

# La Bastide Du Lierre

Region: Grasse Sleeps: 8 - 12

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## Overview

The serene beauty of the Côte d'Azur hinterland is all around you at this picture-perfect blue shuttered bastide. Set in the Préalpes d'Azur just a 5-minute drive to a characterful village, you are only 14km from Grasse, the perfume capital of France.

La Bastide du Lierre is an attractive holiday home offering spacious interiors for up to 12 guests across its five pretty bedrooms and bathrooms. With the ambience of a welcoming family home, kick back in the TV lounge, play table football in the living room, prepare feasts in the contemporary kitchen or chill out in the garden studio with its summer kitchen and lounge.

The gardens are such a joy, not only because of the heated swimming pool and its surrounding stone terrace, but also for the vast amount of space for lounging in the sun, reading beneath a fruit tree, playing football or badminton on the lawns or enjoying a relaxed game of pétanque with a glass of *rosé*. The outdoor lounge is another picture-perfect spot to soak up the bastide's tranquility in the dappled light before feasting al-fresco on the picturesque terrace.

In the forests, the house is set just off a narrow country lane which leads to the river and some spectacular hiking spots in one direction and a charming French village along the Route Napoléon in the other. As well as restaurants and other useful amenities in the village, look out for one of the best *boulangeries* in the region and don't miss the Sunday morning market where local producers come down from the mountains to sell their cheese and meat.

Visit Grasse's cathedral, market and perfume studios before venturing to the historic market town of Valbonne or Picasso's beloved Mougins, now adored by gastronomes and artists alike. Then there's other picture-perfect villages from Gourdon, Cabris and Saint Cézaire sur Siagne to the Pays de Fayence and the incredible scenery and activities of Lac de Saint-Cassien.

Even closer to home, set off for hikes by the river or through the forests, coming across historic sites, caves and incredible landscapes, head further into the mountains or, for a complete change of scene, drive south for a day out on the French Riviera with its sandy beaches, watersports, boat trips and elegant Côte d'Azur towns such as Cannes and Antibes.



## Facilities

Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Heated Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers  
• Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • <1hr to Airport • BBQ  
• Ground Floor Bed & Bath • TV • Indoor Games • Outdoor Games •  
Table Tennis • Table Football • Heating • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) •  
Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Golf Nearby • Cycling • Horse  
Riding • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist  
Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • RWC-Nice

# Interior & Grounds

## Bastide Interiors

### Main Floor

- Living room
- Open plan dining area with doors leading to terraces
- TV lounge
- Study
- Kitchen, fully-equipped
- WC
- Bedroom with double bed and shower room

### First Floor

- Master bedroom with double bed and en suite bathroom
- Bedroom with double bed and single bed and door leading to balcony terrace
- Shower room and dressing area
- WC

### Top Floor (sloping ceilings, via open-tread stairs)

- Bedroom with double bed
- Bedroom with double bed and single bed
- Shower room
- WC

### Garden Studio

- Kitchen area and sofa
- Shower room and WC

## Outside Grounds

- Heated swimming pool (approx. 8x4m, depth: up to 3m) with safety alarm. Open approximately mid-April to mid-October
- Outdoor shower
- AI-fresco dining area
- AI-fresco lounge area
- Sun loungers (x8)
- Barbecue
- Fruit trees
- Children's play area (outbuilding)
- Boules



- Badminton
- Large garden

#### **Facilities**

- Wi-Fi
- Cable TV
- Table tennis
- Table football
- Badminton
- Boules

## Location & Local Information

In the Alpes-Maritimes department, close to the Var border, La Bastide du Lierre enjoys a beautiful setting in the Côte d'Azur hinterland. It is ideally located for visiting Grasse and experiencing the beauty of the mountains in the Préalpes d'Azur whilst only being 32km from the glamour of Cannes and the French Riviera.

This is a haven of tranquility with only one neighbour 100m away yet less than a five-minute drive from a typically Provençal village with a range of amenities including restaurants and apparently one of the best bakeries of the region. A weekly farmer's market hosts regional producers of meat and cheese from the mountains.

It goes without saying that this area is a paradise for outdoor enthusiasts with the most wonderful hikes both close to the village and further afield. Come across the pre-historic site at Castellaras de la Malle, follow La Pierre Druidique trail, hike near the Siagne river at Arche de Ponadieu or head further north into the mountains for forests, waterfalls, tiny villages and the most spectacular landscapes. The GR4 hiking trail passes close by and there are opportunities for horse-riding, mountain biking and other adventures. The local caves are also worthy of a visit, a great way to escape the summer heat.

Grasse (14km), the perfume capital of France, is a fine day out with its fragrance studios and museums where you can learn all about the town's fascinating heritage and even create your own perfume – look out for famous brands such as Gallimard, Molinard and Fragonard. Visit the town's 13th century cathedral, Notre Dame de Puy, to admire its famous Rubens paintings before pottering around Grasse's atmospheric medieval lanes, coming across café terraces and delightful restaurants.

Local picturesque villages also worth visiting include medieval Saint Cézaire sur Siagne (11km) with its views of the Siagne valley, and the pretty villages of Callian (24km) and Montauroux (24km), both close to the stunning Lac de Saint-Cassien, another superb spot for walking and water-based activities in the summer months. Fayence (30km) is also a joy to explore or head towards the coast stopping off in picture-perfect places such as the historic market town of Valbonne (24km) and flower-filled Mougins (26km), known for its gastronomy and art.

If you wish to experience the allure of the French Riviera then visit the glitz of Cannes (32km) with its palm-fringed shores and upmarket ambience or spend time in the old town of Antibes (37km), home to a warren of charming historic lanes. Chic Juan-Les-Pins is where Parisians head in the summer months for beachside restaurants and watersports whilst the Cap d'Antibes offers idyllic



coastal walking trails and sensational scenery.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Nice Airport (42km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>Gare de Grasse (14km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>(1.5km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Local village (1.5km)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Intermarché near village (2km)</b>
Nearest Town	<b>Grasse (13km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Golf du Claux Amic Sa (14km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Cannes (32km)</b>

## What we love

- A haven of peace with its heated swimming pool, pétanque court, gorgeous terraces and beautiful surroundings
- The vast garden is a joy whether reading beneath a shady tree or letting the kids play across the lawns
- A charming village is a 5-minute drive away, home to restaurants, a weekly Farmer's market and an excellent *boulangerie*
- A walker's paradise with forests, mountains, waterfalls, tiny villages and so many stunning hiking trails close by
- You are close to Grasse, known as the perfume capital of France or head south to the beaches and towns on the French Riviera

## What you should know...

- The house sleeps up to 12 guests across five bedrooms including two rooms with a double and single bed. One of the shower rooms is in the garden studio.
- The 8-person rate is available outside July and August. When booking for 8 guests, certain rooms will be unavailable. Please see the 'Rates' and 'Features' tabs for further details.
- Smoking is strictly not allowed anywhere (inside or out) because of the fire risk in the forest.

# Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €1500 charged to client's credit card by Oliver' Travels as a pre-authorisation one month before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 4.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 11.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, changed once for stays over 14 nights.
- Pool towels included?: Yes, changed once for stays over 14 nights.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes and mid-stay cleaning for stays over 14 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.
- Pool heating charge?: Included. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- Pool opening dates?: The pool is open approximately mid-April to mid-October. 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.
- Changeover day: Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax is included.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Smoking Allowed?: Not allowed.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges. Stag/hen parties are not allowed. If a wedding is agreed by the owner, it would only be permitted in the gardens (including the garden studio).
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