



DISTANCES BETWEEN THE MAIN TOWNS :				
Aigues-Mortes - Les Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer	30 km	30'	1h34	
Aigues-Mortes - Arles	47 km	45'	4h10	(par la ViaRhôna)
Arles - Salin-de-Giraud	38 km	37'	1h51	
Arles - Les Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer	37 km	35'	1h50	
Arles - Port-Saint-Louis-du-Rhône	40 km	40'	3h26	(par la ViaRhôna)
Albaron - Salin-de-Giraud	40 km	34'	1h55	(par le bord du Vaccarès)
Salin-de-Giraud - Port-Saint-Louis	9 km	20'	33'	(par le bac de Barcarin)



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(by reservation)

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(by reservation)

WINE MAKER

ACCOMMODATION

RESTAURANTS

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

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Gîtes et Chambres d'Hôtes
www.bergeriealivon.com
06 12 62 04 57

Mas de Bouvet
Chambres d'hôtes
www.mas-de-bouvet.com
06 12 13 59 02

Mas Trinita Gîte équestre
www.mastrinita.fr
06 09 54 24 40

Le Flamant rose
Hôtel** - Restaurant
www.leflamantrose.com
04 90 97 10 18

Mas de la Vigne Gîtes
www.masdelavigne.com
06 19 32 62 42

Mas de l'Ange du Vaccarès
Chambres d'hôtes
www.masdelangeduvaccarès.com
06 08 88 76 15

Mas de la Forge
Chambres d'hôtes
www.masdelaforge.fr
04 90 97 00 76- 06 12 19 21 99

Domaine Isle Saint-Pierre
Gîtes et Chambres d'Hôtes
www.islesaintpierre.fr
04 90 98 70 30

Mas de Peint
Hôtel**** et Restaurant
www.masdepeint.com
04 90 97 20 62

Maebrilu Camargue Provence
Chambres d'hôtes et gîtes
maebrilu-camargue.fr
06 23 49 60 22

Un nid en Camargue
Chambres d'hôtes
www.gîtes-de-france.com
06 24 00 34 56

Mas des Barres Hôtel**
www.mas-des-barres.com
04 90 97 50 20

Les Lodges de Camargue
www.lodgesdecamargue.com
04 86 17 68 81

Mas Constantin
www.masconstantin.fr
07 82 06 28 52

L'effet mer Chambres d'hôtes
leffetmerchambrehotels.fr
06 84 55 17 83

La Plage Hôtel et Restaurant
www.hotelrestaurantlaplage.fr
04 90 56 52 94

Camping les Bois Flottés de Camargue
Camping, Résidences de plein air
www.camping-les-bois-flottes.fr
04 90 58 25 09

Manade Blanc Gîte
www.manade-blanc.fr
04 90 97 27 73 - 06 10 66 86 96

Domaine de Méjanes Gîtes
www.mejanes-camargue.fr
04 90 97 16 65

Le Sylvalou Gîte
lesylvalouencamargue.com
06 67 29 00 15

Hôtel Neptune Hôtel**
www.hotel-le-neptune-en-camargue.fr
04 90 97 83 95

Manu Kayak
kayak-camargue.fr - 06 73 11 28 99

Mas de Valérieole
www.masdevalerieole.com
04 90 97 10 41

Domaine de Beaujeu
www.domainedebeaujeu.fr
04 90 97 21 58

Domaine Attilon
www.attilon.fr
04 90 98 70 04 - 06 07 05 21 03

Mas de la Grenouillère
Hôtel**
www.masdelagrenouillere.fr
04 90 97 90 22

La Palunette Hôtel**
www.palunette.fr - 04 90 97 86 30

Vila de la Mar
Hôtel***, Restaurant & Spa
www.viladelamar.com
04 90 97 06 68

Mas du Tadorne Résidence
www.masdutadorne.com
04 90 96 33 52 - 06 15 73 77 52

Mas Farola Gîte
www.masfarola-camargue.fr
06 20 68 14 07

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Hôtel et Restaurant****
www.mas-de-calabrun.fr
04 90 97 82 21

Manade des Baumelles
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www.manadedesbaumelles.fr
04 90 97 84 14

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- Tourist path (by bike / by car)
- Discovery route for pedestrians and cyclists (closed to cars)
- Cycle path ViaRhôna
- Naturist beach
- Boundary of the Camargue Regional Nature Park
- Gas station
- Viewpoint
- Beach
- Barcarin ferry
- River stop



Discover the Park

You're in a Regional Nature Park - adopt the right behaviour!



Help us keep the Camargue clean: always take your rubbish with you!



