

Casa Delle Rondini

Region: Liguria **Sleeps:** 8

Overview

Casa Delle Rondini nestles peacefully on a verdant hillside, close to Recco town on the Ligurian coast. This rustic villa is full of charm and has a welcoming atmosphere, which can be enjoyed throughout its beautifully-furnished rooms. Traditional features, such as the stone walls and wood beams, add a sense of heritage that complements the cool tiles and contemporary touches with their warmth.

The villa sits within an extensive garden that's perfect for chilling out and soaking up the rural surroundings. Almost every corner of the outside space offers breathtaking views of the hills and valleys that are typical of this region. One of the best ways to experience the area is to follow hiking trails through nearby villages and high up into the hillside. Or enjoy a meal in the friendly local hamlet, which is just a few steps away.

On the main floor is the cosy and inviting living room where you can relax and spend quality time with family and friends. There's even a fireplace to warm up chilly autumn evenings spent watching television on one of the comfortable sofas. Kitchen offers direct access to the outside space.

The first floor is home to two air-conditioned and restful bedrooms. One has a double bed, and the other features two single beds. There's also a lovely family bathroom with a bathtub for unwinding after long days out.

Outside is an attractive terrace with a large, private swimming pool. Accessed from the pool area is a fantastic wellness room with sauna and exercise equipment, located on the lower ground floor. Also on this floor is a self-contained unit (accessed from outside) comprising of a small kitchen, two bedrooms and a bathroom with



shower.

Within the outside space that's dotted with olive and chestnut trees there are shaded seating and dining areas, with a charming brick barbecue on offer too. Tucked away in a corner of the Mediterranean garden is an idyllic spot with a hot-tub for the ultimate relaxation.

It's not all about the rolling countryside here though, as coastal Recco is just 7 km away. This town is the main foodie hotspot of the Ligurian coast, with many restaurants giving you the chance to try its famous focaccia with cheese.

Other spots to visit include Portofino and Genoa, with both offering plenty of history and culture. Genoa is a sightseer's paradise, with ancient churches, squares and museums to tick off the list. Shopaholics and those looking for a touch of glamour will be impressed by Portofino's luxury boutiques.

Facilities

Gym/Fitness Room • Rural Location • Watersports • Cots (Cribs) • Chef/Cook Available • Air-Con • Wi-Fi/Internet • Catering Available • Private Pool • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Kids • Pets on Request • Hot Tub • Walk to Village • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • TV • Sauna/Steam • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • High Chair(s) • Sailing • Canoeing/Kayaking • Walking/Hiking Paths • Cycling • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Boat Trips

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interior

Lower Ground Floor (access from outside only)

- Bedroom with sofa bed (double futon-mattress placed on top of convertible sofa), table for 4 guests and TV
- Bedroom with double bed
- Bathroom with shower
- Small kitchenette
- Wellness room with sauna and gym equipment

Ground Floor

- Fully-equipped kitchen
- Living room with TV and fireplace
- Bathroom with shower
- Conservatory with dining table seating 10 guests and heating stove

First Floor (under eaves)

- Double bedroom with TV and air-conditioning
- Twin bedroom with air-conditioning and desk
- Bathroom with bathtub

Outside Grounds

- Pergola with al fresco dining area and comfy garden loungers
- Swimming pool (4 m x 8 m, depth from 1.5 to 2.2 m), opens from mid-May to September approximately
- Barbecue area
- Hot tub
- Outdoor shower
- Terrace



Location & Local Information

Casa Delle Rondini is tucked away on a hillside that offers total peace and seclusion, but there are still plenty of amenities within easy driving distance. The views over the hills and green valleys as you wind your way through the hills are simply breathtaking.

Avegno village is less than a 10-minute drive from the villa, which is home to several restaurants and a supermarket. However, you'll probably want to drive to the laidback coastal town of Recco to do your grocery shopping and to enjoy days out.

Recco is most famous for its *focaccia* with cheese - so if there's one thing you must do when you visit the town, it's to sample this delicacy! Luckily, there are many restaurants to choose from in Recco, with lots of pizzerias by the harbour. Also be sure to relax on the beach at Bagni Lido. The Ligurian Sea here is calm and beautiful, making it ideal for swimming.

Just 8km away is Camogli, another lovely coastal spot. This small town is great for hiking, with plenty of seaside trails to follow. One 30-minute trail takes you uphill through idyllic woodland to the pretty church of San Rocco. Visit Camogli on the second Sunday in May to experience the town's famous fish festival.

Explore the sights of Portofino (22km) and potentially rub shoulders with celebrities as you take a tour of the town's luxury shops and boutiques. There are plenty of old churches and fascinating museums to discover here too.

25km away is the port city of Genoa, with a rich maritime history that spans several centuries. Visit the Galata Maritime Museum to learn more about the city's seafaring past, and the old town that's home to the stunning Cattedrale di San Lorenzo.

Just over an hour's drive away from the villa is the Cinque Terre; a series of five charming, seaside villages. They are probably the most-famous feature of the coastline in this part of Italy.

Local Amenities

| | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Nearest Airport | Genova (40 km) |
| Nearest Airport 2 | Pisa (151 km) |



| | |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Nearest Village | (3 km) |
| Nearest Town/City | Recco (7 km) |
| Nearest Restaurant | Avegno (3km) |
| Nearest Bar/Pub | (3 km) |
| Nearest Beach | Recco (7 km) |
| Nearest Supermarket | (4 km) |

What we love

- The villa is surrounded by lush countryside and enjoys stunning hillside views
- The rustic, traditional feel throughout the tastefully-furnished room and great additional features, such as the wellness room, private pool and garden
- Adjoining conservatory has glass doors opening onto the garden and offers amazing 270 degree views of the area

What you should know...

- The lower ground floor with 3th and 4th bedroom with wellness area is accessed from the outside.
- One of the bedrooms on the lower floor comprises of a sofa-bed with double futon-mattress placed on top to make it a standard double bed.
- Only the two bedrooms on the first floor have air-conditioning.
- Please note that whilst there is parking available near the villa, the path is steep.
- Please note that published rates are only valid for the current year. Any bookings for subsequent years will be on request only and correct rates will be confirmed at the time of booking.
- Please note that your booking will only be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner or their property manager.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €750 paid in cash to the owner upon arrival and refunded after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 2 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 10 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pets welcome?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner. If accepted, a pet supplement of €20 per pet per day will apply (payable locally, maximum 2 pets).
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Please note that published rates are only valid for the current year. Any bookings for subsequent years will be on request only and correct rates will be confirmed at the time of booking. Please note that your booking will only be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner or their property manager. Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday only in July & August. Flexible during all other periods.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Extra €300, paid locally. However, guests are required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival. Any extra cleaning, laundry, maintenance and/or rubbish disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Strictly no smoking inside the villa.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights, all other duration on request.
- **Heating costs included?:** Extra cost payable locally based on consumption. Please enquire for further details.
- **Tax:** Italian Visitors Tax payable locally in cash (typically costs approximately between €1-€5 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).
- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi connection included.
- **Pool towels included?:** No.
- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open approximately from mid-May to end-September. Please note that pool opening dates are subject to local weather conditions and pool maintenance requirements and that cooler months may not be suitable for swimming.