### **Overview**

Seclusion, beauty, tranquillity, luxury and comfort are to be found at this beautifully renovated Provençal farmhouse with spacious tree lined gardens and views across to Les Alpilles. There is a pretty village only 2km away and it's a short drive away from fashionable St-Rémy-de-Provence.

Life at Mas du Thym is centred around the luxurious pool with its bar, summer lounge, kitchen and barbecue where relaxing days can easily drift by swimming, sunbathing or sipping a cocktail. Take a break from family and friends to sit with a book on the terrace beside the house next to the colourful oleander or enjoy a seat beneath one of the old plane trees.

When the cool of the house draws you inside you will love its beautiful design of wood and stone and enjoy indulging yourself in all the modern comforts it has to offer. White walls create a sense of space and light and each room makes the most of the glorious gardens with the dining area and one bedroom leading straight out onto the pool terrace. In each room there is something pleasing to catch the eye such as the candelabra, colourful painting, four poster bed and special pieces of furniture.

When you are ready to leave your pastoral idyll, head towards your nearby pretty village for a peaceful restaurant lunch or stock up on fruit and cheese at its weekly market. Take a short drive to vibrant St-Rémy where artists display and sell their work each Sunday on the characterful Route des Artistes.

In Les Alpilles Natural Park there is plenty of opportunity for outdoor pursuits such as hiking, rock climbing, horse riding and mountain biking and some exquisite hillside villages such as Les Baux-de-Provence and Eygalières, each around a 20-minute drive away.

Take a look at the lavender fields and mountains of the Luberon region and visit Gordes, one of the most beautiful villages in France. Don't forget to pay a visit to the wonderful cities of Arles, Avignon and Nimes despite the lure of your holiday home, pool, gardens and the beautiful countryside nearby.





### Facilities

Instagrammable • Easy By Train • Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Heated Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Pets on Request • <1hr to Airport • BBQ • Hairdryer • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Table Tennis • Heating • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Horse Riding • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

# **Interior & Grounds**

### Villa Interiors (245m2)

Ground Floor

- Living room
- Dining room

- Partially open-plan kitchen, well-equipped including dishwasher, fridgefreezer, electric/gas oven, microwave, toaster and coffee maker

- TV room / office with air-conditioning (can also be used as bedroom on request)

- Bedroom with double bed (160cm)
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- Shower room (shared between bedrooms 1 and 2)
- Guest WC

First Floor (sloping ceilings, via partially open-sided stairs)

- Mezzanine style landing

- Master bedroom with air-conditioning, double bed (180cm), dressing room and bathroom with bath, shower and WC

- Bedroom (children's room adjoining master bedroom) with air-conditioning and single bed (90cm)

### Poolside Annexes

- Studio with air-conditioning, double bed (160cm) and shower room with WC

- Bedroom (dorm-style) with air-conditioning, four single beds (best suited for children/teens)

- Shower room and WC (for dorm-style bedroom, located by summer kitchen)

Please note there is a further double bedroom by the pool which is not available to guests.

### Outside Grounds (25,000m2)

- Heated swimming pool (15x4m, depth: 1.6m) with safety alarm and fenced
- Sun-loungers

- Pool house with kitchen including hobs, microwave, Nespresso machine, dishwasher,  $% \left( {{{\rm{N}}_{{\rm{N}}}}} \right)$ 

- Barbecue (coal and gas) and plancha
- Al-fresco dining area
- Al-fresco lounge area
- Ping pong
- Garden









- Parking

#### Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning (four bedrooms only)
- Underfloor cooling (Ground floor bedrooms, living room, kitchen and dining room only)
- Heating
- TV (Orange)
- Hairdryers
- Ping pong table
- Boules Pitch
- Washing machine and dryer

# **Location & Local Information**

Set in Provençal countryside just south of Avignon, with easy access to both the airport and TGV train station, Mas Du Thym is perfectly positioned for exploring Avignon, Nimes and the stunning landscapes of Les Alpilles and Luberon regions.

Indeed, the surrounding hills of Les Alpilles provide a wonderful backdrop to an area renowned for its gloriously far stretching views of vineyards, Van Gogh cypresses, olive groves, orchards and golden summer swathes of sunflowers.

The village 2km away offers the chance for a quiet restaurant lunch, shopping at its weekly market, a game of tennis and a visit to the equestrian centre. It is a pretty village typical of the area where you will find plane tree lined roads with colourfully shuttered stone houses, gardens, narrow lanes and shady squares.

