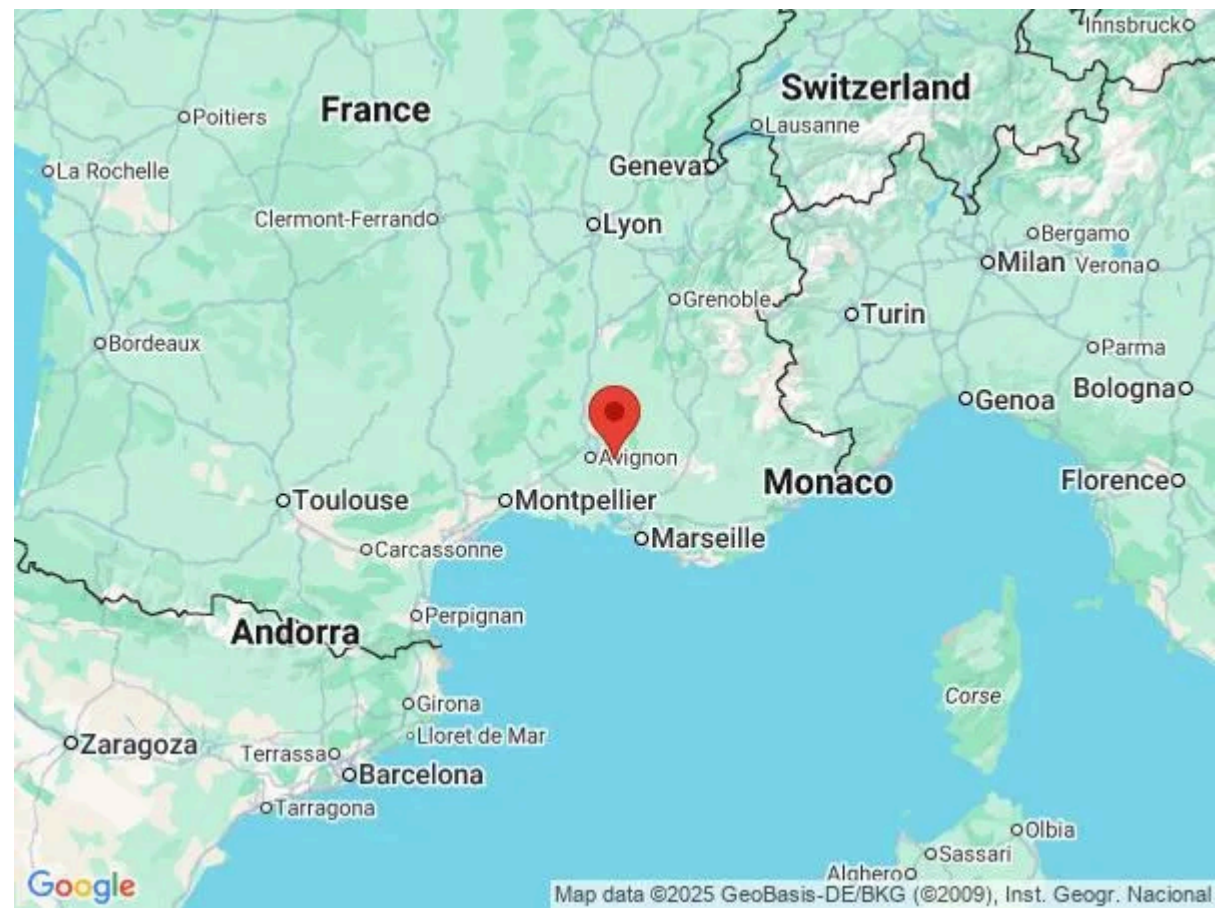
A very picturesque place to potter around, L'Isle sur la Sorgue is known as a 'little Venice' because of its canals and branches of the River Sorgue running through the town. There are some lovely waterside cafes and restaurants, ancient water wheels to admire and the famous Sunday morning *brocante*, one of the largest antique markets in Europe, alongside a Farmer's market. The town is also filled with many antique dealers where you can hunt for all sorts of lovely bric-à-brac and old treasures.

