

# Maison Aurore

Region: Provence-Alpes    Sleeps: 8

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## Overview

As the sound of the calming fountain greets you at the entrance of Maison Aurore, you know that this will be a special holiday home. Tucked away on a lane, it's the perfect place for relaxation, just over a kilometre from the heart of a picturesque village in Provence's Les Alpilles region.

You'll find everything you need here for comfort and convenience amidst an eclectic range of furnishings, homely artefacts and art-work showcased by original wooden floors, beamed ceilings and stone steps. All this creates an atmospheric place to stay, full of personality. The walk-in bathroom in the master bedroom is particularly impressive and the rustic dining table and wrought iron dining chairs in the spacious living area are a feature in their own right.

Outside is equally lovely, the garden lined with trees and hedges with a cluster of pines at the rear providing privacy. Dine outside on the vine covered veranda or sit on the adjacent south facing terrace relishing the natural world around you. A shading plane tree sits centrally on the lawn and a row of olive trees is an interesting feature as you look down towards the swimming pool in front of the pool house. There are more private and shaded seating areas near the pool and adjacent *pétanque* court.

When you are ready to leave this characterful idyll, head to Fontvieille with its ancient stone houses, small museum, restaurants and pretty church. Mausanne-les-Alpilles is another delightful village in the heart of Les Alpilles Natural Park, just a short drive away, surrounded by beautiful countryside with plenty of lovely walks. Fine olive oil is produced here in its two windmills which visitors can sample alongside the region's other gourmet produce such as cheese and honey.



There is so much to do in this area of vineyards, idyllic villages, world-renowned towns and vistas of summer sunflowers and lavender. The historic city of Arles is an unmissable stepping stone into La Camargue with its wild countryside, beaches, iconic white horses and pink flamingos. So many activities can be found here, ranging from riding, trekking and quad biking to jeep tours across this fascinating terrain.

## Facilities

Wi-Fi/Internet • Villa • Hairdryer • Cycling • Tennis Nearby • Historical Sites • Horse Riding • Walking/Hiking Paths • Washing Machine • TV • Wine Tasting • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Cots (Cribs) • Private Pool • Pool Safety Feature • Heated Pool • Boules/Petanque • <1hr to Airport • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Fenced Grounds • Parking Space • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

# Interior & Grounds

## Maison Interiors (200m²)

- Entrance Hall
- Living room with air-conditioning, fireplace, seating and dining area, TV and doors to terrace
- Kitchen (via steps), well equipped including electric oven, induction hobs, microwave oven, fridge, freezer and dishwasher
- Master bedroom with double bed (160cm), air-conditioning and open-plan walk-in bathroom. Opens onto terrace
- Bedroom 2 with double bed (160cm) opening onto terrace
- Bedroom 3 with double bed (160cm) with access to outside
- Bedroom 4 with two single beds (80cm each)
- Shower room with two sinks
- Shower room with WC
- Separate WC
- Laundry room with washing machine and dryer

## Outside Grounds (3000m², enclosed)

- Swimming pool (10x6m, max. depth:1.8m) with safety alarm. Can be heated on request (excluding July/August)
- Pool house with living area, fridge, shower and WC
- *Pétanque* court with adjacent table and chairs
- *Plancha*-BBQ
- Private parking for 3-4 cars

## Facilities

- Reversible air-conditioning (in lounge, master bedroom and in hallway near bedrooms)





## Location & Local Information

Maison Aurore nestles on a residential lane by the edge of woodland, just 1.5km away from the authentic village of Fontvieille. Here, in Les Alpilles Natural Park, you'll find requisite ancient stone houses, a small museum, restaurants, a pretty church and some lovely walks in the surrounding countryside. You are situated here in an amazing area filled with vineyards, pretty villages and famous towns both in this region and beyond.

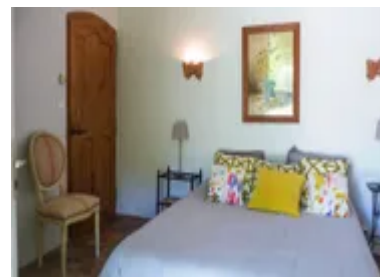
Nearby Mausanne-les-Alpilles (10km), set in the Vallée des Baux, is one such delightful village set in the heart of the park. Fine olive oil is produced in its two remaining windmills which visitors are invited to sample. Painters, sculptors and other artists exhibit here every Friday in the central square.

Don't forget to visit one of France's *Plus Beaux Villages*, Les Baux-de-Provence (10km) with its charming squares, narrow streets and small shops. Set on a rocky spur it has fantastic views across the Crau plain, the Camargue and the city of Arles. If you are looking for a piece of local art, St-Rémy-de-Provence (18km) is the place to visit - many artists display and sell their works in the village galleries here.

Tarascon (12km) is a historic Provencal town situated between Arles and Avignon on the banks of the River Rhône. Here you will find a museum dedicated to the character Tartarin, a popular character in Provencal literature. Afterwards you deserve to find a pleasant terrace café for lunch and a glass of wine.

The wonderful city of Arles (10km) is known for its fascinating Roman remains, particularly the Amphitheatre which now hosts plays and concerts. Vincent Van Gogh was inspired to create over 500 works of art during his short time here, including the famous Café la Nuit.

Don't miss the nearby 900 square kilometres of La Camargue with its wild landscapes of beaches, lagoons, rice fields, wild white horses and pink flamingos. So many



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Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Avignon (36km)
Nearest Airport 2	Nîmes (37km)
Nearest Airport 3	Marseille (65km)
Nearest Village	Fontvieille (Within 1.5km)
Nearest Restaurant	Fontvieille (Within 1.5km)
Nearest Supermarket	Fontvieille (600m)
Nearest Town	Arles (10km)
Nearest Golf	Domaine de Manville (10km)
Nearest Tennis	Tennis Club de Fontvieille (800m)
Nearest Train Station	Arles/Avignon TGV (10km/33km)

## What we love

- Enjoy evenings on the romantic vine covered dining space and south facing terrace overlooking the pastoral paradise of the tree lined garden
- Take a dip in the large swimming pool with a splendid pool house with facilities and armchairs to relax in after your swim
- Maison Aurore is located only 1km from Fontvieille and is easily accessible to many of the well-known historic villages and towns in the area
- There is so much opportunity for adventure across the landscapes of Les Alpilles and the wilderness the nearby Camargue

## What you should know...

- Please note that there are several steps up to and inside the house.
- Air-conditioning is only featured in the living area, master bedroom and the hallway near the bedrooms.

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €1500 charged to client's credit card by Oliver's Travels as a pre-authorisation at least 2 weeks prior to 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?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- **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 or their property manager. Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed. Air-conditioning is only featured in the living area, master bedroom and in the hallway near the bedrooms.
- **Changeover day:** Flexible.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** No. €200, payable locally. This is for a standard changeover clean. Guests should be respectful of the property and leave the accommodation in a clean and tidy condition. 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 must be provided to the owner minimum one month before arrival.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax is included.
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes.

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