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5 Fabulous Art Destinations to Visit on the Côte d'Azur this Summer

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The French Mediterranean coast

Every summer, the siren call of the French Riviera lures the world's rich and famous who flock to the Côte d'Azur in their mega yachts. The season unofficially begins with Leonardo DiCaprio's annual fundraiser in St. Tropez (which raised a record \$40 million this year) and runs through the end of August. But south-east France is more than just a summertime playground for the billionaires club, it is also speckled with exciting art destinations, many of which only recently opened. Home to a new sculpture garden, numerous museums, and important festivals, it is high time to look at the best art destinations along the French Mediterranean coastline.

DOMAINE DU MUY

PARC DE SCULPTURES CONTEMPORAINES
CONTEMPORARY SCULPTURE PARK



Mark Handforth *Deep Violet* (2014)

Photo: courtesy Domaine du Muy Sculpture Park

4. Domaine du Muy Sculpture Park, Var

Just a stone's throw away from St. Tropez and Nice, the newly-opened sculpture park, founded by Jean-Gabriel Mitterrand of Galerie Mitterrand, offers a two-kilometer path that runs through untamed nature with outdoor sculptures by some of the world's biggest contemporary artists, including works by Carsten Höller, Yayoi Kusama, Anthony Gormley, and Sol LeWitt.

The sculpture park is conceived as an ever-evolving open air gallery, with new commissions added as existing works are sold, so it's worth coming back. A recent new commission is Tomás Saraceno's *Cloud Cities*, a 5-meter-long sculpture of interconnected polyhedrons.

Domaine du Muy is open by appointment through October 2015.