
Villa Orchidia

Localization

Country : Italy

City : Sicily

Address : Ragusa / Ref; IS 277

Properties

Type : Villa

Bedrooms : 7

Bathrooms : 7

Sleepings : 14

Showers : 0

WC : 7

Features

Air conditioning - Wifi - Pool

Description

Villa Orchidia is a sun-drenched two-story villa set in a unique evocative location. Form the peculiar landscape, this villa capitalises on natural beauty. With dramatic views of the valley once home to important ancient settlements, the tasteful 7 bedrooms villa effortlessly blends comfort and modern amenities. The closest beach is Pozzallo (20 minute drive) and it has been awarded with the "Blue Flag" for a few years in a row, a badge reserved only to the cleanest waters and most equipped beach establishments in Italy. Book Villa Orchidia with your friends or your whole extended family, and enjoy your relaxed vacation in one of Sicily's best kept secrets!

Ground floor:

The villa has been carefully restored using local stones and materials to retain the original character of the place, blending it with the dramatic surrounding scenery. The bright and nice decorated interiors do not come short in comfort and its simple style makes you always feel at ease. The sitting room, complete with large sofas and flat screen TV, overlooks the valley and the sea in the distance. The spacious dining room, adjacent to the fully equipped modern kitchen, can host sitting dinners for up to 16 people. Little touches of luxury, such as en-suite bathrooms with glass door showers, an outdoor hot tub at disposal to enjoy while admiring the canyon below, and the privacy and uniqueness of the location, will remind you that you are on holiday.

Bedroom 1; Queen/twin bedroom with independent entrance, en-suite bathroom with shower

First Floor:

Bedroom 2: Queen/twin bedrooms, with independent entrance, access to a panoramic terrace or balcony, en-suite bathroom with shower

Bedroom 3: Queen/twin bedrooms, with independent entrance, access to a panoramic terrace or balcony, en-suite bathroom with shower

Bedroom 4: Queen/twin bedrooms, with independent entrance, access to a panoramic terrace or balcony, en-suite bathroom with shower

Bedroom 5: Queen/twin bedrooms, with independent entrance, access to a panoramic terrace or balcony, en-suite bathroom with shower

Bedroom 6: Queen/twin bedrooms, with independent entrance, access to a panoramic terrace or balcony, en-suite bathroom with shower

Annex:

Bedroom 7; Queen/twin bedroom with independent entrance, en-suite bathroom with shower

All bedrooms are air conditioned and provided with 26" screen TVs, and all bathrooms have hair dryers.

OUTSIDE FEATURES:

The villa features manicured grounds with typical Mediterranean vegetation. Several terraces are equipped for your comfort and a dining table is set under a pergola so you can enjoy having your meals and interesting conversation in the shade. A furnished terrace next to the panoramic swimming pool is the ideal spot to cool off the heat of the Sicilian summer. Do not forget to experience the hot tub (up to three people) placed on a rocky plateau inside the estate, few feet from the impressive cliff.

FEATURES & AMENITIES:

Sleeps 14; 7 bedrooms , 7 Bathrooms & WC Wi-Fi Internet connection

Air conditioning

Satellite plasma TV (no channels in English)

Dishwasher; washing machine

Hair dryers in all bathrooms
Swimming pool
Outdoor hot tub
Parking for cars outside the villa gate

SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Villa Orchidia offers simple luxury with its silence and intimacy. This geographical area is of great cultural relevance boasting a collection of preserved prehistoric burial sites, Christian catacombs, rocky oratories, hermitages and monasteries residential units of various types. From here you can experience the authentic Sicilian culture or enjoy its sea and beaches, only 10-15 minutes away.

Be inspired by this land and come back home restored!

SERVICES INCLUDED WITH RATE:

Electricity up to 400 kwh per week, water, and final cleaning
Unlimited Wi-Fi Internet access (available indoor and outdoor)
Full garden and pool maintenance
Outdoor Hot Tub use

EXTRAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE RENTAL: *On request to be paid locally in cash;*

Extra housekeeping at €10 per hour
Electricity over 400 kwh per week: € 0.35 per kwh
Heating: €4.5 per m3 GPL
Cook services: € 20 per hour + cost of food
Extra change of linen and towels € 10 per person/per set

PLEASE NOTE:

Security Deposit: €500 to be paid locally in cash upon arrival
City Tax €1.50 per person per day
Non-smoking villa
Children 7 years old and up welcome
Pets are not allowed
Check-in: between 5pm – 8pm
Check-out: by 10am
All extra services are to be paid locally in cash, unless otherwise stated

LOCATION:

Nearest Airport: Catania Fontanarossa 1 h 28 min
Nearest serviced town: 12 min
Nearest major city: Modica 18 min
Nearest beach: Pozzallo 19 min
Driving time estimated by Google Maps

The island of Sicily offers a number of wonderful places to visit on day trips or excursions, including Taormina, Catania, Syracuse, Noto, Ragusa and the utterly unforgettable volcanic peak of Mt. Etna. As the highest active volcano in Europe and Sicily's tallest mountain. Mt. Etna is a true natural wonder: don't miss the chance to explore it by booking a guided excursion with our concierge.

