

# Casa Ivan

Region: Costa Brava Sleeps: 8

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## Overview

Sitting on the hillside just outside of Sa Riera and Begur, Casa Ivan enjoys a peaceful setting with a view down to the sea in the distance, which you can enjoy whilst spending leisurely days in the sun with family and friends.

Situated in a quiet residential area, the striking villa is surrounded by dense vegetation and regional plants, and a lovely garden spills out to the rear, where you can enjoy relaxing summer days. The villa itself has a unique appearance, with a vibrant red facade and traditional terracotta tiled roof. Arranged over two levels, the interior is bright and spacious, with a well-designed layout to make the most of the surrounding views. The decor is understated, with natural tones and characterful furnishings that make the rooms warm and homely.

The main living space can be found on the upper level, where a large living room sits to the centre with a comfortable sofa and charming arched windows framing views out to the garden below. A fireplace has been built into one wall, perfect for a cosy night in during the cooler months, whilst a large wooden dining table sits to the rear of the room with ample space for everyone. An open archway leads through to the kitchen, which is fully equipped with modern appliances, and a large central island offers plenty of room for preparing meals. Large openings flood the space with natural light, and double doors open out to charming timber decking. Leave the doors ajar to enjoy a gentle breeze or step outside and take advantage of the warm weather, sharing meals in the fresh air or cooking up a barbecue to enjoy in the sun.

Three of the bedrooms can be found on the upper level, with a combination of double and twin beds and two bathrooms between them. One of the rooms also has access to a private balcony, inviting you to wake up and



enjoy the spectacular view over the garden and surrounding hillside. On the lower floor, a master bedroom features a large double bed and enjoys its own private bathroom, whilst sliding doors open directly out into the garden.

A large grass lawn extends away from the villa, where a saltwater pool sits to the far end, perfect for enjoying a swim or lazing in the cool water. A handful of loungers line the pool's edge, receiving sunlight for most of the day and inviting you to relax with a book or simply lie beneath the clear blue skies. There is also a patio on the lower level, offering a charming spot shaded beneath the floor above. Sit with a book and enjoy the peaceful setting or share a bottle of *vino* and make the most of the balmy evenings.

## Facilities

Watersports • Walking/Hiking Paths • Golf Nearby • Air-Con • Historical Sites • Wine Tasting • Villa • Private Pool • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Boat Trips • Scuba Diving • Ideal for Kids • Sailing • Ideal for Teens • Cots (Cribs) • Has Discount • Special Offer • Beach Nearby • Modern • Saltwater Pool • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • <1 hr to Airport • Parking Space • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Outstanding Landscapes • Coffee Machine • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Smart TV • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds

# Interior & Grounds

## The Villa

Casa Ivan is a relaxing four-bedroom villa, located between Sa Riera and Begur, which is a brilliant place for the family to explore the Costa Brava from!

### Ground Floor (street level)

- Homely living room with dining table, TV, fireplace, and access to the terrace
- Fully-equipped and modern kitchen with central island unit, breakfast bar, and access to the terrace
- Bedroom with double bed, built-in wardrobe, and access to a private balcony
- Bedroom with two single beds
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- Two shared showers and toilets

### Lower Ground Floor

- Bedroom with en-suite shower and direct access to the garden
- Utility room with storage space and laundry area

### Exterior

- Fenced garden with saltwater pool and surrounding sun lounger
- Private outdoor parking for 2 cars
- Ground floor terrace with day bed, dining table, and barbecue
- Covered garden terrace seating area and dining table

### Additional Facilities

- Wi-Fi connection
- Air conditioning
- Heating
- Dishwasher
- Washing machine
- Tumble dryer
- Netflix & HBO
- Iron
- Cot & highchair (*on request, please see T&Cs*)

