

Bosco Ai Frati

Region: Tuscany **Sleeps:** 12

Overview

Surrounded by gorgeous gardens, oaks and chestnut trees, Bosco Ai Frati offers the ideal scenery to enjoy a Tuscan glass of wine whilst lounging in a shaded sitting area. Enchanting outdoor spaces wrap their way around this beautifully renovated Tuscan farmhouse. Be it the careful balance of character features and modern facilities or the secluded countryside setting; there is an air of complete relaxation that shrouds the entire property.

Spread over three floors, the villa's interiors have been carefully restored, with terracotta floors, exposed beams and traditional decor, all highlighted in the bright, generously sized rooms. There are six bedrooms, accommodating twelve guests, with spacious living areas where you can enjoy time together.

On the villa's ground floor, you will find a fully equipped kitchen, social dining room and spacious living room. The kitchen opens out to an al-fresco dining space, elegantly incorporating the interior and exterior spaces. The central marble table in the kitchen offers space to enjoy a handful of in-house cooking experiences with a private chef. Or why not partake in a cooking class, pasta-making and ancient grain bread-making classes, for example. With a wine cooler in the pantry, refreshments are always on hand, making your stay in Tuscany as special as you could imagine. As you walk through the living room, the villa's traditional architecture becomes evident, with exposed beams, terracotta tiles and a huge fireplace. With the doors open, sunlight bounces around the room, and you can curl up on the sofas, reading a book or switching on the TV, awarding yourself a well-deserved rest! There is also a recreation room with a full-size pool table, perfect for some fun and games with your loved ones.

There are five bedrooms on the first floor, with a sixth double bedroom located on the lower ground floor accessed via the courtyard. Lovingly furnished, the bedrooms have everything you need to enjoy a comfortable stay, with glorious countryside views and air conditioning. There are four en-suite bathrooms and one bathroom for the remaining rooms to share. The first floor also has another living room with a cosy open fireplace and space to rest and restore.

Outside there are many charming spots in which to relax. Whether you are gathered around the dining table, sharing a bottle of chilled wine on the covered terrace by the pool, or enjoying a moment of calm as you read a book in the garden, every corner offers another idyllic hideaway.

Bosco Ai Frati is the perfect blend of character and comfort and was once owned by the famous Medici family. The surrounding 1500-acre estate stretches across two valleys and is an organic farm and a certified white truffle hunting ground.

Florence is just 30km away, so it is a must-visit during your stay. There is plenty to do and see here, so you could visit this glorious city several times. Or if you fancy a quieter day trip, head to Fiesole just outside of Florence.



Unknown by many, this small town hides a wealth of surprises: the massive stones that make up the Etruscan walls, the remains of Roman baths, and the Roman amphitheatre that still serves as a stage for summer events. The small city centre is home to a wide range of historical sites, churches and parks where visitors can spend some time escaping from the hustle and bustle of Florence.

Please note that Bosco Ai Frati is actually located in the region of Tuscany but is very close to the Chianti border.

Facilities

Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Recommended • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Wi-Fi/Internet • Horse Riding • Historical Sites • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Hairdryer • Coffee Machine • Villa • Cots (Cribs) • Rural Location • Indoor Games • Pool/Snooker • DVD • Private Pool • Games Room • Maid Service Included • Chef/Cook Available • Kid-friendly museum • Cooking Classes Available • Yoga Classes Available • Spa Treatments Available • Wine-Tasting Available • Transfers Available • Board games • On-Site Concierge • Breakfast Included • Heated Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Pets on Request • <1hr to Airport • Safety Deposit Box • Smart TV • Wine Cellar • Heating • Ceiling Fans • High Chair(s) • Parking Space • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interiors (660m2)

Ground Floor

- Fully equipped kitchen with Nespresso machine, oven, kettle, toaster, microwave, fridge and freezer
- Dining room with table seating 12 guests
- Living room with sofas and decorative fireplace
- Games room with a pool table

First Floor

- Small living room with a fireplace and smart TV
- Bedroom with 2 single beds, air-conditioning and an ensuite bathroom
- 2 x bedrooms with double beds and air-conditioning
- Bathroom with shower and WC
- 2 x bedrooms with double beds, air-conditioning and ensuite bathrooms with showers and WCs

Lower ground floor (accessed via the courtyard)

- Bedroom with double bed, private access to the gardens, air-conditioning and ensuite bathroom with shower and WC

Outside Grounds (15,000m2)

