

Manoir Navacelle

Region: Languedoc Sleeps: 6

Overview

This villa in Languedoc has a rich and storied history - built as a monastery in the 16th century, it is now a portal to gorgeous family holidays. If you have a love for simpler times, the wide stone walls of the house will speak to you. That's not to say you'll forgo modern comforts here - the swimming pool on the stone terrace outside lends a private resort air.

Here the architecture elevates this 4 bedroom family villa to something special. From the ancient stone stairs to the stained glass window in the bathroom, this home has character to spare. The living room feels almost like an underground cavern; the low, arched ceiling makes a snug family movie night.

Nestled between the Cévennes National Park and Provence, this holiday villa is a true rural escape in a quiet little village. Hikers will be most at home, and local caverns may interest the whole family (try Grottes de Trabuc, 45 minutes from the villa). The closest quaint town is a drive away - Salindres (8km). If you're aching for more metropolitan delights, head to Uzès (30km), where you can find beautiful restaurants and shopping (look for the market on Wednesdays and Saturdays).

Facilities

Quirky • Great Value • **Recommended** • Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Pets on Request • DVD • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Romantic



Interior & Grounds

Interior of House

Ground Floor

- Sitting room
- Dining room
- Kitchen

First floor (via stone staircase)

- Double bedroom
- Small double bedroom
- Bathroom with antique tiles

Second Floor (via stone staircase)

- 1 x bedroom with a King-sized bed and a single bed
- 1 x small double bedroom
- Shower room

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (15m length, depth approx 80cm-2m10), fenced off
- Gardens (including one of the oldest micocoulier trees in the region)
- Pool house with WC, sink and fridge
- Al-fresco dining terrace

Facilities

- Air-conditioning



Location & Local Information

Nestled between the Cévennes National Park and Provence, this holiday home feels like a true rural escape in a quiet little village. You have spectacular views of the valley and Cevennes mountain range from the garden, pool and terrace, where you can enjoy some incredible sunsets.

Every day in the village (except weekends) there is a little van that passes the village square for bread and croissants. There is also a little shop attached to a nearby campsite, about 3km away, which sells most groceries and bread/pastries and is open seven days a week, usually open from early April to early September. You can also drive to Salindres (8km) for a small supermarket and further to St. Ambroix (14km) or Alès (15km) for town facilities and larger supermarkets.

Hikers will be most at home with hectares of wild *garrigues*/countryside around the village plus there is horse-riding, quad biking and a tree-top activity centre within half an hour by car.

There are of course some wonderful towns and cities to explore in the area and beyond. Heading west, at the foot of the incredible Cévennes National Park, is the charming town of Anduze (30km) with its pretty shops in the medieval centre, specialising in local products such as pottery. Visit on a Thursday to experience market day or simply wander around the interesting historical town. Combine a visit to the nearby caves Grotte de Trabac (33km) and the Prafrance Bamboo Gardens (30km) with a ride on the magnificent steam train (open Easter to October) through the surrounding countryside.

You may also wish to explore further afield such as the amazing Le Cirque de Navacelles (99km), a UNESCO world heritage site and a must-see spectacle of nature.

Just 30km south-east is the remarkable Uzès, undoubtedly one of the best preserved and restored medieval towns of France or head down to impressive Nimes (48km) with its stunning Roman architecture and UNESCO world heritage site Le Pont du Gard (44km). Further Provençal highlights include Van Gogh's precious Arles (80km), beautiful Avignon (70km) or further south to some of the idyllic villages of Les Apilles National Park such as St-Remy-de-Provence (92km) and Les Baux-de-Provence (100km).



Local Amenities

Nearest Airport

**Montpellier
(95km)**

Nearest Village

(Walking distance)

Nearest Town/City

**Ambroix or Alès
(14-15km)**

Nearest Restaurant

**Les Fumades
(3km)**

Nearest Shop

**Small grocery shop April to Sept
(3km)**

Nearest Supermarket

**Salindres
(8km)**

What we love

- Original doors and rough-hewn stone walls lend this 16th century villa in Languedoc character you won't find elsewhere.
- You're quite near Le Parc Naturel des Cévennes (40 km), an enormous natural wonder.
- The cool blue swimming pool and gardens will keep the children playing outdoors!

What you should know...

- This is a truly secluded and peaceful location in a quiet village - you'll require a car rental to get into town and to explore the parks
- The nearest airport is 95 km away in Montpellier

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €500 charged to clients' credit card prior to arrival.
- Arrival time: After 4.00 p.m.
- Departure time: Before 10.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- End of stay cleaning included?: 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.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, including pool towels.
- Pets welcome?: One dog on request only and by prior arrangement with the owner.
- Changeover day: Saturday.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights.