Villa Gilda

Region: Sicily **Sleeps:** 6

Overview

Villa Gilda puts its guests at the heart of a breath-taking Sicilian landscape. Immersed in countryside, with rolling hills covered in olive groves and vineyards, pine woods and fields and a shimmering azure sea at the Cala Mazzo di Sciacca cove beyond, it is hard to imagine a more beautiful Mediterranean setting.

The property is finely decorated with a few paintings and small artisanal wooden boats which echo the sea faring culture that permeates this region. The dining area is bright and welcoming thanks to its attractive windows, which offer spectacular sea views. Both the double and twin bedroom offers spacious wardrobes to guests, and the third double is on a mezzanine accessible via a ladder (this is available at an extra cost).

The charm of this location hits you immediately stepping onto one of the two verandas. An intensely wonderful view of the shimmering waves below can be admired whilst preparing food in the elegant and well equipped outdoor BBQ area. To the north west of the house lies the private pool, adorned by palm trees and sun loungers and sporting a luxurious hydro massage function. The olfactory delights of the surrounding Mediterranean garden are a lasting pleasure whilst relaxing on the panoramic sun terrace.









Facilities

Historical Sites • Canoeing/Kayaking • Watersports • <1hr to Airport • Air-Con • Fishing • Romantic • Recommended • Wine Tasting • Sailing • Private Pool • Boat Trips • Has Offer • Cots (Cribs) • Has Discount • Walk to Beach • Special Offer • Beach Nearby • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Parking Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • Seaview • BBQ • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • DVD • Dishwasher • Microwave • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Transfers Available • On-Site Concierge • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interior

- Double bedroom
- Twin bedroom
- Living room: flat SAT TV, radio/HiFi, sofa, A/C
- Kitchen: fridge, freezer, electric kettle, dishwasher, microwave, washing machine/ iron & table with four chairs
- Bathroom with shower
- WC

Mezzanine Level (accesible via a ladder)

- Attic room with French bed

Outside Grounds

- Private pool with hydro massage function, open approximately beginning of March to mid-November
- Front veranda with barbecue and sofa
- Back veranda with table and chairs
- Shower









Location & Local Information

West of Palermo, just after Castellammare del Golfo, the coastline becomes rugged and spectacular. Part of this coastline is Lo Zingaro Nature Reserve, which stretches for 7km between the lovely village of Scopello in the east to near San Vito Lo Capo in the west. Created in 1981, this park and its surrounding areas are one of the most beautiful parts of western Sicily.

Lo Zingaro has been shaped by nature to dramatic effect. Cliffs drop precipitously into the azure sea and the series of pebbly beaches hidden amongst a myriad of coves are as lovely as you can find in the Mediterranean. The park attracts both walkers and bathers alike and in the summer, when many beaches are overcrowded, it is a good idea to head for Lo Zingaro, walk for half an hour and find relative isolation on a virtually deserted beach.

At the edge of the Zingaro Nature reserve lies the ancient Scopello (from the Greek word "Skopelos" that means "cliff"), a small, pleasant village that was built around a 16th-century “baglio”, on the site of a former Moorish hamlet. As you will discover, this nice courtyard is now the heart of the village. Here, ceramics and souvenirs shops, as well as boutiques, cafés and restaurants lie under the shadow of a large eucalyptus. On the road to Trapani one can spot the idyllically situated Greek temple of Segesta, one of the Mediterranean’s finest archaeological sites.

Castellammare del Golfo is an attractive seaside town between Palermo and Trapani. The historic fishing port has a picturesque location, below steep mountain slopes; with a handsome curved harbour at the foot of a small headland topped with a castle. There are still small working fishing boats, and you may see fishermen mending their nets on board, or selling the day's catch. Castellammare has a pretty little central park, opposite the elegant town hall on Corso Mattarella. The park has a small children's play area, shady trees, and benches views over the harbour.









Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Palermo (55 km)**
Nearest Airport 2	**Catania (280km)**
Nearest Bar/Pub	**(under 1km)**
Nearest Beach	**(200 m)**
Nearest Village	**Scopello (1km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**(3 km)**

What we love

- An enchanting pool and veranda, lined by palms in a verdant Mediterranean garden
- Set at the heart of nature and imperial landscape, facing the sea and an amazing beach just 200m below
- Near Lo Zingaro Nature Reserve, from which snorkeling and spectacular walks can be undertaken

What you should know...

- The final leg of access road to the villa is up a steep and narrow road - we suggest hiring a sturdy car, also making the most of this fantastic area.
- Please note that this property sleeps 4 guests across two bedrooms, although an additional 2 guests can be accommodated on a French bed in the attic. Please note that when you book for 4 guests, this room will not be available.
- 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:** €300 paid in cash to the owner upon arrival and refunded upon departure, subject to full inspection.

- **Arrival time:** From 4.00 p.m. Check-in after this time may be subject to an extra cost. Please enquire for more details.

- **Departure time:** 10 a.m. Late check out available until 2 p.m., for an extra fee of €70.

- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.

- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.

- **Pets welcome?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner. If accepted, a pet supplement of €50 per stay will apply (payable locally).

- **Other Ts and Cs:** A cot and highchair are available on request an an additional cost of €50 per week, per item.
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 Please note home security devices may be installed at the villa, please enquire for further information.

- **Changeover day:** Saturday in high season. Flexible during all other periods.

- **End of stay cleaning:** Standard changeover clean included in the price. 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.

- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights from end-May to end-September. 3 nights during other period.

- **Heating costs included?:** Extra cost, paid locally based on consumption.

- **Tax:** Italian Visitors Tax payable locally in cash (typically costs €1-€10 per person per night - please enquire if exact amount is required).

- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet access included.

- **Pool towels included?:** Beach towels included.

- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open approximately beginning of March to end of November. 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.