

La Masia Forn Teuler

Region: Barcelona Region Sleeps: 8

Overview

Located in the mountainous Alt Penedes wine region, 1-hour west of Barcelona sits this beautiful four-bedroom country property. Originally a 17th century barn where roof tiles were made, the property has been lovingly converted into a gem of a home. The surrounding greenery and peace and tranquillity make this the ideal place to relax and recharge.

Inside, the decor is light and airy. Slate flooring, stacked stone walls and natural finishes sweep through the open-plan living area creating a soothing atmosphere. A huge open fireplace overlooks an inviting dining table that seats eight people, while the well-equipped kitchen is kitted out with a wood-fire oven and every utensil you could possibly need (the owner, after all, is a professional chef). Stairs lead from the living area down to a cosy chill-out room where you can enjoy a siesta after a leisurely lunch while a spiral staircase sweeps up to the first floor.

There's a cosy lounge on the first floor where you can relax on the sofas with a film or simply gaze out the window at the sweeping views. Leading off from here are the four bedrooms, all featuring whitewashed walls, wood-beamed ceilings, double beds and glorious views of the garden. There are also two separate bathrooms featuring organic toiletries and luxury bathrobes for extra comfort.

Back on the ground level, there is plenty more to discover outside. The property prides itself on being eco-friendly and has a well-developed kitchen garden and an enclosure for the resident chickens. But the real highlight is the natural swimming pool surrounded by vineyards, sprawling mountains and ancient oak, olive and pine trees. Start the day with a dip in the crystal-clear waters or enjoy a quiet coffee while watching the sunrise. You'll find the silence here is magical, punctuated only by the croak of a frog or the buzz of a dragonfly. During the day, bask in the sun on a lounge or cook some locally sourced meat on the barbeque, then dine al fresco on the shady terrace. There's also a Zen garden located at the rear of the property, where you can sit by the pond and watch the goldfish swim.

The more active might want to explore the six hectares of private forest or enjoy a hike through the mountains. But at the end of the day, simply settle onto one of the comfy seating spots around the fire pit and marvel at the endless night sky. Although the property is set in a rural location, it's only a 5-



minute drive to a traditional restaurant, winery, and the small town of Pontons. The Penedes region is full of activities including wine tasting, hiking, cycling, restaurants, natural waterfalls as well the local town of Vilafranca only 20 km from La Masia Forn Teuler, so you'll never be bored during your stay!

At La Masia Forn Teuler, you will be sharing your stay with the owner and residential chef, Sophie! Sophie is from Australia and moved to Barcelona to open its first Australian eatery. Since leaving Barcelona and moving inwards into the Catalan countryside, she has been running La Masia Forn Teuler as a way to show guests the wonders of Spanish and Catalan cuisine, set against the backdrop of the gorgeous Alt Penedes region. Sophie offers various experiences at this villa, including cooking classes, dining with the chef, or wine tastings. Check out our Extras tab for more details!

Facilities

Villa/House • Sustainable Collection • Private Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • <1hr to Airport • Hairdryer • Smart TV • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Not for little ones • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Horse Riding • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Chapel on Site

Interior & Grounds

The Masia

La Masia Forn Teuler is a gorgeous, traditional Catalan masia owned by a chef and can accommodate 8 people whilst also being able to hold small events in the gorgeous countryside near Barcelona.

Interior

- Open-plan kitchen and dining area with plenty of space, a bio-mass pellet fireplace, a wood-burning oven, and access to the garden
- Chill-out room where you can enjoy a siesta
- Sitting nook next to the staircase
- Laundry room

First Floor

- Cosy living room with two sofas and a TV
- Bedroom with double bed (150 x 190 cm)
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- Shared bathroom
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Exterior

- Extensive gardens filled with native trees and plants, vineyards, and incredible views of the surrounding countryside
- Natural swimming pool (12 x 7 m) with decking and seating
- Shaded, outdoor seating and dining area
- Private, small chapel that is perfect for intimate weddings
- Tranquil Zen garden with a pond
- Vegetable patch
- Fire pit
- Barbecue

Additional Facilities

- Wi-Fi connection
- Internet TV
- Egyptian cotton linen
- Bathroom slippers and robes
- Toiletries
- Washing machine
- Dryer



Location & Local Information

La Masia Forn Teuler is set in the mountainous region of Penedes in northeast Spain. Famous for producing some of the country's best wines, Penedes is home to endless vineyards and lush forests. The area is quiet and surrounded by natural beauty, making it perfect for hiking, walking, and horse riding.