- ▶ On the beaches, watch out for the fragile dunes: don't settle there.
- ▶ Stay on the trail, do not enter private property.
- ▶ No fires or barbecues.
- ▶ No loud noises.
- ▶ Park only in designated areas.
- ▶ Dogs must remain leashed.
- ▶ In summer time, don't forget sunscreen, water and mosquito repellent.

www.parc-camargue.fr/les-bons-comportements-a-adopter-sur-le-territoire-du-parc-de-camargue.html

What is a Regional Nature Park ?

A regional natural park is both :

- ▶ A inhabited rural territory recognized for its strong heritage and landscape value, open to all but whose fragile balance requires the greatest respect ;
- ▶ a public institution of consultation between the authorities, the local people and the economic decision-makers. Its remit is to reconcile human development and nature conservation.

Like the other 59 regional natural parks in France, the Camargue Regional Natural Park mobilizes a multidisciplinary team that works as well :

- ▶ Protection and enhancement of the natural and cultural heritage ;
- ▶ Land use planning ;
- ▶ Economic, social and cultural development ;
- ▶ Reception and public awareness of wealth and heritage fragility ;
- ▶ Experimentation and research for the development of new environmentally sound practices.

The Park in numbers

- Three towns
 - > Arles
 - > Les Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer
 - > Port-Saint-Louis-du-Rhône
- ▶ **Animal and plant species (not including invertebrates) : 1 100** of which 489 are protected, either nationally or worldwide
- ▶ **Population : 8 000 inhabitants**
- ▶ **Area : 101 000 hectares**
- ▶ **Coastline : 75 k, Highest point** 4 metres above sea level !
- ▶ **Migrating birds : 150 000 each year.** Three quarters of France's bird species, half of its freshwater fish species and a quarter of its plant species are to be found in the Camargue !

Discovering the natural and cultural heritage of the Camargue

1 Musée de la Camargue



The Musée de la Camargue and its 4.8 km route invite young and old to enter the heart of an old sheepfold and immerse themselves in the Camargue of yesterday, the Camargue of today and imagine how this exceptional territory will adapt to climate change in the future.

Mas du Pont de Rousty - Chemin 6399 - RD 570 - 13200 Arles - Tél. 04 90 97 10 82 - musee@parc-camargue.fr - www.museedelacamargue.com
Opening days and times can be found on the Museum's website. Ticket price: 7.50 € full price / 5 € reduced.

2 Domaine de la Palissade



Situated outside the dykes of the Rhône, the site offers a wide variety of landscapes, flush with fresh and salt water, between the river and the sea. 3 footpaths, with an observatory in front of the marsh, enable visitors to discover the flora and fauna. 700 m of footpath and a viewpoint overlooking the Rhône are equipped for people with reduced mobility - Guided tours by prior arrangement.

Salin-de-Giraud - Tél. 04 42 86 81 28 - palissade@parc-camargue.fr - www.palissade.fr
Information, opening hours and openings at: www.parc-camargue.fr and www.palissade.fr. Entrance fee. Shop, picnic area. Horse riding and kayaking from 01/04 to 31/10. Manu Kayak - 06 73 11 28 99 - kayak-camargue.fr. Horse riding - Amélie - 06 03 49 50 39 - promenade.palissade@outlook.fr

Réserve naturelle nationale de Camargue

One of the largest wetlands conservation reserves in Europe, the Reserve of Camargue covers 13 200 hectares from the Vaccarès lake to the Mediterranean beaches. The landscapes are wild and authentic.

3 La Capelière.



Maison de la Réserve et du Vaccarès
As the information centre of the Camargue National Nature Reserve, the site offers an interactive and entertaining museum area, as well as a 1.5 km nature trail where you can discover and observe typical Camargue species. Activities, visits and outings for the public are available all year round.

C134 route de Fielouse - Arles - Tél. 04 90 97 00 97 - reservecamargue@snpn.fr
www.snpn.com/reservedecamargue. Open Tuesday to Sunday (closed on Mondays) 01/10 to 01/04: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. 02/04 to 30/09: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Closed in winter from November to January. Admission: 7 € full price and 4 € reduced. Shaded picnic area.



Phare de la Gachole et digue à la mer
The reception and information centre of the Camargue National Nature Reserve, the lighthouse is the starting point for 20 km of walking and cycling routes between the sea and the lagoons. To preserve the fragile coastal environment, be sure to stay on the marked paths.

Open: every day during school holidays and every weekend and public holiday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. May close in winter, please inquire beforehand. Free admission. Free access on foot and by bicycle along the promenade at all times. Strictly forbidden access for motor vehicles. Dogs must be kept on a leash.

4 Phare de la Gachole et digue à la mer



Reception is open daily (except 25/12): 01/04 to 30/09 from 9 am to 6 pm; 01/10 to 31/03 from 10 am to 5 pm. The park exit is separate from the reception and remains open all year round until sunset. Bar/terrace open from April to October.

