

La Belle Hacienda

Region: French Riviera (Cote D'Azur) Sleeps: 6

Overview

In the Maures hills, La Belle Hacienda is such a welcoming and stylish villa with a beautiful garden and swimming pool. It is on a hilltop just 1km from La Garde-Freinet and half an hour from the allure of Saint-Tropez.

As you relax outside, gaze towards the valley in this picture-perfect region of southern France. The natural setting of this hacienda-style villa is remarkable, surrounded by mature trees and an idyllic lavender-filled garden. Stroll down the steps towards the swimming pool, which can be heated on request, then enjoy a game of table tennis before discovering a quiet spot for a chilled glass of local Côtes de Provence.

Dining al-fresco is a joy on one of the two terraces, making the most of feasts prepared in the elegant kitchen inside. The modern open-plan lounge and dining area is just as impressive with wide doors framing the garden views whilst the fireplace adds a touch of Provençal character. There is air-conditioning throughout and all three double bedrooms feature an en suite bathroom.

La Garde-Freinet is a charming medieval village with a twice-weekly market (look out for chestnut products), artisan shops and restaurant terraces overlooking the Maures landscapes. There are of course many wonderful walking and hiking trails from the village as well as horse-riding and mountain biking opportunities nearby.

Winding through the forests, flower-filled Grimaud is 10km by car with its art galleries and gastronomic restaurants, a picture-perfect village with glorious views of Saint-Tropez bay. Continue onwards towards the canals of Port Grimaud, the lovely beach at Plage de Grimaud or the colourful fishing houses and high-end boutiques of Saint-Tropez.



Facilities

Villa/House • Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Heated Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • <1hr to Airport • BBQ • Washing Machine • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • TV • Table Tennis • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Cycling • Horse Riding • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interiors

Ground Floor

- Lounge and dining area with fireplace
- Open-plan kitchen, well-equipped including dishwasher, fridge, gas oven
- Reading room
- Master bedroom with double bed and en suite bathroom with bath
- Bedroom with double bed and en suite bathroom with shower
- Bedroom with double bed and en suite bathroom with shower
- Laundry room

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (12x5m, depth: 1.7m) with safety alarm. Can be heated on request
- Covered terrace
- Al-fresco dining area
- Barbecue
- Garden (and steps)

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning
- TV
- Table tennis
- Washing machine and dryer



Location & Local Information

La Belle Hacienda is located just outside the characterful village of La Garde-Freinet in the Maures hills of the Var department, 16km from Port Grimaud and around half an hour from Saint-Tropez and Sainte-Maxime.

The nearest airport is Toulon Hyères (56km) whilst Nice and Marseille Airports are also worth considering. If travelling by train, there are direct TGV services from Paris Gare de Lyon to Les Arcs-Draguignan (25km).

The villa enjoys a rural setting on a hilltop surrounded by mature trees and only a small handful of neighbours. La Garde-Freinet (1km) is a pretty medieval village, home to restaurants, inviting shops, a couple of grocery stores and a twice-weekly market showcasing some of the region's gastronomic delights. This part of the Côte d'Azur hinterland is ideal for hikes, mountain biking and horse-riding, all spectacular ways to appreciate the beautiful surroundings.

Following the winding roads passing chestnut and oak forests, reach the picture-perfect village of Grimaud (10km) where you can admire glorious views of Saint-Tropez bay. It's a delightful hilltop village with a rich heritage alongside a weekly market, excellent restaurants and little art galleries.

Port Grimaud (16km) is another highlight of this region, a joy to explore by boat with its canals and colourful houses – look out for the Monday evening market that takes place in the height of the summer. Plage de Grimaud is a fantastic beach with watersports whilst further along the coast is the charming seaside resort of Sainte-Maxime (20km).

From Sainte-Maxime or Port Grimaud you can catch a summer ferry across to Saint-Tropez (22km), a good way to avoid the summer traffic. The former fishing village exudes both character and glamour with its medieval lanes, boutiques, bars, restaurants and impressive marina. South of the town, Plage de Pampelonne (26km), best reached by car, is a vast sandy beach with exclusive beach clubs and a range of watersports.

Driving north, discover a different side of the Côte d'Azur hinterland as you come across the natural beauty of the Argens River, ideal for canoeing and kayaking, or sample wines at prestigious châteaux near Vidauban (20km). Lorgues (31km) hosts one of the Var's best Provençal markets on a Tuesday morning.



Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Toulon Hyères Airport (56km)
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Nearest Airport 2	Nice Airport (108km)
Nearest Airport 3	Marseille Provence Airport (125km)
Nearest Train Station	Le Luc-et-Le-Cannet/Les Arcs-Draguignan (19km/25km)
Nearest Village	La Garde-Freinet (1km)
Nearest Restaurant	La Garde-Freinet (1km)
Nearest Supermarket	La Garde-Freinet (Within 1.5km)
Nearest Beach	Plage de Grimaud (16km)
Nearest Town	Sainte-Maxime/Saint-Tropez (19km/22km)
Nearest Golf	Beauvallon Golf Club (19km)

What we love

- The lavender-filled garden is idyllic alongside the beautiful swimming pool
- There are pretty terraces for al-fresco dining or perhaps a glass of local Côtes de Provence in the shade overlooking the olive trees
- Air-conditioning is throughout and all three bedrooms have an en suite bathroom
- The characterful village of La Garde-Freinet is only 1km away
- Drive through the oak and chestnut forests towards the French Riviera coast – Sainte-Maxime and Saint-Tropez are around half an hour by car

What you should know...

- Please note that your booking will only be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner or their property manager.
- 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.

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €3000 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation at least 2 weeks prior to arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 4.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- Changeover day: Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- 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.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- Pool heating charge?: Not included. Pool heating available at an additional cost, payable locally. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- 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.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax is included.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Smoking Allowed?: Not allowed.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
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- 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 high chair available on request at an additional cost, payable locally.