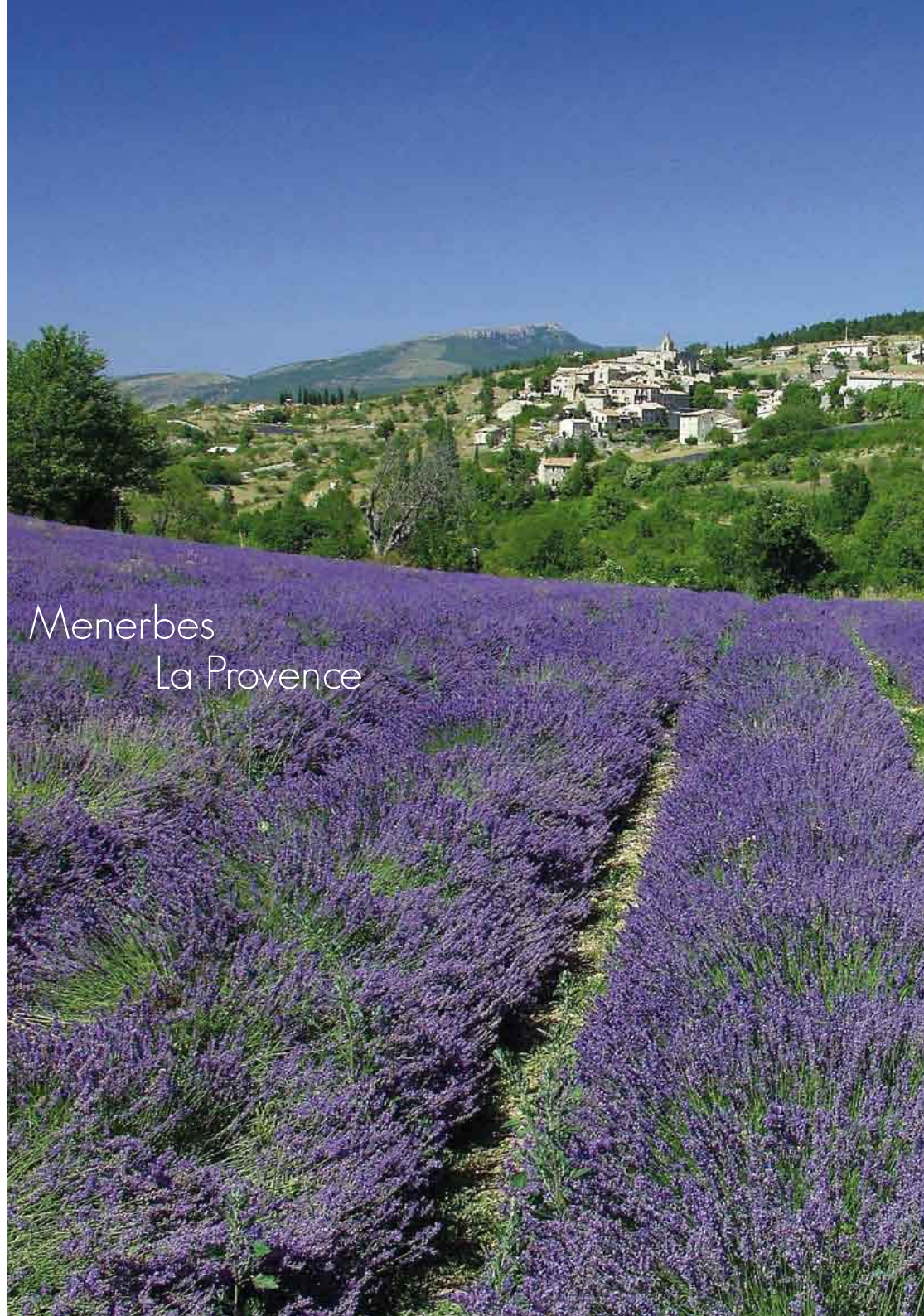


Destination...

Menerbes La Provence

La Bastide de Marie

Villa Grenache



Ménerbes floats over the Luberon like a boat, as Nostradamus described it, because of the boatshaped rocky outcrop on which it is perched. At every corner, the winding streets of this charming Provençal village offer a wealth of wonderful surprises.