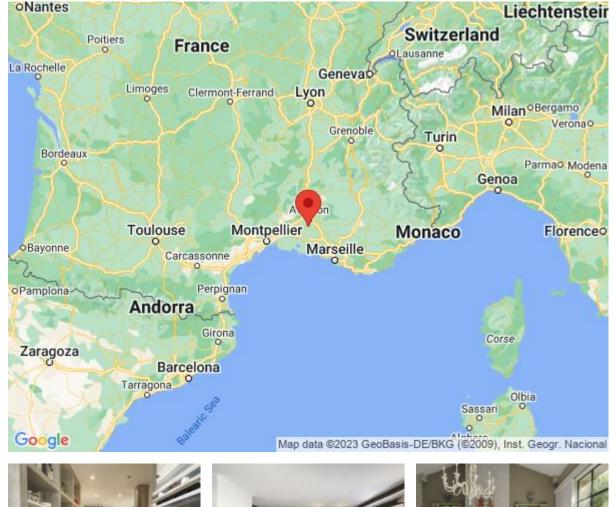
Nearby St-Rémy-de-Provence (7km) is where Vincent Van Gogh was inspired to paint his famous "Starry Night" and many artists still display their work each summer Sunday on the characterful Route des Artistes.

The biodiversity of Les Alpilles Natural Park is a delight for nature lovers and also offers rock climbing, hiking, mountain biking and horse riding along its many well marked trails. While you are visiting this region, don't forget to visit a few of the exquisite hill top villages such as Eygalières (19km), much loved by celebrities, or Les Baux-de-Provence (15km) picturesquely perched on a rocky hillside.

The glorious landscapes of the Luberon region offer more opportunities for wonder and adventure with mountains, gorges, cliffs, vineyards, orchards, woods, lavender fields, caves and outstanding views, ideal for both serious hikes and gentle rambles. In the foothills of the Monts de Vaucluse, Gordes (40km) is one of the most beautiful hilltop villages in France with its white stone houses set into the mountain cliffs and hosting many cultural events during the summer.

Take a break from all this captivating serenity and head towards the lively city of Avignon (19km) where you will find winding medieval streets, UNESCO world heritage sites and covered, flower and flea markets offering all kinds of fascinating treasures.

Arles (26km), with its rich historical past, is also a fantastic place to visit and you may want to venture further towards the wild horses and pink flamingos of the Camargue Regional Park. Alternatively, Nimes (44km) is set between the









sea and the Cevennes hills, which has a host of Roman remains as well as an attractive old town and gardens.

### **Local Amenities**

Nearest Airport	Avignon Airport (19km)
Nearest Airport 2	Nîmes Airport (42km)
Nearest Airport 3	Marseille Airport (85km)
Nearest Train Station	Gare d'Avignon TGV (16km)
Nearest Village	(2km)
Nearest Restaurant	(2km)
Nearest Supermarket	
Nearest Town	Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (7km)
Nearest City	Avignon (19km)
Nearest Golf	Golf Barbentane (14km)

## What we love

- A lovingly restored and beautifully furnished farmhouse in verdant tree lined grounds with views across towards the hills of Les Alpilles.
- Life here revolves around the swimming pool with its comfortable summer lounge, kitchen, bar and barbecue.
- A secluded setting near a pretty village and fashionable St-Rémy-de-Provence and easily accessible to all the special places that make Provence so memorable.
- When you need a break from tranquillity and pastoral delight, you can easily head to the vibrant cities of Avignon and Nimes.

# 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.
- Air-conditioning is only featured in some of the bedrooms please see the "Features" tab for details. Underfloor cooling is also featured in the main house.
- There are four bedrooms in the main house and two further bedrooms situated by the swimming pool, including a dorm-style room best suited to children/teens.

# **Terms & Conditions**

- Security deposit: €3000 charged to client's credit card before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.

- Arrival time: 5.00 p.m. Late arrivals after 9.00 p.m. may be charged a late arrival fee of €120.

- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.

- 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.

- Pool towels included?: Yes.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Heating costs included?: Extra €200 per week (December to end-February), paid locally.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. July and August 14 nights.
- Changeover day: Saturday.
- Pets welcome?: On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax payable locally (typically costs €2-€5 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).

- Pool opening dates?: 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.

- 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.

- 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.

- Other Ts and Cs: Please note that your booking will only be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and other celebrations are not permitted.
- Other Ts and Cs: Air-conditioning is only featured four bedrooms only please see the "Features" tab for full details.
- Pool heating charge?: No, included for stays between September and June, July and August on request.

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