

# Valentina Nova

Region: Italy    Sleeps: 6

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## Overview

Restored to its former glory, Valentina Nova, is a beautiful breath-taking penthouse at the top of an old palace, located in Santa Croce district in the heart of Renaissance Florence. This impressive property benefits from a terrace that has panoramic views of the River Arno, and the original city rooftops and Oltrarno gardens. The apartment has three spacious double bedrooms, that can accommodate up to eight guests in a lot of style. For your comfort Valentina Nova has air conditioning throughout, which can be cool for the summer, or warm for the winter. For your convenience an elevator takes you to the entrance to the apartment, and complimentary Wi-Fi is including for your stay. This charming apartment has been furnished with the most elegant of pieces, the decor is a background of calm soft greys and creamy beiges, with rich highlights of distinguished blues and striking gold, whilst cool marble proliferates throughout, and original art adorns the walls.

Take the elevator to the top floor and access the apartment through a polished wooden floored, high ceiling, mirrored wall, vestibule that leads directly into the lavender blue dining kitchen. The kitchen is fully fitted with Bosch appliances, including an oven and hob, fridge freezer and dishwasher, and that must-have morning coffee maker. There is a dining set with a banquette and chairs to seat six guests. The adjacent living area has a smart L-shaped soft grey sofa bed with matching pouffes, clear glass coffee tables, a flat screen television with SKY channels, a Bose sound system, and an original painting of the iconic Brunelleschi's Dome. Take the steps through the French doors to the furnished pergola-topped terrace, with views of terracotta rooftops and Oltrarno, ideal for an alfresco cocktail and catch up.

The apartment is home to three beautifully appointed



bedrooms. The principle blue and white master bedroom has an extra-large double bed, that can be converted into twin beds, a mirrored wardrobes, an ensuite marble bathroom with a bath tub and shower, and a tiny terrace overlooking a private courtyard. The second turquoise trim bedroom has raised twin beds, a sofa bed, a built-in wardrobe, with a separate Art Deco Travertine luxury marble bathroom. The third bedroom has the golden touch, with an extra-large wrought iron canopied double bed, and an ensuite marble bathroom with a shower big enough for two.

There is a useful laundry room with Bosch washing machine and dryer, ideal for longer stays, and a bijou Morris decorated studio room with a double sofa bed and working desk completes the accommodation. When you vacation at Valentina Nova, staying is believing.

## Facilities

Air-Con • Wi-Fi/Internet • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Walk to Village • Romantic • City Homes & Apartments • Instagrammable • Recommended • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • Coffee Machine • Hairdryer • Satellite TV • Walking/Hiking Paths • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

# Interior & Grounds

## The Apartment

Three bedroom apartment with terrace to accommodate up to seven guests:

### Interior Grounds

- Living space with sofa, glass coffee tables, flat screen television with SKY channels, a Bose sound system, original art
- Fully fitted kitchen with Bosch oven, hob, fridge freezer, dishwasher, coffee machine, dining set for six
- Two bedrooms with a double bed
- Bedroom with twin beds
- Three bathrooms with walk-in showers, small bath, handbasins, WCs, and bidets
- Studio room with sofa bed and desk
- Laundry room with Bosch washer/dryer

### Exterior Grounds

- Terrace with city and river views, dining set

### Additional Facilities

- Air conditioning – hot and cold
- Wi-Fi
- Flat screen TV's
- Satellite channels
- Bose surround sound system
- Elevator to upper floors
- Hairdryer





## Location & Local Information

Valentina Nova is ideally positioned in the heart of the historical medieval city of Florence, the capital of the regional area of Tuscany, in northwest Italy. The international airport of Peretola Florence is only eleven kilometres away, a short thirty-minute drive by taxi, or there is now a direct bus and tram into the city centre.

The villa is situated in a prime spot, perfect for exploring this Renaissance city, now declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. All the major iconic sights are within walking distance of the villa, and as you stroll along those well-worn stone pavements, take time to absorb the atmosphere and history that is embedded in those fourteenth century walls. Don't miss a visit to the nearby Uffizi Gallery, home to one of the world's best Renaissance art collections, housing superb sixteenth century old masters in an original building, designed by Vasari. Book in advance a tour of the Vasari corridor, where the original art works were hidden during the occupation in the world wars. See the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, where you can admire the ornate icons, and walk Brunelleschi's dome. Don't forget to look at in detail the doors of the San Giovanni Baptistery. Marvel at Michelangelo's David at the Academia, before visiting the church of Santa Croce to wonder at the restored Cimabue's crucifix.

After all that culture, sit down in one of the cafes in the Piazza dell Repubblica, before shopping for handmade leather goods in San Lorenzo market. If all that walking has tired you out, hop on a Vespa Tour and take a trip around the city. For the fashionistas the Gucci, and Salvatore Ferragamo Museums are a must-see. For those who prefer smells to bells, then a visit to the convent of Santa Maria Novella for their handmade soaps or partaking in a perfume masterclass, is on the cards.

Cross the River Arno via the nearby Ponte alle Grazie to the Giardano Bardini and the Bardini Museum, famous for its sculptures. Or stroll along the riverbank and cross at the Ponte Vecchio, and stop to bargain for handcrafted goods at the local stalls. Take a walk to the magnificent



Pitti Palace, rich with paintings by Raphael, Rubens, and Titian, before a stroll around the adjacent Boboli Gardens. The Brancacci Chapel and the Basilica of Santa Maria del Santo Spirito can feed your soul, whilst the Piazzale Michelangelo is perfect for a cappuccino pit stop.

Foodies will be in seventh heaven with pizza, pasta, and gelato cooking classes, and for the wine lovers, there is a Chianti Safari across the Tuscan countryside. In the evening dine out on the local dish of a Bistecca all Fiorentina, a superb sharing steak served in all the best restaurants. For fabulous fashion at fabulous prices make your way to the out-of-town Barbierino Designer Outlet. And for those that fancy a day trip, take a tour to Siena, San Gimignano, the leaning tower of Pisa, or the Cinque Terre five village coastal hiking trail.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Florence Airport (11.3 km)
Nearest Airport 2	Pisa International Airport (85 km)
Nearest Train Station	Florence Center Train Station (2 km)
Nearest Supermarket	Conad City (10 m)

## What we love

- Valentina Nova is the most exquisitely interior designed property, with only the finest best quality furniture and fittings, stylish wallpapers and décor, and lots of cool marble
- The alfresco terrace is ideal for a breath of fresh air, with a view over the iconic sights of Florence, ideal for a morning coffee or sun set cocktail before setting out for dinner
- The three bathrooms are breath-takingly beautiful, classic yet modern, constructed out of cool marble with huge showers, and inviting baths
- The apartment is ideally located in the heart of Renaissance Florence, with all of the major sights within walking distance

## What you should know...

- The master bedroom large bed can be made into twin beds. The other beds for extra guests are a sofa bed in the second bedroom, and a sofa bed in the studio
- The terrace seating is just for two, ideal for a romantic couple's evening alfresco
- No parties, no pets, no smoking please, we want to keep this beautiful property pristine for all of our guests

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €600 charged to client's credit card by the owner upon arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 3:00 pm - 20:00 pm.
- **Departure time:** Before 11:00 am.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed..
- **Changeover day:** Flexible.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Extra €250, to be paid with the balance due. 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?:** Smoking & Vaping are not permitted.
- **Minimum stay:** 3 nights (may be longer in peak periods).
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Tax:** There is a tourist tax not included in the rental price. This will need to be paid locally in cash on arrival. Amount TBC.
- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet access included.