5 Parc ornithologique de Pont de Gau



The Parc Ornithologique de Pont de Gau is the ideal place to discover, observe and photograph numerous bird species, including hundreds of pink flamingos in their natural habitat. The trails and observatories offer a rare opportunity to get close to wildlife in this 6-hectare area of marshes, meadows, reeds and salt marshes.

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6 Bureau des Guides Naturalistes



A professional naturalist guide will accompany you around the Camargue and share with you his knowledge and passion for the area, which he has been doing for over 20 years: discovering the fauna, flora and local activities (agriculture, livestock farming, protected natural areas, etc.). Among the many options on offer Guided tour of the Tour du Valat nature reserve / Guided tours of the Giraud salt marsh.

Étang du Fangassier - Salin-de-Giraud.
When flamingos are nesting on the site: guided tours from 1/04 to 30/09, paying and by reservation on 06 95 90 70 48 - contact@guide-nature.fr - www.guide-nature.fr. All year round: personalised tours on request.

7 Réserve naturelle nationale des Marais du Vigueirat



A national nature reserve, a jewel of Camargue biodiversity, home to over 300 species of birds and 5 herds of bulls and horses. An exceptional natural site 1 hour from Marseilles or Aix-en-Provence.

Mas-Thibert - Tél 04 90 98 70 91
visites.mdv@espaces-naturels.fr
www.marais-vigueirat.reserves-naturelles.org

Open all year round, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Access by bicycle from ViaRhôna. Free parking reception and shop, picnic areas, temporary exhibitions, self-guided visits along the Etourneau trails, guided nature tours by electric minibus, horse and carriage rides. Booking by phone or via our online ticketing service.

8 Maison du riz



Rice growner in the Camargue for five generations, the Rozière Family welcome you to their farm where they have created a visitor centre about rice-growing. Free visit of about 1h30 including, small rice fields, an exhibition room, demonstration on a microrizière, space projection videos, educational path.

Mas de la Vigne, Albaron - Arles - Tél. +33(0)6 31 03 40 11 - maisondu riz@orange.fr
www.maisondu riz.com - Open daily, except Saturdays, from April to November, from 9.30 am to 12 noon and 2 pm to 5.30 pm. Shop selling local products. Reservation essential! Price: 6 € - free for children under 10 years old

9 Château de Tourvielle



Tour du Tampan
Built at the beginning of the 17th century to control and monitor the access of ships to the Rhône delta and to the port of Arles. It underwent various transformations to become an agricultural farmhouse until the middle of the 20th century: the Tampan tower then took the name of Tourvielle castle. This Tower now has a 9 m high observatory, which today allows you to discover lagoons, marshes and beaches. This tower bears witness to the many faces of the long history of the Camargue and of the men who lived.

Tourvielle Castle - 13129 Salin de Giraud
GPS coordinates : 43.418691° N, 4.675096° E

10 Maison du cheval Camargue



Discover the Camargue horse, its history, its peculiarities and its bond with the land during a guided walk (1.2 km) in the heart of the wild and authentic Camargue, meeting mares and foals.

Mas de la Cure - Les Stes-Maries-de-la-Mer (opposite the Castle of Avignon)
Tél. 04 90 97 76 37 - contact@masdelacure.org
www.maisonduchevalcamargue.com

Guided tours are available all year round for groups (minimum 20 persons) and from April to September on Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to noon for individuals.

11 Point de vue du sel



The Giraud salt works, near the mouth of the Grand Rhône, covers 6 000 hectares and produces various compounds that are used by the chemical industry, including 340 000 tonnes of sodium chloride a year. The Salt works observatory is on the road. Between Piémanson and Salin-de-giraud.

Route de la plage de Piémanson - Salin-de-Giraud.

12 Tour Saint-Louis



Built in 1737, this historic monument is an active lighthouse. It houses the Office de Tourisme, the largest ornithological collection in the Camargue, temporary exhibitions and a terrace with an exceptional viewpoint.

Office de tourisme - Quai Bonnardel - Port-Saint-Louis-du-Rhône - Tél. +33(0)4 42 86 01 21
contact@portsaintlouis-tourisme.fr

www.portsaintlouis-tourisme.fr
Opening times summer : monday to friday, 8:30 am to 12:00 am, and 1:30 pm to 5:00 pm. The opening hours are extended during the tourist season. There is an admission charge.

13 Musée Paul Ricard



In the heart of the legendary Domaine de Méjanes, the Museum dedicated to Paul Ricard tells the extraordinary story of the great French entrepreneur, humanist and visionary. Personal items, interviews, correspondence with Marcel Pagnol... You will discover that Paul Ricard was not only the creator of the famous aniseed, but also an artist, a builder, a film producer, a defender of Provençal culture, a pioneer of rice cultivation in the Camargue and a protector of the environment.

