Villa Dolcetto

Region: Piedmont **Sleeps:** 7

Overview

A paradise for both wine connoisseurs and food-lovers alike, experience the very best of this captivating region at this gorgeous holiday home surrounded by the spectacular scenery of rolling hills and Langhe vineyards.

Set in a beautiful *borgo* alongside three other houses, at Villa Dolcetto you feel like you are in the heart of the action, perfectly positioned behind the heated swimming pool and therefore making the most of the UNESCO classified landscapes.

Step inside and be wowed by the elegantly designed interiors and fine attention to detail with the professionally equipped kitchen featuring a temperature controlled wine cabinet, snug living areas and a welcoming dining room with its roaring fire. Across all three master bedrooms find antique furnishings alongside high quality linen and luxurious en suite bathrooms.

The pretty garden terrace and al-fresco dining area look out past the olive tree to the shared swimming pool and beyond where you can marvel at the views as you sip Barolo wine from the estate's own vineyard.

Hire a chef to serve meals al-fresco using some of the region's amazing ingredients such as rich tajarin pasta, Piemontese beef and the famous white truffles of Alba, matched alongside some of Italy's most prestigious DOCG wines. Other superb services here range from cookery lessons and truffle hunting expeditions to vespa rental and, it goes without saying, visits to some of the brilliant wineries of the Langhe and beyond.

Wander through the estate's own vast vineyards and hazelnut groves to admire the panoramic vistas around you or walk to an authentic restaurant serving delicious









regional cuisine. Visit nearby hilltop villages and towns for local wineries and atmospheric Farmer's markets including Alba, the gastronomic capital of the region and just 9km away.

Whether sampling the new wines of the spring, picnicking in the vineyards, hunting autumnal truffles or cosying up by the winter fire, staying at Villa Dolcetto allows you to enjoy Piedmont across all its wonderful seasons.

Facilities

Catering Available • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Ideal for Kids • Romantic • Walk to Village • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Horse Riding • Historical Sites • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Weddings • Ideal for Teens • Has Discount • Has Offer • Chef/Cook Available • Special Offer • Cots (Cribs) • Heated Pool • Pets on Request • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Shared Pool • Parking Space • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Table Tennis • Bicycles Provided • Dishwasher • Heating • Cooking Classes Available • Wine-Tasting Available • Transfers Available • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Baby bath • Changing mat • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interiors (235m2, 6 guests)

Main Floor

- Living room
- Dining room with fireplace and dining table (for up to 12 guests)
- Kitchen, professionally-equipped including dishwasher, gas range stove, grill, oven, mixer, kettle, toaster, coffee makers and breakfast table (for up to 8 guests)
- Bedroom with king-size bed and bathroom
- Laundry room with a single bed

First Floor

- Living area with TV and sofa-bed
-2 x master bedrooms with king-size double bed, sofa-bed and bathroom

Lower Floor

- Garage
- Cellar and storage area

Villa's Outside Grounds

- Terrace with al-fresco dining table
- Outdoor kitchen and grill
- Herb garden

Outside Grounds (for use by all villas)

- Heated Shared swimming pool with Jacuzzi corner (16x8m, depth: 1.2-2m). Open approximately March to end-November.
- Ping-pong table
- Electric bikes
- Access to electric car charging station
- Parking

Facilities (in the villa)

- Wi-Fi
- Fireplace
- Air-conditioning
- Sonos sound system
- Temperature controlled wine cabinet
- Security system
- Washing machine and iron









Location & Local Information

Villa Dolcetto is part of a *borgo* set in a Piedmont vineyard that is well-known for its excellent wines, specialising in the Barolo variety, just 9km from Alba.

You can walk through the vineyards, which reach an altitude of 300m, and enjoy the spectacular views all around you – the landscapes of the Piedmont wine region have recently acquired UNESCO World Heritage status. Hazelnuts and lavender are also grown across the beautiful estate. You can also visit the owner's winery which is around a 45-minute drive away near Nizza Monferrato.

