

Villa Buona

Region: Umbria Sleeps: 6

Overview

Welcome to the beautiful Villa Buona, only a two minute walk from the main piazza. The villa was created by a trained hotelier who lives nearby, from part of a 14th century church.

Nestled against the town walls of Spello, Villa Buona is situated between the ancient gates of Porta del Mastro and Porta Prato.

The enchanting villa is built of fine pink-tinted stone which is up to one meter thick in places. The villa is cool in summer, with no need for air conditioning, and warm in the winter.

Villa Buona has been decorated with great care and attention to detail. It is filled with a collection of interesting eclectic rugs, textiles and furniture from the owner's travels.

The owner has created an outstanding home away from home, allowing guests to feel relaxed and comfortable.

For larger groups, Villa Buona can be rented with the cottage La Casetta which has space for an additional three guests.

Facilities



Interior & Grounds

Villa Interior

Master Bedroom

The master bedroom is situated at the patio level and faces over the garden. It has a king size bed and feels like a luxurious private apartment. The room is fitted with shutters for those who want to sleep late but there is nothing like waking up to a gentle warm morning breeze. The bedroom also offers a lovely all-white, marble-lined bathroom, walk-in storage and clothes hanging space. The suite is calm ideal for a restful holiday with an interesting selection of books and magazines supplied for guests.

Ethnic Bedroom

Set above the master bedroom with dazzling country views. The bedroom has been designed in a less traditional style using textiles and the warm colours inspired by Morocco and India. It is teamed with cool, limed oak floors and white walls. From the studio room a few steps lead up to a lobby off which is the en-suite bathroom with plenty of useful storage cupboards. The modern stylish bathroom has a large power shower.

Garden Bedroom

Accessed directly from the garden and not the house this charming bedroom is a romantic secluded retreat. Furnished with a metal bed from a family home it is decorated simply and comfortably, Designers Guild fabrics in reds and greens providing colour along with artworks bought in Marrakesh. Within the room is a fully equipped shower-room.

Studio

The studio is a large and fascinating mezzanine space reached by a broad stone staircase and lobby off the living room. It is beautifully decorated with one wall retaining the original church figurative painting. There are oak floors and vaulted stone walls and ceiling. It is a fabulous place to listen to music or just to relax and read. This room can also be used as a fourth bedroom a full size sofa bed available. There is an additional bathroom at the foot of the stairs.

Kitchen

A real home-from-home requires an attractive and well equipped kitchen. Villa Buona offers a light and airy Kitchen in a style reminiscent of Sweden and Provence, but this is not a basic rustic holiday kitchen. Everything from aprons and a wide selection of table linens to fine Riedel wine-glasses and a mighty La Cornue range cooker are supplied.

Living and dining

Subtle lighting, ancient arches and stone work provide a palpable sense of



history to the spacious open-plan living and dining room.

Simply decorated with a large cane sofa, a bright Moroccan rug and with a multi-channel television neatly hidden in an old wall cupboard the living area is very comfortable. The dining table with raw silk covered chairs, seating up to 8 people. It is raised just a shallow step above the living area.

Outside Grounds

The Covered Patio

Entering the garden from the street door you are greeted by an outstanding view. Throughout the year guests can relax under the cool ancient vaulted arches which form the outdoor seating and dining area. There is a large table and plenty of comfortable chairs provided. From the patio there is easy access to the kitchen and living room, with a gentle flight of steps down to the garden and pool at a lower level.

The Garden and Swimming Pool

A low wall across the front of the garden provides unobstructed views of the stunning countryside beyond, guest can look forward to enjoying especially wonderful at sunset.

The pool is set back and to the side of the villa, while lush green lawns, cool underfoot, provide plenty of space for sunbathing or entertaining. The garden is planted with roses, olives and cypress trees. It is a quiet contemplative place, ideal for a calm and restful holiday.

Dimensions: 3x6 metres Depth: 1.5 metres Access: stairs

Amenities

- Satellite television including BBC news, sport, French, German and Russian channels.
- DVD player.
- There are televisions in every room.
- Large selection of CD's and docking station for an iPod.
- Wi-Fi access in the house and garden.
- Bang and Olufsen sound system with ipod dock in the kitchen, living room, master bedroom and bathroom and the patio.
- Pure linen Italian bed linen and towels from designer Valerie Barkowsky 'Mia Zia'.
- Well equipped kitchen with dishwasher, coffee machine, freezer, espresso machine, toaster and grill (washing machine provided).

Location & Local Information

The region of Umbria is known as the 'green heart of Italy'. It is one of the finest holiday destinations, not only in Italy but also in the whole of Europe. Umbria is a land of spectacular, pristine, and largely rural landscapes, rolling wooded hills, mountains, valleys, and sublime art and architecture.

Only a 2 hour drive from Rome and just 8 kms from Assisi, the birthplace of St. Francis, is the enchanting hillside town of Spello. Quiet and elegant with excellent restaurants famed for typical robust Umbrian cuisine and fine wines, Spello is the ideal base from which to discover and explore this extraordinary part of Italy.

Within easy reach are the famous hill towns of Orvieto, with its legendary cathedral, Todi, Città di Castello, Gubbio, Perugia, Spoleto and the highly praised wine producing region of Montefalco. For those who are adventurous, outdoor activities abundant in the area. There are many historical buildings in Spello.

- Distance from Rome: 150 km.
- Distance from Florence: 140 km.
- Nearest station: Foligno Station.
- Nearest airport: Rome Fiumicino and Perugia Sant'Egidio.



Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €500. This is paid on arrival and will be refunded in full after departure subject to damage inspection.
- Arrival time: 4 to 7 pm.
- Departure time: 10.00
- Energy costs included?: Included.
- Linen & towels included?: Included.
- Pets welcome?: No pets allowed.
- Changeover day: Saturday.
- Insurance: It is recommended that all guests take out insurance to cover against potential cancellation and any accidental damage caused during your stay at the property.
- Other Ts and Cs: - The Villa is inclusive of all taxes and cleaning service every day except Sunday and National holidays. - The Villa is only available for a minimum of 1 week. - Central heating available for mid-winter.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes