

# Casale Morus Alba

Region: Tuscany Sleeps: 21

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## Overview

Casale Morus Alba is a traditional Tuscan farmhouse with beautiful modernised interiors set amongst tranquil green fields. With numerous beaches and medieval villages to visit in a 20km radius it is hard to imagine a more idyllic holiday location.

This spacious villa can accommodate up to 21 guests if utilising the available extra beds and can also be divided into 2 apartments. Opting to divide the 2 floors is a good choice for those travelling in 2 families or groups who may prefer some privacy. Your whole group can still spend plenty of time together when you wish to, enjoying meals together or gathering outdoors in the vast garden.

The home is relaxing and elegant and you will find yourself surrounded by period features, quality furnishings and gorgeous rural views from every window. There is room for everyone to unwind in the 8 bedrooms, which each have an en-suite bathroom, plus those who want to keep little ones near can choose to have an additional bed added to their room.

You can head outdoors to the roof terrace from the first floor or the large garden from the ground floor. This home and garden are great spaces for special occasions, you can make memories together dining on the pretty covered terraces as the sun goes down over the hills. During the day the kids can explore the grounds as you lounge by the pool with a glass of local wine!

When you need to pop out for some ingredients for dinner then you can head to the nearest supermarket which is 11km away or choose from a number of stunning little villages nearby. A few worth noting are Casale Marittimo with a good selection of restaurants and shops, Montescudaio which is a spectacular 1000-year-old village, and Bibbona, a historic village close to a range of scenic walking routes. Each of these villages is under 15km away from the villa!

You won't have to travel far either to discover some of Tuscany's amazing beaches with a Blue Flag sandy beach just 20km away at Marina di Bibbona or if you would like to try out some water sports head to Cecina beach which is also 22km away in a lovely seaside town. There are also lots of fantastic towns and cities to visit in this area, including Volterra which is 30km away, San Gimignano which is 60km away and Siena, 83km away!

## Facilities

Horse Riding • Historical Sites • Villa • Walking/Hiking Paths • Tennis Nearby • Ideal for Kids • Golf Nearby • Air-Con • Cycling • Wine Tasting • Private Pool • Special Offer • Ideal for Teens • Chef/Cook Available • Cots (Cribs) • Great Value • Heated Pool • Pets on Request • Has Discount • All



Bedrooms En-Suite • Beach Nearby • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • <1hr to Airport • Pool Safety Feature • Parking Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Washing Machine • Coffee Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Hairdryer • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Table Tennis • DVD • Dishwasher • Microwave • Safety Deposit Box • Satellite TV • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Amusement park • Cooking Classes Available • Yoga Classes Available • Spa Treatments Available • Water park • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • High Chair(s)

# Interior & Grounds

## Villa Interior (600sqm)

### *Apartment One (Ground Floor, sleeps 8 guests)*

- Living room with sofas, fireplace and TV
- Sitting room with sofas
- Dining area with large table
- Fitted-kitchen with oven, hob, fridge freezer, dishwasher, microwave, toaster, coffee machine, Moka pot, kettle, blender and juicer
- 4 x bedrooms with double bed and en-suite bathroom with shower, sink and WC
- Bathroom with shower, sink and WC

### *Apartment Two (First Floor, sleeps 8 guests)*

- Living room with sofas and TV
- Dining area
- Fitted-kitchen with fireplace, oven, hob, fridge freezer, dishwasher, microwave, toaster, coffee machine, Moka pot, kettle, blender and juicer
- 2 x bedrooms with double bed and en-suite bathroom with shower, sink and WC
- 2 x bedroom with twin beds and en-suite bathroom with shower, sink and WC
- Bathroom with shower, sink and WC
- Covered dining terrace

## Outside Grounds

- Fenced swimming pool (12m x 6m, 1.5m deep) with cover, heated on request, open approximately early May to end-September
- Private gardens
- Covered dining area
- Outdoor shower
- Hammock
- Sun loungers and parasols
- Table tennis table
- Pizza oven
- 2 barbecues
- Parking spaces

## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air conditioning
- Heating
- Satellite TVs
- Music system
- Iron and ironing board
- Hairdryers



# Location & Local Information

Sitting in an idyllic rural location and yet in easy reach of the sweeping Etruscan coastline and lots of charming historic villages, Casale Morus Alba is a wonderful place to stay for a holiday.

