

# La Bastide De Lavande

Region: Provence-Alpes **Sleeps: 16**

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## Overview

With shady plane trees, summer roses, swathes of lavender and the sound of trickling fountains, this exceptional Provençal abode is set amongst the fruit orchards only 3km from L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue, close to the captivating landscapes of the Luberon.

Dating back to the 17th century, welcome to La Bastide De Lavande. This historic residence has been beautifully renovated to a very high standard and sleeps up to 16 guests in eight air-conditioned en suite bedrooms. In a U shape, the bastide's elegant living spaces are scattered over the east and west wings which both lead to the courtyard, such an atmospheric spot for al-fresco meals in characterful surroundings.

Relax in the various lounges featuring high-speed Wi-Fi, Smart TVs and a Sonos sound system, prepare your morning coffee and pastries in the breakfast room and create sumptuous feasts in the professional kitchen (a chef can be arranged). From the grandeur of the wood-beamed salon with its piano to the intimacy of the wine cellar, this bastide is full of character and Provençal charm.

There is an idyllic ambience outside as well across the grounds designed by two of France's best landscape designers. Sit back with a glass of local rosé beneath the century-old plane trees, admire the cypresses, summer roses and lavender, then gaze out beyond the apple orchards towards the mountains.

The stone swimming pool is nearly 200 years old and has been recently restored using a mineral based system. There are ample sun loungers to soak up the sun as well as a pizza oven for lingering lunches or evening meals accompanied by the sound of the cicadas.

The location will enchant you with L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue just a short cycle or drive away. Potter around the antique stores followed by lunch at Café de France and don't miss the famous brocante on a Sunday morning which attracts visitors from across the region.

This setting is also perfect for exploring the Luberon with its incredible scenery and perched villages such as Gordes, Ménerbes and Roussillon. Then there's Avignon and artistic Saint-Rémy, the foothills of Mont Ventoux, the lavender fields of Sault and the historic charm of Aix-en-Provence, all wonderful days



out in this beautiful part of southern France.

## Facilities

Villa/House • Wow Factor • Instagrammable • Private Pool • Wi-Fi/Internet  
• Air-Con • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • Laptop Friendly  
Workspace • Washing Machine • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave  
• Coffee Machine • Electric Car Charger • Hairdryer • All Bedrooms En-  
Suite • Smart TV • Wine Cellar • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Cot(s)  
• High Chair(s) • 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 • Romantic

# Interior & Grounds

**Bastide Interiors** (1088m<sup>2</sup>, various floors/wings)

## *East Wing*

- Living room
- Dining room
- Breakfast kitchen
- Reading/TV lounge
- Bedroom with king-size double bed and en suite bathroom
- Bedroom with queen-size double bed and en suite bathroom
- Bedroom with king-size double bed and en suite bathroom
- Bedroom with queen-size double bed and en suite bathroom

## *West and Central Wing*

- Professional kitchen, fully-equipped including dishwasher, oven, toaster, microwave, fridge, freezer, blender, kettle and coffee maker
- Two loungers (one on each floor)
- Wine cellar
- Bedroom with king-size double bed and en suite bathroom
- Bedroom with queen-size double bed and en suite bathroom
- Bedroom with king-size double bed and en suite bathroom
- Bedroom with queen-size double bed and en suite bathroom

*Four bathrooms feature a bath and walk-in shower, two feature a walk-in shower and two feature a bath (with hand-held shower)*

**Outside Grounds** (20,000m<sup>2</sup>)

- 200-year old stone bassin-style swimming pool (9x5m, depth: 1.8m) with fountain and safety alarm. Features a mineral based system (magnesium). Open approximately April to October
- Sun loungers (x16) and parasols
- Outdoor shower
- AI-fresco dining area for 16 guests
- Courtyard
- Pizza oven
- Pétanque court
- Yoga pavilion (due 2024)
- Landscaped gardens, lavender and century-old trees
- Fountains
- Private parking
- EV charger



## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning (bedrooms only)
- Fireplace (x2)
- Smart TV (x2)
- Sonos sound system
- Piano
- Hairdryers
- Wine cellar
- Washing machine and dryer

*A staff quarter (ideal for chef/nanny etc) with its own entrance, sofa-bed (140cm), en suite and kitchenette is available on request at an extra cost.*

## Location & Local Information

In the Vaucluse department of Provence, La Bastide De Lavande is 3km from L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue, a charming town known for its waterways and antique stores. This is also wonderful setting for exploring the captivating landscapes of the Luberon as well as visiting Avignon, Fontaine-de-Vaucluse, Les Alpilles and beyond.

La Bastide De Lavande is surrounded by apple orchards and farmland so typical of this part of Provence. You can drive or cycle 3km to L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue (the most energetic of guests could walk along the country roads). Potter around its many antique stores and don't miss the large Sunday morning brocante that attracts visitors from across the region. Come across restaurants for lunch on a riverside terrace or enjoy an early evening aperitif at the iconic Café de France opposite the beautiful church.

The natural beauty of Fontaine-de-Vaucluse (10km) is within easy reach, a paradise for hikers as well as canoeing/kayaking enthusiasts. Within a 15-minute drive is Golf de Saumane and a tree-top activity centre.

This is also the gateway to the Luberon with its iconic perched villages, vineyards, orchards, forests and incredible scenery. Perhaps start off in Gordes (21km) and the lavender field near Abbaye Notre-Dame de Sénanque before venturing towards yet more of France's 'Plus Beaux Villages' such as Ménerbes (20km) and Roussillon (30km).

In the other direction is Saint-Rémy-de-Provence (29km), where Van Gogh once lived, with its art galleries and Wednesday morning market. Indeed, spend time discovering the pretty villages of Les Alpilles - Eygalières (25km), Les Baux-de-Provence (40km) and Maussane-les-Alpilles (40km) are all lovely spots for lunch (try the local olive oil).

Other great days out include the historic city of Avignon (25km), the foothills of Mont Ventoux around Bédoin (36km), the lavender farms of Sault (53km) and the charming University town of Aix-en-Provence (65km), not far from the landscapes that have inspired so many artists over the years.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Avignon Airport (15km)</b>
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Marseille Provence Airport (70km)</b>



Nearest Train Station	<b>L'Isle-sur-Sorgue/Avignon TGV (2.5km/29km)</b>
Nearest Town	<b>L'Isle-sur-Sorgue (3km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Local hotel-restaurant (550m)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>In and around L'Isle-sur-Sorgue (3-4km)</b>
Nearest City	<b>Avignon (22km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Golf de Saumane (8km)</b>

## What we love

- The aromas of lavender and rose accompanied by the sound of trickling fountains and cicadas – this is Provence
- Stunning interiors with elegant living spaces alongside sumptuous en suite bedrooms with air-conditioning
- Seek shade beneath the century-old plane trees and cool off in the 200-year old stone swimming pool
- Cycle to nearby L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue to potter around its antique stores before watching the world go by at Café de France
- The perfect location for exploring the idyllic landscapes of the Luberon as well as spending time in Saint-Rémy-de-Provence, Avignon and beyond

## What you should know...

- Air-conditioning is featured in the bedrooms only.
- A beautiful house with immense character, if travelling with children then please be aware of historic features such as old steep stairs and outdoor fountains/water features.
- There is additional staff accommodation for a chef/nanny etc - please enquire for more details and costs.

# 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.
- 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 cleaning 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.
- Pool opening dates?: The bassin-style pool is open approximately April to October. 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.
- Smoking Allowed?: Not allowed.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges.
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