

Villa Grenade

Region: Provence-Alpes **Sleeps: 6**

Overview

Experience discreet luxury in an idyllic setting amongst the vines at this beautiful 3-bedroom holiday home set within a Luberon wine estate owned by a famous English filmmaker.

You will be warmly welcomed to Villa Grenade, a contemporary abode which exudes Provençal charm located in the vineyards in the foothills of the Luberon not far from the perched village of Oppède le Vieux. Exquisitely styled with comfortable furnishings, chic décor, artwork and even the occasional prop from the filmmaker's illustrious career, guests can expect high-end features such as air-conditioning throughout, Smart TV, an iPod dock and a perfectly equipped kitchen.

There is a great sense of space on the ground floor with two elegant lounges alongside the kitchen-diner whilst upstairs you will find three sumptuous bedrooms, all with king-size double beds, gorgeous linen and en suite bathrooms. If you are looking for further space, you can also rent [Villa Pamplémousse](#) next door (the villas are separate but the gardens can be connected) - see [Villa Pamplémousse and Villa Grenade](#).

The well-maintained gardens are glorious with two covered terraces for al-fresco lounging and dining as well as a gas barbecue. The serene swimming pool is gently heated in the summer months – it's wonderful to swim as you look out towards the lavender, pines, cypress trees and Luberon hills.

It's just a couple of minutes to stroll to the estate's newly created wine cellar and inviting shop, open seven days a week in the high season. A complimentary hour-long tour is included where you can learn all about the winegrowing traditions of the region and taste the full range of wines from the aromatic collection. You can also admire some of the filmmaker's costumes and sets displayed in the winery – a truly unique experience in the Luberon!

There's a small village around 1.5km away, home to a café and restaurants, *boulangerie* and small grocery store, reached on foot in around 20 minutes (no pavement) or a very short drive. The perched village of Oppède le Vieux is only 4km by car, a medieval gem which is a joy to discover as you soak up its rich heritage and gaze at the glorious vistas around you.

Charming Ménerbes is also close by, just under a 10-minute drive away, whilst



the iconic hilltop towns of Gordes, Bonnieux and Roussillon are waiting to be explored. Enjoy a wealth of delicious regional produce in gastronomic restaurants and local village markets, then appreciate the incredible scenery by walking, hiking or cycling past orchards, lavender and poppy fields, woodland and vineyards of course.

If you can find the time, visit Avignon or Aix-en-Provence, follow Van Gogh's footsteps in St-Rémy, canoe or kayak along the Sorgue River near Fontaine-de-Vaucluse and potter around the antique stores and Sunday morning brocante in L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue in this inspiring part of Provence.

Facilities

Villa/House • Instagrammable • Modern • Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Heated Pool • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • <1hr to Airport • BBQ • Washing Machine • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Coffee Machine • Hairdryer • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Smart TV • Heating • Caretaker/Owner on Site • Not for little ones • Parking Space • Canoeing/Kayaking • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Horse Riding • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites



Interior & Grounds

Villa Interiors (approximately 210m2)

Ground Floor

- Open-plan living room with doors opening out to al-fresco dining terrace
- Open-plan kitchen, fully-equipped including dishwasher, espresso machine and toaster
- Second lounge
- Guest WC

First-Floor

- Bedroom with king-size double bed (180x200cm) and en suite bathroom with bath, shower, sink and WC
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Outside Grounds

- Heated swimming pool (11x5m, depth: 0.87-1.9m) with safety alarm (movement alarm on side of the pool). Heated approximately May to September
- Poolside shower
- Poolside terrace with sun loungers and parasols
- Shaded dining terrace
- Shaded lounge area
- Gas barbecue
- Garden
- Shady car parking area (four cars)

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning
- Smart TV
- iPod dock
- Board games/puzzles
- Bathrobes
- Hairdryer
- Fire extinguishers and smoke detectors
- Ironing facilities
- Washing machine and dryer

Location & Local Information

In the Luberon region of Provence, Villa Grenade is set in a large family-run wine estate which is owned by a prominent English filmmaker, located below the perched village of Oppède le Vieux.

Surrounded by approximately 30 hectares of vines, you can visit the estate's wonderful shop and newly created wine cellar, just a couple of minutes away on foot, which is open seven days a week from June to September (closed Mondays and Sundays in low season). A one-hour 'classic' wine-tasting and tour is included in the villa rental. The owners and their family take pride in following traditional Provençal wine-growing methods respecting the estate's biodiversity.

Following local country roads you will reach a small village in around 1.5km - a 20-minute walk (no pavement) or just a few minutes in the car. The village is home to a café and a couple of restaurants, a *boulangerie* and small grocery store. A choice of good-sized supermarkets can be found in Coustellet (6.5km) as well as a delightful Sunday morning Farmer's market and other inviting shops. Here you will also find the Lavender Museum whilst the Musée de l'Huile d'Olive (3.5km) is en route.

The exquisite village of Oppède le Vieux (4km) is a short drive above the wine estate, an absolutely beautiful place to explore with its medieval lanes and rich heritage. Enjoy some stunning walks in and around the village including the hike up to Église Notre-Dame Dalidon for amazing views.

You are also well located for reaching Ménerbes (3.5km), a charming hilltop village made especially famous by Peter Mayle's 'A Year in Provence' as well as other nearby gems such as Lacoste (12km), Gordes (12km) and red-hued Roussillon (17km). Indeed, you can explore the gorgeous landscapes that inspired the wine estate's owner when creating one of his much-loved films in the Luberon – the wine château where it was set is close to Bonnieux (16km) and is worthy of a visit for more excellent wine tasting opportunities.

Discover a wealth of seasonal delights including summer cherries, Cavaillon melons, Vaucluse strawberries, candied fruit, goats cheese, olive oil, wine and lavender products at atmospheric markets in places such as Gordes (Tuesday), Lourmarin (Friday), Apt (Saturday) and Coustellet (Sunday). Furthermore, the Sunday morning brocante in L'Isle sur La Sorgue (17km) is one of the most well-known antique markets in southern France.

The Luberon and beyond is perfect for long walks or hikes through vineyards, orchards, wooded hills and perched villages and there are some fantastic cycling trails from challenging circuits to family-friendly routes. Horse-riding



can be found near Joucas (16km) whilst Fontaine-de-Vaucluse (17km) is the place to go for canoeing and kayaking along the Sorgue River.

Then there's Avignon (37km) and its two UNESCO World Heritage sites, the vineyards of the Rhône valley near Châteauneuf-du-Pape (48km), the art galleries of Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (35km) and Arles (65km) and the romance of Cézanne's beloved Aix-en-Provence (62km).

If arriving by aeroplane you can fly into Avignon (29km), Marseille (68km) or Nîmes (80km) whilst Gare d'Avignon (42km) has arrivals from Paris Gare de Lyon or Lille via its fast train service (the direct journey from Paris takes around 2 hours and 40 minutes).

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Avignon Airport (29km)
Nearest Airport 2	Marseille Airport (68km)
Nearest Airport 3	Nimes Airport (80km)
Nearest Train Station	Cavaillon/Avignon TGV (13km)
Nearest Village	Oppède (1.5km)
Nearest Restaurant	Local village (1.5km)
Nearest Shop	Bakery and grocery store in local village (1.5km)
Nearest Supermarket	Coustellet (6km)
Nearest Town	Cavaillon (12.5km)
Nearest City	Avignon (37km)
Nearest Tennis	Local village (1.6km)

Nearest Golf

Golf de Saumane
(16km)

What we love

- A unique experience staying in a contemporary and beautiful villa set amongst the vines of a Luberon wine estate owned by a famous English filmmaker
- The modern villa has been exquisitely styled with fine furnishings, artwork and even the occasional cinema prop
- The gardens are glorious with a gently heated swimming pool, cypress trees, pines, lavender and views of the Luberon hills
- A complimentary tour of the winery including wine-tasting is included
- A small village with a *boulangerie*, restaurants and grocery store is 1.5km away
- Iconic perched villages very close by include Oppède le Vieux and Ménerbes whilst Avignon and L'Isle sur La Sorgue are both wonderful days out

What you should know...

- Villa Grenade is next door to 3-bedroom [Villa Pamplémousse](#) and they can both be rented together for up to 12 guests. Please see [Villa Pamplémousse and Villa Grenade](#).
- The gorgeous [Le Soleil D'Or](#) is also within the same wine estate, around 200m away.
- This villa is not suitable for children under the age of 12 – this is due to various reasons including the fact that there are works of art and unique furnishings/pieces across the home as well as the desire to create a calm ambience across the grounds with neighbouring Villa Pamplémousse.
- Please note the attentive Property Manager is usually on-site in her office (just across the road) on week days.

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €3500 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation before arrival (taken by Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment) and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 4.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes.
- Pool towels included?: Yes.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes and mid-stay clean on a Monday morning. 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 opening dates?: The pool is gently heated approximately May to September. 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.
- Pool heating charge?: Included. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- Changeover day: Friday. All other changeover days on request.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- Smoking Allowed?: Not allowed.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment (typically costs €1-€10 per adult per night - please enquire if exact amount is required).
- Other Ts and Cs: Children under the age of 12 are not allowed to stay at this villa.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.