

# Maison Du Ciel Rose

Region: Provence-Alpes **Sleeps: 12**

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## Overview

The blue shuttered windows frame the prettiest of Luberon views at this gorgeous countryside home close to the medieval village of Saint-Saturnin-lès-Apt. Whether gazing out towards the olive groves and hills from the terrace, cooling off in the swimming pool or relaxing in the garden by the roses, this is a picture-perfect base for making the most of this captivating part of Provence.

Maison Du Ciel Rose sleeps up to 12 guests across this inviting home with three beautiful bedrooms in the main house, one in a vine-covered annexe and two more in a stone cottage also within the grounds. There is a range of queen-size double and twin beds whilst each bedroom has its own private bath or shower room. They have been decorated with such care – admire charming furnishings, artwork and, best of all, those mesmerising Luberon vistas from many of the bedrooms.

The country kitchen is a chef's dream – pick up a wealth of seasonal produce from local markets to cook up Provençal feasts to be enjoyed outside on the terrace overlooking the swimming pool and olive trees below. The lounge's corner sofa surrounds the grand fireplace and the snug is the ideal spot to cosy up and watch the Smart TV.

Sip coffee by the roses as family members or friends swim in the large swimming pool, then soak up the warm summer sun on the poolside terrace with the Luberon views glistening in the distance. When you feel ready to leave your slow-paced getaway, it's less than a 5km drive to the perched medieval village of Saint-Saturnin-lès-Apt with its inviting restaurants, cobbled lanes, old stone fountains and beautiful doorways surrounded by yet more glorious Provençal scenery. Don't miss the Tuesday morning market and make sure you try the local cherries, olive oil and wine produced near the village.

The Saturday morning market in nearby Apt is another great experience, the largest in the Luberon with up to 300 stalls in the summer months. Other wonderful places to visit include the iconic perched villages of Roussillon, Gordes, Bonnieux and Lourmarin, all classified as '*Plus Beaux Villages de France*'.

Discover incredible walking and hiking opportunities, come across amazing restaurants and pretty markets and cycle past poppy and lavender fields as



you explore the Luberon and beyond. Kayak or canoe along the Sorgue River from Fontaine-de-Vaucluse, potter around the antique stores of L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue and you could even venture to two jewels of Provence for a grand day out with Avignon and Aix-en-Provence both around an hour away by car.

## Facilities

Villa/House • Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Pets on Request • Smart TV • Spa/Massage • Sauna/Steam • Outdoor Games • Table Tennis • Table Football • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Fire Pit • Heating • High Chair(s) • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Romantic

# Interior & Grounds

## Main House Interiors (two floors)

- Lounge
- TV room
- Chef's kitchen, well-equipped
- Bedroom with queen-size double bed, air-conditioning and private bathroom with bath and shower
- Bedroom with queen-size double bed, air-conditioning and private bathroom with bath
- Bedroom with twin beds, air-conditioning and private bathroom with shower

## Annexe

- Bedroom with queen-size double bed (can be split as twins), air-conditioning and private bathroom with shower

## Two-storey Cottage

- Bedroom with queen-size double bed, fan and private bathroom with shower
- Bedroom with twin beds, fan and exterior bathroom with shower

## Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (4.5x9m) with safety alarm. Open approximately April to October
- Poolside terrace
- Al-fresco dining terrace and lounge area
- Terraced levels with steps
- Outdoor firepit
- Garden

## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Wood burner
- Air-conditioning (four bedrooms only)
- Fan (two cottage bedrooms)
- Smart TV
- Board games
- Childrens books



## Location & Local Information

Surrounded by the dreamy landscapes of the Luberon, Maison Du Ciel Rose is a fine base for exploring this captivating region of Provence, close to the medieval perched village of Saint-Saturnin-lès-Apt and only 7.5km from Apt and its famous Saturday morning market.

