

# Villa Bizet

Region: Cannes Sleeps: 12

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## Overview

Stay in grandeur and elegance on the French Riviera at this magnificent *maison* just a few steps from the beach and close to the upmarket seaside resort of Saint-Raphaël.

This prestigious villa dates back to the early 1900s and still today remains of great historic importance. It has recently undergone a remarkable renovation using the very finest materials such as beautiful granite flooring as well as the grand marble staircase. Individually controlled air-conditioning has been added throughout, a sauna and gym can be found on the lower ground floor whilst a lift gives access to every level.

Indeed, when you step into the spacious living and dining room you will immediately sense the splendour of this majestic villa with its refined furnishings, impressive chandeliers and arched windows leading out to the elegant terrace, a perfect spot for the croissants and coffee delivered each morning.

The master bedroom is another example of the home's opulent style with the most wonderful sea view and luxurious bathroom. Four further comfortable double bedrooms can be found across the top two floors whilst a separate annexe, formerly an artist's studio, provides space for an extra two guests.

Outside, the ambience is just as glorious with superb gardens featuring a 16m long swimming pool as well as gigantic pines and palm trees. Stroll down the paths to the very end where there is your very own private exit straight on to the promenade and beach – within seconds you can be swimming in the crystal-clear Mediterranean.

There are restaurants, a bakery and supermarket within walking distance as well as a wealth of other beautiful beaches nearby, or head to the heart of Saint-Raphaël, around 4km away, to experience its delightful seaside ambience, restaurants and shops. A little further, the historic quarter of Fréjus is just as lovely with its churches, markets and fascinating history or head down to the main beach, Plage de Fréjus, for watersports and summer fun.

A boat will whisk you away to Saint-Tropez from the port in Saint-Raphaël or perhaps you would prefer to discover the coastline on foot with some stunning walking trails both nearby and a little further in the Massif d'Estérel towards



Agay and Théoule-sur-Mer.

Not to mention the glamour of Cannes, the allure of Antibes or even the glitz of Monaco for a truly spectacular day out. Wherever you may decide to explore, the glistening Côte d'Azur awaits you with all its beauty, splendour and charm.

## Facilities

Wow Factor • Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Walk to Beach • Walk to Restaurant • BBQ • Satellite TV • Lift • Sauna/Steam • Heating • Caretaker/Owner on Site • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds • Beachfront • Watersports • Sailing • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Horse Riding • Go-Karting • Fishing • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Romantic • Scuba Diving • Boat Trips

# Interior & Grounds

## Main Villa Interiors (705m2)

- Open-plan living and dining room with doors leading to terrace and swimming pool
- Kitchen, fully-equipped
- Master bedroom with sea-view and en suite bathroom
- 4 x double bedrooms with sea-view
- 2 x bathrooms
- Sauna

## Separate Annexe (67m2)

- Double bedroom
- Bathroom

## Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (16x5m) with safety alarm
- Barbecue
- Enclosed garden
- Direct beach/promenade access

## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning
- Heating
- Satellite TV
- Lift
- Sauna
- Gym



## Location & Local Information

Right on the French Riviera, with direct access to the beach, Villa Bizet enjoys a privileged location close to the charming seaside resort of Saint-Raphaël.

Simply walk to the end of the beautiful garden and there is discreet access straight on to a lovely beach - a very pretty stretch of sandy coastline with a beachside restaurant. It's a nice spot for swimming or snorkelling – take your jelly shoes to step over the rocks into the glistening Mediterranean.

Just off the coastal road, there are other restaurants dotted around the neighbourhood as well as a *boulangerie* and supermarket within a 10-minute stroll. Otherwise, the heart of Saint-Raphaël is less than a 10-minute drive away. There are many pretty beaches within walking distance or a short drive, some with summer restaurants or cafes, others quieter but perfect for snorkelling especially around some of the rocky coves. Along this part of the Saint-Raphaël coastline there are also some wonderful walks.

Saint-Raphaël (4km) is a lovely spot for lunch in one of the many restaurants with picturesque terraces, or simply wander around the handsome town and marina, soaking up the seaside vibe. Take the kids to the playground at Jardin Bonaparte, perhaps followed by some time on the town's main beach. Just a little further, Plage de Fréjus is also a fantastic place with a great atmosphere and lots of beachside cafes serving all sorts of delights. Look out for a great range of watersports in the summer season.

As well as being home to Roman remains and a beautiful 12th century cathedral, the historic part of Fréjus (7km) also hosts a number of markets. Experience the lively Farmer's market in the heart of the medieval quarter twice weekly or head to the market by the beach on a Sunday morning. In the height of the summer, vibrant night markets also take place by the beach.

Take a boat trip out to Saint-Tropez from mid-April to late-October, a fantastic way to visit this glitzy yet enchanting town (or it's about an hour in the car). Other superb boat trips include sight-seeing excursions to the spectacular Calanques de l'Estérel or even further to Île Sainte-Marguerite near Cannes.

Cannes is another great day out, just a 45-minute drive away (or longer if you opt for the coastal road) or spend time discovering the charm of Antibes, just a little further, with its enchanting old town, Picasso museum and lovely beaches, especially around Juan-les-Pins.

The nearby Massif d'Estérel is a spectacular place for hiking and mountain biking whether heading inland to paths near mountain villages or discovering trails near the coast, especially around the beautiful resort of Agay, just 6km



away. The views from the coastal road are magnificent – continue as far as the cliff-backed beaches at Théoule-sur-Mer (25km) for more stunning scenery.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Nice (67km)</b>
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Toulon (110km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>Local train station (Within 500m)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Beachside restaurant or local area (Within 500m)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>(At the end of the garden )</b>
Nearest Shop	<b>Bakery/supermarket (Within 600m)</b>
Nearest Town	<b>Saint-Raphaël (4km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Golf Blule Green Estère (8km)</b>

## What Oliver loves...

- Elegance and splendour on the French Riviera, close to the charming seaside town of Saint-Raphaël
- The beach can be reached via a discreet gate at the end of the beautiful garden
- The luxurious master bedroom has the most glorious Mediterranean views
- Croissants are delivered each morning for your breakfast
- Both Saint-Raphaël and Fréjus are a joy to explore with historic sights, vibrant markets and fantastic beaches
- You are perfectly positioned for visiting both the glitz of Saint-Tropez and glamour of Cannes

## What you should know...

- There are five bedrooms in the main residence and a sixth bedroom in a separate annexe which can be found close to the front entrance.
- There is also a second larger annexe at the front where the maid resides. Part of this annexe is also available, on request and subject to an extra charge, and it could be ideal for accompanying staff.

# Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €5000 paid via bank transfer to the owner one month 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.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, changed weekly for stays of 7+ nights.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes and mid-stay cleaning for stays of 7+ nights also included. 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 rubbish disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax payable locally (typically costs €1-€3 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).
- Changeover day: Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- Minimum stay: 20 nights in July and August. 7 nights during all other periods.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- 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.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
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- Insurance: Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for cancellations, loss of personal belongings, personal liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.