

Chateau Du Vieux Palais

Region: Provence-Alpes **Sleeps: 22**

Overview

Chateau du Vieux Palais is an exceptionally magnificent masterpiece which is utterly unrivalled and surpasses all expectations. Enjoying superb views over the Saint Victoire mountain, the property dates back to the 17th Century when it was built for the Archbishop with breathtakingly luxurious taste.

Today, the chateau has been elegantly restored providing all the necessary luxurious comforts whilst still maintaining its character, Provençal charm and history. The ruins of the Archbishop's historic seat grace the extensive estate and reign next to the original chapel and *Bastide*. The estate's grounds are a playground of dreams for the whole family, with a private swimming pool, tennis court, table tennis, boules court and boundless gardens and parklands to explore. There is also a fabulous artisan chocolate maker in the nearby village.

The charming *Bastide* is beautifully decorated with an extravagant hall, reception rooms, library, card room, dining room and fully equipped kitchen. It boasts 11 luxurious bedrooms and 8 bathrooms as well as a games room equipped with a billiard table and TV.

Chateau du Vieux Palais is a unique place for those seeking luxury and tranquillity, in the company of friends and family, in the heart of the desirable Provence, close to both the mountains and the sea. You will experience true indulgence with blissful settings and a serene atmosphere providing you with an unforgettable holiday.

Good news! For a little extra, this property can be booked as a Vill'otel

Yey! Wait... what is that?

It's the perfect combo of the privacy of your own personal villa, with all the luxury and convenience of a hotel.

What can be arranged?

Breakfast, cleaning, welcome drinks and hamper, plus more! Check the '**Extras**' tab for all the details.



Facilities

Chateaux & Castles • Wow Factor • Vill'otel (Like a Hotel!) • Heritage Collection • Private Pool • Heated Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Walk to Village • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • BBQ • Tennis Court • Cable TV • Games Room • Indoor Games • Outdoor Games • Table Tennis • Pool/Snooker • Working Fireplace • Heating • Caretaker/Owner on Site • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Watersports • Canoeing/Kayaking • Rural Location • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Cycling • Horse Riding • Fishing • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Romantic

Interior & Grounds

Chateau Interior (surface: 750m²) - 3 Floors

Ground Floor

- Entrance Hall
- Reception Rooms with Grand Piano
- Library
- Sitting/Card Room
- Dining Room
- Fully Equipped Kitchen with oven, hobs, fridge, freezer, dishwasher, microwave and coffee machine

First Floor

- *Delphinium*: King-sized double bed with en-suite bathroom with bath and wash basins, separate shower and separate WC and bidet and dressing room
- *Acanthe*: King-sized double bed or twin beds with en-suite bathroom with bath, shower, wash basin and WC
- *Bourrache*: Queen-sized bed with en-suite bathroom with bath, shower, wash basins and separate WC
- *Chevrefeuille*: King-sized double bed or twin beds with en-suite bathroom with bath, shower, wash basins, separate WC and dressing room
- *Eglantine*: Queen-sized bed with en-suite bathroom with bath, shower, wash basins and separate WC
- *Filipendules*: Queen-sized double bed or twin beds with en-suite bathroom with shower in bath, wash basin, separate WC and bidet.

Second Floor

- *Hibiscus*: King-sized double bed or twin beds with shared bathroom with shower, wash basins and WC
- *Garance*: Twin beds (2x80cm) with shared bathroom with shower, wash basins and WC
- *Iris*: Double bed (140cm) with shared bathroom with shower, wash basins and WC
- *Jasmin*: Queen-sized double bed with shared bathroom with shower in bath, wash basin and separate WC
- *Lavande*: Two double beds (2x130cm) with shared bathroom with shower in bath, wash basin and separate WC
- Games Room with Billiard Table, Black-Jack Table, TV, sofa and additional sofa bed (130cm)

Chateau Grounds



- Private Heated Swimming Pool (Rectangular 16x6m/Depth:1.4m)
- Tennis Court (Synthetic hard surface)
- Boules Pitch
- Summer Kitchen with Outdoor Barbecue and Grill area
- Parkland
- Private Chapel for up to 110 guests available for parties, events and concerts
- Olive Grove
- Orchard
- Water Fountain
- Ample Parking Space
- There is a second swimming pool set in the ancient ruins which is not accessible to guests

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Grand Piano
- Alarm System
- Office Equipment
- Billiard Table
- Black-Jack
- Table Tennis
- Plasma TV
- Washing Machine
- Tumble Dryer
- I-pod Docking Station
- Hair Dryers

Location & Local Information



Chateau du Vieux Palais is conveniently located just a short 20-minute drive from the centre of the beautiful city of Aix-en-Provence. The city alone is abundant with historical sights, museums, markets and restaurants, providing you with plenty of cultural and Provencal encounters.

