

Villa Kalliste

Region: Southern Corsica **Sleeps:** 8

Overview

After sailing around the world, the kind and welcoming owners returned to their beloved Corsica and created Villa Kallisté more or less with their bare hands. Between Porto Vecchio and Bonifacio, in a domaine surrounded by the aroma of maquis, this is such a special place to stay with sweeping sea views down to Rondinara Bay.

It's the most beautiful villa full of Corsican warmth and character. The curved walls and ceilings of the lounge and dining area are handcrafted whilst the wooden windows frame the views of the sea beyond. Four inviting bedrooms await with twin or double beds, one of them an especially gorgeous garden suite independent to the main part of the house.

Step outside and the vistas of the sea will take your breath away whether dining al-fresco on the shady terrace, sitting back in the jacuzzi or cooling off in the glorious swimming pool. It's an enchanting and authentic setting that has brought great joy to guests over the many years.

It's just over a 5-minute drive down to the idyllic Rondinara Bay with its sandy beach and crystal-clear water for swimming and snorkelling. There's a beachside restaurant usually open in the summer months and seasonal watersports including kayaks, paddle boards and pedaloes.

Admire the beauty of Bonifacio, soak up the ambience of Porto Vecchio, come across yet more brilliant beaches such as Plage de Santa Giulia or head inland to discover southern Corsica's spectacular scenery as you hike through the Forêt de l'Ospédale, gaze at the Col de Bavella or seek out rockpools along the Cavu and Solenzara Rivers.



Facilities

Chef/Cook Available • Wi-Fi/Internet • Golf Nearby • Air-Con • Villa • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Beach Nearby • Tennis Nearby • Watersports • Romantic • Private Pool • Rural Location • Cots (Cribs) • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Spa Treatments Available • Pool Safety Feature • Heated Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Hot Tub • <1hr to Airport • TV • Caretaker/Owner on Site • High Chair(s) • Seaview • Sailing • Canoeing/Kayaking • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Cycling • Horse Riding • Fishing • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Scuba Diving • Paragliding • Boat Trips

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interiors (170m2)

- Lounge with doors leading out to al-fresco dining terrace
- Open plan kitchen and dining area, well-equipped including oven, hob, microwave, dishwasher, fridge-freezer, kettle, toaster and coffee maker
- Bedroom with double bed (160cm)
- Bedroom with twin beds (90cm each)
- Bedroom with twin beds (90 and 80cm, can be joined together)
- Independent garden bedroom with twin beds (80cm each, can be joined together)
- 3 x shower rooms
- 3 x WCs

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (8x4m, depth: max 1.7m) with safety fence/gate. Can be heated on request. Open approximately April to September/October
- Jacuzzi (3m diameter)
- Sun loungers
- Al-fresco dining terrace
- Gas barbecue
- Garden and terraced grounds
- Parking

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Reversible air-conditioning
- TV
- Ironing facilities
- Washing machine



Location & Local Information

In southern Corsica, almost equidistant between Porto Vecchio and Bonifacio, Villa Kalliste enjoys the most stunning views of Rondinara Bay, only 27km from Figari Airport.

The villa is part of a small *domaine* (do note that the last part of the access road is unsurfaced) where you will also find Villa U Sognu (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/france/corsica/villa-u-sognu/>) and the owners who discreetly live by the entrance of the grounds. There is a small village and restaurant around 1km away whilst the nearest amenities including supermarkets can be found just outside Bonifacio or Porto Vecchio.

Rondinara Bay is a 5 to 10-minute drive away. It's such an idyllic beach with gently-shelving sea perfect for swimming and snorkelling alongside seasonal watersports (usually kayaks, paddle boards and pedaloes) and a summer beachside restaurant. A couple of marked walking trails take you through the maquis to a smaller bay with the most wonderful views.

Further north is the atmospheric town of Porto Vecchio (17km), perhaps stopping off at the very beautiful Plage de Santa Giulia (11km) or the more remote Plage de Porto-Novo (8km) en route. Porto Vecchio is one of Corsica's most popular destinations, loved for its vibrant ambience in the town's charming historic quarter and down by the marina.

To the south, Bonifacio (18km) is another must-see, often described as an open-air museum with its medieval citadel, churches and historic port. As you wander around the artisan shops and restaurants of its citadel, perched above dramatic limestone cliffs, you can appreciate glorious sea views around you.

There are of course so many opportunities for walking, horse-riding, watersports and boat trips along the southern coast of Corsica, including ferries that depart to



the very remote Lavezzi Isles. Golf lovers should try and book a round at the prestigious Golf de Spérone (21km), a course designed by Robert Trent Jones.

Lovers of the outdoors should also take time to visit the incredible interiors of the island whether hiking through La Forêt de l'Ospédale, rock-climbing in the Col de Bavella or simply driving to mountain villages to discover Corsica's spectacular and rugged scenery.

Local Amenities

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| Nearest Airport | Figari Airport (27km) |
| Nearest Airport 2 | Ajaccio/Bastia Airport (133/144km) |
| Nearest Restaurant | In small local village (1km) |
| Nearest Beach | Rondinara Bay (3-4km) |
| Nearest Supermarket | Near Bonifacio/Porto Vecchio (Around 17km) |
| Nearest Town | Bonifacio/Porto Vecchio (18km/17km) |
| Nearest Golf | Golf Club de Lezza (10km) |

What we love

- A labour of love by its wonderful owners, most of this spectacular villa was created with their bare hands.
- It's a unique home full of warmth and character with exceptional views towards Rondinara Bay
- Drive down to the beach in just over five minutes for sandy shores and crystal-clear sea
- Set between Porto Vecchio and Bonifacio, it's the best of both worlds close to two of Corsica's most popular destinations

What you should know...

- For parties travelling together, this is part of a vast and beautiful *domaine* also featuring Villa U Sognu (<https://www.oliverstravels.com/france/corsica/villa-u-sognu/>), which is completely separate (the owners live discreetly by the entrance but they are not always in residence).
- Please note the last part of the access road is unsurfaced.
- Young children will need supervising across the gorgeous gardens and terraces on different levels.
- 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:** €2000 security deposit and €200 cleaning deposit both paid separately via local currency cheque or charged to client's credit card upon arrival as a pre-authorisation and both refunded 30 days after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m. - 8.00 p.m. (arrivals after 8pm will incur an hourly charge to be paid locally, which can be confirmed on request)
- **Departure time:** Before 9.00 a.m. (an end-of-stay inspection will take place at this time with the property representative who will carry out the check-out).
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, changed weekly.
- **Pets welcome?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner. If accepted, a pet supplement of €20 per pet per night will apply (payable locally).
- **Other Ts and Cs:** A cot and highchair are available on request. Extra €40 per item per week, payable locally on arrival. Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed. 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 or Sunday. All other changeover days on request.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Yes and a light mid-stay clean for stays of 2 weeks or more is also 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.
- **Insurance:** Guests are advised to be in possession of a valid insurance policy which covers them for cancellations and are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for the rental property, to include personal liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.
- **Minimum stay:** 14 nights.
- **Pool heating charge?:** Available on request. Extra cost of €150 per week from September to July. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax payable locally (typically costs €1-€5 per adult per night - please enquire if exact amount is required). The dates of birth of all guests under 18 years of age will be requested before arrival.
- **Pool towels included?:** Extra €12.60 per towel, payable locally on arrival.
- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open approximately April to September/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.