If you don't mind the hills then it's possible to walk to the local village in around 20-30 minutes or it's just a five-minute drive. Dine in an authentic *trattoria* or *osteria* and visit a local winery. There are more restaurants to be found in other local villages and a grocery store around 5km away. Visit some of the atmospheric Farmer's markets in La Morra (6km), Gallo (6km), Alba (9km) and Bra (11km) to pick up plenty of fresh fruit and vegetables as well as regional cheeses, meat and fish.

One of the major draws of this area is of course the wine-tasting. The villa concierge can help you book vineyard visits - it is best to request appointments rather than just turn up, especially for smaller producers and also in the busier autumn months. Try some of the Barolo and Barbaresco labels of the Langhe but also look out for lesser known but equally excellent wine-makers around Roero and Monferrato. The Piedmont region produces the highest number of DOCG wines in Italy.

This is also a region known for its wonderful gastronomy – when dining in authentic restaurants you are sure to try home-made pastas such as agnolotti and tajarin, high-quality veal and Piemontese beef. The nearby town of Alba (9km) is well-known for its exquisite white truffles and they are celebrated annually at the popular International White Truffle Fair. You will also notice a number of Michelin starred establishments in and around Alba and its









surrounding villages.

There is a slow-pace of life across Piedmont – shops tend to close early afternoon to allow you to enjoy picnics in the vineyards or bike rides to local villages and historic castles. There are so many picturesque walks through the countryside as well as museums to visit and towns to explore.

You may even want to venture as far as the city of Turin, the first capital of Italy, to discover how its been transformed since the 2006 Winter Olympics. It's not only loved due to its proximity to the Alps for winter sports, but also for its historic palaces and museums as well as its riverside setting and vibrant cultural and gastronomic scene.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Turin Airport (90km)**
Nearest Airport 2	**Genoa Airport (145km)**
Nearest Airport 3	**Milan Malpensa (185km)**
Nearest Train Station	**Alba (9km)**
Nearest Village	**(2km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**In the local village (2km)**
Nearest Bar/Pub	**In the local village (2km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Grocery store (5km)**
Nearest Town	**Alba (9km)**
Nearest City	**Turin (69km)**
Nearest Beach	**Savona (113km)**

Nearest Tennis	**Tennis Club Alba (12km)**
Nearest Golf	**Golf Club Cherasco (12km)**

What we love

- Be mesmerised by the views of the UNESCO World Heritage landscapes of the Piedmont wine region from the terrace and swimming pool
- Expect elegant interiors alongside state-of-the art features
- The owner's prestigious winery produces Barolo wine from the surrounding vineyards
- Tailor made services can be arranged from private chefs and vineyard picnics to personalised wine itineraries and truffle hunting
- It's just 9km to Alba, a beautiful town famed for its white truffles

What you should know...

- Villa Dolcetto is part of a beautiful *borgo* with four villas sharing a swimming pool - the other three homes are Villa Nebbiolo (https://www.oliverstravels.com/italy/piedmont/villa-nebbiolo/), Villa Barbaresco (https://www.oliverstravels.com/italy/piedmont/villa-barbaresco/) and Villa Barbera. (https://www.oliverstravels.com/italy/piedmont/villa-barbera/)
- For larger groups or weddings, all four villas can be booked together - see Borgo Barolo. (https://www.oliverstravels.com/italy/piedmont/borgo-barolo/)
- Up to four extra guests may sleep on a sofa-bed, on request and subject to a possible supplement.
- If visiting in October or November, make sure you book any truffle-hunting activities or vineyard visits well in advance.
- The pool is not fenced, so children should be supervised when outdoors.
- 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.
- Please note home security devices may be installed at the villa, please enquire for further information.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €1000 paid via bank transfer to the owner (or charged to client's credit card by the owner) one month before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.

- **Arrival time:** 4.00 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.

- **Pets welcome?:** Small well-behaved pets may be accepted on request only and with prior agreement with the owner.

- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges.
 A cot, high chair, baby bath and changing table are available upon request.
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- **Changeover day:** Flexible.

- **End of stay cleaning:** Standard changeover clean included in the price. 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:** 3 nights. Bookings for 1-2 night may be possible on request - please enquire.

- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.

- **Pool heating charge?:** No. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.

- **Tax:** Italian Visitors Tax payable locally in cash (typically costs €1-€3 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 March to end-November. 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.