

Villa Verriere

Region: Luberon Sleeps: 7

Overview

Pass swathes of summer lavender as you approach this inviting holiday home in the heart of the Luberon National Park. Villa Verriere is for guests seeking peace and privacy in a remote setting yet only 3.5km from hilltop Roussillon, one of France's most beautiful villages.

Set in 20,000m² of private grounds, this is such a glorious location surrounded by pine forest, vines and landscapes so typical of the Luberon. Built in a Provençal style, this rustic home is designed for spending genuine time together with your family or friends whether chatting over your morning coffee in the flower-filled garden, dining al-fresco in the shade of the covered terrace or relaxing by the swimming pool as the kids splash around and practice their strokes.

Villa Verriere comfortably sleeps up to 7 guests across its four first-floor bedrooms including two doubles with en suite bathrooms and private terraces. Downstairs there is a brilliantly equipped kitchen with doors opening out to the shaded dining terrace alongside a traditional lounge with a grand Provençal fireplace.

Despite the feeling of solitude, Roussillon is just a short drive away (there is also a lovely walking path that leads to the village for the most adventurous). It is such a gorgeous village to explore – head out early before the tourists arrive to truly soak up its enchanting ambience. There are restaurants, little shops and a Thursday morning market. On the edge of the village, follow the marked walking trails, Le Sentier des Ogres, then reward yourself with an ice-cream - flavours in one *glacier* often include lavender, peach, melon and other delicious flavours inspired by Provence!

Elsewhere, drive to picture-perfect villages from famous Ménerbes and Gordes to slightly lesser known Goult and Saint-Saturnin-lès-Apt. Across the Luberon, seek out atmospheric markets, Michelin starred restaurants, wonderful vineyards and the most glorious walking, hiking and cycling trails. This is iconic Provence at its best with landscapes of forest, cherry orchards, vines and idyllic perched villages.



Meanwhile, if you can find the time, experience the antique stores and Sunday morning brocante in L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue, canoe along the Sorgue River near Fontaine-de-Vaucluse, visit the lavender distilleries of Sault and admire the UNESCO World Heritage sites of Avignon in this captivating part of southern France.

Facilities

Villa/House • **Recommended** • **Exclusive** • Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Heated Pool • Wi-Fi/Internet • Pets on Request • <1hr to Airport • BBQ • Washing Machine • 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

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interiors (200m2)

- Living room with open Provencal fireplace
- Open-plan kitchen, fully-fitted with doors opening to covered terrace for al-fresco dining
- Laundry room with washing machine



Upstairs

- Bedroom with double bed, terrace and en suite bathroom
- Bedroom with double bed, terrace and en suite bathroom
- Bedroom with double bed
- Bedroom with single bed (and spare mattress)
- Bathroom with bath and shower

Outside Grounds

- Private swimming pool (12m x 6m) with automatic safety cover. Can be heated (for a supplement) in April, May, September and October
- Covered al-fresco dining terrace and barbecue
- Outdoor lounge areas
- Landscaped garden (with some steps and different levels)
- Vast grounds (20,000m2)
- Private parking



Location & Local Information

Villa Verriere is in the heart of the Luberon National Park set in a landscaped garden surrounded by 20,000m² of private grounds. Here you are just south of Roussillon, one of France's officially classified '*Plus Beaux Villages*'. Marseille and Avignon are the nearest airports or arrive by train into Gare d'Avignon TGV (Paris to Avignon is 2 hours 40 minutes by the fast train services).

The stunning red-hued village of Roussillon is around 3.5km away – keen walkers note there is a beautiful path heading towards the village or it is a short drive. Roussillon is home to a good grocery store and bakery as well as some lovely restaurants – head there early to soak up the beauty of the village over breakfast before the many visitors arrive. On the edge of the village is Le Sentier des Ocres, two marked walking paths leading you through the former ochre quarry and pine trees. A little further afield, admire more glorious ochre landscapes as you follow hiking paths through Le Colorado Provençal around half an hour away.

This is a great base for visiting many other idyllic villages of the Luberon including Ménerbes (14km), Gordes (11.5km), Bonnieux (10km) and Lourmarin (22km). There are so many pretty villages slightly off the tourist track as well such as picturesque Goult (6.5km), a hidden jewel of the region, Saint-Saturnin-lès-Apt (14.5km) loved for its cherry orchards, and Cucuron (30km) with its café terraces and ancient plane trees around the village's bassin and a Michelin starred restaurant (indeed, there are many excellent places to eat across the region). Gastronomes will also appreciate the atmospheric Saturday morning market in Apt, one of the largest in this part of Provence.

Beyond the Luberon, spend the day visiting the UNESCO World Heritage sites of Avignon (45km), experience the antique stores and Sunday morning brocante in L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue (25km), canoe along the river near Fontaine-de-Vaucluse (25km) or soak up the ambiance of Aix-en-Provence (62km) just over an hour away by car.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Avignon Airport (37km)
Nearest Airport 2	Marseille Provence Airport (84km)
Nearest Train Station	Gare de Cavaillon/Avignon TGV (24km/48km)



Nearest Village	Roussillon (3.5km)
Nearest Restaurant	Roussillon (3.5km)
Nearest Shop	Grocery store, bakery etc in Roussillon (3.5km)
Nearest Supermarket	Large supermarkets near Apt (11.5km)
Nearest Town	Apt (11.5km)
Nearest City	Avignon (45km)
Nearest Tennis	Near Apt (12km)
Nearest Golf	Golf de Saumane (25km)

What we love

- Set in the heart of the Luberon National Park, make the most of this very private setting surrounded by 20,000m2 of private grounds
- Soak up the beauty of the swathes of summer lavender across the landscaped garden
- Roussillon is such a beautiful village with its many shades of ochre – sit out in a village restaurant with idyllic Luberon views
- The hiking opportunities here are fantastic – keen walkers can even follow a lovely path from the house to Roussillon
- A great base for exploring many other picture-perfect villages such as Ménerbes and Gordes as well as visiting markets, high-end restaurants, vineyards and historic towns

What you should know...

- The pool can be heated for a supplement in certain months – please see the 'T&Cs' for details.
- If staying with young children, please supervise on the upstairs balconies and across the vast, beautiful grounds.

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €750 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: 5.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes.
- Pets welcome?: On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- Changeover day: Saturday - all other changeover days on request.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes, standard changeover clean and weekend cleaning if staying multiple weeks are included. 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.
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights - all other durations on request.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- Pool heating charge?: No, pool heating available April - May & September - October at an extra charge of €250/week payable with balance. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax included.
- Pool towels included?: Yes.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
- Other Ts and Cs: Cot and high chair available in request.