# Casa Oliva

Region: Zaton Sleeps: 10

### Overview

If you are looking forward to a trip to the captivating ancient city of Dubrovnik but are worried about the crowds, then Casa Oliva could be a very good option for you. It is located in Zaton, Dubrovnik, surrounded by nature and centuries-old olive groves and pine forests, yet it is just 8km from the old city walls. Zaton is a delightful village hidden inside the very scenic Zaton Bay. It comprises Veliki Zaton and Mali Zaton, which are connected by a long promenade. Zaton boasts a splendid beach, soothing scenery and gorgeous pinewood forests. Zaton is the favourite weekend resort of Dubrovnik residents, and it is easy to see why. Visitors enjoy cycling, rafting, canoeing, kayaking, walking, lazing on the beach, visiting the stunning Mociljska Cave and lots of other watersports.

This lovely villa with modern touches throughout sits on the hillside, offering wonderful panoramic views down to the Adriatic Sea and the Zaton Bay. The villa stands proud in dazzling white and offers plenty of space to park your cars. The villa is beautifully finished and offers five delightful bedrooms for ten quests, a wonderful living space, a gorgeous garden, a terrace, and a swimming pool. It is very easy to relax in these dreamy surroundings, especially knowing that you can pop in the car and be at the beach in just two minutes. Guests enjoy total privacy and spend much of their time on the terrace or in the pool. The villa enjoys an open plan living arrangement where you can enjoy the splendid vistas. The sleek, modern kitchen is at one end of the room, with space for an indoor dining table next to it and a sun-drenched lounge further on. You will find comfy modern furnishings and calming, natural colour palettes throughout the villa.

Four bedrooms enjoy a comfy kingsize bed and the last offers twins. They all offer a television and air conditioning







for those hot summer nights. Some of the bedrooms open onto a balcony that runs the length of the villa and offers wonderful vistas. How lovely to open the curtains and shutters in the morning to these views and a soft morning breeze! The bathrooms are modern and very smart.

Though you can easily eat inside the villa, the alfresco dining space is an absolute delight, under a pergola offering some shade and with a barbecue. It is a lovely area for dining, watching the sun go down or for family games. The swimming pool is generous in size and is surrounded by deluxe sun loungers. The gorgeous sea views are framed by all the lush greenery surrounding the villa. This is such a delightful spot!

Please let us know if you are interested in any services that will help with your holiday experiences, such as transfers, activities and excursions, boat charter or watersports. As well as visiting Dubrovnik Old Town many times, you will enjoy visiting Orasac and the Elafiti Islands from this wonderful location.

#### **Facilities**

Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Historical Sites • Private Pool • Cots (Cribs) • Modern • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • <1hr to Airport • High Chair(s) • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

## **Interior & Grounds**

#### The Villa

Casa Oliva is a delightful five-bedroom villa in Zaton, close to Dubrovnik.

#### Interior

- Fully equipped kitchen
- Dining area
- Four double bedrooms with king-size bed
- Twin bedroom with two single beds

#### Exterior

- Private parking
- Large swimming pool
- Shower
- Sun loungers
- Lounge Area
- Alfresco dining area









## **Location & Local Information**

Zaton, Dubrovnik is a wonderful holiday location where you can enjoy the best of both worlds. You are just 8km from the city walls which you can visit by bus if you don't want to take the car yet this lovely villa is located amongst pine forests and calm, peaceful nature. You can take many excursions during your holiday, including an Ultimate Game of Thrones Tour in Dubrovnik, cave and beach tours, sea kayaking tours, visits to the Elafiti Islands, buggy safaris, and more.

Thanks to Zaton's sheltered location in the beautiful Zaton Bay and its beautiful sandy and rocky beaches, Zaton has been and is a favourite resort for Dubrovnik residents. It has been a holiday resort since the early times of the Republic of Ragusa in the early 15th century. Almost every noble Dubrovnik family had their summer house built in Zaton. Many Renaissance houses were destroyed, but some have been preserved and restored. When staying in Zaton, you should visit Vrelo, a local spring of drinkable water that used to power the mills. You can also take a scenic walk uphill to the village of Podbrezje or visit the Mociliska Cave with its stalactites and stalagmites. A delightful promenade links Mali Zatona in Veliki Zaton. There are no big hotels in this lovely area to spoil the landscapes and seascapes. You will discover a welcome array of shops and restaurants as well as an excellent bakery. You will be able to taste delicious local wines. The 3 km Zaton Bay is delightful. It is easy to hire a speed boat or kayaks to explore the calm waters and enjoy beautiful views. Zaton is close to the pristine Elafiti Islands, which can be reached from Zaton Mali by boat. Zaton is known for its typical Dalmatian architecture, unspoilt nature, rich cultural and historical heritage, and beautiful scenery. Remnants of life and culture in Zaton date from the beginning of the Bronze age. The town enjoys some fabulous buildings and remnants, including St Nicholas Church, built at the end of the 11th century. Venetians and Liburnian tombs and boats built the Kastelina tower at the end of the 16th century.

Zaton is a refreshing alternative to escape the city crowds









and soak in the grand bay and pine-clad hills.

Just north of Zaton, you will discover the historic village of Orasac. This beautiful village enjoys a fascinating history, pretty, ancient buildings, a pretty beach and a wonderful, authentic atmosphere. Its narrow, meandering streets are full of pretty flowers, shops, restaurants and beautiful buildings, and its hilltops are swathed in olive and orange groves and vineyards. Orasac's 15th century Our Lady of Orasac Church is beautiful, and its Arapovo Castle hangs above the Adriatic. Surrounding the village are family farms where olive oil is still pressed traditionally. The Dubrovnik Sun Gardens are very popular for an afternoon or day with their private beach, beautiful watersports, excellent delicious cocktails, and tasty meals. Orasac is one of the prettiest spots on Croatia's Dalmatian coast, nestled at the foot of Vracevo Brdo, otherwise known as the Sorcerer's Hill.

The Pearl of the Adriatic, Dubrovnik, is a twenty-minute bus ride or car journey from the villa. Visitors are entranced by this magical city and its thick walls. The Stradun, its main thoroughfare, is lined with shops, cafes and restaurants, and the city boasts many ancient churches, monasteries and palaces. There is a fantastic atmosphere at the charming, bustling marina and port where you can dine alfresco and take numerous boat trips. Dubrovnik is an up-market destination enjoying huge popularity and a fantastic gastronomic scene. There are three entrances to the walled city, including Pile, the main gate, Placa by the port, and Buze. With its unparalleled beauty and proud history, the Old City has always inspired artists. Authors have created timeless poetry, painters have brought the city's landscapes to life, and sculptors have formed stone into delicate figures. These noble stone walls have also inspired many composers, including Luka Sorkocevic, one of the kings of Dubrovnik composers. The Dubrovnik Symphony Orchestra frequently performs his works in one of the city's ambient venues, and his brilliant pieces are brought to life in the Dubrovnik Summer Festival. If you get a chance to listen to the melodies in the Rector's Palace, you will enjoy an unforgettable experience. Visitors can take a ferry to Lokrum Island between May and September, brimming

with fragrant pine trees, lush grassy picnic areas and hundreds of birds chirping away.

The delightful resort of Stikovica is next to Zaton, snuggled on the gorgeous Dalmatian coastline between Orasac and Dubrovnik. It is another beautiful spot with breathtaking views over the shimmering blue waters and encased in greenery.

The amazing Arboretum Trsteno is within easy reach of the villa and is worth visiting. It is the oldest renaissance garden in Dalmatia. It developed from a park surrounding the summer residence of the Gucetic-Gozze family and existed as far back as 1492. The gardens are stunning with Japanese banana trees, bougainvillaea, evergreen magnolia, many types of cactus and other exotic plants. It also includes many old stone sculptures and has been used to film Game of Thrones.

#### **Local Amenities**

Nearest Airport	Dubrovnik Airport (32 km)
Nearest Town/City	Dubrovnik (8 km)
Nearest Beach	Zaton beach (1 km)

## What we love

- Casa Oliva enjoys a secluded, peaceful spot elevated on the hillside in Zaton and surrounded by nature and pine forests.
- The views of Zaton Bay are lovely, and the beach can be reached in just two
  minutes in the car.
- The villa is beautifully appointed and enjoys a fabulous terrace for alfresco dining and a beautiful swimming pool overlooking the sea.

## What you should know...

- Please let us know if you wish to take advantage of any 'extra' services available at Casa Oliva. You can have the villa stocked, and you can enjoy various activities, excellent excursions, wellness treats or boat hire.
- The villa is located in a peaceful spot, just minutes from the beach and the delightful array of restaurants and shops in Zaton. You are only 8km from Dubrovnik's city walls.
- If you don't want to take the car, you can catch a bus into Dubrovnik Old Town.

## **Terms & Conditions**

- Security deposit: €500 to be paid in cash upon arrival and refunded at check out, subject to full inspection of the property
- Arrival time: 4 pm
- Departure time: 10 am
- Energy costs included?: Yes, included in rental price
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, included in rental price
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed
- 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?: Not permitted
- Internet access?: Wi-Fi, included in rental price