Villa Serena

Localization

Country : Italy
City : Italian Lakes
Address : BLEVIO / Ref; IL 882

Properties

Type : Villa
Bedrooms : 6
Bathrooms : 6
Sleepings : 12
Showers : 0
WC : 6

Features

Chef - Air conditioning - Wifi - Pool - Pool Heating - Walking distance to village - Cleaning service - Animals accepted - Garden - Boat - Views - No smoking

Description

A lakefront luxury villa located just 5 km from the city of Como, Villa Serena is a patrician manor that combines regal and elegant interiors with white-glove service for a grand vacation experience. All bedrooms and living areas boast a careful selection of fine furniture and heirloom antiques. Maximum privacy is guaranteed at all times thanks to the 7-acre manicured park with its mature trees surrounding the property and to the gated access road leading to an ample underground private garage. The private panoramic rectangular swimming pool and lounging area furnished with chaise longues enjoy a privileged spot on the estate and are ideal for taking in the Lake's fantastic scenery and sunsets. The villa is provided with a full and professionally trained staff to ensure a memorable stay in the romantic Lake Como.

The villa is true state-of-the art, magnificently decorated with frescoes and has been luxuriously furnished down to the finest Italian linens and antiques from the owner's collection. Villa Serena boasts a 1900 Blutner Grand piano in the living room. The property offers deluxe service and full staff including butler service. A flood-lit landscaped park, about 2,000 sq. ft., surrounds the estate. 1,000 feet of exclusive lake shoreline including a private dock with two courtesy small boats at guests' disposal. Villa Serena shares the estate with Villa Maria. Guests have the option of renting the entire estate including the two villas.

On the garden floor level there is a frescoed entrance hall, reading room with TV, decorative fireplace and library. Three bedrooms with bathrooms, Bedroom 1 King/twin bedroom with balcony and en-suite bathroom with bath and lake view.
Bedroom 2 Lake view Queen bedroom with balcony and en-suite bathroom with bath and Bedroom 3 with Queen bedroom with private bathroom with bath

On the roof floor level a further 3 bedrooms, Bedroom 4 lake view King/twin bedroom with en-suite bathroom with bath, Bedroom 5 lake view King/twin bedroom with en-suite bathroom with bath and Bedroom 6 garden view King/twin bedroom with en-suite bathroom with bath
All bedrooms have A/C and all bathrooms are provided with hair dryers.

On the roof floor level there is a frescoed cupola with central balcony.

Lakeshore level is the Entrance, fully-equipped kitchen, frescoed salon and dining room with double decorative fireplace and access to lakeshore terrace. Laundry room.

OUTDOOR FEATURES:
Villa Serena is located down a quarter-mile long gated road guarded by a quaint old gatehouse, in the midst of seven acres of luxuriant gardens and woods. The property, as well as its private heated swimming pool (12m x 3m), enjoy spectacular, unobstructed views of Lake Como. From the property park, you can exit through a private gate and enter the nearest village, with its charming square on the harbour, 17th-century church and the village's garden with its lovely pergola.

FEATURES & AMENITIES:
Sleeps x 12 with 5 en-suite bedrooms with 4 King size beds and 2 Queen size beds
Air Conditioning

Hair Dryer
Fully equipped Kitchen
Al fresco dining
TV/Cable/ DVD
Wi-Fi
Fireplace
Heated swimming pool
Private embark dock
Fully staffed

Local Interests;
Boating
Sightseeing
Walking
Restaurants
Shops
Nature

SERVICES INCLUDED WITH RENT:
Electricity, water, heating, A/C, Wi-Fi internet, and final cleaning
Daily housekeeping service
Mid-week bed linen change (Wed)
Daily bath linen change
Use of courtesy Speed Boat up to 7 pax (15/20 knots, 40 HP), cost of fuel not included
Garden and pool maintenance
STAFF;
Butler, chef
Butler service 6 days per week from 8:30 am to 10:00 pm, with 3½ hours rest in the afternoon (one day off or two half-days off)
Chef service 6 days per week from 8:30 am to 10:00 pm, with 3½ hours rest in the afternoon (one day off or two half-days off):
SERVICE;
Breakfast from 8:45 am to 10:00 am – cost of food extra
Lunch from 12:30 pm to 2:00 pm – cost of food extra
Dinner from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm – cost of food extra

