



in LIVING & WORKING PROVENCE

Business parks of La Ciotat

La Ciotat lies between Toulon and Marseille, surrounded by remarkable natural riches such as the garrigue scrubland and a stunning, rocky coastline indented with creeks, or Calanques. La Ciotat is a city of light, the birthplace of cinema, and also a symbol of exemplary economic renewal with its naval shipyard and the Athélia business parks, which make the town one of the major economic hubs east of the Rhône delta.



ARE YOU GOING TO BE WORKING IN LA COTE D'AZUR?

CHOOSE YOUR LIFESTYLE!



ARE YOU A CITY PERSON?

Head for **Marseille's eastern and southern districts!** La Capelette is a big hit for the inhabitants of Marseille. This has much to do with the new Parc du 26e Centenaire and the apartments being built.

Do you like wide avenues? Choose **the Prado district.** The beach is 2 km away.

Do you dream of a house with a garden? Then opt for **La Valentine,** where quality housing developments have gone up.

LA PROVENCE, "THE PLACE TO BE!"

LOVE THE SEA?

You can live near your workplace in **La Ciotat,** a resort town facing the sea with its rocky inlets (the Calanques), beaches and seafront promenade, ideal for walking and cycling. La Ciotat is a dynamic town too, with its naval shipyard, business parks, casino, discotheques and a rich cultural life.

DO YOU PREFER THE COUNTRYSIDE?

Opt for **Gémenos or Aubagne.** Apartments, 'country chic' Provençal farmhouses at the foot of the Garlaban hills, housing developments: there is a wide range of housing on offer.

At weekends you can stroll through the local producers' market in Aubagne. Looking for culture? The Comoedia theatre in Aubagne puts on an eclectic programme all year round. And in summer, the open-air theatre at Gémenos plays host to every type of live performance.



CIOTAT?

THE BUSINESS PARKS: INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE!

Going to work

Motorway access: La Ciotat is located 37 km from Marseille and 46 km from Aix-en-Provence. The town is served by the A50 motorway and the D559 departmental road.

Public transportation:

TER railway from Marseille, Aubagne and Toulon
Cartreize bus network: Route 69 from Marseille via Aubagne
Route 72 from Aix-en-Provence via Aubagne
Ciotabus from La Ciotat town centre.

GREEN INITIATIVE:

Car sharing: sign up on the **Via Athélia** website (www.covoiturage-via-athelia.fr) available to companies that belong to Athélia Entreprendre

Accommodation Rental rates incl. charges

Geographical sectors	1-bed apt.	2-bed apt.	House
La Capelette (Marseille - X ^e arrdt)	€500-750	€720-920	€890-1,100
La Ciotat	€600-820	€690-780	€900-1,200
Aubagne	€580-700	€690-780	€900-1,200



Rental rates and prices are not contractual and are provided as guide only

Medical services

La Ciotat's public-private health cluster combines the services of two establishments on one site to provide multi-purpose, shared technical facilities.

Aubagne and Marseille hospitals are nearby. Marseille is France's second biggest health area, offering some of the best health services in the country. **Marseille has always had great doctors**.¹

A few purchase prices

One-bedroom property in the new eco-district west of Aubagne **from €139,000**

Two-bedroom property in La Capelette, a stone's throw from the Parc du 26^e Centenaire **from €176,000**

Three-bedroom house in a residential district of La Ciotat **from €341,500**

¹-Pr Yves Baille, Chairman of Marseille's Medical Heritage Conservatory



Sports

The Athélia zone has sports clubs offering squash, climbing, stretching, fitness, indoor football and dance. If you prefer the open air, go for beach volleyball, sailing, paddle-boarding or kayaking. Climbing and hiking fans will be thrilled by the Calanques.

Lunch near your workplace

Stop to eat on the terrace of one of the Athélia zone's restaurants, or have lunch on the seafront. If you prefer to stay in the office: forget tasteless sandwiches: have a lovingly prepared meal delivered!

Go shopping, go out or party

The 'La Ciotat Park' shopping centre in the Ancre Marine complex has some 15 branded stores on a 10,000 m² site, supplementing the shops available in the town centre.

Night-owls can party to their hearts' content in the open-air lounge bars and discos on the seafront!

Did you know?

La Ciotat has the world's oldest cinema! The Eden Theatre showed the Lumière brothers' films in 1899, was classified as a historical monument in 1996 and reopened in 2013 after major restoration work. It is a fundamental part of cinema heritage.

DO YOU HAVE CHILDREN?