The village was named after Minerva, the goddess with the golden helmet, who represented art as well as war for just causes. Ménerbes mirrors her. Its tumultuous past has revealed its proud and combative character.

The superb citadel, which dominates the village, is the most evident mark of this character. Facing the Vaucluse Mountains, the village, one of the most beautiful in France, has all the characteristics of a Provençal village. Surrounded by a network of intertwining streets, the Place de l'Hôtel de Ville has a belfry topped with a campanile of forged iron reaching into the sky. The old cemetery, dating from the time of ancient Rome, overlooks a magic panorama. Old Ménerbes abounds in lovely Renaissance houses, whose beauty competes with the magnificent views in all directions from its citadel.

Provence is a land of vineyards and Ménerbes is no exception. The village has three wine-growing estates of several hectares, one of which, the Citadelle estate, houses the famous corkscrew museum.

Ménerbes rich past can be seen in the two gold keys displayed in the Ménerbes armoury. They bear witness to the time when access to the village, which was riddled with underground passages, was made through two great doors, Saint-Sauveur and Notre-Dame.

Do not forget the only dolmen of the Vaucluse department, la Pichouno (the little girl), which is located below the village on Route de Bonnieux.

The mayor of the town, Yves Rousset- Rouard, decided to restore an 18th century house, thereby saving it from ruin, earmarking it for the Maison de Truffe et du Vin (Truffle and Wine House). Note that Vaucluse is the largest producer of truffles in France and the market on the last Sunday of the year in Ménerbes is famous throughout the region!

"A year in Provence", the bestseller by British writer Peter Mayle, is set in Ménerbes and its surroundings



Villa Grenache

A retreat in the heart of the vineyards...



It is during the first days of spring that the region of Ménerbes takes on the pastel hues of Luberon and its perfume of Provençal scents. This is also the time when ideas for long weekends and little holidays begin to blossom.

A few steps away from La Bastide de Marie and along a path through the vineyards, you will discover a property available for rental, with hotel services: "Villa Grenache", named with a nod to the vines from the Domaine de Marie spreading for 22 hectares all around.

Born after the renovation of an old 18th century farmhouse set in the heart of the vineyards, this residence with private pool and garden, a haven of charm, where the art of hospitality blends with total respect for privacy, can accommodate up to ten people.

The decorative objects and shades painted, mottled in the region, the shades of colors, generous size, shadows and lights through the blinds, paint a scene for a friendly atmosphere rooted in the purest tradition of Provence.

The dining room meets your eyes upon entering the house, with arched openings, traditional-style ceiling, exposed beams ... In the five rooms, all with their own bathroom, we find, as in La Bastide de Marie, the dominant color associated with those of Provençal nature: lavender purple, Roussillon Ochre, almond green, white lilies and sunflowers yellow.

Nestled at the bottom of the stairs, warm and intimate, the lounge bets on comfort. Behind the walls of terraces dry stone, the paved court with cobblestones opens onto the pool-like basin.

The service is the same as in La Bastide de Marie: attentive but not obsequious. Guests just have to choose between lounging on the private terrace and discovering the riches of the hinterland, or even between a stroll at Coustellet farmers' market and the exclusivity to have delivered a delicious prepared meal by the Chef.

The Grenache property seems to have been created to justify Corneille who wrote, "Worth does not wait many years to those souls well born". What a delight, when holidays come, to close the door of the property on an authentic luxurious intimacy, timeless



Villa Grenache

- . 5 bedrooms with bathrooms, including a Master bedroom
- . Lounge with chimney
- . All equipped kitchen
- . Dining room
- . Private terrace
- . Private heated outdoor swimming pool
- . Private parking

The included services

- . Concierge service
- . Porter
- . Wi-Fi
- . La Bastide de Marie hotel service
- . Access to La Bastide de Marie Pure Altitude Spa
- . Dedicated governess: cleaning, house linen, newspapers, light meals...

The optional "at home" services:

- . Chef "at home"
- . Private lunch and dinner
- . Care treatments and massage

Rates

From 5 500 to 9 000 €
(Rate for 7 nights, hotel service included)
Opened all year long

Coming to Ménerbes:

- . **Airports:** Avignon (40 min), Marseille-Provence (1h15)
- . **TGV train stations:** Avignon (40 min), Marseille Saint-Charles (1h)

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