- Private pool (depth: 1.5m), fenced, open from approximately April to October
- Sun loungers
- Alfresco dining terrace
- 4-acre gardens
- Lounge areas
- Weber Propane BBQ Grill (1 propane gas tank included)
- Wood oven
- Parking

Facilities

- WiFi
- Air-conditioning
- Heating
- Smart TV
- Sonos Bluetooth Music system
- DVD
- CD player
- Hairdryers
- Iron and ironing board
- Pool table
- Dishwasher
- Washing machine
- Dryer
- Safe



Location & Local Information

Located 30km from Florence, this fully staffed villa is a short drive from Tuscany's artistic and cultural hubs while being ideally positioned in the wonderfully secluded countryside. Four acres of vibrant gardens surround the villa, planted with centuries-old oaks and chestnut trees, Mediterranean flowers and aromatic shrubs. Bordering the villa grounds, the estate boasts acres of Sunflower filled landscapes, painting the Schifanoia valley in yellow.

Florence has a vast range of eateries to suit all tastes, and whether you fancy fine dining, street food or a traditional meal in a rustic trattoria, you can find it all close by. The streets also have atmospheric bars where you can sit al-fresco and chat the night away over a glass of local wine or a cocktail. Or perhaps you have more of a sweet tooth and would love to wander the pretty streets while enjoying gelato.

Known for its Renaissance art and architecture, it will come as no surprise that the city of Florence is filled with the most impressive palaces, churches, museums and art galleries. There are so many that it is difficult to fit everything into one visit, so head out early to beat the queues if you are planning on a busy itinerary. Some key attractions are The Uffizi Gallery, Michelangelo's statue of David, located in the incredible Galleria dell'Accademia and the former Medici palaces, The Palazzo Vecchio and The Palazzo Pitti. These vast galleries and Grand Duchal Palace will each take half a day or more to visit as there is so much to see and do!

Siena, Pienza, Chianti, Lucca and Pisa are all conveniently reachable in under two hours drive from the villa, so you can link your trip with another city or take a day trip to one or two of these beautiful places.

Please note that Bosco Ai Frati is actually located close to Florence in the region of Tuscany.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Florence Airport (35km)
Nearest Airport 2	Bologna Guglielmo Marconi Airport (82km)
Nearest Village	San Piero a Sieve (3km)
Nearest Train Station	San Piero a Sieve (5km)
Nearest City	Florence (30km)
Nearest Bar/Pub	San Piero a Sieve (3km)



Nearest Supermarket	San Piero a Sieve (3km)
Nearest Restaurant	San Piero a Sieve (3km)
Nearest Golf	Poggio dei Medici (5km)
Nearest Beach	Viareggio (120km)

What we love

- This fully staffed villa is a short drive from Tuscany's artistic and cultural hubs!
- The vibrant 4-acre gardens surrounding the villa blend with the surrounding area, planted with centuries-old oaks, chestnut trees, Mediterranean flowers, and aromatic shrubs.
- The interiors have been refurbished to create a charming and welcoming home for families and groups of friends.

What you should know...

- Due to the property's many steps and terraced levels, children should be supervised.
- Due to the stunning rural location of this property, we recommend hiring a car to be able to explore.
- Please note that the bedroom on the lower ground floor is accessed via the courtyard.
- Villa can be rented for up to 8, 10 or 12 guests. Two (8 people) or one (10 people) bedrooms will be closed and not accessible to guests.
- Please note that the use of external caterers and/or contractors is not permitted.
- Pool can be heated year round at an additional cost (see Ts&Cs for more info). when it's heated the gardener will close it at night to maintain the water temperature

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €2500 charged to client's credit card by the owner as a pre-authorisation upon arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 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:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, and A/C included.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, and mid-week change included.
- **Pets welcome?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner. If accepted, a pet supplement of €250 per pet per week will apply (payable locally).
- **Other Ts and Cs:** When villa is rented for less than 12 guests, one (groups of 10) or 2 two (groups of 8) bedrooms are closed and not accessible. Please note that the use of any external caterers and/or contractors is not permitted. 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.
- **Changeover day:** Flexible.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Yes, and daily housekeeping 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 approximately Mid-May to Mid-August. 3 nights all other months.
- **Heating costs included?:** Extra cost, payable locally.
- **Pool heating charge?:** Extra € 840 per week, year-round, to be requested in advance. 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, and mid-week change included.
- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open approximately end-April to mid-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.
- **Property Licence Number:** Pending. CIN: IT048053B52WPLU6PQ CIR: 048053AAT0006