The city and surrounding area was the inspiration for countless artists including Renoir, Cezanne and Picasso who highlighted the beauty of the region.

The surrounding countryside is full of romance with breath-taking vistas, miles of vineyards, acres of lavender fields, mouth-watering cuisine and the tranquility of all the small market towns. The Provence is the perfect region for cycling or hiking, you are also ideally located within a short drive of the coast and the beautiful Cote d'Azur, or for an adventure a little further, the Alpes du Sud are only 2hrs drive away.

The local area boasts a great selection of activities for all the family to enjoy:

Horse-back riding: Cap Rando – 30 Km/30 mins Drive

Water-sports: Speedwater Park – 26 Km/25 mins Drive

Fishing: Sea Fishing in Marseille (calanques): 51 Km/1 Hour drive

Hiking: Montagne Sainte Victoire: 30 Km/ 30 mins Drive

Canoeing/Kayaking: Raskas Kayak – 43½Km/40 mins Drive

Historical Sites:

- Aix-en-Provence: 8 Km/15 mins Drive

- Old City

- Cathedrale St Sauveur

- Town Hall

- Market Places

- Pavillon de Vendome

- Hotel de Caumont

- Mossy Fountain

- Workshop of Paul Cezanne

Cassis – 58 Km/40 mins Drive

Silvacane Abbey – 22½ Km/25 mins Drive

Lourmarin – 30 Km/30 mins Drive

Wine-tasting tours

- Chateau la Coste - 8 Km/10 mins Drive

- Chateau Beaulieu – 13 Km/15 mins Drive

Surfing: Paddle - Marseille

Mountain-biking:

- Forest of Trevarese – 3km

- Montagne Sainte Victoire - 30 km/30 mins drive

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Aix-Les-Milles Private Airport/Marseilles/Nice (18km-20mins/34km-30mins/178km-1hr45mins)
Nearest Village	(0.8km/3mins)
Nearest Restaurant	(0.8km/3mins)
Nearest Shop	(0.8km/3mins)
Nearest Supermarket	(0.8km/3mins)
Nearest Tennis	On Site
Nearest Golf	Golf Club d'Aix Marseilles (21km/20mins)
Nearest Beach	Beaches of Marseilles (39km/40mins)
Nearest Train Station	Aix-en-Provence TGV Station (22km/20mins)
Nearest Ferry Port	Marseilles (37km/35mins)
Nearest Town/City	Aix-en-Provence (8km/15mins)
Nearest Bar/Pub	(0.8km/3mins)

What Oliver loves...

- Every aspect of this ancient chateau is pure luxury, from the boutique bedrooms to the large water fountain and limitless services that can be provided.
- There are endless things to do both at the beautiful Chateau and in the beautiful Provence region.
- This chateau in the heart of Provence can offer any extra service you may desire - tennis coach, swimming instructor, chef, chauffeur...

What you should know...

- Chateau du Vieux Palais is the ideal venue for a special celebration with all your family and friends.
- A full time care-taker lives on the estate to provide assistance whenever desired.

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €5000 paid at the time of booking via credit card or bank transfer
- Arrival time: 16.00
- Departure time: 12.00
- Energy costs included?: Yes
- Linen & towels included?: Linen, Bath & Pool Towels included
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes. 7 hrs maid service per day included.
- Pool heating charge?: €75 per day on request. The pool is open from June to September.
- Internet access?: Yes
- Tax: Included
- Smoking Allowed?: No
- Pets welcome?: On request
- Minimum stay: 2017: 3 nights (Friday to Monday) in January-May & October-mid December. 7 nights during all other periods. 2018: 3 nights (Friday to Monday) from January to April and from November to mid December.
- Heating costs included?: Included, except in Winter when based on usage and to be paid locally.