

L'Étoile des Baux Les Baux-de-Provence, France

What we love...

We love the unique setting of this luxury villa farmhouse and its amazing facilities, from the outdoor swimming pool to the alfresco cinema and theatre. It really makes the most of its amazing location and temperate climate...

Some holidays are more than a break from the everyday; they're like stepping into another world. L'Étoile des Baux is one of those luxury holiday villas. Built directly into the rock, with stone protruding beautifully into several of the rooms, this Provençal mas (traditional farmhouse) has a dream-like quality that is utterly relaxing and so magical you'll occasionally wonder if you dreamt it all...

Set in the Alpilles, in the middle of the stunning village of Les Baux-de-Provence, you'd be forgiven for never wanting to leave the four walls of the villa. That said, the villa's location makes it the perfect base for exploring this beautiful part of the world, wandering through fragrant, colourful markets, walking alongside verdant fields and exploring some of the most beautiful villages in the world.

But the villa itself is what brings people back again and again. It's impossible not to relax here, with the stunning views and nature wherever you look, even in the very walls of this property. The juxtaposition of thousands-of-years-old stone and bright, modern furniture gives L'Étoile des Baux a unique character. Each of the eight

bedrooms is individually designed to give the occupant a light and airy bolthole to call their own. The rest of the indoor spaces are pared back, shady and offer acres of space in which to gather, relax alone, party and rest. As well as the living and dining areas and two kitchens, the property also has a bar, library, gym, TV room and epicerie, as well as two wine cellars.

The outdoor space where the real magic happens. An alfresco living and dining area in the property's gardens allow you to live a true outdoor lifestyle here. The swimming pool, adjacent, is spectacular, backed by craggy rocks and surrounded by lush greenery and the sound of cicadas singing; the perfect spot in which to spend a hot afternoon. There's also an outdoor games space with table football and table tennis, and, the jewel in this property's crown: the open air theatre and cinema because watching any film or play is so much more magical under the stars.

Whatever you want from your stay at this luxury villa, your dedicated villa manager is on hand to make it a reality.

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Rooms

L'Étoile des Baux sleeps 14 + 2 guests in 8 bedrooms.

Bedroom 1:

Double bedroom with queen-size bed, dressing room and en-suite shower room.

Bedrooms 2 & 3:

Double bedrooms each with queensize bed, dressing room, en-suite shower room and garden view.

Bedroom 4:

Double bedroom with king-size bed, dressing room, en-suite bathroom and terrace with garden view.

Bedroom 5 & 6:

Troglodyte double bedrooms each with king-size bed, dressing room and en-suite bathroom.

Bedroom 7:

Double bedroom with queensize bed, dressing room, en-suite bathroom and direct garden access.

Bedroom 8:

Twin bedroom with dressing room, en-suite bathroom and direct garden access.

Eating

Each morning a breakfast of delicious local and seasonal foods is served; this really is a foodie's paradise, with plenty of markets where you can pick up all manner of wonderful provencal specialities (there's much more to the area than just the olives but they really are amazing) and then enjoy long, relaxed lunches back at the villa, washed down with some fabulous wines.

The villa has a professional kitchen which anyone who enjoys cooking will love to use. It's set up with all the gadgetry you could need from a steam oven (as well as the usual oven), Jura coffee machine, Vitamix blender and more.

If you wish to eat out, the villa manager will be only too pleased to make recommendations and bookings for you. The area is home to several outstanding and Michelinstarred restaurants. We particularly love the three-Michelin-starred Oustau de Baumaniere as well as Chez Paulette in the pretty village of Eygalieres.

A chef service can be arranged for you at additional cost if you prefer to be catered for all week.











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Kids

Children will be enchanted by this magical home built into the rocks. Whole afternoons can easily be lost to splashing in the outdoor swimming pool and running around the beautiful gardens, which include a relaxation area with table football and table tennis.

A highlight will definitely be the open air theatre/cinema – just ask your hosts to arrange an evening's entertainment (and don't forget the popcorn!). But if a shower rolls in, there's plenty of space in this eightbedroom villa and even a cosy TV room to catch a movie on a rainy night.

Your host will be happy to arrange entertainment, outdoor adventures and also childcare if the grown-ups wish to enjoy an evening out, too.

Staff

Firefly pre-arrival concierge service

Villa staff include: Dedicated villa manager Housekeeper

Additional and carefully selected staff such as a private chef, nannies and massage therapists can be arranged on request.

Location

L'Étoile des Baux is a luxury villa in the middle of the Alpilles. It's built into the rocks in the picturesque village of Les Baux-de-Provence, often cited as one of France's most lovely villages.

With use of the villa's Garia golf cart, electric Méhari and bikes, it's within easy distance of lots of beautiful towns and villages for you to explore at your leisure.

The nearest airports are Avignon, approx. 30mins drive away, or Marseille just under an hour's drive.

Facilities

Outdoor swimming pool
Gym
Wine cellar
Wifi
Apple TV
Alfresco dining area
Outdoor cinema with overhead
projector
Outdoor theatre with stage
Spacious private garden
Surround sound Sonos speakers
Use of Garia golf cart / electric
Méhari / bikes