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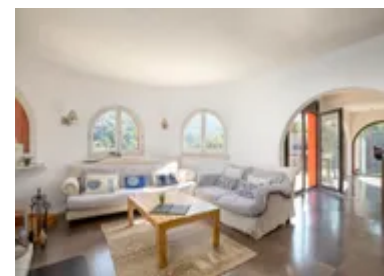
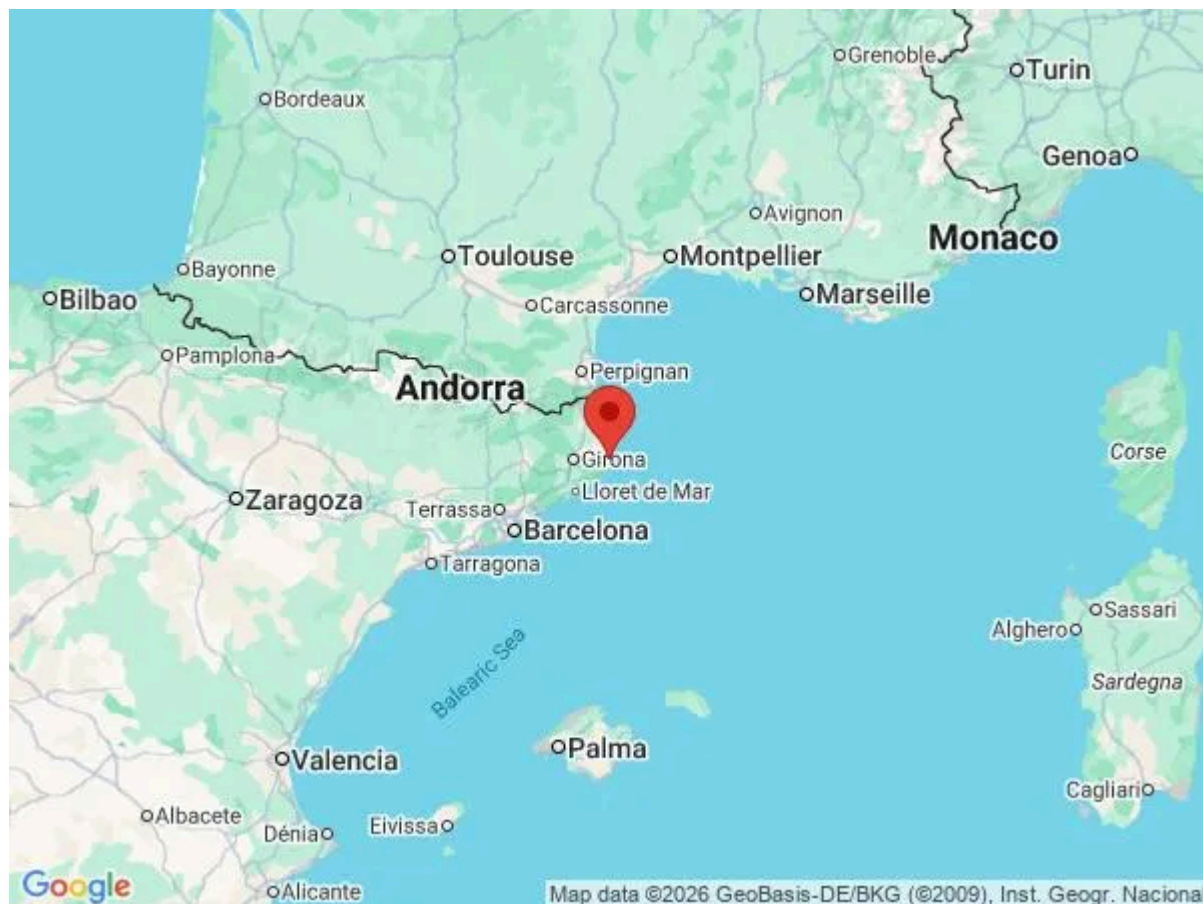
## Location & Local Information

Situated in the heart of the Costa Brava, Casa Ivan enjoys a peaceful position, moments from the region's historic towns and picturesque coastline.

Just over a 20-minute walk brings you to the centre of Sa Riera, a typical seaside town that still retains its original charm. Once a small fishing village, the cove is surrounded by rugged cliffs and leafy pines that drop down to the bay and beautiful turquoise sea. Protected by the rocky outcrops, you can enjoy a swim in the calm waters or follow the coastal path over the headland to reach Platja de Pals. Stretching for 4km, the extensive beach is a popular spot during the summer months, and there are a handful of *chiringuitos* where you can enjoy a bite to eat or afternoon ice cream.

