

Casa Gio

Region: Sicily Sleeps: 4

Overview

Set amongst the olive trees in its lovely garden, Casa Gio is such a pretty 2-bedroom home with its own swimming pool just a short wander to the nearest beach and a stone's throw from Cefalù, one of Sicily's most loved seaside towns.

There's an air of simplicity yet such charm inside this *casa* which has been tastefully furnished by its architect owners. It's typically Sicilian in style with original features and traditional furnishings alongside subtle contemporary touches. The beautiful tiles in the upstairs master bedroom add such character and you can catch a glimpse of the sea through its old-fashioned window. A further double downstairs and two bathrooms make this a delightful house for a couple, friends or a small family.

Century-old olive trees stand proudly in the wonderful gardens where you will find space to relax, play, dine al-fresco and swim in the 8m long swimming pool. Wander down the lane and within 700m or so you can be dipping your toes in the sea where there's also a beachside restaurant open in the height of the summer.

Charming Cefalù, just 5km away, is a joy to explore with its historic lanes, grand Duomo and piazza, inviting *osterie*, atmospheric café-bars and superb sandy beach with lidos, watersports and more. Admire more of this mesmerising coast by boat or drive inland to discover the incredible beauty of the Madonie National Park with glorious landscapes of olive groves, hilltop towns, wild goats and stunning nature.

You could even experience the vibrancy of Palermo and its famous street-food markets and UNESCO World Heritage sites, around an hour away by car or train. Always



returning to the relaxed surroundings of your picture-perfect and authentic Cefalù home.

Facilities

Wine Tasting • Hairdryer • Coffee Machine • Boat Trips • Scuba Diving • Walking/Hiking Paths • Walk to Beach • Cycling • Horse Riding • Fishing • Air-Con • Watersports • Wi-Fi/Internet • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Historical Sites • Cots (Cribs) • Rural Location • Maid Service Available • Private Pool • Beach Nearby • Chef/Cook Available • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Pets on Request • Walk to Restaurant • Dishwasher • Microwave • Safety Deposit Box • Satellite TV • Heating • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds • Parking Space • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

Interior & Grounds

Casa Interiors (approx. 100m2)

Ground Floor

- Living area (extra bed on request)
- Open-plan kitchen, well-equipped including oven, dishwasher, microwave, toaster, kettle, espresso machine, fridge-freezer and table
- Bedroom with double bed
- Bathroom with shower

First Floor (via partially open stairs)

- Bedroom with double bed
- Bathroom with shower
- Space for extra bed (on request) in "relax" area

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (8x3m, depth: 1.7m), open seasonally
- Outdoor shower
- Sun loungers
- Al-fresco dining table
- Barbecue
- Al-fresco lounge area
- Garden with olive trees
- Fenced grounds
- Driveway (shared with Villa Taio (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/italy/sicily/villa-taio/>))
- Parking

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning
- Underfloor heating
- Satellite TV
- Safe
- Hairdryer
- Ironing facilities



Location & Local Information

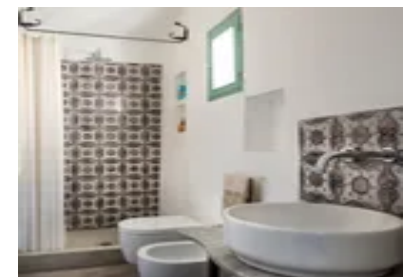
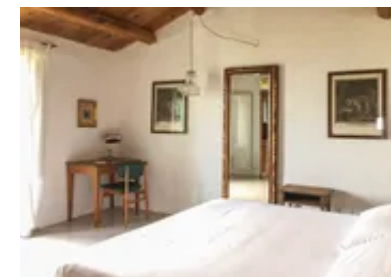
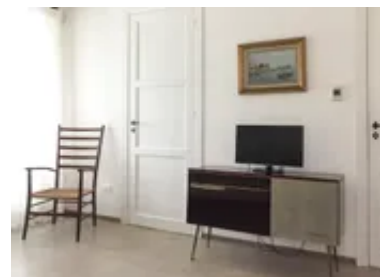
Set amongst the olive trees, a short walk to the sea and just 5km from Cefalù, Casa Gio benefits from a wonderful location on the north coast of Sicily.

Sharing a driveway with Villa Taio (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/italy/sicily/villa-taio/>), you can walk to the nearest beach in 700m via a private lane. This small beach has sand, pebbles and smooth rocks and is a lovely spot for paddling, swimming and snorkelling. There is also a beachside restaurant open in the height of the summer. Within a kilometre or two there are some other beaches that you could walk to as well, mostly with steep access but you are rewarded with glorious surroundings.

Cefalù (5km) is a much loved seaside town which is full of historic charm as well as beauty. Its sandy beach is popular with public areas, watersports and lidos (get there early in the summer) and an attractive promenade for evening strolls. In the heart of the town, explore its winding lanes, pretty cafes, restaurants and atmospheric bars as well as many historic sights such as the grand Duomo, set in a bustling piazza. Climb La Rocca for magnificent views of the northern Sicilian coast or take a boat excursion to swim or snorkel off the shore.

A little further east, the old village of Sant'Ambrogio, 13km away, is a pretty place for a morning coffee or a visit to one of its wild and beautiful beaches. It is also the gateway to the mesmerising Madonie National Park, a paradise for walkers and nature lovers with stunning landscapes, hilltop villages, olive groves, wild animals and a diverse range of flora and fauna.

Catch the train (from Cefalù) or drive to Palermo (66km) and experience its vibrancy when visiting its old street-food markets, admiring its historic architecture and visiting some of the eight UNESCO World Heritage sites such as the Cappella Palatina, La Zisa castle and the Palazzo Reale.



A trip to Enna is another way to discover the heart of the island, around ninety minutes by car. It's a beautifully preserved hilltop town with an enchanting medieval centre and distant views towards Mount Etna. If you are keen to visit some of Sicily's ancient sites, then Agrigento is a great place to start, around two hours away near the southern coast.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Palermo (95km)
Nearest Airport 2	Catania (173km)
Nearest Beach	(700m)
Nearest Restaurant	Beach restaurant (summer only) (700m)
Nearest Town	Cefalù (5km)
Nearest Supermarket	Nr Cefalù (3.5km)
Nearest Tennis	Cefalù (5km)
Nearest Golf	Villa Airolidi Golf Club (70km)
Nearest City	Palermo (66km)

What we love

- A pretty casa with charm as well as style
- The swimming pool is wonderfully set in the olive-tree gardens
- Walk to the beach and a summer restaurant, just 700m away
- Lovely Cefalù with its beautiful beach and historic town is only 5km by car

What you should know...

- Additional beds are available for up to two extra guests, on request – please see the 'T&Cs' tab for additional costs
- If travelling with young children, take note of the characterful staircase.
- Casa Gio shares its driveway with Villa Taio (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/italy/sicily/villa-taio/>). It is also possible to rent both houses together - See Villas Taio And Gio (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/italy/sicily/villas-taio-and-gio/>). A car is highly recommended to explore the local area.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €500 charged to client's credit card by the owner up to one month before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m. - 9.00 p.m. Check-in outside this time may be subject to an extra cost. Please enquire for more details.
- **Departure time:** 9.00 a.m. - 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pets welcome?:** 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. Two additional beds are available for two extra guests, on request only and subject to a charge of €50 per bed per day, payable locally. Please note home security devices may be installed at the villa, please enquire for further information.
- **Changeover day:** Flexible.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Yes plus mid-week clean included. 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:** 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **Tax:** Italian Visitors Tax payable locally in cash (typically costs €1-€10 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?:** 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:** IT082027B4SPA EY65