

# Villa Constantina

Region: Puglia    Sleeps: 6

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## Overview

Picture yourself stepping out of your villa to relax outdoors, take a dip in the cool waters of the swimming pool, or marvel at the twisted ancient olive trees. This contemporary white-washed villa, on a beautiful plot in a residential complex, could be just what you're after for a peaceful Italian retreat.

Within 8km of the Adriatic Sea, on the Puglian heel of Italy, this pretty single-storey villa has room for up to six guests. Its two bedrooms are tastefully decorated, with large windows looking out on to the garden. Relax in the cool open plan living area, with views out onto the garden. Then throw open the large doors to the outdoors.

What really makes this villa special is the way that you can move effortlessly from the villa to the garden. Whether from the bedrooms or the living area, the large glass doors can be pushed open and you're free to wander on to the lawn or veranda for plenty of fun family activities or some al fresco dining.

The nearest town is Monopoli, just over a 10-minute drive away. Here you will find a number of excellent fish restaurants, along with a colourful street market. The town is steeped in history, with its fortified sea-front walls and castle. It is dominated by the cathedral's bell tower, built in 1693 and towering over 60 metres tall. It's certainly hard to miss! The port is made up of lots of tiny harbours, and in the old part of the town you can stroll among the fishermen as they mend their nets.

Looking for somewhere to paddle? Polignano a Mare is just 18-minutes away. Here you will find a small pebble beach edged by striking limestone cliffs.

When you fancy a break from the sea, take a trip to the



Museum of Contemporary Art Pino Pascali, to view some photography and paintings.

A little further afield, visit the enchanting trulli of Alberobello, a UNESCO World Heritage site or head to the major port city of Bari. This bustling city has an archaeological museum, an opera house, and is also home to the bones of St Nicholas (Santa Claus himself!).

## Facilities

Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Maid Service Available • Cots (Cribs) • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Rural Location • Romantic • Modern • Spa Treatments Available • Wine-Tasting Available • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Pets on Request • <1hr to Airport • Washing Machine • Dishwasher • Hairdryer • TV • High Chair(s) • Parking Space • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

# Interior & Grounds

## Villa Interiors

### Ground Floor (90m2)

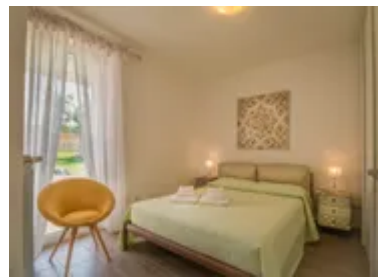
- Open-plan living area
- Kitchen-diner, well-equipped including microwave, oven, hob, fridge, toaster, coffee machine, dishwasher and table and chairs for four guests
- 2x double bedrooms with double beds
- Twin bedroom (beds can be pushed together)
- 2x bathrooms with shower and toilet
- Guest toilet

## Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (5m x 8m, depth: 1.4m), open approximately April to end-October
- Lawn and olive trees
- Covered terrace for al-fresco dining
- Comfortable outdoor seating
- Sun loungers
- Outdoor shower
- Barbecue

## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air conditioning (in the hallway only)
- Heating
- TV
- Washing machine
- Iron and ironing board



## Location & Local Information

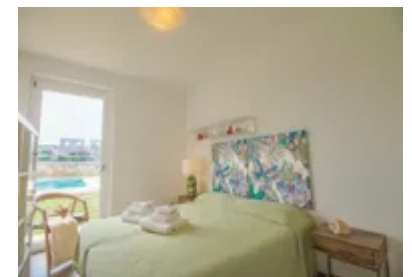
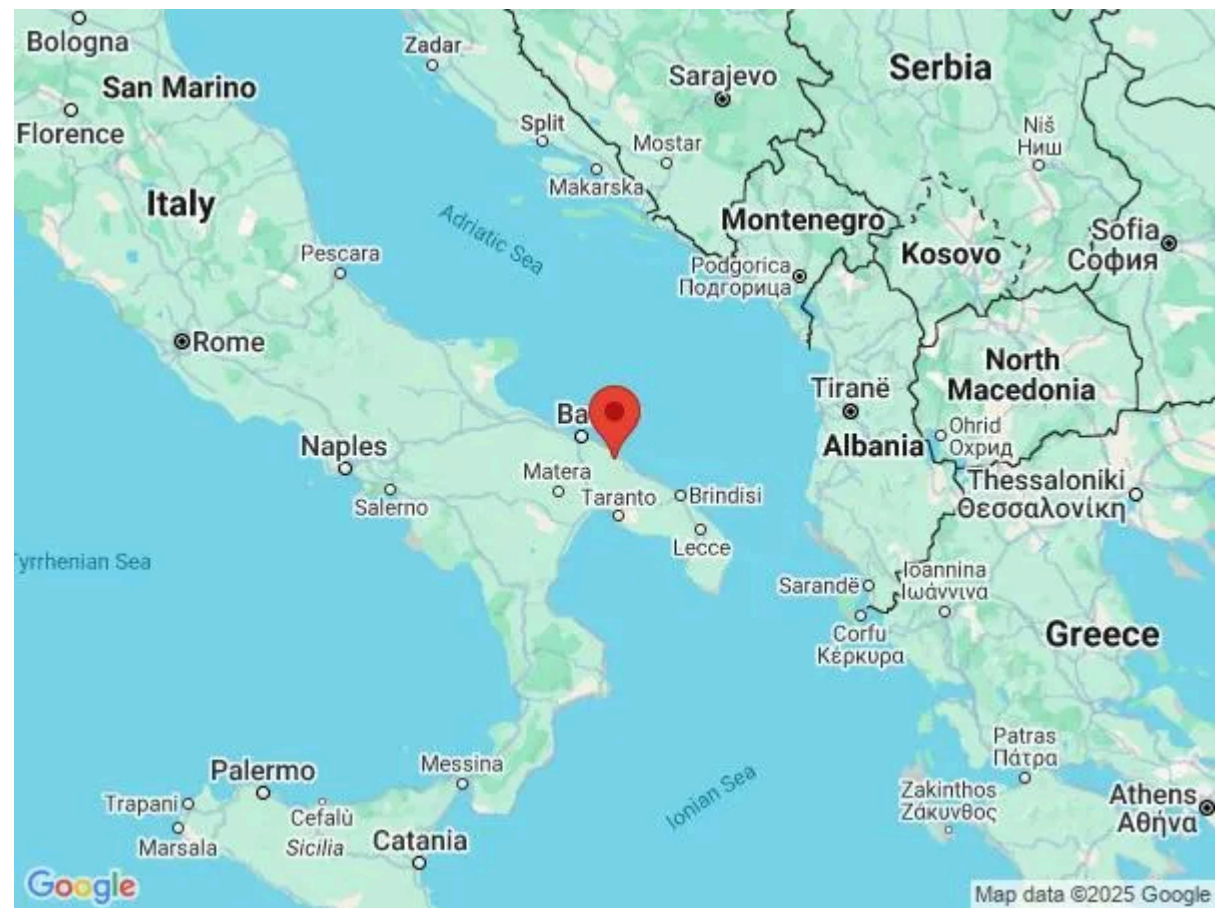
Nestled in a residential complex, about an hour away from Bari International Airport-Karol Wojtyla, this villa commands a presence in the foothills of Monopoli. Perfect for discovering the rural charm of Puglia, and the beaches of the Adriatic coast, here you will find a quiet part of Italy where you can relax.