Saint-Saturnin-lès-Apt can be reached via car in less than 5km, set in the foothills of the Vaucluse mountains. It's a very pretty village to explore and its known for its surrounding cherry orchards, lavender fields, olive trees and vineyards – look out for the charming market showcasing some of these seasonal products on a Tuesday morning. As you stroll around the old part of the village it feels like a step back in time with its narrow lanes, ancient doorways, shuttered houses and stone fountains. Walk up to the castle ruins to appreciate glorious views of the Provençal landscapes before returning to one of the inviting village restaurants serving delicious French fare.

This location is excellent for reaching Apt (7.5km), the Luberon's largest town and home to the region's best market on a Saturday morning. With a rich heritage dating as far back as Roman times, admire the town's grand fountains, handsome houses and wonderful shops, some showcasing the regional speciality, candied fruit. There are lots of restaurants and bars, a great way to soak up the town's bustling ambience.

Elsewhere, the red-hued perched village of Roussillon (11km) is just over a 15-minute drive away, whilst other iconic villages of the Luberon include Gordes (18km), Bonnieux (18km), Lourmarin (24km), all officially classified as France's '*Plus Beaux Villages*'. Keen hikers can discover varied walking opportunities and the Luberon is also home to some fantastic cycling routes from family-friendly voie-verte trails to more challenging circuits.

For another great day out, spend time in the enchanting town of L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue (35km) with its waterways and antiques stores, famed for its Sunday morning brocante, and venture to Fontaine-de-Vaucluse (35km) for canoeing/kayaking along the Sorgue River and other outdoor adventures.

Venturing further afield, admire the historic sites of the small city of Avignon (55km) by the banks of the Rhône River or head south towards the university town of Aix-en-Provence (65km) to soak up its charming Provençal ambience and visit the café terraces, museums and art galleries including Paul Cézanne's former art studio.



## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Marseille Provence Airport (88km)</b>
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Nearest Airport 2	<b>Nîmes Airport (99km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>Gare de Cavaillon/Avignon TGV (35km/57km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>Saint-Saturnin-lès-Apt (5km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Saint-Saturnin-lès-Apt (5km)</b>
Nearest Shop	<b>Grocery store in Saint-Saturnin-lès-Apt (5km)</b>
Nearest Town	<b>Apt (7.5km)</b>
Nearest City	<b>Avignon (55km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Golf de Saumane (35km)</b>
Nearest Tennis	<b>Tennis Club Saint-Saturnin-lès-Apt (3km)</b>

## What we love

- Open the pretty shuttered windows and gaze out to the most beautiful landscapes of the Luberon
- The chef's kitchen is a dream – cook up a Provençal feast making the most of the delicious fresh produce found at local markets in Saint-Saturnin-lès-Apt and Apt
- You can also hire a private cook to prepare amazing French fare to be enjoyed on the gorgeous terrace
- Soak up the charm of medieval Saint-Saturnin-lès-Apt, famous for its surrounding cherry orchards, lavender fields and olive groves
- A fine location for visiting some of the Luberon's iconic perched villages from red-hued Roussillon to Van Gogh's beloved Gordes

## What you should know...

- There are three bedrooms in the main house, one in an annexe and two in a cottage – sleeping up to 12 guests in total.
- Air-conditioning is featured in four bedrooms only (three bedrooms in the main house and one in the annexe). The two cottage bedrooms each have a fan.

# Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: \$1000 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation at least 2 weeks before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 4.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, changed once per week.
- Pool towels included?: Yes.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes and weekly housekeeping is 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 is included.
- Changeover day: Flexible.
- Minimum stay: 5 nights.
- Pets welcome?: On request only and with prior agreement with the owner. If accepted, a pet supplement will apply (payable locally) alongside an increased security deposit.
- Other Ts and Cs: Air-conditioning is only featured in four bedrooms (three bedrooms in the main house and one in the annexe).
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings and stag/hen parties are not allowed. Other special events/celebrations are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges/conditions.
- Other Ts and Cs: A highchair is available on request. The property does not have a cot.