The surrounding countryside is so inviting you will want to spend lots of time outdoors soaking in the staggering views and of course the sun! If you want to explore walking routes, head out on bike rides or even traverse the hills on horseback then why not visit Bibbona nature reserve. The reserve spans 1600 hectares of protected land and is around 5km away from the villa.

If your preferred idea of getting out in nature is visiting the local vineyards then you are in luck as there are some wonderful vineyards within a 25km radius. Visit a family run vineyard such as Tenuta San Guido where you can take a tour, taste the famous Tuscan wines and take some bottles back with you for dinner.

This area is also renowned for its gorgeous, unspoilt beaches and the closest are just over 20km away. Try surfing and snorkelling at Cecina beach or relax on the Blue Flag Marina di Bibbona which is a brilliant family beach.

When you want to immerse yourself in the local history and culture then you do not have to travel far to visit some of the pretty villages where you can explore the sights and pop out for something to eat. Casale Marittimo is just 11km away and is one of the nearest villages, this is a great place to have nearby for picking up some groceries or for a meal in one of the numerous restaurants. Also nearby is Montescudaio, which is 12km away. Montescudaio is an ancient town which has retained all of its old charm and architecture, make sure to visit the impressive medieval churches such as the Church of Santa Maria Assunta as well as the staggering castle and local museum. The village is also well-known for its bread so make sure to nip into a bakery or a café whilst visiting.

Bibbona is another village worth seeing and is 15km away. This is an adorable village filled with Etruscan and Roman attractions and churches adorned with art works hailing from the middle-ages. In the warmer months you can often see a procession based on local folklore with performers wearing traditional costumes.

There are countless other places to visit in driving distance; including Castagneto Carducci (32km away), San Gimignano (60km away) Volterra (30km away) and even Florence (110km away).

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Pisa Galileo Galilei (76km)</b>
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Florence Airport (129km)</b>
Nearest Ferry Port	<b>Livorno (72km)</b>



Nearest Train Station	<b>Marina di Bibbona (20km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>Guardistallo (10km)</b>
Nearest City	<b>Livorno (73km)</b>
Nearest Bar/Pub	<b>Casale Marittimo (11km)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Casale Marittimo (11km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Castelfalfi Golf Club (60km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Marina di Bobbina (20km)</b>
Nearest Tennis	<b>Mantoflex Tennis &amp; Paddle (20km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Casale Marittimo (11km)</b>

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## What we love

- Casale Morus Alba is a beautiful, traditional Tuscan home surrounded by serene countryside
- Sleeping 16 guests or 21 when utilising additional beds, this is the perfect villa for a special break with family or a group of friends
- Step outside into the oasis-like garden with 2 lovely covered dining terraces, extensive grounds and an inviting pool
- The home is a rural retreat but you can find a supermarket 11km away and the villages of Casale Marittimo, Bibbona and Montescudaio are all under 15km away by car

## What you should know...

- This spacious home is perfect for a large group, but if you prefer a little privacy, it can be split in to 2 separate apartments, each sleeping 8 guests.
- Due to the rural location of the home, guests are advised to bring a car to explore more of Tuscany. There are car parking spaces available.
- The owners of this fantastic home have a further 2 villas nearby, if you need more accommodation for your party then have a look at San Illario (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/italy/tuscany/lucca-pisa/san-illario/>) and Cascina Verdot (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/italy/tuscany/lucca-pisa/cascina-verdot/>).
- Please note that this property sleeps 16 guests. It is possible to accommodate 5 extra guests (with three extra beds on the first floor and two on the ground floor), please enquire for more details.

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €900 charged to client's credit card by the owner upon arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 5.00 p.m. - 7.00 p.m. Check-in outside this time may be subject to an extra cost. Please enquire for more details.
- **Departure time:** 9.30 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pets welcome?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner. If accepted, a pet supplement of €50 per pet per week will apply (payable locally).
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Air-conditioning is an extra cost on consumption, payable locally. A high chair and cot are available on request. Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed. Please note that this property sleeps 16 guests. It is possible to accommodate 5 extra guests (with three extra beds on the first floor and two on the ground floor), please enquire for more details. Please note home security devices may be installed at the villa, please enquire for further information. 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.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Extra €490, payable locally. 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?:** On request - extra cost, payable locally.
- **Pool heating charge?:** Extra cost, payable locally. 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-€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?:** The pool is open approximately early May to end-September. 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.