Away from the residential complex, and just 12-minutes' drive away, the fortified town of Monopoli is a great place to visit. Wander round the winding streets, inhabited since 500BC, and built of white stone, contrasting with the blue skies and sea. Here you will find a number of excellent restaurants, many specialising in fresh seafood. You'll also find a number of stone churches, many decorated with ornate carved sculptures. But the perfect place for a stroll is the old port, where you can see the fishing boats on the water and the fishermen with their nets along the promenade.

Of course, the area has plenty of beaches for you to enjoy. Cala Porta Vecchia is just at the south of Monopoli's fortified walls. A small cove, it has a strip of sand that is free to access, and it flows under the historic walls. North of Monopoli is another cove – Cala Monaci and the Green Cave. This is a small beach, which is easy to reach, and is a great place for a picnic.

Drive for half an hour into the centre of Puglia, and you'll come across a place called Alberobello. What's special about this town is that it is home to a number of 'trulli', or cone-shaped houses – the trulli are also classified as a UNESCO World Heritage site. Locorotondo, Martina Franca and Ostuni are other delightful towns to explore, full of history and beautiful architecture.

If you are craving the bustle of a city, Bari and Brindisi are both good options. Bari has a great street food scene, as well as a number of cultural highlights. Brindisi is known for its numerous churches, and the Church of Santa Maria del Casale is one of the most beautiful. Similarly, Brindisi Cathedral, in the heart of the old town, has been built in the





Romanesque style and is set in a quaint square close to other places of historical interest.

Of course, you might want to explore the countryside. The 'Grotte di Castellana', just a 20-minute drive away, is a two-mile long network of caves, with a museum to explore. Formed around 90 million years ago, their awe-inspiring beauty will engage the imagination of old and young alike.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Bari (63 km)
Nearest Airport 2	Brindisi (76 km)
Nearest Village	(5 km)
Nearest Town	Monopoli (8 km)
Nearest Restaurant	(500 m)
Nearest Bar/Pub	(5 km)
Nearest Beach	Monopoli (10 km)
Nearest Supermarket	(5 km)
Nearest Shop	Monopoli (10 km)

## What we love

- A beautiful peaceful spot in the hills of Monopoli, with all the convenience of the local port town and beaches within easy driving distance.
- Blur the lines between the indoors and the outdoors, by strolling effortlessly from the open plan living area into the garden that surrounds the villa.
- Dine under the covered veranda, with views of the ancient olive trees that inhabit the garden.
- Visit the magical trulli of Alberobello as well as other idyllic Puglian towns such as Ostuni and Locorotondo.

## What you should know...

- This compact contemporary villa is nestled within a quiet residential complex in the Puglian countryside, so we recommend a car.
- Air-conditioning is featured in the hallway only.
- Check-in outside of arrival time may be subject to an extra cost. Please enquire for more details.
- The pool is not fenced, so children should be supervised when outdoors.

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €2000 charged to client's credit card by the owner upon arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection Or, a €79 or €99 non-refundable insurance fee charged to client's credit card by the owner upon arrival.
- **Arrival time:** 16:00 - 20:00
- **Departure time:** 10:00
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pets welcome?:** On request only at extra cost and with prior agreement with the owner (charges may apply).
- **Other Ts and Cs:** A cot and high chair are available on request at an additional cost (payable locally). Please enquire for further info. 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. Air-conditioning is featured in the hallway only.
- **Changeover day:** Friday approximately mid-July to end-August. Flexible during all other periods.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Yes. 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?:** Outside only.
- **Minimum stay:** 14 nights approximately beginning August to mid-August. 7 nights approximately mid-July to end-August. 4 nights during all other periods.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **Tax:** Italian Visitors Tax charged to client's credit card by supplier before arrival or locally in cash (typically costs €1-€10 per person 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.
- **Property Licence Number:** CIR: BA07203091000001081 - CIN: IT072030C200035147