

Villa Punta Bella

Region: Sicily **Sleeps:** 6

Overview

Surrounded by bougainvillea on your shaded veranda, sip a glass of Nero d'Avola as you soak up the historic surroundings. This beautiful villa, close to Lido di Noto and the Vendicari Nature Reserve, is perfectly placed for discovering the natural beauty, idyllic coastline and rich heritage of southeastern Sicily.

At the end of a dusty road, just moments from an archaeological site dating back to the third century B.C., Villa Punta Bella welcomes up to six guests to a unique setting between the countryside and the sea. Step inside and admire contemporary style and Sicilian character. An open-plan living space awaits with its comfy air-conditioned lounge, chic dining table and well-equipped modern kitchen whilst a striking floating staircase leads upstairs to three air-conditioned bedrooms, each with an en suite shower room.

Step outside and relax on the wrap-around terrace with its outdoor sofas, a stone and marble dining table and summer kitchen, accompanied by the scent of jasmine or grilled delights on the barbecue. Pass almond and fruit trees as you stroll through the Mediterranean garden with its stone amphitheatre and gorgeous long swimming pool. Catch glimpses of the sea, an idyllic contrast to olive trees, stone terraces, cacti and bursts of summer colour throughout the grounds.

Here you are just a short distance to the wonderful beaches of Pizzuta and Eloro or you may prefer to head straight to the coastal resort of Lido di Noto with its beach clubs and seasonal restaurants that come alive in the height of the summer.

Indeed, this villa enjoys a superb location for exploring this region's natural beauty and cultural treasures. Follow scenic hiking trails, discover hidden beaches like Calamosche and spot flamingos, herons and even turtles as you explore the Vendicari Nature Reserve. Inland, the baroque elegance of Noto awaits, while nearby Avola tempts with its celebrated wineries and coastal ambience. Meanwhile, the ancient wonders of Syracuse and Ortigia offer an exciting day trip just over half an hour by car.

Return to the gentle sea breeze, the scent of countryside in the air and the unmistakable charm of this characterful Sicilian abode.

Facilities

Walking/Hiking Paths • Walk to Village • Villa • Horse Riding • Historical Sites • Air-Con • Fishing • Cycling • Wine Tasting • Not for little ones • Boat Trips • Private Pool • Chef/Cook Available • Cots (Cribs) • Walk to Beach • Pets on Request • Maid Service Available • Instagrammable • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Beach Nearby • <1hr to Airport • Parking Space •



Walk to Restaurant • Heritage Collection • Wi-Fi/Internet • Seaview • BBQ
• Rural Location • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Coffee
Machine • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Hairdryer • Tourist Towns &
Villages • TV • Dishwasher • Heating • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available •
Transfers Available • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • High Chair(s) • Fenced
Grounds

Interior & Grounds

House Interiors (approx. 170m2)

Lower Floor

- Open-plan living area with TV, fireplace, books, sofa, armchairs and air-conditioning
- Open-plan dining area with long table. Door opens to shaded veranda
- Partially open-plan kitchen, well-equipped including dishwasher, electric oven, espresso machine, induction hob, kettle, fridge-freezer and breakfast table
- Guest WC

Upper Floor (via open-sided floating stairs)

- 3 x bedrooms with double bed, air-conditioning and en suite shower room

There are some low ceilings on the upper floor

Outside Grounds (2000m2)

- Private swimming pool (11x2m, depth: 1.4m)
- Poolside sunbathing terrace and outdoor shower
- Large veranda with outdoor lounge, dining table, summer kitchen and barbecue
- Open-air shower (by veranda)
- Mediterranean garden with cacti, olive, almond and fruit trees
- Vegetable garden
- Stone amphitheatre area
- Parking

Additional Facilities

- Air-conditioning (living area and bedrooms)
- Mosquito nets



Location & Local Information

Set within its own gated grounds close to Lido di Noto, this remarkable house is located just down the lane from an archaeological site dating back to the third century B.C. Only a short drive from the Baroque town of Noto, this is a fine setting for guests wishing to experience a combination of coastal beauty, wild nature and easy access to Sicily's rich cultural heritage.

