Carcassonne, main city of the Aude department is a medieval fortified city. It is divided into the fortified Cité de Carcassonne and the more expansive lower city. The fortress was added to the UNESCO list of World Heritage Sites in 1997. Exceptional place in Europe for its conservation statue.
The fortress, second visited site in France. Some of its foundations date from the first century.
Built with a double line of fortifications.
With the castle inside...
and the Saint-Louis basilica.
The Lower city...
and its streets...
not so far from Mediterranean beaches.