



Marseille to Aix-en-Provence

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Best Places to Stay

- ➔ Villa Gallici (p172)
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- ➔ L'Épicerie (p172)
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Why Go?

Radiating from the boat-lined Vieux Port, Marseille's irresistible magnetism draws you into its vibrant, polyglot heart. The city has undergone a facelift in recent years and now boasts world-class museums in showpiece buildings, myriad galleries and top-notch performing arts. It also retains earthy, bustling markets and districts spiced with Middle Eastern flavour, as well as fantastic restaurants. Allow yourself at least 48 hours to take in Marseille's compelling sights, its azure coast, and the dramatic Les Calanques – rocky inlets gashed by the seas of the ice age, resulting in the spectacular coastline that snakes southeast to Cassis. Heading north from Marseille, the landscape softens to the green and purple hues of the Pays d'Aix (Aix Country) that Cézanne loved so much, with charming, bourgeois Aix-en-Provence at its centre.

Driving Distances (km)

Cassis	49			
Marignane (Airport)	34	56		
Marseille	34	23	26	
Salon de Provence	34	72	34	30
	Aix-en-Provence	Cassis	Marignane (Airport)	Marseille



Marseille to Aix-en-Provence Highlights

- 1 Peruse the explosion of new galleries and museums in **Marseille** (p145), like MuCEM.
- 2 Stroll Marseille's **Vieux Port** (p144) before settling

into a sunny cafe for people-watching.

- 3 Dip into the rocky coves of **Calanque de Sormiou** (p166) and **Calanque de Morgiou** (p166) for

gorgeous walks and lunch with sea views.

- 4 Restaurant-hop around mod bistros in **Marseille** (p157) or sup *bouillabaisse*