From nursery to high school



Among the cities of Aubagne, Gémenos, La Ciotat and Marseille (South and East districts)³, you will find:

- **25** DAYCARE CENTERS , (including 2 establishments in the Athélia zone)⁴
- **79** PRESCHOOLS,
- **79** ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS,
- **17** MIDDLE SCHOOLS,
- **17** HIGH SCHOOLS.

International programmes, with some classes taught in foreign languages, have been opened in several middle and high schools in Aix-en-Provence (German and English), Marseilles (German, English, Arabic, Spanish and Italian) and Pennes Mirabeau (English).

- AMU (Aix-Marseille University): **the largest university in the French-speaking world**
- **Wide-ranging and multidisciplinary education options** that encompass all disciplines: The arts, humanities and social sciences, Economics and management, Health care, Sciences and technology, Law
- A **university with a global outlook**: 45 degrees through international partnership arrangements and 10 Erasmus Mundus programs.
- IAE Aix (Aix Marseille Graduate School of Management) **ranked among the 30 best schools of management in the world**⁵
- **Elite higher education institutions**: Arts & Métiers ParisTech (Aix-en-Provence), Centrale (Marseille), Ecole Nationale d'Architecture (National School of Architecture, Marseille), Kedge Business School (Marseille), Polytech (Marseille), Mines St Etienne-ISMINE (Gardanne), Sciences Po (Aix-en-Provence)...

³-Data is for information purposes only and may be modified in the future

⁴-Including an inter-company crèche available to employees even if they do not live in La Ciotat

⁵-Financial Times 2013 Ranking

Whether they're (still) babies or (already) teenagers, rest assured there will be a pre-school, primary and secondary education option to suit your needs.



Higher education

90,000

students (Académie Aix Marseille)

5 large campuses

post-graduate schools **12**

2013 Shanghai Ranking:

AMU AMONG THE 150 BEST UNIVERSITIES IN THE WORLD (OUT OF 500) AND WITHIN THE 4-6 RANGE FOR FRENCH UNIVERSITIES.

LA CIOTAT NAVAL SHIPYARDS

European leader in superyacht maintenance

34 hectares dedicated to industrial-maritime activity

41 on-shore workstations specially equipped for yachts of 24 to 80 metres in length

Equipment unique in the Mediterranean: boat lift, travel lift, large 660T gantry

Vast 335 m dry dock for refitting yachts over 80 m

600
qualified
workers

500
vessels
per year and some
300 lifted onto the hard

ATHELIA BUSINESS PARKS

80 hectares

4 geographical areas:

Athelia I (**5,7 hectares**) | Athelia III (**9 hectares**)
Athelia II (**15,7 hectares**) | Athelia IV (**39 hectares**)

Athelia V : a **23-ha extension** to the **4 existing zones**, for innovative businesses.
High environmental quality

More than
280
companies

Around
4,000
jobs

Companies operating in THE INDUSTRIAL PARK

ALLIANZ - AXA ASSURANCES - BALL PACKAGING EUROPE
BARDOT GROUP - BIOTECHNI - CENTURY 21 - CLASSIC WORKS
COMPOSITE WORKS - EFER ENDOSCOPE - H2X - IDEOL OFFSHORE
IMXPAD - INTERVASCULAR SAS - IXBLUE INDUSTRIE SSD
IXSURVEY - LD TRAVOCEAN-MONACO MARINE - NOVATECH
OLEA MEDICAL - TOSHIBA - PARK & SUITE APPART-HOTELS - ROXLOR
SOCIETE MARSEILLAISE DE CREDIT- SODEXO - SOPRO COMEG
TAGSYS RFID - TAJIMA - WOOXO - X BLUE - SUN VALLEY
LD TRAVOCEAN - GEMALTO

"I am German, and I work for Oldenburger, a company specialising in yacht fittings. I moved to La Ciotat at the start of 2015 to grow the company's business.

Provence has always meant holidays for me, so I feel privileged to be able to live here. I quickly found an apartment 10 minutes from the naval shipyards, and I walk to work - a real luxury!

Despite my busy schedule, I find time to go hiking and skiing (the ski resorts are only 2 hours' drive away).

The climate is mild, and I like being able to have a drink on the terrace after work with my colleagues all year round.

The region is rich in culture: I enjoy the festivals in La Ciotat as much as the museums in Marseille.

There's just one thing that needs improving: the standard of my French.

Working in an international environment, I don't get to use the language much.

That's my next challenge!



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