

# Palazzo di Varignana - Pergola

Region: Emilia-Romagna Sleeps: 8

## Overview

A terraced botanical garden, sun-kissed vineyards, and hectares of rolling greenery of an expansive estate make up the beautiful backdrop of Pergola. Nestled in the hills of Bologna's rural countryside, the stunning retreat puts northern Italy's Emilia-Romagna region right onto your fingertips.

Built in a classic country-chic style, Pergola is enveloped by 4000m<sup>2</sup> of never-ending greenery and belongs to one of the resort-village's five properties. Although you have the house entirely to yourself, the estate's unique character ensures you can enjoy all the luxurious facilities on offer and pursue both adventure and culture.

Spread across three floors, the interior has a stylish and understated feel with elegant touches throughout. Guests can unwind in four bedrooms, three of which are suites and are designed with their private living room and en-suite marble bathroom for further privacy.

Outside it's where the stay gets truly enchanting. Stone walls, wooden pillars and traditional window shutters all create a charming aesthetic, set to best be observed from the comfort of a picnic blanket spread out on the neatly manicured grass. Enjoy an al-fresco lunch prepared by a private chef under the shaded pergola, with sweeping views over the fields below or work on your tan while relaxing on the decked patio. With comfortable sun loungers and two outdoor hot tubs, there are plenty of opportunities for unwinding after a long day.

After a delicious dinner, head to the local bar for an Italian digestivo and live music. Also on the estate is a spa offering a plethora of cutting-edge treatments such as the Hammam Ritual and hydrosound pool as well as a relaxation area designed with a specialty herbal tea corner.

Step into a realm of unparalleled of well-being with this retreat-in-villa experience. Immerse yourself in exclusive Health & Wellness Retreats, crafted around a transformative philosophy. Have a 3 to 7 night retreat, to enjoy a holistic journey to unlock your fullest psycho-physical potential. Revel in the unique fusion of diverse goals under a unified scientific approach, making your time at the villa an exquisite journey of indulgence and transformation.

The closest village is only a 5-minute drive away and is perfect for stocking up on local produce or enjoying a glass of wine and a slice of pizza in one of the family-owned trattorias.

For some exciting hustle and bustle, a mere 30-minute drive will bring you to the region's capital city Bologna, famed for its culinary delicacies such as fresh egg pasta, as well as an array of historic buildings and characterful restaurants and cafés. Alternatively, you can easily plan a trip to the nearby Florence, Pisa or even Venice, and soak up ample sun rays on the Adriatic



coast, with popular seaside resorts of Rimini, Marina di Ravenna and Cesenatico being approximately an hour's drive away.

## Facilities

Wellness • Ideal for Kids • Walking/Hiking Paths • Horse Riding • Historical Sites • Private Pool • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Wine Tasting • Recommended • Fishing • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Onsite Restaurants • Excursions Available • Chef/Cook Available • Dry Hire Option • Marquee Hire Permitted • Has Discount • Special Offer • Ideal for Teens • Cots (Cribs) • Pets on Request • Outdoor Ceremony • All Bedrooms En-Suite • <1hr to Airport • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Allow Fireworks • Indoor Reception Available • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Hairdryer • Tourist Towns & Villages • Hot Tub • Safety Deposit Box • Heating • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Spa Treatments Available • On-Site Concierge • Butler Available • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds

# Interior & Grounds

## Villa Interior (210m2)

### Ground Floor

- Kitchen with a fridge, freezer, oven, hob, dishwasher, microwave, toaster, kettle (upon request), coffee machine and breakfast room
- 2 x living room areas with a sofa and TV
- Suite with a double bed with an en-suite bathroom

### First floor

- 2 x suites with double beds, living rooms and en-suite bathrooms

### Second Floor

- Suite with a double bed, living room and en-suite bathroom
- Laundry room

## Outside Grounds (4 hectares)

- Private pool (12m x 4m, max depth: 1.4m). Open approximately May to September
- Two heated hot tubs. Open approximately May to October
- Decked terrace and outdoor lounge furniture
- Sun loungers and umbrellas
- Pergola with al-fresco dining table and chairs
- Garden grassy lawns, trees, flowers
- Parking

## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning
- TV
- Iron and ironing board (upon request)



# Location & Local Information

Its tranquil position nestled in the countryside close to the city of Bologna makes Pergola the ideal base for getting lost in nature, yet it's convenient enough to soak up the culture of Emilia-Romagna's nearby cities.

Start exploring the moment you open your front door; the estate is enveloped by a far-reaching park full of olive groves, sunny vineyards, orchards as well as towering woodlands. Luckily, bikes can be easily rented from the estate's reception to make scouting the local terrain more convenient and fun. Pack a light lunch and set out on an adventure to discover the nearby artificial lakes and Hortus Conclusus garden full of aromatic fruit trees and water fountains before heading back for an al-fresco dinner in one of the on-site restaurants.

