

Maison Vercoe

Region: Languedoc

Sleeps: 6 **Bedrooms:** 3



Overview

Spacious, cedar-built, single-storey house on the edge of the picturesque medieval village of Soumartre. Spectacular views over vineyards and the forested Regional Nature Park of Haut Languedoc. Pretty, terraced garden and unoverlooked private swimming pool. 3 bedrooms / 2 bathrooms. Sleeps 6.

Garden not suitable for young children.

Description

This light, spacious, cedar-built villa has spectacular views over vineyards and the forested Regional Nature Park of Haut Languedoc. It is in the heart of the Faugères wine-growing area, and lies on the edge of the picturesque medieval village of Soumartre, within easy driving of Faugères and Bédarieux. It has a pretty terraced garden and a private swimming pool, and contains a large kitchen / living / dining room, with a wood fire, a study room, utility room, three bedrooms, two bathrooms, and an additional shower. It sleeps six, and has WiFi internet. Given its steps and terracing the garden may not be suitable for very small children.

This is a spacious villa with several sunbathing, seating and dining areas and a terraced garden, with both a built-in and moveable barbecue.

Inside:

Well-equipped kitchen with gas oven and hob, a dishwasher, and two fridges.

There are a washing machine, tumble dryer, sink, iron, ironing board, large portable fan in the utility room. The villa has wooden floors throughout. The living / dining room contains a six-seater dining table and chairs, three twin sofas, an open fireplace, TV and DVD, radio and CD player with iPod dock. This room opens onto a veranda and beautiful views.

There are three bedrooms, one with ensuite facilities, and one bathroom (with a bath-tub).

The interior of the house is 170 m², and the surrounding land is 765 m².

Outside:

The dining/living room opens through large sliding patio doors onto a veranda and outdoor dining area, with views over the garden, which is well stocked with flowers and shrubs, and the neighbouring forest. Steps lead down to another patio dining area, which also contains a large swinging seat, and to a shaded, built-in barbecue

The secluded private pool (9m x 4.6 metres, 1.25 metres deep) is not overlooked and has its own decked seating area with sun loungers, and a wooden terrace which offers lovely views over the village, vineyards, and the sun setting over the Espinouse mountains.

Parking is available close to the villa.

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Layout

Bedroom 1 has a double bed, bedside tables, a chest of drawers, a large wardrobe, an en suite shower, wash basin and WC.

Bedroom 2 has a double bed, bedside tables, chest of drawers, and a large wardrobe.

Bedroom 3 has twin beds, bedside tables, a chest of drawers, and a wardrobe.

The bathroom, between bedrooms 2 and 3, has a bath with shower attachment, a wash basin and WC.

Bathroom 1 - En-suite shower, wash basin and WC in bed 1.

Bathroom 2 - The bathroom has a bath with shower attachment, wash basin and WC.

Kitchen - Well equipped kitchen with gas oven and hob, dishwasher, two fridges.

Utility Room - Washing machine, tumble dryer, sink, iron and ironing board, large portable fan.

Living & dining room - dining table and 6 chairs, three twin sofas, open fireplace, wooden floors throughout. TV (no English channels) and DVD, radio and CD player with iPod dock. Opens onto veranda and views.

More Info

Private pool of 9m x 4.6m,
Parking is available close to the villa.
Fans in every room but the construction of the house ensures that it remains cool inside even in high summer.
Bed linen and bathroom towels included but not beach towels
Hair drier

Arrival time 4 pm
Check out time 10.30am

The house is not wheelchair friendly.
Garden not suitable for young children.
Sorry, no pets.

Features

- Internet
- Un-overlooked pool
- Private pool
- Private parking
- Golf nearby
- Watersports nearby
- Family friendly
- Barbecue
- Terrace
- Fireplace
- No pets allowed
- Spacious garden

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Location

The house is in a very tranquil location and has beautiful views over the hilly, forested Regional Park and the vineyards of Faugeres.

It is a ten-minute drive to the bustling town of Bédarieux, with its supermarkets and restaurants. The beautiful valleys of the Orb and Mare rivers are nearby, leading into the forested mountains and gorges of the Haut Languedoc. To the south, the wide sandy beaches of Valras, Serignan and Sète are less than 45 minutes away.

There are excellent local walks, past small vineyards, with stunning views of the surrounding hills and mountains and the coastal plain. Particularly pleasant is the walk to three sixteenth-century windmills, which stand on the hill above Faugères. There are numerous 'caves' in the vicinity where one can sample and purchase wine from Faugères or Saint-Chinian. Ancient nearby villages, such as Roquessels, dominated by a ruined castle, or the medieval villages of Villemagne or Bousagues, are well worth visiting.

Bédarieux has two supermarkets, and some good and one first-class restaurant (La Forge).

Slightly further afield, one is in the heart of Cathar country, with its circular and fortified villages and towns, ancient churches, abbeys and cloisters. The beautiful, man-made Lac du Salagou, on the eastern, Lodève side of Bédarieux, offers swimming and wind-surfing.

The Cirque de Mourèze, with its strange standing rocks, is a unique geological feature and has marked walks of varying difficulty, and the lively town of Lodève contains a small art gallery which often has exhibitions of international interest.

Nearby too is the huge Lerab Ling Buddhist Centre, set in a breathtaking landscape. To the west of Bédarieux are the spectacular Gorges d'Héric, and to the north the extensive and dramatic Gorges du Tarn.

Beyond lies the great Viaduc de Millau, and the regional park of the Grands



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Causses, the airy uplands of the southern Massif Central.

Béziers to the south, with its Spanish feel, sits on the Canal du Midi alongside which are delightful cycle rides. Beyond, about a 45 minute drive from Soumartre, are the wide, sandy beaches of Valras, Sérignan, and Sète, and the pretty marina at Marseillan.

Further afield, but within easy reach, are cosmopolitan Montpellier, historic Aigues-Mortes, the Carmargue, Marseille, Nîmes, and Aix-en-Provence.

In the other direction lie Narbonne, Perpignan, Collioure, the Pyrenées and the Spanish border.

Airports: Béziers, 28 kilometres (18 miles), Montpellier, 79 kilometres (49 miles), Toulouse, 169 kilometres (106 miles), Carcassonne, 88 kilometres (55 miles), or Girona, Spain, 232 kilometres (144 miles). Car: from Calais, 737 kilometres (461 miles), Dieppe, 657 kilometres (411 miles), Le Havre 656 kilometres (410 miles)TGV: to Montpellier, with connections to Béziers and Bédarieux. A car/car hire is essential.

Faugères is about a ten minute and Bédarieux a fifteen minute drive away. The Lac du Salagou, and in the opposite direction, Béziers, are both about half an hour away. Montpellier is around an hour, the Pyrenées within two hours and Barcelona about three-and-a half hours away.

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Bedroom with a beautiful view



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