Tél. 04 90 97 16 65 - www.mejanes-camargue.fr.
Tuesday to Sunday, 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. On Sundays from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Marque « Valeurs Parc naturel régional » :

On the back of this brochure, you will be able to spot on the map :
- all the natural and cultural heritage sites presented above ;
- all professionals that carry the « Valeurs Parc naturel régional » brand..

Marque « Accueil Vélo » :

« Accueil Vélo » is a national brand that guarantees the reception of quality services along the cycling routes for itinerant cyclists.
Certified service providers :
Hôtel/Restaurant le Flamant Rose, Hôtel Mas de la Grenouillère, Chambre d'hôtes et gîte Maerblu Camargue Provence, Marais du Vigueirat, Parc ornithologique du Pont de Gau.

More informations

▶ Walking and cycling tours

The Camargue Regional Nature Park offers 14 walking or cycling discovery tours within its borders, in order to observe the full diversity of Camargue lands-capes : from the vineyards in the north to the beaches in the south via the salt meadows and marshes. Starting in Arles, Les Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer or Port - Saint-Louis-du-Rhône, the tours are arranged thematically so as to give you all the keys to understanding this exceptional area.

Pack available in French, English and German.
On sale at Arles and Port-Saint-Louis-du-Rhône tourist offices, the Museum of the Camargue and the Vigueirat Marshes. Can be downloaded from : www.parc-camargue.fr/itineraires.html

▶ Parks paths

On this website www.cheminsdesparcs.fr all the information is available to prepare for your trip in the Camargue and in the 8 others regional parks of the region. Website and smartphone application are available for park information.



▶ Where to watch birds?

Discover the booklet «Where to go birdwatching in the Camargue and Alpilles Regional Parks» booklet which presents 17 sites ideal for birdwatching and, more generally, the flora and fauna that inhabit these unspoiled areas.

Booklet available in French and English.
Download: www.parc-camargue.fr/ou-observer-les-oiseaux-en-camargue.html

▶ The marine environment in the Camargue

The coastal environments of the Camargue are characterised by beautiful sandy beaches inherited from the history of the Rhône delta. They are home to numerous populations of invertebrates, which are a favourite food for marine fauna and birds, and sea-leeches that feed the associated annual plants.

To adopt practices that respect marine environments, consult the practical guide to ecogestures.

<https://paca.ecogestes-mediterranee.fr/les-ecogestes/>



The Camargue is full off contrasts and its changing nuances occur hourly and throughout the seasons. There will always be a surprise for the visitor. We wish you a very good trip in the Camargue. Enjoy it !



▶ The Biosphere Reserve



Since 1977, the Camargue has been recognised as a «Biosphere Reserve» by UNESCO for the entire biogeographical delta of the Rhône. This label implies the implementation of a sustainable development project, the results of which are evaluated every 10 years.

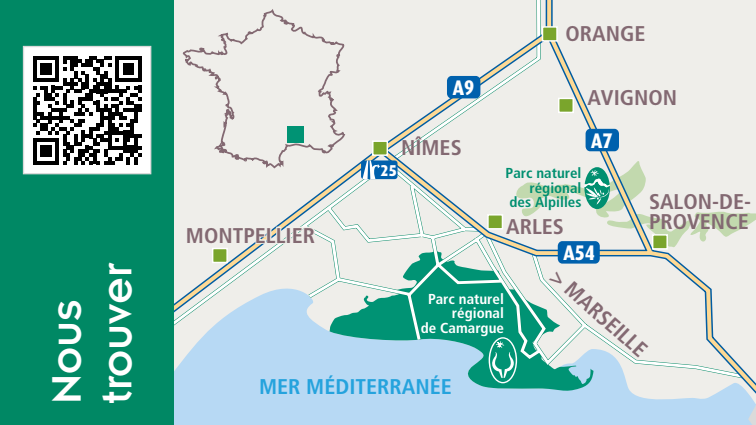
www.mab-france.org

▶ The Ramsar label



In 1986, France joined the Convention on Wetlands of International Importance, known as the Ramsar Convention, named after the Iranian city where it was signed in 1971. The Camargue Regional Nature Park has been awarded the Ramsar international recognition label, which highlights the need to preserve its ecological characteristics and wealth through the rational use of resources.

www.ramsar.org



Tourist information

Tourist office of Arles
City center
Esplanade Charles de Gaulle - 13200 Arles
Tél. +33(0)4 90 18 41 20
Salin-de-Giraud
Rue Tournaire - 13200 Arles
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www.arlestourisme.com - ot-arles@arlestourisme.com

Tourist office of Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer
5 avenue Van Gogh - 13460 Les Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer
Tél. +33(0)4 90 97 82 55
www.saintesmaries.com - info@saintesmaries.com

Tourist office of Port-Saint-Louis-du-Rhône
Tour Saint-Louis - Quai Bonnardel
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