

# Casa Mare Blu

Region: Sicily Sleeps: 6

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## Overview

A contemporary villa in a rural setting close to the city of Modica, Casa Mare Blu is an ideal holiday home for exploring both Sicilian country and coast. Set within attractive gardens and with countryside on the doorstep, this light and airy villa provides a tranquil escape for a family or group of friends.

The interior of Casa Mare Blu reflects its proximity to both the rural terrain and the sea. From the stone and blue colour themes, to the carefully chosen paintings on the walls, there's a calming sense of nature throughout. Large windows in the four bedrooms also help bring the outside in, with one also having doors opening straight onto a terrace. Taking in views of the surrounding scenery from the first-floor bedrooms is the perfect way to start each morning.

Open-plan and sociable, the ground-floor living space flows beautifully. Easily move between the sofa, dining table and kitchen for cosy evenings, whilst appreciating the cooling atmosphere after sunny afternoons spent in the garden. The space offers direct access to a covered terrace for al-fresco dining, which itself leads down onto the swimming pool and surrounding greenery. Sip a cocktail on a sun lounger by the pool, or dive straight in and enjoy a refreshing dip.

Casa Mare Blu is in a fantastic location for exploring ancient sites, historic towns and cities and the stunning coast. The nearest city, Modica, is mostly known for its Baroque architecture and chocolate. Visit the chocolate museum and sample some of the sweet treats for yourself in its chocolate shops.

Other picture-postcard places to visit include the hilltop town of Ragusa and the beaches of Marina di Modica and Sampieri; all of which are within a 30-minute drive. Slightly further afield is the iconic city of Syracuse, with its ancient ruins and old town of Ortigia.

## Facilities

Watersports • Historical Sites • Air-Con • Recommended • Wine Tasting • Walking/Hiking Paths • Private Pool • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Boat Trips • Ideal for Kids • Has Discount • Ideal for Teens • Great Value • Cots (Cribs) • Special Offer • Pets on Request • Beach Nearby • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • <1hr to Airport • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Indoor Games • Satellite TV • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • High Chair(s)



# Interior & Grounds

## Villa Interiors

### Ground Floor

- Open-plan living/dining space with sofa, flat screen TV, dining table for four people, wall-mounted flat screen TV, doors to terrace
- Open-plan kitchen with oven, microwave, dishwasher, freezer, toaster, coffee machine
- Bedroom with double bed, ensuite bathroom with shower
- Bedroom with double bed, wall-mounted TV, doors to terrace
- Bathroom with bath tub
- Bathroom

### First Floor

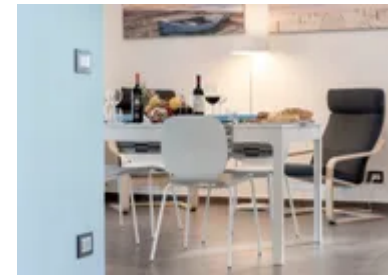
- Bedroom with single bed (can be made into double)
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- Bathroom with shower

## Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (10x12m, depth 1.3m - 3m) with shallow children's area and deeper area with diving board. Open approximately April to end-October
- Garden with small lawn
- Veranda terrace with dining table for six people
- Barbecue
- Poolside seating area
- Sun loungers
- Outdoor showers
- Parking

## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air conditioning
- Iron and ironing board
- Washing machine
- Hair dryer



# Location & Local Information

Casa Mare Blu sits in a quiet location within southeastern Sicily, but a good choice of amenities are within easy reach of the villa. There are several restaurants, bars and shops around a 15-minute drive away. Head to the nearby city of Modica to stock up on groceries, browse the shops and enjoy delicious meals out.

Modica is also full of history, with many Baroque buildings lining its streets. It's home to two beautiful cathedrals called Duomo di San Pietro and Duomo di San Giorgio, which are both must-sees. Also stroll around the Museo Civico to see a range of archaeological finds, such as fossils and ceramics. The chocolate museum is also sure to be incredibly popular with children! Modica has long been connected with chocolate making, and several chocolate shops can be found throughout the city.

Even more history can be explored at the Archaeological area of Cava d'Ispica. This site features ancient cave homes and burial sites carved into a mountain, for both stunning views inside and out.

The hilltop town of Ragusa offers some designer shops alongside more day-to-day outlets, so it's an ideal place for fashion lovers. Its old town is where you'll find impressive examples of Baroque architecture. The gardens of Giardino Ibleo public park are a lovely place to take a break from sightseeing and enjoy panoramic views over the valleys that surround the town.

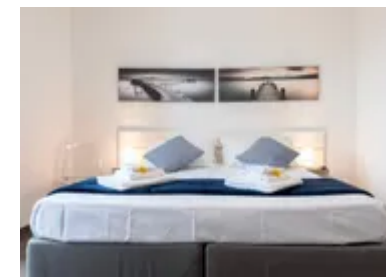
Just 30 minutes away is the picturesque coast, with sandy beaches at spots such as Sampieri and Marina di Modica. The latter offers ideal conditions for activities such as surfing and windsurfing. Sampieri is quieter, with a traditional fishing village feel and shallow waters for swimming.

The city of Syracuse is great for a longer day out, with the drive there taking just over an hour. Its main attraction is the old town called Ortigia, with its array of historic buildings and atmosphere. Visit the well-preserved ancient Greek theatre, Teatro Greco, which is still used for performances to this day.



## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Comiso (40km)</b>
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Catania (120km)</b>
Nearest Town/City	<b>Modica (6km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>(2km)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>(3km)</b>



Nearest Beach	<b>Marina Di Modica</b> <b>(19km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>(2km)</b>

## What we love

- Enjoy idyllic countryside views from the first floor bedrooms. On a clear day you may even catch a glimpse of the sea
- The large swimming pool has both shallow and deep areas to suit all ages
- The historic town of Modica is just a short drive away

## What you should know...

- Casa Mare Blu has four bedrooms, sleeping up to 6 guests. An additional two guests can be accommodated in two of the single bedrooms at an additional cost on request - please see the "Features" tab for full details
- The villa is located in a lovely and quiet residential area
- The villa entrance and pool terrace are both accessed via a set of steps
- Please note that your booking will only be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner or their property manager
- 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
- The pool is not fenced, so children should be supervised when outdoors.
- A car is highly recommended to explore the local area.

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €500 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation at least 2 weeks prior to arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m. to 8 p.m. Check-in outside this time may be subject to an extra cost. Please enquire for more details.
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, changed once for stays of more than 10 nights.
- **Pets welcome?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Please note that your booking will only be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner or their property manager.<br> A highchair and cot are available on request.<br> 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.<br> Casa Mare Blu has four bedrooms, sleeping up to 6 guests. An additional two guests can be accommodated in two of the single bedrooms at an additional cost per person per night on request - please see the "Features" tab for full details.<br> Please note home security devices may be installed at the villa, please enquire for further information.<br>
- **Changeover day:** Flexible.
- **End of stay cleaning:** Extra €200, payable to Oliver's Travels with the balance payment by credit card. 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?:** Outside only.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights in July and August, 5 nights during all other periods.
- **Tax:** Italian Visitors Tax charged to client's credit card before arrival by the owner (typically costs €1-€5 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).
- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet access included.
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open approximately April to end-October. 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.