



Yelloh! Village la Petite Camargue,

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Campsite Information

Camping la Petite Camargue, Aigues Mortes

Camping la Petite Camargue is located in the rugged landscape of the Camargue. The campsite is a ten minute drive or a 45 minute walk from the bustling resort of Le Grau du Roi which has an extensive range of amenities and a lovely sandy beach. The nearby medieval town of Aigues-Mortes has a wide range of shops and charming restaurants.

Arriving at Camping la Petite Camargue

On arrival you should go to the Canvas reception, your couriers will be here to meet you between 4pm and 8pm.

Early/Late Arrivals

Please note if you arrive before 4pm, your accommodation may not be ready. If you are going to arrive after 8pm, please telephone the campsite to let them know you are going to be late. The campsite will not accept any arrivals after 10pm, you have full responsibility for finding alternative off-site accommodation. The campsite reception will be open from 9am the following day.

Housekeeping Bond

You will be required to leave a deposit of €50 (cheque or cash) with your couriers upon arrival and sign a housekeeping bond declaration. On departure your accommodation should be left in a clean and tidy condition. Our on site couriers will arrange a convenient time to complete the check out process and return your deposit prior to you leaving site.

Reception

Reception is open daily from 8:30am-9pm in low season and from 8am-10pm in high season.

Barrier

The barrier is closed between 11pm and 6am. The barrier is operated by barrier card which you can get from the main reception in exchange for a deposit. If you wish to depart early in the morning or arrive back late at night, you will have to leave your car in the campsite car park.

Safety Deposit Boxes

There are safety deposit boxes available for rental in reception for a daily fee. Please ask your courier for more information.

Telephone

There are four card operated phones on site, and phone cards can be bought from reception.

Web/Internet Access

You can access the internet in the campsite reception. A WiFi connection is also available if you have your own laptop. It costs €8 for an hours use.

Shopping

There is a shop on site selling a variety of products including fruit and vegetables, fresh bread, newspaper and magazines. The shop is open 8am-12.30pm and 4pm-7.30pm in low season and from 8am-8.30pm in high season.

Washing and Toilet Facilities

Washing machines and tumble dryers, (tokens cost €5 for a washing machine and €1.50 for a dryer, available in reception), hot showers, baby bath, baby room and British toilets.

Post

There is a post box located at the campsite reception, where you can also buy stamps.

Eating and Drinking

Bar: There is a bar onsite that has a terrace to sit on and relax, this is also where the evening entertainment takes place in high season. You will also find a TV here and major sports events are



broadcast. The bar is open 8am-11.30pm in high season and 8am-10.30pm in low season.

Takeaway: The on site takeaway is open midday-2pm and 6.30pm-9.30pm. Closes at 8pm in low season. There are 22 types of pizza on offer here which are cooked in a wood fire oven, as well as a range of other snacks.

Restaurant: The onsite restaurant offers a la carte and set menus, regional dishes as well as theme evenings. It is open midday-2pm and 7pm-9.30pm (closes at 8pm in low season).

Entertainment

The campsite has on site animations that run sporting events and competitions throughout the day. They also offer evening entertainment that takes place at the bar that consists of themed evenings such as quizzes, live music, karaoke, disco nights and cabarets. Please see the animation programme on site for more information.

Recreation

Swimming: There is an L-shaped swimming pool with a shallow area for the little ones and a jacuzzi in the pool complex. The pool is open from 10am-8pm every day throughout the season. Please note that T-shirts and inflatables are not allowed in the pool.

Tennis: There are 2 tennis courts on site which are available for hire. Customers are required to pay a €10 deposit for hiring the courts. Check the Canvas games chest for tennis balls you will need to provide your own rackets.

Table Tennis: There are table tennis facilities available on the campsite. Customers are required to pay a €10 deposit for hiring the tables.

Bike Hire: You can hire bikes on site from the shop. The prices start at €8 a day or €45 a week. Please ask your couriers for more information.

Horse riding: The site offers pony and horse riding both in high and low season. It is €18 for one hour and €28 for two hours. Please enquire on site for more information.

Aqua Aerobics and Aerobics: There is aqua aerobics and aerobics available on site in high season. Please see the animation programme for times and locations.

There are also facilities on site for playing football, volleyball, basketball and boules. The animation team organise events for these sports on site.

Rules and Regulations

- No noise and no driving between 11pm and 6am.
- No T-shirts or inflatables in the pool.
- Swimming trunks are compulsory in the pools (no baggy shorts or bermudas)
- Wristbands must worn on site to allow access to the pool area.



Local Information

Beaches.

There are many beaches around Camping la Petite Camargue. The best beach is Plage de l'Esiguette. This is located in an area of natural beauty, it has fine sand, and is away from anywhere urbanised. This is the perfect place for all the pleasures of the beach including swimming and horse riding.

The campsite offers a beach shuttle bus from 1 July to 31 August to Boucanet Plage in La Grau du Roi at regular intervals throughout the day. There are also many other beaches within the area for you to explore such as the Plage Nord, Plage Mouettes and la Plagette.

Shopping

The nearest supermarket to the site is a Super U in the Nouveau Port de Peche area. It is open Monday to Saturday from 8.30am to 8pm and 9am to 12.30pm in high season. There is also an Intermarche and Lidl supermarkets near the campsite, please ask your courier for details.

Local Markets

Monday: Le Grau du Roi (Boucanet), Les Saintes Maries de la Mer.
Tuesday: Le Grau du Roi (town centre).
Wednesday: Aigues Mortes, Arles, Le Grau du Roi (Boucanet), Saint Rémy de Provence.
Thursday: Le Grau du Roi (town centre).
Friday: Le Grau du Roi (Boucanet), Les Saintes Maries de la Mer.
Saturday: Arles, Le Grau du Roi (town centre).
Sunday: Aigues Mortes, Lunel.

Facilities

Petrol: There are petrol stations at both the Super U and Intermarche supermarkets. There are other filling stations in Port Camargue but fuel is generally cheaper at supermarkets.

Chemist: The nearest pharmacy is located on Rue Emile Zola in Aigues Mortes a 10 minute drive from the site. It is open from 9am-12.30pm and 2pm-5.30pm Monday to Friday.

Bank: The nearest bank is the Populaire du Midi in La Grau du Roi on Av. du Dossenheim. Here they have a cash dispenser and also a currency exchange. The bank is open Monday to Friday 9am-12.30pm and 2pm-5.30pm.

Post Office: The nearest post office is in Aigues Mortes on Rue Baudin. Here you can post letters and buy stamps.

Web/Internet Access: There is internet access in café Sarah Phone in Aigues Mortes. It is located on 5 bis av de la Liberte and is open from 10am-7pm.

Tourist Information: There is a tourist information office in Aigues Mortes on Place Saint-Louis. It is open from 9am-12.30pm and 2pm-5pm.



Distances

Beach: 4 miles
Le Grau du Roi: 4 miles
Aigues Mortes: 4 miles
Nimes: 31 miles

Local Transport

The nearest train station is in Le Grau du Roi and has trains to Nimes, Arles, Marseille, Perpignan or Montpellier. There is also a bus service that runs between the coastal resorts in this area, and also coaches to Nimes are available.

Doctor

In high season a doctor visits the site everyday at 11am.

Alternatively, there are several doctors at:
Cabinet medical, 35 rue Pasteur in Aigues Mortes
Tel: 04 66 51 44 89 or 04 66 53 83 69

Dentist

Dr Jaques Barthez, 538 av Pinece in Le Grau du Roi.
Tel: 04 67 33 80 12

Emergency Services

There is a two-digit phone number for emergency services:

Police 17
Fire 18
Ambulance 15

Eating and Drinking

You may like to try these restaurants and bars, which have been recommended by Canvas customers who have visited the area in previous years:

Les Arcades: Aigues Mortes. This is a quiet restaurant close to Saint Louis square that specialises in local products.

Le Bateau Icre: Aigues Mortes. This restaurant is open all year round and has a variety of set menu's starting at €30 in the evening, and €15 for lunch.

La Café du Bouziques: Aigues Mortes. Here you can sit outside on the shaded patio or in the warm and welcoming baroque interior to enjoy a meal of the best local dishes.

Le Café du Commerce: Aigues Mortes. A fish restaurant that has set menus at a reasonable price, for both adults and children. A takeaway facility is also possible from here.

Le Camargue: Aigues Mortes. This is the oldest restaurant in the city, and has large seating area both inside and out for a meal of traditional local dishes.

Casa Toro Luna: Aigues Mortes. This restaurant specialises in Spanish tapas as well as a range of other dishes. Set menus are available.

La Dolce Vita: Aigues Mortes. This Italian restaurant has a delightful patio and a warm and welcoming atmosphere paired with some wonderful food.

Activities

There are several horse riding ranches within the area that offer horse riding lesson and excursions on both horses and ponies. If you are a golf enthusiast, then there is plenty of choice in the area. Serious golfers will enjoy a round on the 18 hole international course - play a full game or just practice your swing! For some family fun there is a mini golf course in Grau du Roi offering a choice of three courses with different levels of difficulty.

Nearby

Aigues Mortes is a perfectly preserved walled city in the salt marshes of the Petite Camargue, about 5kms (3 miles) from the sea. It was built as a Mediterranean port in the 13th century - there are some great views over the marshland from the top of the ramparts. The massive stone walls have been amazingly well preserved, despite prolonged exposure to salty sea winds.



Out and about

Montpellier is a fresh and modern city with a huge student population and diverse mix of cultures. The old city is charming and there is a modern tram service to get you around it efficiently. The views over the city from the large tree lined square, the peyrou are magnificent and there are plenty of restaurants and cafes here where you can sit back and watch the world go by.

Regional Information

Languedoc Roussillon

With a long coast of beaches lapped by the warm Mediterranean and 300 days of sunshine a year, this area has become a popular tourist destination. There are excellent coastal resorts and spectacular beauty spots. The area stretches from the mouth of the Rhône River, down through marshes and lagoons, to the Pyrénées. In Roussillon, vast vineyards produce more than half the wines consumed in France. In contrast, the flat, marshy expanses of the Camargue provide the opportunity to explore the natural beauties of this botanical and zoological reserve.

Things to do and see

*A • an admission charge is payable for these attractions.

Family Fun

Leisure Parks

Odyseum • This large complex is home to many attractions including an aquarium, planetarium, bowling alley and an ice skating rink. It also has shops and restaurants. Just off the A9 autoroute, or 10mins on a tram from the centre of Montpellier. (*A)

Wildlife Attractions

Parc Ornithologique de Pont de Gau • This fabulous park covers over 9 hectares of marsh land, with 6km of paths winding through the nature reserve. The central area is home to birds of prey including many owl species, eagles, hawks, harriers, buzzards and vultures. You will also spot marsh and sea birds here, such as geese, swans, ducks, egrets, storks and herons. Not to be missed is the Camargue pink flamingo (*A).

Réserve Africaine de Sigean • Wild animals roam free in this safari park. The Nature Discovery Trail takes about two hours to complete. 15km (9 miles) south of Narbonne (open daily, *A).

Seaquarium • A large aquarium in Le Grau du Roi with a range of species on offer including a wide variety of tropical fish, tunnels, a sea lion show and a multimedia exhibition as well as a museum. (Open daily, *A)

Historic and Natural Interest

Cirque de Navacelles • One of the most remarkable natural sites in the region, taking the form of a vast hole in the ground with precipitous sides like a crater. The village of Navacelles lies at the bottom, some 350m below the surface. The energetic may walk down into the gorge, it takes about seven hours to cover the 16km. Alternatively walk along the road at the top. Take the D986 north of Montpellier to Ganges and the D25 to Navacelles.

Pont du Gard • The Pont du Gard is situated between Uzès and Avignon and has been on the world heritage list since 1985. It is a bridge that used to be part of a Roman aqueduct that was used to transport water and built around 50 AD. They are walking trails in the area around the bridge that allow extraordinary views of the bridge.

La Bambourseraie • This bamboo house was created by Eugene Mazel who had a dream to create a bamboo plantation. A micro climate allows the bamboo to grow alongside many other species of exotic plants. If you are interested in horticulture, this makes for an ideal day out.



Museums

Acropolis • This museum in Montpellier looks at both society and science in terms of food and those who produce it. It has permanent and temporary exhibitions that looking at the history of food and agriculture and farmers all over the world. (Open Monday-Friday, *A)

Chateau de Castries • Located north of Montpellier, this chateau houses an art museum displaying works from the Boucher school of art. It is worth a visit for both the art inside and the actual chateau itself. (*A)

Places of Interest

Canal du Midi • This architecturally grand canal runs 235km from Toulouse to the port of Sète, through pretty countryside, via aqueducts and over 100 locks. Today, plane trees flank the canal providing plenty shade to the tourist barges that call in at the quaint village's en-route. The towpaths alongside are delightful to cycle or walk along, to explore some of the many points of interest on the banks.

Nîmes • A delightful city with an interesting history which dates back to Roman times, with many Roman ruins to see. There is the great amphitheatre which has intricate detail upon it and is said to be one of the best preserved amphitheatres in the world. It was used as a refuge and a fortress in times of war. Other Roman ruins worth visiting include the Tour Magne on the old city ramparts, the Castellum, and the temple of Diana.

Narbonne • Make a day trip to this quiet provincial town to look at its Roman ruins and Gothic cathedral, and use as a base for exploring the vast surrounding

wine-growing area. The pretty Canal de Robine that joins the Canal du Midi runs through the centre of the city. The covered market, Les Halles, is close by. Nearby is the Etang de Bage et de Sigean, a lagoon much frequented by flamingos.

Carcassonne • The wonderful 'pink' castle and fortified town of Carcassonne, featured in the film 'Robin Hood – Prince of Thieves', is a delight to wander through. Divided into two parts by the River Aude, the newer Ville Basse is an agricultural centre and La Cité is a powerfully fortified medieval city. The original fortress was built by the Romans and sections of the wall date back to the 1st century. Cars are not permitted in Le Cité, so park outside the walls. Inside the walls you may visit the 12th century Château Comtal (open daily, *A). The Cathédrale de St-Nazaire, dating from the 11th and 12th centuries, has some beautiful stained-glass windows (open daily). Carcassonne is truly impressive at night when it is spectacularly illuminated, totally dominating the surrounding countryside.

Clermont l'Herault • This busy town is the centre of the local trade in table grapes and fruit juices and is home to one of the only two remaining olive oil refineries in the region. It is also near the Lac de Salagou giving you access to a range of outdoor facilities including windsurfing, fishing, mountain biking, horse riding and hiking. Located just south of the Larzac, 30 minutes from Montpellier.

Sète • A lively and attractive fishing and leisure port. The town's centre is reminiscent of Venice with bridges arching over the canals, and the quayside lined with seafood restaurants. In summer see the traditional water jousting (joutes nautiques) on the canal.

Béziers • A lively city and the commercial centre for the region's wine trade. The Cathédrale St-Nazaire dates from the 13th and 14th centuries. Built on a hilltop, it is on the site of the original cathedral that was burnt down in 1209, with around 20,000 inhabitants locked inside. From the top of the cathedral's tower you get a great view of the surrounding area. The Musée du Vieux-Biterrois et du Vin displays a variety of exhibits, ranging from Greek artefacts to wine presses. The Béziers Féria is held in August with bullfighting, and entertainment and music in the streets.



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