

Intimate and understated, the romantic Villa La Falaise feels more like a lodge or a Caribbean-style cottage than a traditional luxury rental property. And that is a very good thing. There's nothing wrong with designer furnishings or fine art, of course (and there are plenty of homes in St. Barth that have them), but there are times in your life when all you want are beautiful nature, good company, and a sublimely simple, comfortable place to enjoy them. Villa La Falaise is for those times.

The villa is convenient and uncomplicated. It has all the amenities you require, and very little that you don't. And given its careful integration into the surrounding garden, it has enough beautiful things to look at that you don't really need distractions. Magnificent views of the sun setting over the sea add to La Falaise's romantic allure. It is a dreamy hideout for a couple celebrating an anniversary or honeymoon, or who simply want to escape from the workaday world. (Because of its unfenced pool deck, the villa is not suitable for children.)

The larger pavilion contains one of the two bedrooms, which has a four-poster king-size bed, antique accent pieces, and an ensuite bathroom that has marble tiles. Outside this pavilion is a covered dining area for four and an outdoor kitchen, which has a stove and a microwave but no oven. A separate pavilion houses an outdoor living room with a wooden sofa and coffee table and a pair of wicker chairs. A second bedroom in a separate pavilion further down in the garden was recently added to the villa.

In front of both is the pool deck, with sunbeds, lounge chairs and an unusually shaped swimming pool. Beyond it lies the abundant garden. And beyond that, of course, the sea.





