

Villa Cianca

Region: Tuscany Sleeps: 10

Overview

Sitting on the outskirts of a small village in the northern Tuscan hills is Villa Cianca, a lovingly converted agricultural building turned holiday home. The spacious and well-appointed villa is just 11km from Lucca in a neighbourhood of various villages and hamlets scattered over the hillsides.

Villa Cianca is the ideal base for your Tuscan family break and sleeps up to ten guests across four bedrooms meaning everyone has space to relax. Carefully restored by its loving owners, the homely interiors offer Italian charm and comfort in rustic surroundings.

The house has lovely views of the Tuscan countryside; the feeling of nature envelopes the garden and the sloping grassy areas and mature trees feel like an extension of the *campagna*. While retaining a rustic feel, your holiday home has all the facilities you could need for a family break, including a private pool with sunbeds and a dining area under a pergola looking out over the glorious landscapes. There is also a wood-burning oven and barbecue in the garden, ideal for cooking sumptuous local produce for an alfresco meal together.

The surrounding villages and hamlets in the area provide all the necessary small shops and eateries you may need, and many of them have artisan markets and wonderful historical sites to visit, such as nearby Pieve di Compito, a charming medieval village where you can attend traditional cookery courses. For those wishing for more hustle and bustle, the villa is also situated 11km from of the Renaissance walled-city of Lucca which is one of Tuscany's must-see locations. Lucca has wonderful museums, galleries and churches to visit as well as endless winding streets filled with shops and cafes. The city is best explored by foot and a guided tour is a great



idea to get to know all of Lucca's hidden secrets. After all the walking, find yourself a restaurant to unwind as the sun sets over the lively historic piazzas.

If you wish to see more of Tuscany during your trip, Villa Cianca is the perfect base whether you wish to head to the beautiful Pisa or to the beaches of Viareggio, both of which can be reached in under forty minutes. For a truly special day out, spend time in magnificent city of Florence, just over an hour away.

Facilities

Wi-Fi/Internet • Great Value • Rural Location • Cots (Cribs) • Private Pool
• Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Pets on Request • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • TV • Heating • Caretaker/Owner on Site • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Cycling • Horse Riding • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interiors

Ground Floor

- Living room with TV, radio and doors out to the garden
- Dining room seating ten with fireplace
- Kitchen with oven, hobs, fridge/freezer, dishwasher, microwave, coffee machine and dining table
- Bathroom with shower, WC and bidet
- Utility room with washing machine

First Floor

- Twin bedroom
- Double bedroom with extra single bed
- Double bedroom with bathroom with shower, WC and bidet
- Bathroom with bath, shower, two sinks, WC and bidet

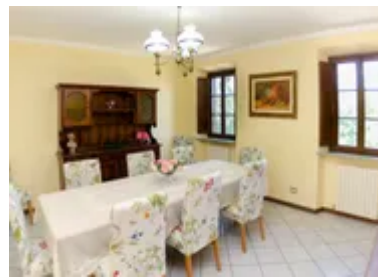
Second Floor

- Attic (walk-through) with a double sofa bed (suitable for one guest)
- Connecting double bedroom
- Bathroom with shower, WC and bidet

Outside Grounds

- Private swimming pool (8m x 4m, depth: 1.25m), open approximately May to end-September
- Spacious, partially-fenced garden with lawns and mature trees
- Pergola with dining furniture
- Sun loungers
- Wood-burning outdoor oven and barbecue
- Electric gate at entrance
- Separate house (where owner sometimes resides)
- Parking

Facilities



- Wi-Fi
- Heating
- TV
- Radio
- Iron
- Washing machine

Location & Local Information

Villa Cianca is situated in a neighbourhood made up of numerous villages and hamlets dotted around the rolling countryside, just 11km from Lucca.

The semi-rural location means you will find olive groves and woodlands across the area, perfect to head out on a walk or enjoy a picnic under the shade of an old oak tree. The local town of Capannori is worthy of a visit with its busy centre with lots of old churches and traditional trattorias for a drink and a bite to eat.

When you are longing for the buzz of the city, Villa Cianca is well-located to reach both Lucca and Pisa. Lucca is a gorgeous place and the city walls alone are an attraction worth visiting! You can walk or cycle to walls and get amazing views of Lucca and the surrounding countryside. Inside the walls, there is much more to see and if you are a lover of old churches then you will be spoiled for choice as Lucca is known as the city of a hundred churches. Here you will also find fantastic roman ruins and the majestic Cathedral of San Martino sitting side by side with exclusive shops and trendy bars and restaurants. If you wish to visit Pisa you could drive or get a train from Lucca which offers amazing views of the famous Leaning Tower as you approach the city.

If you wish to visit a local attraction for the day, then 15km from the house there is an interesting place called Villa Marlia which is a 15th Century Renaissance villa surrounded by stunning gardens. The home was once owned by Napoleon's sister, Elise, who became Princess of Lucca and renovated the villa to serve her needs as a ruler. The house and gardens are an enjoyable day out for all ages and the gardens are packed with fountains, a stunning lake, grottos and astonishing florals. The ring walk around the garden is said to take two hours, so with the house and the cafe you could spend a whole day enjoying Villa Marlia.

For those who love nothing more than relaxing on a beach on their summer holiday, the coast is a mere 35km away.



Head to Viareggio for its sandy beach, summer watersports, charming promenade and great shops. Florence is also wonderful for a day trip, just over an hour by car or catch the train from Lucca.

Local Amenities

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| Nearest Airport | Pisa (35 km) |
| Nearest Airport 2 | Florence (67 km) |
| Nearest Village | (5 km) |
| Nearest Town/City | Lucca (11 km) |
| Nearest Bar/Pub | (100 m) |
| Nearest Beach | (35 km) |
| Nearest Supermarket | (5 km) |
| Nearest Restaurant | Lucca (100 m) |

What we love

- The spacious Villa Cianca is ideal for those wishing to visit Lucca, Pisa and Florence
- Guests are able to request homemade bruschetta, focaccia and pizza which can be arranged by the caretaker
- The private pool and seating areas offer panoramic views of the surrounding farmlands, ideal for a relaxing break
- Take a trip to the seaside with Viareggio only 40 minutes away

What you should know...

- 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
- When minimum occupancy is booked, certain rooms may not be accessible (subject to owner's discretion) - best to enquire with us beforehand
- The quiet and non-obtrusive owner of the house sometimes stays in a separate home within the grounds of Villa Cianca and will be very happy to help
- This property sleeps 9 guests comfortably, whilst an additional guest may be accommodated on a sofa bed. Please see the 'Features' tab for full details
- Due to the semi-rural location a car is essential

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €500 paid in cash to the owner upon arrival and refunded upon departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m - 7.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 8.00 a.m. - 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pets welcome?:** On request only and with prior arrangement with the owner. If accepted, a pet supplement of €30 per pet per week is payable locally.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Cot available on request, extra €25 per child per week (paid locally). Weddings, stag/hen parties and other celebrations are not permitted. An extra bed is available on request. This property sleeps 9 guests comfortably, whilst an additional guest may be accommodated on a sofa bed. Please see the 'Features' tab for full details 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. When maximum occupancy of 6 guests is booked, the 2nd floor is closed.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday from end-June to end-August. Flexible during all other periods.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Extra €200, payable 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 garbage disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Outside only.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- **Heating costs included?:** Extra cost based on consumption, payable locally and requested in advance.
- **Tax:** Italian Visitors Tax payable locally in cash (typically costs €1-€5 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).
- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet access included.
- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open approximately beginning of 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.