

Maison Safari

Region: Provence-Alpes **Sleeps:** 8

Overview

With stunning Provençal vistas around you, Maison Safari enjoys a privileged setting in the heart of Les Alpilles Natural Park overlooking olive trees and beyond from its wonderful terraces and swimming pool.

This enchanting stone home, with air-conditioning throughout, has been recently built yet it has a real sense of traditional charm alongside contemporary style. Walk into the inviting lounge to be greeted with beautiful furnishings in this chic yet characterful room. Light floods in from doors that open up to the wonderful bamboo-covered terrace with outdoor sofas and glorious views of the gardens and countryside around you.

The brand-new kitchen features only the very best appliances and a smart dining area also has doors leading to a lovely terrace. Four warm bedrooms have been furnished with simple elegance, using natural materials which create a calming ambience as you relax in tranquil surroundings.

Enjoy a glass of local wine as you take in the views from the delightful al-fresco lounge, looking out towards the landscaped gardens that slope down towards the surrounding woods and countryside. Gaze at the nature around you as you swim in the heated swimming pool with its unique hue, lounge in the sun by the poolside and enjoy summer evenings in the beautiful outside dining area listening only to the trickling of the fountain and the sounds of nature around you.

One of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*', Les Baux-de-Provence, is just a short drive away where you can wander through its medieval lanes filled with shops and restaurants and explore its incredible château perched up high. Enjoy wonderful walks through the endless fields of



olive groves, sample red and rosé wines in local vineyards and visit other idyllic villages and towns such as Maussane, Eygalières and Saint-Rémy-de-Provence. You'll also find horse-riding and rock-climbing nearby in Les Alpilles and beyond.

Avignon, Arles and even the Camargue are other wonderful places to explore. That said, with the relaxing interiors and beautiful terraces, as well as the incredible landscapes around you, you may find it hard to leave your Provençal paradise at Maison Safari.

Facilities

Chef/Cook Available • Table Tennis • Tennis Nearby • Rural Location • Indoor Games • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Wi-Fi/Internet • Maid Service Included • Cooking Classes Available • Wine-Tasting Available • Board games • Babysitting Available • Butler Available • Private Pool • Meal delivery service • Heated Pool • Boules/Petanque • Ideal for Kids • Darts • Ideal for Teens • <1hr to Airport • Outdoor Games • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Cycling • Horse Riding • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

Interior & Grounds

Maison Interiors

Ground Floor (split-level)

- Living room with doors opening up to terrace
- Open-plan dining area with doors leading outside
- Open-plan kitchen, well-equipped including dishwasher, large SMEG oven and hobs, microwave, fridge, blender, toaster and espresso machine
- Utility room with fridge and laundry facilities

Upper Floors

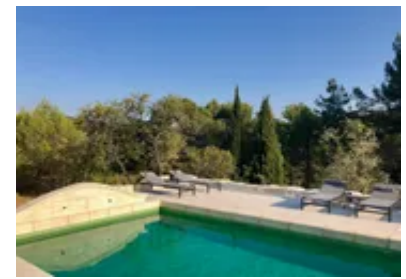
- 4 bedrooms
- 4 shower/bathrooms

Outside Grounds

- Heated swimming pool (9m x 4.5m) with fountain
- Sun loungers
- Terraced grounds
- Covered al-fresco living and dining areas
- Large *plancha* barbecue
- Table tennis
- *Pétanque*
- Parking area

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning
- Heating
- Bluetooth printer
- Darts
- Washing machine and dryer
- Ironing facilities
- Hairdryers
- Board games
- Books



Location & Local Information

In the very heart of Les Alpilles, with mesmerising views, Maison Safari enjoys a rural setting yet is only a five to ten-minute drive to some of the region's prettiest villages.

From the swimming pool you can catch a glimpse of the beautiful château in Les Baux-de-Provence. It takes just under ten minutes to drive to the incredible village, one of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*', where you can wander around the narrow medieval lanes, discovering shops and restaurants, then explore the ruins of the château with its amazing views across the region. It's a stunning place to visit – get there early in the morning before visitors arrive from across Provence.

It's also a short drive to Maussane-les-Alpilles, a charming village known for its olive oil production. This village has some excellent restaurants and picturesque cafes as well as a good selection of shops, some selling local produce, and a supermarket. It's a pleasant place to stop for a leisurely lunch or meal out in the evening with restaurants in and around Maussane ranging from good pizzerias to Michelin starred establishments.

The Alpilles Natural Park is filled with enchanting landscapes of rolling hills, olive groves and vineyards; there are many places to sample both the wine and olive oil produced in the area, the latter being some of the finest in France. You can play golf at various courses across Provence, including the nearby Domaine de Manville and there are many walking and cycling routes across Les Alpilles and the neighbouring Luberon. Horse-riding, pony-trekking and even rock-climbing are other popular activities in this part of Provence.

Other wonderful places to visit include the idyllic village of Eygalières and the famous artist's town of Saint-Rémy-de-Provence, especially on a Wednesday morning when the market sells some great local produce.

The historic city of Avignon is well known for its UNESCO World Heritage sites but there are also many wonderful



markets, restaurants and bars to discover. Heading south, Arles also has a fascinating history and strong links to Vincent Van Gogh whilst you can reach the incredible Camargue within an hour with its white horses, pink flamingos, endless lagoons and Mediterranean beaches.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Avignon (28km)
Nearest Airport 2	Nimes (45km)
Nearest Airport 3	Marseille (67km)
Nearest Train Station	Avignon TGV (28km)
Nearest Village	(3km)
Nearest Restaurant	(2.5km)
Nearest Supermarket	(3km)
Nearest Town/City	Saint-Rémy-de-Provence/Arles (9km/22km)
Nearest Tennis	Paradou (5km)
Nearest Golf	Domaine de Manville (4km)

What we love

- Enjoy stunning views from the wonderful terraces of this special home in the heart of Les Alpilles
- The contemporary interiors have been beautifully styled yet the home retains a sense of warmth and character
- It's just a short drive to Les Baux-de-Provence, one of France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*'
- Sample local wines and olive oil, play golf in glorious surroundings and cycle through incredible landscapes – this is authentic Provence at its best!

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
- Keep an eye on little ones if exploring the beautiful grounds which slope down beyond the terraces and swimming pool
- In winter 2019/20 the owners are carrying out even more work to the gardens, adding further areas to relax and play
- There is an additional single bedroom that could be made available for accompanying staff, at a supplement – please enquire

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €2000 charged to client's credit card before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** 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. Weddings, stag/hen parties and other celebrations are not permitted.
- **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.
- **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?:** Included in June, July & August. Available on request from September to May for an additional €200/week. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax payable locally in cash (typically costs €1-€10 per adult per night - please enquire if exact amount is required).
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes.