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Paradise still exists! – Moira Fitzpatrick's Le Mas de Pierre on the Cote d'Azur

Dear Colleague,

If you are planning to travel to Europe for a Mediterranean cruise, to celebrate a special occasion or just to enjoy a vacation, I highly recommend **Saint Paul de Vence**, one of the oldest, best preserved, walled, medieval towns on the French Riviera. Nestled along the Cote d'Azur, just 20 minutes from Nice, this famous village offers a great alternative to staying in the city. Saint Paul de Vence has attracted artists like Chagall and Picasso, and celebrities, such as Yves Montand and Roger Moore. It is best known for its many modern and contemporary art museums and galleries, including the exceptional Fondation Maeght, which features one of Europe's largest collections of 20th-century art.

The best hotel in town, according Trip Advisor, is the 54-room, 5-star **Relais & Chateaux Le Mas de Pierre** (www.lemasdepierre.com), which comprises 48 newly refurbished contemporary-style rooms and suites spread over seven romantic, Provence-style country houses – all set on 7.5 acres of Mediterranean gardens laid out with century-old olive trees, an orchid greenhouse, aviary and unique artworks. A recently completed €5.5 million renovation to this remarkable "estate" ensures interiors are first class. Also, a lovely private Villa, separate from the hotel, is available for families or groups.



Romantic Stay in Saint Paul de Vence

This fabulous two-night package for two costs 873€ and includes:

- **welcome gift, flowers and bottle of Champagne**
- **"Superior" double room for 2 nights**
- **Daily buffet breakfast**
- **Romantic aperitif for two in "The Princesse Bar"**
- **3-course candlelight dinner (excluding beverages)**
- **30 minutes massage per person (California or Swedish)**
- **1 Round trip transfer from & to Nice airport**

Moira Fitzpatrick's Special Offer

Guests receive complimentary daily breakfast and welcome bottle of wine with card from Travel Advisor when booking directly with Moira.

Nice transfers offered for ILTM

Invitation to visit Le Mas de Pierre pre/post ILTM and have complimentary transfers to/from Cannes to Nice Airport. Although the hotel will be closed we will arrange for you to be picked up and brought to the resort for a tour and refreshments, and then transport you to ILTM or Nice airport. Please contact Moira for details.

Rooms/Suites/Villa

The hotel's 54 rooms/suites range in size from 215 to 646 sq ft, each with a private garden or terrace. All rooms and suites include air-conditioning, mini-bar, Wifi, flat-screen TV with 70 international channels, Bose Bluetooth stereo, safe, bathrobes & slippers, bathroom amenities, hairdryer, 24/7 room service, and Nespresso machines. Breakfast may be served in-room or at the restaurant. Guests also enjoy private transfers arranged through the concierge, complimentary underground secure valet parking and shuttle bus to Saint Paul de Vence and the Maeght Foundation.



LA BASTIDE DES FLEURS

The adult-only **La Bastide des Fleurs**, formerly the original stone farmhouse, contains six suites on two floors (2 Prestige suites; 4 Junior Prestige suites), including three garden suites with terraces and three with balconies, plus its own heated swimming pool with reserved cabanas for each suite. Guests enjoy special services, such as Nespresso coffee machines, Bulgari bath amenities and a personal Butler dedicated exclusively to these six suites.

THE VILLA

Adjacent to the hotel, the 4500 sq ft **Private Villa** will accommodate 8-10 guests – perfect for groups or families. During summer the hotel organizes fun workshops for children 3-10, giving parents a break. The Villa, which rents by the week (with some exceptions) comprises a study, kitchen, dining-room, lounge, 3 bedrooms, each with bathroom, walk-in closet, terrace, and panoramic view, plus a private garage, swimming pool, BBQ and 1.5 acre garden. Although separate, the Villa has direct access to the hotel and its full range of amenities.



Dining & Lounges

The gourmet restaurant **La Table de Pierre**, featuring Mediterranean cuisine prepared with fresh local ingredients by Chef Emmanuel Lehrer, offers dining by the stone fireplace or on the terrace, where guests can admire stunning sunsets over the hills of Saint Paul. A seasonal buffet brunch is served every Sunday (excluding July & August) and a BBQ can be organized in the garden. **La Princess Piano Bar** invites guests to enjoy a drink by the fireplace or on the terrace at any time, and **Peter's Bar** serves homemade ice creams and sorbets, plus refreshing, fresh fruit drinks by the pool.



Facilities & Services

The elegant Spa, designed to stimulate and soothe, comprises a sauna, hammam, beauty salon, fitness centre with private coach upon request and two magnificent massage rooms each one with a private outdoor terrace. Treatments include a range of massages, hydration/moisturizing, and exclusive Payot care treatments. The Spa also features a heated outdoor musical pool bordered by elegant private cabanas.

Attractions & Activities

Highly recommended by Moira Fitzpatrick – Private guided tour by a local tourism company of St. Paul de Vence and the world famous Maeght Foundation can be arranged by the hotel's concierge, which is entirely at the disposal of guests. During summer, the hotel organizes a "Kids Club" that entertains children (ages 3yr – 10yr) and gives parents a break, allowing them to enjoy many of the region's attractions. Qualified instructors offer fun games, creative play, pastry and vegetable garden workshops, sports games, crafts, face painting and more. Lunch is provided for 26€/child.

Highlights:

Saint Paul/Saint Paul de Vence

- **The Maeght Foundation:** offers one of the most prestigious collections of 20th century art in Europe.
- **Saint Paul de Vence Cemetery:** where Marc Chagall and Aime and Marguerite Maeght repose
- **The Rosaire chapel:** a sacred art monument, unique in the world, conceived and designed by Henri Matisse
- **The Matisse Museum:** features one of the world's largest collections of the works of French artist Henri Matisse
- **Marc Chagall Museum:** features Chagall's works, including his interpretations of the Bible
- **The Palais Masséna:** overlooking the Mediterranean Sea, the architecture of le Belle Époque, built between 1898 and 1901, illustrates the story of Nice
- **Le Park Phoenix:** occupies seven hectares, showcasing 2500 varieties of Mediterranean plants and a tropical greenhouse, one of the largest in Europe

Antibes

- **The Picasso Museum:** contains 23 paintings and 44 drawings of Picasso

Grasse

- **Parfumerie Fragonard:** a perfume, soap and cosmetics museum – offers free guided tours and an opportunity to create your own perfume.

Weddings & Meetings

Le Mas de Pierre is the perfect place to organize your wedding. Get a full buy-out of the property and invite up to 100 people to enjoy an unforgettable weekend with a casual welcome barbecue on Friday night, relaxing by the pool and beauty in the Spa on Saturday morning, a wedding ceremony under the pine tree in the afternoon, followed by a delicious gala dinner with stunning wedding cake and an after-dinner party. On Sunday morning, offer your guests an amazing brunch before departure.



The hotel offers **five meeting rooms**, accommodating up to 160 guests, all with natural daylight and a direct access to a panoramic terrace – ideal for meetings, dinners or special events. Space includes a plenary room of about 1900 sq ft, adjustable for three meeting rooms and an executive boardroom, plus audio & visual technology, free wireless internet, large terrace, three acres of garden, total or partial exclusive-use accommodation, complimentary parking, gourmet coffee breaks and seasonal dining.

For reservations, to VIP your clients & add an amenity, please contact Moira Fitzpatrick of Exquisite Hotels & Resorts at 1-604-602-1282 or mfcons@bismail.com

Wishing you a wonderful Summer season,

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