EXTRAS NOT INCLUDED WITH RENT:
Fuel for the courtesy boat
Butler and cook extra hours: €15/hr/per staff member (to be paid directly to the staff)
Cost of food and beverage
Personal ironing: €15 per hour
Extra bed: €150/night
Extra change of bed linen: €40 per set/per change
Extra change of bath linen: €20 per set/per change
Telephone charges

PLEASE NOTE:
Security Deposit: €5,000 to be held by the agency
Food Allowance: €2,000, to be paid locally, in cash, upon arrival
Tourist tax: €1/person/day
Children 8 and older are welcome
Check-in 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm; Check-out by 10:00 am
All extra services must be paid locally, prior to departure, unless otherwise arranged

LOCATION:
Nearest Airport: Milan Malpensa Airport 49 min
Nearest serviced town: 6-min walk
Nearest major city: Como 12 min
Driving time estimated by Google Maps
The area of Lake Como is abundant in picturesque towns with narrow cobbled streets, breathtaking views, and lovely homes and gardens, best visited from late spring to early fall. Take a stroll through the city of Como to enjoy its history and architecture, then hop on the ferry and head north to visit other towns on the lakeshore.
However, there is more to do in this area than traditional sightseeing. Visitors can book a flight over the lake by seaplane or take the funicular (hillside trolley) to Brunate and enjoy spectacular views from above. Extreme sports enthusiasts can enjoy paragliding off of Mount Nuvolone. Small and large groups alike can book boat tours with our concierge to enjoy the lake from the water, having fun spotting properties owned by the rich and famous

(Donatella Versace, Madonna, and George Clooney, among others).
For the more adventurous, Lake Como also offers water-skiing, wind surfing, and wake boarding. Bikers will surely enjoy the natural trails that lead to the mountains or even hidden pebbled beaches. Go for a round of golf or tennis at one of the many locations across the lake region. Lake Como has something for everyone! With fashion-capital Milan just 45 minutes away, it's no wonder that Lake Como also offers excellent designer shopping.

WHERE TO EAT:
Momi - Excellent fresh local food served on a romantic and panoramic terrace. Memorable experience if you are there at sunset! You can arrive also by boat and access the restaurant from the water via private dock. Ask the locals for directions because the place it is a little hard to find.
Frazione Riva, Blevio - +39 334 120 2327
Crotto dei Platani - Another great place on the water. Great food, excellent wine and magnificent view...who could ask for more? Try the potato and porcini flan with Taleggio cheese.
Via Regina 73, Brienno - +39 031 814038
La Veranda at Villa D'Este - This classic restaurant offers great views of the lake. The perfect combination of food, atmosphere and service make this a must!
Via Regina 40, Villa d'Este, Cernobbio - +39 031 3481
Trattoria del Glicine - Great typical food in a traditional setting. 10 minute drive uphill from Cernobbio. Try the duck and - if in season - the white asparagus salad.
Via Vittorio Veneto 1, Località Piazza Santo Stefano In Collina - +39 031 511332
Osteria del Beuc - Unpretentious trattoria, local atmosphere and good typical dishes with a menu changing daily. Outdoor seating available.
Via Felice Cavallotti 1, Cernobbio - +39 031 341633
Cardamomo - Fabulous pizza and artisanal beer. Child friendly. No reservations taken, show up early (around 7:00pm) to get a table.
Via Carloni 2 f/g, Como - +39 031 301919

WHERE TO SHOP:
Clothing - Tessabit Plinio, elegant contemporary concept clothing store selling the best of Italian Fashion.
Piazza Cavour 34, Como - +39 031 304348
Food - Taste the Formaggio Lariano produced throughout the year with milk obtained exclusively in the province of Como. Buy this goodie at Latteria Alto Lario.
Via Statale 178, Dongo - +39 0344 821 84
Silk accessories - Como is also famous for silk manufacturing, a place to buy some articles is Azalea Bellagio.
Salita Serbelloni 31, Bellagio - +39 031 950 984
Leather goods - Quelli della pelle, artisanal hand-made products, 100% made in Bellagio.
Salita Serbelloni 22, Bellagio - +39 031 951 393

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