Lido di Noto is renowned for its soft sandy beaches and crystal-clear waters. Nearby beaches include the idyllic shores of Pizzuta and Eoro, both just over 1km away, or head straight to the heart of Lido di Noto with its summer beach clubs and seasonal restaurants around 1.5km away. Embrace a laid-back yet inviting atmosphere that captures the authentic essence of Sicilian summer living.

Nature lovers will appreciate close proximity to the Vendicari Nature Reserve, a protected coastal haven just south of Lido di Noto. This unspoilt landscape of lagoons, sand dunes and salt pans is a paradise for birdwatchers and walkers, where flamingos, herons and even turtles make their seasonal appearance. Meander along scenic trails to reach secluded beaches like Calamosche (7km), one of Sicily's most picturesque hidden gems.

Just a 7km drive inland leads to the breathtaking town of Noto, a UNESCO World Heritage site famed for its Sicilian Baroque architecture. Wander its elegant streets and marvel at handsome palazzi, grand squares and the iconic Cathedral of San Nicolò.

Just beyond, explore the coastal town of Avola (11km), known for its historic centre and its famous red wine, Nero d'Avola. For more coastal charm, head further north to Fontane Bianche (20km), a popular seaside resort with turquoise waters perfect for swimming and snorkelling.

An easy day trip also brings you to the historic splendour of Syracuse (36km) and the UNESCO-listed island of Ortigia, where ancient Greek ruins meet vibrant modern culture. Lose yourself in narrow alleyways, dine in atmospheric piazzas and explore the stunning Duomo, built atop a 5th-century temple.

For a deeper dive into Sicily's baroque heartland, the beautiful towns of Ispica, Modica, and Ragusa beckon in the other direction, within a 30 to 60-minute drive, each offering a fascinating blend of history, culture and wonderful regional cuisine.

Local Amenities

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| Nearest Airport | Catania Airport (85km) |
| Nearest Bar/Pub | Lido di Noto - seasonal opening (1.5-2km) |
| Nearest Beach | Lido di Noto (1.5km) |



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| Nearest City | Syracuse (36km) |
| Nearest Restaurant | Lido di Noto - seasonal opening (1.5-2km) |
| Nearest Shop | Lido di Noto - seasonal opening (1.5-2km) |
| Nearest Supermarket | Noto (6.5km) |
| Nearest Town | Noto (7km) |
| Nearest Train Station | Noto (6.5km) |
| Nearest Village | Lido di Noto (1.5km) |

What we love

- A beautifully restored home exuding Sicilian charm and contemporary style with three air-conditioned en suite bedrooms.
- Sit out on your shaded veranda, surrounded by bougainvillea and jasmine, with its outdoor lounge, summer kitchen and al-fresco dining area.
- The Mediterranean garden is idyllic with olive, almond and fruit trees alongside a gorgeous swimming pool, pretty stone terraces and glimpses of the sea.
- The sandy beaches and summer restaurants of Lido di Noto are just a short walk away for long days beside the sea.
- The perfect base for exploring southeastern Sicily, so close to the Baroque elegance of Noto and the natural beauty of the Vendicari Nature Reserve.

What you should know...

- Air-conditioning is featured in all three bedrooms and the living area.
- Please be aware that there is a floating, open-sided staircase leading to the bedrooms on the first floor (supervision is needed).
- This villa does not allow children under 12 years old.
- It's around a 20-minute walk to local beaches including Lido di Noto with its seasonal facilities – please note that most of the route is via a main road without a pavement.
- Floor surrounding the pool is made of a beautiful natural stone, pay attention when walking barefoot because it may be a bit rough and uneven.
- Some rooms have sloping ceilings. While the ceiling height is comfortable throughout most areas, very tall guests should take extra care.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €750 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. Guests are required to separate and recycle waste correctly. If waste is not disposed of properly, a €200.00 fine will apply. If guests prefer the local property managers to manage waste disposal, the cost is €75.00 per week.
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 to 10.00 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?:** Included up to 3,30 kwt.
- **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 will apply (payable locally).
- **Other Ts and Cs:** 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.
 Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Yes. 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:** 5 nights.
- **Heating costs included?:** No. Extra cost based on consumption, payable locally.
- **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 from April to late-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.