

SaintRaphaël
Tourisme

SAINT-RAPHAËL **SEASIDE TOWN**

PRESS RELEASE

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Saint-Raphaël is located **45 min from Nice**, between Cannes and Saint-Tropez. This classified and recognized sea resort extends over **thirty six kilometers on the coastline, between the Massif of Esterel and the Mediterranean coast**, and is divided by creeks, for the greatest pleasure of the visitors. Saint-Raphaël has a year round population of approximately **36 000 inhabitants**, offers a **waterfront city center**, as well as several districts and real places of interest with their own character: the old town, the city center, the ports, Valescure, Boulouris, The Dramont, Agay, Anthéor or still Trayas

Particularly known for his numerous assets as the sea, the sweetness of its climate, the beauty and the wealth of its natural heritage as well as its **numerous possibilities of year round activities**.

Saint-Raphaël is a city with many facets, in turn France Nautical Station ****, golf station, nature destination, city of games and events and also city of business tourism thanks to its Palace of Congresses.



NOT TO BE MISSED!

- . **Louis de Funès Museum** : New in 2019. Discover in a space of 400m2, the life and work of one of the most famous comedians in the world: his intimacy, his career, his friends, his rewards!
 - . **The Archaeological Museum**, featuring exhibits from wrecks discovered in the Bay of St-Raphaël
 - . **Romane church** With 12th century ramparts and a 14th century watchtower.
Bas-relief dating from the Middle-Ages and a Carolingian crypt. a listed monument since 1907
Europe's oldest sanctuary dedicated to the Archangel Raphaël.
 - . **The superb neo-Byzantine "Notre-Dame de la Victoire" Basilique**, designed by Pierre Aublé and built between 1883 and 1887.
 - . **The Old Town and Provençal Markets**. The Tourist Office organizes guided tours every thursday at 10 am (duration =2h, Price: 3€).
- Circuits: discoveries free of the seaside, the circuit Belle Epoque and historic heart.

DISCOVER THE COAST

36 kilometers of indented coast alternate marinas, 30 fine sand beaches and of pebbles (beach of Boulouris, Dramont and Agay) .



Not to be missed! :

L'Île d'Or - Cap Dramont, the bay of Agay, the Corniche d'Or and the coves and creeks to d'Anthéor Le Trayas.

Nautical activities:

7 diving clubs, 2 sailing clubs (sailing, sea canoeing, etc.), waterskiing, water jousting, and boat trips.

“Expérience Cote d’Azur” : Nautical activities on sale at the Tourist Office.

THE ESTEREL, THE GREAT OUTDOORS

The Massif of Estérel, volcanic massif of 32 000 hectares among which 14 000 are classified, offers to hikers a Mediterranean, nice-smelling and protected vegetation.

The natural harbour of Agay establishes the natural front door of the Massif

Not to be missed! :

Cap Roux, Rastel d'Agay, le rocher Saint-Barthélémy, Pic de l'Ours, Mont Vinaigre, a nature reserve and Nature trail.

Activités sportives:

Nature: the 11-km coastal footpath or "Sentier du Littoral", formerly used by customs officers to track down smugglers, hiking adventure trails, riding, mountain-biking in the Estérel Hills, climbing.

For golf lovers: 3 golf courses, including the Var's oldest and France's 5th oldest course - the "Golf de Vallescure" - built in 1895.

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SAINT-RAPHAËL

STATION CLASSIFIED BY THE VAR

YOUR ACCOMMODATION WITH EVERYTHING

A rich and diversified offer!

Whether you are with family, friends or as a couple, Saint-Raphaël offers a varied range of hotels: from 5 stars to small charming hotel, 32 hotels welcome you all year round.

Are your holidays synonymous with freedom?
Are you looking for a quality family space?

Our 12 tourist residences and 3 villages and holiday clubs offer services adapted to your desires.

To live outdoors and enjoy the sea view or the Estérel massif, the 11 campsites classified from 1 to 5 stars will make you spend a pleasant stay under the sun of the French Riviera.



ACCESS

- By air : 45 mins. from Nice Côte d'Azur Airport,
- 1 hour from Toulon-Hyeres Airport
- 1.5 hours from Marseilles International Airport.
- By rail: Served daily by the "TGV Méditerranée" high-speed train (4h40 from Paris).
- 1 daily round trip with the TGV LYRIA Genève/Saint-Raphaël
www.tgv-lyria.com
- By road: 5 km from the A8
highway Fréjus/Saint-Raphaël exit (exit 38).