Villa Castagna

Region: Italian Lakes **Sleeps:** 8

Overview

Life seems so simple when outside and surrounded by breath-taking views. And that's precisely what makes Villa Castagna such a wonderful holiday - there's plenty of opportunities to appreciate the beautiful vistas.

This panoramic villa in the picturesque town of Pallanza, set in a large private park, boasts manicured lawns, shady trees, an abundance of flowers and perfectly located spots in which to enjoy the view. And, it's within these extensive grounds you can while away many an hour strolling around the gardens or running around with the kids. Fancy a dip? Step into the turquoise infinity pool encompassed by wooden decking - the ideal place to soak up those lake and verdant hillside views.

Wander inside Villa Castagna, and you'll be greeted by a spacious but oh-so-cosy living room featuring floor to ceiling windows with more of those gorgeous views out over the lake. If you're a bit of a bookworm, you'll love this room with its many bookcases, and think of all the places you can go and enjoy a good read in those outdoor spaces. What about the decked terrace with retractable awning, opening out from the living room - an excellent spot for a lunchtime cocktail or sundowner. Or, make your way to the open plan dining area for a sumptuous Italian supper indoors.

Sleeping eight guests in four double bedrooms, the options for a family are ideal, and there are three bathrooms - two with bathtubs. The fact that three of the bedrooms share a balcony overlooking the gardens and glittering waters of Lake Maggiore only add to the appeal of this charming property.

Located on a peaceful residential hill next to the town of Pallanza means you'll have easy access to charming shops, cafes and restaurants. And for an enchanting day trip, hop on a ferry to the magical Borromeon Islands, the pretty town of Stresa, or even to Switzerland.











Facilities

Recommended • <1hr to Airport • Walking/Hiking Paths • Private Pool • Walk to Village • Ideal for Kids • Chef/Cook Available • Special Offer • Has

Offer • Has Discount • Cots (Cribs) • Maid Service Available • Beach Nearby • Walk to Restaurant • Waterfront • Wi-Fi/Internet • Lakes and Mountains • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Satellite TV • Heating • Caretaker/Owner on Site • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interior (240sqm)

Ground Floor

- Spacious living room with TV, desk, library and sliding doors out on to the terrace
- Open-plan kitchen with Nespresso machine and dining area
- Guest toilet

First Floor

- 3 x bedrooms with double beds with access to a shared balcony
- Bathroom with bath
- Bathroom with bath with jets and shower enclosure

Lower Ground floor

- Bedroom with two single beds and access to the garden
- Bathroom with shower
- Laundry area

Outside Grounds

- Infinity swimming pool with decking (11m x 6m, depth: 1.6m - 2.4m). Open approximately mid-May - end-September
- Extensive gardens (8000sqm) with benches and spots to take a seat and enjoy the view
- Sun loungers, deckchairs and parasols
- Outdoor shower
- Terrace with shaded area for dining al fresco

Facilities

- Private parking







Location & Local Information

There's something magical about the lakes of northern Italy bordering Switzerland - the snow-capped mountains, elegant villas, charming villages and narrow glacial lakes, all of which make for a camera-ready scene of eye-popping beauty.

And Lake Maggiore, Italy's second largest lake, is no exception. Sleepy cobblestone villages, exceptional flowers, views over glittering waters, ethereal islands and the odd castle - it's no wonder such illustrious visitors as Byron, Shelley and Hemingway graced its very shores.

When the Simplon Pass train from Switzerland, one of the Alps most beautiful crossings opened, it meant easier access to this beautiful lake. And many visited for all its beauty, including its little islands located on the western arm of this stunning stretch of water: the tiny Isola Bella - a place of decadent parties for the nobility of Europe; Isola dei Pescatori with its population of just 50 people and a number of fabulous fish restaurants; Isola Madre featuring the most beautiful botanical flowers. The Borromean Islands are well worth a visit.

Inland, explore the pretty town of Stresa situated below the majestic peak of Mottarone and enjoy its many cafes, restaurants and bars - especially the ones with views out to the Borromean islands.

Why not take a cable car up Mottarone for a truly spectacular view across the Alps? Amble around the town of Verbania or Cannobio's lakefront piazza with its ancient buildings. Then there's picturesque Maccagno and Luino with its famous market - amongst many more on this enchanting lake that will quite literally take your breath away.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Milan Malpensa (67 km)**









Nearest Airport 2	**Bergamo (150 km)**
Nearest Town/City	**Pallanza/Stresa (600 m/15 km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Restaurants & Cafes (600 m)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Supermarkets & Shops (600 m)**
Nearest Bar/Pub	**(600m)**

What we love

- Extensive gardens to stroll around, with perfectly-placed spots to enjoy the lake views. Enchanting to say the least!
- Location, location, location - and not just for its panoramic vistas, but it's proximity to the village, ferry to the islands and even Switzerland
- You can't beat an infinity pool for a refreshing dip while soaking up the majestic surroundings

What you should know...

- A housekeeper family (2 adults and 1 child) with 1 small dog (Jack Russell terrier) lives in a separate part of the house (with independent entrance) and takes care of the garden and swimming pool. They will not interfere with your stay and while respecting your privacy, they will be happy to answer you any questions you might have.
- Part of the garden towards the lake is bordered by an iron fence to protect from a steep drop.
- 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 that this property is not equipped with air conditioning.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €750 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation at least 2 weeks prior to arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.

- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m to 7.00 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?:** Yes.

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

- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.

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 Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.

- **Changeover day:** Saturday. All other changeover days on request.

- **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.

- **Smoking Allowed?:** Outside only.

- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights. All other durations on request.

- **Heating costs included?:** Extra cost, payable locally. Exact amount to be given at the time of your stay. Please enquire for further details.

- **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?:** Yes.

- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open approximately mid-May to end-September. 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.