

Villa Della Gitana

Region: Sicily **Sleeps:** 14

Overview

Looking out over the bay of Castellammare del Golfo, surrounded by mountains and extensive olive groves, Villa Della Gitana enjoys a rather special location on the isle of Sicily. Around an hour's drive west of Palermo, this stunning villa for up to 14 guests puts you within easy reach of the picture-postcard Scopello village, archaeological sites of Segesta and a whole lot more.

The Mediterranean countryside which surrounds the villa provides a beautiful backdrop, with the villa's own gardens enjoying sea views. You'll find a large caribou tree under which you can get some shade, a comfy hammock and a built-in stone barbecue, along with terrace dining areas and a pool, surrounded by olive trees. There are also plenty of sun loungers and seating.

Inside, a charming living room with rustic, bare-stone wall has two sofas and satellite TV, plus a wood-burning stove for extra comfort. A spacious dining area complements a well-equipped kitchen with all you could need, which looks out over the gardens. In addition, there's a pantry and separate utility room/bathroom.

A corridor from the living room leads to six double bedrooms and three bathrooms with a shower. All of these bedrooms are air-conditioned with large wardrobes and two have TVs and external access. A separate annexe has a queen size bed and is perfect for younger guests who want some independence.

The gorgeous setting of the Lo Zingaro nature reserve really elevates this already incredible villa. Enchanting countryside is a treat for the senses, and the rocky coastline stuns with crystal clear waters, rugged cliffs and beaches like that of picturesque Castellammare del Golfo.

The village of Scopello itself is a short walk from the sea, its central piazza acting as the meeting point for a maze of alleys where bars and restaurants with outdoor terraces make the most of the easy-going vibe.

Facilities

Wi-Fi/Internet • Historical Sites • Walk to Beach • Air-Con • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Beach Nearby • Rural Location • Cots (Cribs) • DVD • Private Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Pets on Request • <1hr to Airport • Satellite TV • Heating • High Chair(s) • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages



Interior & Grounds

The Villa

Villa Della Gitana is a lovely family house surrounded by olive groves and typical Mediterranean countryside. Villa can accommodate up to 14 people with 7 bedrooms and 5 bathrooms.

Main Villa - Ground floor

- Living room with two sofas, SAT TV and Hi-Fi,
- Fully equipped kitchen
- Dining area with a large table and chairs in hardwood
- Utility room/bathroom
- Six double bedrooms
- Three bathrooms with showers

Annexe

- Bedroom with queen bed and ensuite bathroom

Outside Grounds

- Garden with dining facilities and barbecue
- Large veranda with table and chairs and sofas
- Sun terrace with sun lounger
- Swimming pool 8m x 5m, open approximately from beginning of March to mid-November



Location & Local Information

On the north-western coast of Sicily, Scopello is aptly named, derived from the Latin for 'rock'. Its impressively rugged, craggy cliffs and dramatic 'faraglioni', or rock formations, are surrounded by wonderfully clear blue waters and are just a few minutes from the equally pretty sights of the village centre.

At the heart of the village, what was once a farm or 'baglio' has been given new life with restaurants, a café and shop now occupying the 18th-century building. In the beautiful bay, look out for the 'tonnara', once the centre of the area's tuna-fishing activity. It's less productive now, so you can just enjoy the sun and the surroundings, and perhaps take a swim – the location is considered so perfect, it has appeared on screen many times, notably in George Clooney's Oceans Twelve.

Other gorgeous beaches in the area include those at Castellammare del Golfo and San Vito Lo Capo, considered to be perhaps the most beautiful on the island. The area lends itself to water-sports like scuba-diving and snorkelling, and just soaking up the atmosphere of the place with drinks and dinner on one of the many café terraces.

If you choose to go walking or hiking over any sort of distance, you will be well and truly rewarded. The undulating landscapes offer plenty of variety: the coastal road from Castellammare del Golfo takes you up to 200m above sea level, before leading you down to the pebble beach of Guidaloca and back up to Scopello. Among the places you may wish to stop a while is the marina at Castellammare del Golfo, or a little further inland, the Greek amphitheatre of Segesta – a well-preserved landmark it's well worth seeing.



Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Palermo Airport Falcone e Borsellino (55 km)
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Nearest Airport	Trapani Airport Birgi (55 km)
Nearest Village	Scopello (3 km)
Nearest Town/City	Castellammare del Golfo (10 km)
Nearest Shop	Shops, supermarkets and cafes (5 km)
Nearest Beach	Sandy beach (1 km)

What we love

- This is the kind of villa where almost anything can be arranged – if you need a baby sitter, shopping delivered, car hire, boat trips etc, just ask
- Annexe suite is a great addition to the ample accommodation at Villa Gitana, perfect for teenagers and with all its own facilities
- Scopello is one of the prettiest coastal villages you'll find – wander down to the beach early in the morning to appreciate this area's natural wonders

What you should know...

- Please note that whilst this property can comfortably sleep 14 guests, 2 guests will be accommodated in an external annexe.
- The final leg of access road to the villa is on a windy and unpaved road - we suggest hiring a sturdy car, also making the most of this fantastic area
- 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.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €600 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 outside this time may be subject to an extra cost. Please enquire for more details
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m. Check-out outside this time may be subject to an extra cost. Please enquire for more details
- **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 €100 per stay will apply (payable locally).
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Extra bed at extra cost per week, cot and high chair €50 per week. 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.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday in high season. Flexible during all other periods.
- **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:** 3 nights.
- **Heating costs included?:** Extra cost, paid locally on consumption.
- **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 opening dates?:** The pool is open approximately beginning of March to beginning-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.
- **Property Licence Number:** IT081005B45WGMSO7X.