### Overview

Embrace the beauty and peace of Provence whilst being just a short drive (or cycle ride) to the heart of charming Saint-Rémy-de-Provence in this sensitively converted mas in Les Alpilles.

Mas de l'Escarelle, with its glorious garden and swimming pool, has such a warm ambience throughout with its character and gorgeous interiors. Having been completely renovated, we love the home's original features such as the authentic fireplace in the salon made from Fontvieille stone, traditional small windows and beautiful arched doorways. Up to 10 guests can stay here across five pretty bedrooms, four which feature a bath or shower room.

Outside the Provençal grounds bring such joy, not just its 12m long swimming pool and sun-loungers, but also its al-fresco dining corner with barbecue, south-facing terrace and outdoor lounge in the shade of the century-old lime tree.

In a rural setting of farmland and olive groves with a view of pine woodland, this is such a peaceful countryside spot to make the most of Les Alpilles. Yet it is just under a 5km drive to Saint-Rémy-de-Provence with its restaurants, art galleries and delightful Wednesday morning market, a town famed for its Van Gogh associations. The most active of guests could reach Saint-Rémy on foot or bike by following the small tow path by the bordering Canal des Alpines.

Take long walks through the landscapes of Provence straight from your home, spend time pottering around gorgeous villages such as Les Baux-de-Provence, Maussane-les-Alpilles and Eygalières and enjoy wonderful cuisine in local restaurants. The historic town of Tarascon can be reached within a 15minute drive, by the banks of the Rhône, whilst the small and historic city of Avignon is also easily reached within half an hour.

#### **Facilities**

Villa/House • Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • <1hr to Airport • BBQ • TV • DVD • Cot(s) • Toys • Parking Space • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Horse Riding • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • RWC-Marseille













## **Interior & Grounds**

#### Mas Interiors (300m2)

Ground Floor

- Lounge with stone fireplace
- Dining area
- Kitchen, well-equipped including fridge, freezer, dishwasher, Smeg range oven and gas hob
- Back kitchen with access to laundry facilities
- 2 x WC (one with sink)

#### Upstairs

- Bedroom with double bed, garden/pool view and shower room with large
- shower and two sinks
- Bedroom with double bed and shower room
- Bedroom with double bed and shower room
- Bedroom with twin beds (80cm each)
- Bedroom with double bed (two 80cm beds joined together), bathroom and
- private shower. Door leads to private terrace with garden/pool view
- Separate WC

Outside Grounds (3800m2 in total, 1800m2 of which is enclosed)

- Swimming pool (12x5m, depth: 1.1-1.7m) with safety shutter
- South-facing terrace
- Covered terrace
- Al-fresco lounge and dining area
- Gas plancha and barbecue
- Boules pitch
- Parking

#### Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Underfloor cooling
- TV
- DVD layer
- Games console
- Hi-Fi
- CD and film library
- Toys and books for children
- Washing machine and dryer

## **Location & Local Information**

Mas de l'Escarelle enjoys a rural location just 5km from the charming town of Saint-Rémy-de-Provence in the Bouches-du-Rhône department of southern France, part of Les Alpilles Regional Natural Park. It is also only 11km from the historic town of Tarascon by the banks of the Rhône.

Art-lovers will adore the galleries of Saint-Rémy-de-Provence, a town where Vincent Van Gogh lived towards the end of his life. As you explore its historic centre come across café terraces, characterful restaurants and little shops. See what exhibitions may be taking place at Musée Estrine and don't miss the wonderful Wednesday morning market where traders from across the region fill the town's narrow lanes selling olives, herbs, cheeses, charcuterie, homeware, clothes, lavender products and a wealth of seasonal fruit and vegetables from across Provence.

Les Baux-de-Provence (7.5km) is a must-visit, classified as one of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages' and home to an impressive château with incredible views over the surrounding landscapes. Meanwhile, take walks through the olive groves, stop off in little farms to sample olive oil, cheese and other gastronomic delights and enjoy lunch out in the picturesque village of Maussane-les-Alpilles (14km).

Eygalières (18km) is another picture-perfect village where a small handful of Alist celebrities have been known to have bought houses whilst the tiny village of Paradou is worthy of a visit, especially for the highly regarded Le Bistrot du Paradou, as featured in Rick Stein's recent series about France.

Hire bikes, head out for long walks or explore the beautiful scenery on horseback and there are also rock-climbing opportunities across Les Alpilles. The neighbouring region of the Luberon is also a paradise for outdoor lovers with incredible hikes, fantastic cycling opportunities and plenty of vineyards alongside bucolic perched villages such as Ménerbes and Gordes, both reached within a 50-minute drive.

The small, historic city of Avignon (21km) is a great day out with its markets, buzzing restaurants, wine-bars and UNESCO World Heritage sites, Palais des Papes and Pont d'Avignon. Keen cyclists should venture across to France's largest river island, île de la Barthelasse, to admire scenic views of Avignon from across the other side of the Rhône.

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#### **Local Amenities**

Nearest Airport	Avignon Airport
rical cot / inport	Anglion Alipoit
	(25km)

Nearest Airport 2	Nîmes Airport (39km)
Nearest Airport 3	Marseille Provence Airport (76km)
Nearest Train Station	Avignon TGV (23km)
Nearest Town	Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (5km)
Nearest Restaurant	Saint-Rémy-de-Provence/Saint-Étienne-du- Grès (5km)
Nearest Supermarket	Intermarché SUPER (5.5km)
Nearest City	Avignon (21km)
Nearest Golf	Golf des Baux de Provence (9km)

## What we love

- A beautifully renovated *mas* with many authentic features alongside ample modern touches
- The Provençal gardens are simply glorious whether swimming in the 12m pool, relaxing beneath the century-old lime tree or dining al-fresco by the barbecue
- Active guests can follow the Canal des Alpines and cycle (or walk) to the heart of Saint-Rémy-de-Provence within 5km
- Other gems of this part of Provence include Les Baux-de-Provence, Eygalières and Avignon

# 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 or their property manager.

# **Terms & Conditions**

- Security deposit: €2500 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.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.

- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes. 3hrs of housekeeping per week also included for 2-week stays. 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.

- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes.
- Pool towels included?: Yes.
- Changeover day: Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- Minimum stay: 14 nights. All other durations on request.
- 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.

- 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.

- Tax: French Visitors Tax is included.
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- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and other celebrations are not permitted.
- Other Ts and Cs: Guests will be required to sign a copy of the owner's rental terms upon booking confirmation.

Please click here to view the full property Terms and Conditions.