

Maison Myrtille

Region: Provence-Alpes **Sleeps: 10**

Overview

There is not a better base for exploring France's enchanting natural beauty than Maison Myrtille, located right at the edge of the Luberon Natural Park within the Provence-Alpes region. The rich and varied landscape is famed for its spiderweb of medieval villages, its sunny coastline and its world-renowned vineyards and wineries.

With its unique aspects, beautiful furnishings and incredible vistas, Maison Myrtille is a charming abode which is all about an understated sense of splendour alongside true escapism. Expect antiques, wooden beams, carefully-curated artwork and quirky vintage decor that all fits together for an elegant but traditional feel.

A large dining room is perfect for evenings spent dining together, while the living area has plenty of character, with tiled floors, a large stone fireplace and a snow-white piano. There are three bedrooms in the main house and two ground-floor bedrooms in the adjoining annexe which comfortably sleep a total of 10 guests.

The garden is such a joy, not only because of its private swimming pool and its surrounding stone terrace, but also for the vast amount of space it boasts. Pass warm summer days reading beneath a fruit tree, playing badminton on the lawns, or simply spreading out a blanket in the grass. After a day at the local market, guests can turn into speciality chefs by preparing homemade pizzas in the outside kitchenette and enjoying them al-fresco on the shaded terrace.

The house is set just off a narrow country lane which leads to a small stream and some spectacular hiking spots. Although nestled in an off-the-beaten-track location enveloped by pine trees, it is also just a short car journey from the market town of Apt and the stunning village of Saigon. Reputed for its candied fruit and local products, Apt is simply perfect for those who love strolling around winding pathways full of ancient fountains and enjoy a slower pace of life.



The house is also ideally placed for making various day trips to neighbouring villages and cities. The most beautiful include Ménerbes, Lacoste and Lourmarin, which are around a 30-minute drive away. Avignon and Aix-en-Provence are both buzzing with life, filled with museums, galleries, restaurants and bars, and can be reached in just over an hour.

If you are looking for some outstanding natural beauty, make sure to visit Sainte-Croix-du-Verdon, located less than a 2-hour drive away. A true haven of peace, this landscape of striking beauty is nestled on a hillside on the shores of the immense lake of St. Croix and is famed for its crystal-clear water, coves and beaches – simply a great place to recharge your batteries.

Facilities

Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • <1hr to Airport • Laptop Friendly
Workspace • BBQ • Coffee Machine • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • TV • DVD • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Cot(s) • High Chair(s)
• Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Horse Riding • Fishing • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interior

Ground Floor

- Kitchen equipped with a fridge, freezer, 4-ring gas hob, oven, microwave, dishwasher and coffee machine
- Living room with sofas, armchairs, fireplace and piano
- Entrance hall with dining table, chairs and fireplace
- TV room with a TV and low seating (*best suited to children*)
- Guest WC

First Floor

- Master bedroom with a double bed, en-suite bathroom with a bath, handheld shower and WC and garden views (*accessed via private staircase*)
- Bedroom with double bed (can be made into 2 x single beds) and private terrace with deck chairs
- Bedroom with double bed (can be made into 2 x single beds)
- Bathroom with a bath, hand-held shower
- Separate WC

Annexe

- Bedroom with a double bed and doors leading out to the garden
- Bedroom with twin beds
- Bathroom with a shower and WC

Outside Grounds (1.4 acres)

- Pool (10m x 4.5m)
- Pool terrace with sun loungers and furniture
- Covered terrace with al-fresco dining table and chairs
- Pergola with a dining table and chairs
- Kitchenette with a pizza oven and 2-ring cooker
- BBQ
- Umbrellas, table and chairs
- Parking

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- TV
- Heating
- Washing machine and dryer
- Iron
- Hair dryer



Location & Local Information

Maison Myrtille enjoys a lovely location within close proximity of two charming villages in the heart of the Luberon Nature Park, between the mountains of Vaucluse and Luberon.

From the house, it is just a short drive to Apt, where you will find a typical Provençal market that takes place on a Saturday morning and is one of the most famous in the region. It promises a vast array of peaches, herbs, cheeses, bread and as well as the local delicacy of candied fruit. Walk around its small but historic centre before settling down in a café nearby and watching the world go by.

The hilltop village of Saignon is also close by and features shops, cafés and a boulangerie. Wander around the narrow streets, discover ancient fountains, lovely squares, and beautiful old houses as well as the 12th-century church. Keen walkers can climb up to the top of the village's rock, which dominates the valley and rewards visitors with amazing views of the Luberon region and even a glimpse of the Alps on a clear day.

Spend a day village hopping and head to Buoux, then Bonnieux and continue through Lacoste all the way to Ménerbes to get a true taste of Provence. Each of these villages is authentic in its own special way and they are buzzing with traditional markets, ancient architecture, and hidden corners to be discovered.

The stunning landscape and villages of the Luberon region retain their timeless appeal and the local lavender, cherries, olives, truffles, and wines are world-famous for good reason. Here you find yourself in the heart of a great hiking country, with many popular tracks all around. Notably, the GR92 hiking path runs by the house and is perfect for walkers.

But Provence's charm is not just about its crumbling countryside - drive for ninety minutes and you will reach France's twinkling coastline, notably the popular holiday destination of Marseille. Loved for its sun-kissed beaches, seafood and nightlife, this city offers something for everyone. Get up early and head to the Old Port in the morning if you want to see fishermen unload and sell their daily catch or head to the city centre for a meal if you prefer tasting local cuisine. Evenings can easily melt into the early morning hours, and there are many summer beach clubs and bars playing music all night long.



Local Amenities

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| Nearest Airport | Marseille Provence Airport (82km) |
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| Nearest Airport 2 | Nîmes Airport (99km) |
| Nearest Village | (2km) |
| Nearest Town/City | Avignon (56km) |
| Nearest Restaurant | Restaurant in local village (2km) |
| Nearest Shop | Grocery shop in local village (2km) |
| Nearest Golf | Bill Owens Golf (29km) |
| Nearest Tennis | (5km) |
| Nearest Beach | Plage de la Lave (105km) |

What we love

- Maison Myrtille is an idyllic Provence country house boasting heaps of rustic charm
- In the early autumn months, the fig tree on the upstairs terrace overflows with ripe fruits, ready to be enjoyed straight away
- The house sits in between the villages of Saigon and Apt, while the Luberon Natural Park is just a stone's throw away
- The GR92 hiking path runs right by the house and is perfect for walkers looking to explore the hillsides on foot
- Sainte-Croix-du-Verdon's magnificent landscape full of hiking and rafting opportunities is less than a 2-hour drive away

What you should know...

- Please note that a small stream runs just below the property and is not fenced off, so families with small children should take extra care.
- Two of the house's 5 bedrooms can be found in the annexe by the pool.
- 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 or their property manager.

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €500 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation one month before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 5.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- 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 rubbish disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes.
- Pool towels included?: Yes.
- 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.
- Changeover day: Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Smoking Allowed?: No.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax is included.
- 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 or their property manager.
- Other Ts and Cs: A cot and highchair are available on request.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.