Alternatively, hop in the car and head along the coast to discover the less-known bays and hidden coves. A short drive away, the lovely Port d'Esclanya and neighbouring Aiguablava offer a great spot for snorkelling, or you rent a kayak to paddle out and explore the rocky cliffs and admire the bay from a different perspective. Previously a port, Aiguablava is a popular mooring space, and there are a number of restaurants at the back of the beach. Locally owned Toc al Mar is dedicated to serving the day's catch, and you can enjoy a delicious plate of fresh fish and seafood cooked over an oak grill. Another option is Parador de Aiguablava, where you can sample traditional Catalan dishes such as rock fish broth, anchovies, and Pals rice, whilst looking out across the sea. Further along the coast, the Tamairu is an equally pretty bay, and if you want to try your hand at diving, the local Stolli scuba centre offers guides and lessons. Otherwise, if you are looking to stay above the water, head up to l'Estartit, where several companies operate glass-bottomed boat trips around the nearby islands.

Whilst the coastline has plenty to enjoy, this area of Catalonia is rich in history, and the vibrant town of Begur is just a 20-minute walk. A network of narrow streets lined with colourful houses, Moorish architecture and



neoclassical mansions, the hillside settlement has a strong Cuban influence, with hints of Caribbean culture dotted amongst the Catalan charm. Take a seat amongst the locals on the Es Pedrís Llarg, where you can enjoy a drink and soak up the lively atmosphere or visit the ruins of the town's castle dating back to the 16<sup>th</sup> century. There are plenty of restaurants to stop for a bite to eat, or head to family-run Turandot, where you can enjoy wonderful plates of tapas in the homely restaurant. If you can, visit on a Saturday and enjoy an entertaining evening joining in the traditional Sardana dancing that happens on the Placa de la Vila.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Girona Airport (58 km)</b>
Nearest Ferry Port	<b>Port of Palamos (21 km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>Flaca Train Station (31 km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>Sa Riera (2 km)</b>
Nearest Town	<b>Begur (2 km)</b>
Nearest City	<b>Girona (51 km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>La Rectoria de Begur (200 m)</b>
Nearest Bar/Pub	<b>Citric (2 km)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Jodofi (1 km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Sa Riera Beach (2 km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Pals Golf Club (5 km)</b>
Nearest Tennis	<b>Pals Tennis Club (5 km)</b>

## What we love

- The spacious garden and pool are perfect for making the most of the warm Mediterranean climate, enjoying a swim or relaxing on one of the loungers and soaking up the sun
- Enjoying an elevated position just outside of Sa Riera, Casa Ivan is just moments from the coast, making it easy to explore the area's picturesque bays and sandy beaches
- The upper terrace invites you to share meals outside, relax over a long lunch or entertain guests with a barbecue in the evening
- Sit on the hillside and surrounded by plants and trees, Casa Ivan offers a secluded setting whilst enjoying views out over the nearby landscape

## What you should know...

- The pool is unfenced, so young children should be supervised at all times
- A car is recommended to explore the surrounding region, and there is a private parking area for two cars
- All the rooms contain air conditioning, ensuring that guests can find a comfortable temperature evening during the hottest summer months

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** Credit card details are required 2 weeks prior to departure for pre-authorisation.
- **Arrival time:** 4 pm.
- **Departure time:** 10 am.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, included in the rental price. Extra bed sheets and bath towels are available, on request, and at a charge of €20/person. Please request them during your stay.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not permitted.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Extras are available for guests, on request, and at an extra cost:<br> - Cot: €40<br> - Highchair: €35<br> - Fan: €35<br> - Welcome pack: €150<br> - Folding bed: €60/person
- **Changeover day:** Friday. All other days on request.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Extra €200, payable to Oliver's Travels with the balance payment. 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:** 7 nights during peak season. 5-6 nights during other periods.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Pool heating charge?:** Not available.
- **Tax:** Catalonia Tourist Tax of €1 per person per night for over 16's is not included in the rental price and will need to be paid locally in cash on arrival. (subject to change)
- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet access included in the rental price.
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Beach towels included?:** Not included in the rental price but available, on request, and at an extra charge of €20/unit. Please request this during the booking process.