For a day out, head to Vilafranca del Penedes. It's a 20-minute drive away and known internationally for its wines and cavas. The old town is a pretty place for a stroll with its historic buildings, colourful houses, thirteenth-century church and seventeenth-century chapel. Be sure to also stop at the Museum of Wine Cultures of Catalonia (VINSEUM) and learn everything there is to know about the history of wine. Afterwards, head to the Museum's Tavern, where you can sample a glass or two of the town's famous produce.

Although the Penedes area is wonderfully tranquil if you prefer to spend the day by the sea, it's a 40-minute drive from the property to the coast. Popular beaches can be found in the glittering seaside town of Sitges. The beaches here are long and sandy and fringed by shady palms and excellent facilities. After a peaceful swim, browse the boutique stores, discover the many galleries and museums and marvel at the Modernista works of art in the Museu Cau Ferrat. Alternatively, linger over a tasty lunch at one of the excellent waterfront restaurants while watching the stylish, well-heeled crowd along the promenade. Sitges also boasts a vibrant nightlife, and come evening, the place teems with partygoers who flock to the numerous cocktail bars, nightclubs and discos.

No day trip would be complete without a visit to Spain's most cosmopolitan city, Barcelona. This vibrant city is a 1-hour drive from the property and is packed with groundbreaking art, architecture and style. Stroll along La Rambla with its buzzy bars and restaurants and admire Barcelona's cathedral. Gothic in style, it dates back to the fourteenth century and is one of the city's most magnificent structures. Be sure to also take in La Sagrada Familia, Antoni Gaudi's Modernista masterpiece. Other not-to-be-missed experiences include viewing Pablo's portraits in the Museu Picasso and soaking up the views from Gaudi's Park Guell.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Barcelona Airport (72 km)
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Nearest Ferry Port	Port of Barcelona (78 km)
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Nearest Train Station	Vilafranca del Penedes Station (21 km)
Nearest Village	Pontons (5 km)
Nearest Town	Vilafranca del Penedes (24 km)
Nearest City	Tarragona (70 km)
Nearest City	Barcelona (78 km)
Nearest Restaurant	Restaurant Casa Xamos (3 km)
Nearest Bar/Pub	Bar Xaloc (2 km)
Nearest Supermarket	Supermercat Rotisserie Foix (7 km)
Nearest Beach	Madrigueres Beach (34 km)
Nearest Golf	El Vendrell Pitch and Putt Golf (31 km)
Nearest Tennis	Vilafranca Tennis Club (15 km)

What we love

- The outdoor space is a delight with a natural swimming pool, Zen garden, a shady terrace and uninterrupted forest wilderness
- The property prides itself on being eco-friendly but also offers all modern comforts, including Wifi, TV, central heating, and mobile coverage
- The home has a country-retreat feel and boasts comfy open-plan living areas, a huge fireplace, a wood-fire oven, and views of the landscaped garden from every room
- Guests can choose to self-cater or arrange for the resident chef to prepare all meals and drinks

What you should know...

- The mountainous location is wonderfully peaceful and ideal for those looking to immerse themselves in nature
- The natural swimming pool is available to use, dependent on the weather
- Please be aware that the owner does live on the property too, and is there to help you with anything, especially with the cooking!

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €300 charged to client's credit card before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 3 pm.
- Departure time: 12pm.
- Energy costs included?: Yes, included in the rental price.
- Heating costs included?: Yes, included in the rental price.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, included in the rental price. A change of sheets is possible, at a cost of €20, and extra towels, at a cost of €5.
- Pool towels included?: Yes, included in the rental price. Extra towels are available, at a cost of €5.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Extra €100, paid locally. 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.
- Internet access?: Wi-Fi internet access included in the rental price.
- Minimum stay: 2 nights. All other durations on request.
- Changeover day: Flexible.
- Pets welcome?: Not permitted.
- Smoking Allowed?: Vaping is permitted inside. Smoking is only permitted outside.
- Pool heating charge?: Not available.
- Tax: Tourist Tax of €3.50 per person per night for over 16's is not included in the rental price and will need to be paid locally in cash on arrival.
- 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.
- Stag & Hen Do's Allowed? : Stag & Hen Do's are not allowed. Small weddings and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges.
- Other 2: This villa does accept children but guests must be aware that the property is located on an elevated position without fencing and the natural swimming pool is not fenced.
- Other 3: Please be aware that quiet and non-intrusive owners live on-site, in separate accommodation, and they will be very happy to help with any requests or issues.