Taormina, one of the most famous towns in Sicily, is located high atop Mount Tauro. The magnificent Mediterranean blue bay and the nearby smouldering Mt. Etna merge into a spectacular view that can be seen from almost any point in the city. A renowned archaeological destination backed by incredible history, Taormina is home to one of the most famous Greek Theatres in the world. This remarkable theatre hosts "Taormina Arte," the town's annual summer international arts festival of film, music, dance and theatre. Taormina is a haven for tourists, offering a great number of restaurants, bars, clubs, entertainment and sport venues. Take a stroll along the Corso and be sure to stop at one of the local cafés for a taste of granite (the original version of Italian ice!) and a piece of frutta martorana (marzipan sweets).

The distinctive beauty of Syracuse, rich with history and artistic presence, was featured in Giuseppe Tornatore's movie "Malena", starring Monica Bellucci. Since 1914, from early May to the end of June, the city has staged ancient comedies and tragedies in its Greek theatre. A stroll through the streets of Ortigia leads to the fascinating baroque cathedral that incorporates an ancient temple to Athena. Make sure you check the Fountain of Arethusa, site of the Greek legend.

Noto is the undisputed capital of Sicilian Baroque. Generally listed as one of the 'must-see' tourist attractions on the East coast of Sicily. The town was declared humanity heritage by UNESCO in 2002. Here you can enjoy the most beautiful non equipped beaches of the island, Eloro, Cittadella or Calamosche inside the natural reserve of Vendicari, which is also home to thousands of migrating flamingos and sea turtle nests. If you prefer the comfort of equipped beaches, check the ones in Noto Marina or San Lorenzo. If you are in this area on the third week of May, take note of the famous and suggestive "Infiorata", a picturesque festival to welcome the spring, where local artists work overnight to prepare colourful real flower carpets all over the streets. Other sites worth visiting in the surroundings of Noto (by car) include Noto Antica - the older town - Modica, Palazzo Acreide, Ragusa - a similarly-appealing Baroque town - the necropolis at Pantalica and Ispica Caves.

WHERE TO EAT;

Il Barcaiolo - Enjoy typical Sicilian cuisine at this family-owned romantic trattoria and enjoy views of the Mazzarò bay from the terrace!
Via Castelluccio 43, Taormina mare (Spiaggia Mazarò - 150 steps to the beach) - +39 0942 625 633
Villa Antonio - Delightful cuisine and a terrace offering breathtaking views. Via Luigi Pirandello 88 (at Hotel Capo Taormina), Taormina mare - +39 0942

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Don Camillo - Elegant and refined, this restaurant is famous for seafood dishes and a rich wine list - try seafood risotto and the ricotta dessert. Via Maestranza 96, Siracusa - +39 0931 67133

Baqqalà - For a nice fish lunch or dinner, try this rustic trattoria which serves superb food! Piazzetta Ficili, Scicli - +39 0932 931 028

La Locanda Don Serafino - Romantic Michelin starred restaurant, ask for a table in the cave. Via Avv. G.Ottaviano, Ragusa Ibla - +39 0932 248 778

WHERE TO SHOP;

Food – Campisi canned food. This company is still proudly using ancient techniques dating back to the Arab period to produce and processes a wide range of fish and vegetable based products. Also, sauces, honey and wine are all worth bringing home. Via Marzamemi 12, Marzamemi - +39 0931 841 166

Ceramics from Caltagirone - decorated entirely by hand, with nice vibrant colors (green, yellow and light blue being the traditional ones) and classical shapes, are a touch of Sicily you can bring home! Check Ceramiche Artistiche Sammartino e Delfino. Via Roma 32, Caltagirone - +39 0933 21 067

Silk in Ortigia - One of a kind scarves that are so beautifully crafted they become true works of art. Wear or hang them, it is your choice! Via Roma 27, Siracusa - +39 333 594 4518

Chocolate - Sotto San Pietro, visit this elegant store and you will find exquisite chocolate and other local products. Scents and flavours...from Sicily with love! Corso Umberto I 136-138, Duomo San Pietro, Modica - +39 0932 946093

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