The closest village is only a 5-minute drive away and boasts family-run trattorias, cosy bars as well as a supermarket perfect for stocking up on essentials.

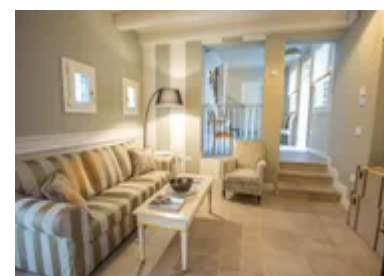
Another 5-minute drive away, the town of Castel San Pietro Terme is the shining crown of this well-known thermal region. The town carries the nickname 'the famous Thermal' and is ought to have one of the highest qualities of life in Italy. Here, you can visit an 18-hole golf course called Le Fonti Golf Club or relax in the thermal baths with waters springing from the Fegatella Spring. After a wholesome morning spent getting pampered, visit the Lungo Sillaro Park and bask in the sunshine as you soak up the peaceful atmosphere.

Just over 20 minutes' drive away, the mediaeval village of Dozza belongs to one of the most beautiful villages in Italy and boasts an ancient Sforza fortress alongside artistic murals decorating the city.

Emilia-Romagna's capital city Bologna is only a 30-minute drive away, making it fantastic for a day trip. Full of restaurants, boutiques and museums, the university city makes you forget the sense of time as you stroll through its cobbled streets and admire Renaissance architecture such as the Basilica di San Petronio and leaning towers Asinelli and Garisenda.

Romantic souls will love wandering around Florence and Venice, both approximately 2 hour's drive away. The cities belong to the most popular places in Italy and notably Florence is believed to be the birthplace of Renaissance as well as an important fashion district.

Other nearby cities include Modena – famous for its balsamic vinegar and car industry for those who like to combine food with adrenaline and Siena – the centre of which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.



## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Bologna Airport (29km)</b>
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Florence Airport (124km)</b>

Nearest Bar/Pub	<b>On the estate (Less than 1km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Ravenna (74km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>(Within the resort)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>On the estate (Less than 1km)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Osteria Grande (5km)</b>
Nearest Tennis	<b>On the estate (Less than 1km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>Bologna (large station) (19km)</b>

## What we love

- The villa is situated within a sprawling private estate filled with olive groves, vineyards and stunning collection of oak trees
- Relax with a glass of white wine from the nearby wineries in one of the two private hot tubs, perfect for stargazing
- The resort's first-class facilities such as cutting-edge gym, spa, restaurants and botanical gardens are virtually at your doorstep
- Wine tasting with bike tours and olive oil making experiences can also be arranged
- Emilia-Romagna's notable thermal baths and spa treatments can be found in the town of Castel San Pietro Terme, only a 10-minute drive away

## What you should know...

- Please note that the use of any of the resort facilities e.g. restaurants, spa and sporting activities is at an extra cost, payable locally.
- Prices are on request approximately mid-April to mid-October - please enquire for a quote.
- For larger parties it is possible to rent sister properties Amagioia (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/italy/emilia-romagna/Palazzo-di-Varignana---Amagioia/>) (sleeps 11), Rio Rosso (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/italy/emilia-romagna/Palazzo-di-Varignana---Rio-Rosso/>) (sleeps 8), Tamburina (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/italy/emilia-romagna/Palazzo-di-Varignana---Tamburina/>) (sleeps 10), Colombara (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/italy/emilia-romagna/Palazzo-di-Varignana---Colombara/>) (sleeps 12) or Villa Santa Maria Maddalena 1366 (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/italy/emilia-romagna/Palazzo-di-Varignana---Villa-Santa-Maria-Maddalena-1366/>) (sleeps 10) on the same estate - please follow links for more information.
- Hiring a car is recommended in order to make the most out of your stay and discover the villa's surrounding towns and communes.
- A sofa bed can accommodate 2 further guests, bringing the total capacity of this villa to 12.
- 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.

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €900 in cash or charged to client's credit card by the owner upon arrival and refunded up to 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:** 11.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pets welcome?:** Small to medium sized pets on request only and with prior agreement with the owner. If accepted, a pet supplement of €30 per pet per day will apply (payable locally).
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Highchair and cot are available on request. A sofa bed can accommodate 2 further guests, bringing the total capacity of this villa to 12. 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. Prices are on request approximately mid-April to mid-October - please enquire for a quote. Please note that the use of any of the resort facilities e.g. restaurants, spa and sporting activities is at an extra cost, payable locally. Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges.
- **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:** 4 nights in June to October. 1 to 3 nights during all other periods. Please enquire for more details.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.
- **Tax:** Italian Visitors Tax payable locally in cash (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, including daily change.
- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open from approximately May to September. The 2 hot tubs are open from approximately May to 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.