Keen fishers can see if they can catch any trout in the river; L'Isle sur la Sorgue used to be a fishing village after all. Another wonderful trip out is to hire canoes and sail from Fontaine de Vaucluse, the source of the river, to L'Isle sur la Sorgue in a glorious setting.

There is a choice of golf courses across this part of Provence, including one a very short drive away as well as other great outdoor activities such as beautiful walking paths across the Luberon and beyond and cycling trails up the famous Mont Ventoux.

The Luberon region is home to many idyllic perched hilltop villages and glorious landscapes to explore. Highlights include Roussillon (30km), Ménerbes (20km) and one of Van Gogh's favourite haunts, Gordes (22km), also one of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages'. Also, don't miss the weekly Farmer's market in Apt (35km), a town known for its candied fruit. Les Alpilles is equally as beautiful with famous villages and towns such as Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (34km) and Les Baux-de-Provence (44km).

If you are not exploring lovely vineyards across the



Luberon and Les Alpilles, head towards Châteauneuf-du-Pape (30km) in southern Rhône for more fine wine from this incredible area.

The towns and cities are also brilliant places to visit; Cavaillon (15km) has a fascinating history and a wonderful market famous for its canteloupe melons in the summer whilst the cities of Avignon (36km) and Aix-en-Provence (76km) are both magnificent. Marseille (90km) is also a worthy day trip, especially around the surrounding coastline including Parc National des Calanques.

Not forgetting the Camargue Natural Regional Park, just over an hour by car, another mesmerising region of France.

### Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Avignon (21km)
Nearest Airport 2	Marseille (70km/1hr)
Nearest Airport 3	Nîmes (70km/90-mins)
Nearest Train Station	Gare de L'Isle Sur la Sorgue (4km)
Nearest Village	L'Isle Sur la Sorgue (2.5km)
Nearest Restaurant	L'Isle Sur la Sorgue (2.5km)
Nearest Supermarket	L'Isle Sur la Sorgue (2.5km)
Nearest Town/City	Cavaillon/Avignon (15km/36km)
Nearest Golf	Golf de Saumane (3km)

## What we love

- Architecturally beautiful, Maison Boisée is a contemporary gem
- Listen to the birds sing in the peaceful wooded grounds, whether swimming in the large pool or relaxing in the hammock
- L'Isle sur la Sorgue, a five-minute drive away, has a wonderful Sunday morning Farmer's market and one of Europe's largest *brocantes* well-known to antiques dealer from across France
- There's a wealth of idyllic Provençal villages and towns to explore such as Gordes, Ménerbes, Apt and Saint-Rémy

## What you should know...

- Air-conditioning is featured in the living room only
- The friendly yet unobtrusive owner lives in the apartment on the upper level, in a separate wing of the house with its own external entrance. You may see her tending to the pool and gardens when needed
- In July and August (and Christmas) the owner's apartment is also rented out alongside the main house - see Maison Boisée and Apartment (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/france/provence-alpes/maison-boisee-and-apartment/>) for full details

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €700 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation at least 2 weeks prior to arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 5.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, excluding use of the electric vehicle charger (extra charge based on consumption, €0.191 per KW, payable locally).
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, changed mid-stay for stays of 2 weeks.
- **Pets welcome?:** Yes, on request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and other special events are not permitted. Air-conditioning is featured in the living room only. The pool is open approximately May to end-October. Please note that pool opening dates are subject to local weather conditions and pool maintenance requirements and that cooler months may not be suitable for swimming.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Extra €140, payable locally. A mid-stay clean is included for stays of 2 weeks. 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?:** Outside only.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights.
- **Heating costs included?:** Extra charge payable locally, if required.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax payable locally (typically costs approximately between €1-€10 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes, changed mid-stay for stays of 2 weeks.