

# Villa Liberty

Region: Sicily Sleeps: 6

## Overview

Built in 1860, Villa Liberty is a beautifully traditional five-bedroom villa just a stone's throw from Sicily's breath-taking coastline. Perfectly located up on the hill, the villa enjoys panoramic views over the old city of Taormina and its ancient Greco-Roman theatre, as well as the vast Ionic Sea.

The interior of the villa is set on one floor, with entrance via a large hallway, with high vaulted ceilings and terracotta tiled flooring. This majestic, traditional style is furthered throughout both the living room and dining room, where one can truly sense the 150-year history of the home. Antique furniture, including many classical items, create a full character while the textures and patterns retain the local history. Both the living and dining rooms open directly onto the magnificent terraces, where you can admire the excellent views. The kitchen is fully equipped with all modern appliances to make your stay effortless.

There are three bedrooms, two doubles and one twin bedroom, each individually furnished and delicately designed to reflect the history of the town and the beautiful home.

Outside, the 3000m<sup>2</sup> luxurious Mediterranean garden, with its fragrant array of bougainvillaea, pine, lemon and almond trees, creates a cooling layer around the gardens and two large terraces and ensures a private environment in which you can relax and enjoy the magnificent weather with ease. An outdoor dining area allows you to take meals in the sunshine and fresh air, under cover of refreshing foliage!

Whether you're into history, architecture or culture, Taormina, the most beautiful of the ancient Sicilian cities, will ensure you are kept on your toes and entertained! Within the town, you will find endless options for drinking and dining, be that seafront restaurants, casual pavement cafes or a range of high-end bars.

During the day there are plenty of fantastic shops where you can enjoy little retail therapy, including many boutique and antique shops, while late at night you will find some night-clubs playing all kinds of music for you to revel in until the early hours! Nearby you will also find scuba diving and tennis courts. Just outside the town is the magnificent park of Mount Etna, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the highest volcano in Europe.

As mentioned in...

# Condé Nast Traveller

Conde Nast Traveller (<https://www.cntraveller.com/gallery/the-best-villas-in-sicily>)



# The Telegraph

The Telegraph (<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/travel/destinations/europe/italy/the-best-italian-villas-still-available-this-summer/>)

## Facilities

Sailing • Air-Con • Tennis Nearby • Recommended • Wine Tasting • Historical Sites • Canoeing/Kayaking • Watersports • Walking/Hiking Paths • Ideal for Kids • Walk to Village • Special Offer • Maid Service Available • Has Discount • Quirky (Unique) • Ideal for Teens • Chef/Cook Available • Cots (Cribs) • Beach Nearby • Instagrammable • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • <1hr to Airport • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Coffee Machine • Hairdryer • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • DVD • Dishwasher • Satellite TV • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available

# Interior & Grounds

## Villa Interior (200m<sup>2</sup>)

- Living room with direct access to the terrace
- Dining room with high vaulted ceilings, terracotta tiles and thick walls
- Two double bedrooms
- Single bedroom (can be made into a double on request)
- Bathroom with shower
- Bathroom with bath/shower
- Kitchen, fully equipped with a dishwasher, coffee machine and lovely supply of elegant china

## Outside Grounds

- Panoramic terrace overlooking Taormina, sea and the Greek theatre
- Terrace with breakfast area and barbecue
- Large fenced garden (3000m<sup>2</sup>) with old trees and Mediterranean vegetation
- Outdoor shower
- Solarium and four sun loungers

## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning in bedrooms
- Washing machine
- Hairdryer



## Location & Local Information

Nestled at the heart of Taormina town, on the north-eastern coast of Sicily, Villa Liberty is perfectly placed to enjoy the best of both sides of the island!

Within the town, you will find endless options for drinking and dining, be that seafront restaurants, casual pavement cafes or a range of high-end bars. During the day there are plenty of fantastic shops where you can enjoy little retail therapy, including many boutique and antique shops, while late at night you will find some night-clubs playing all kinds of music for you to revel in until the early hours! Just outside the town, meanwhile, is the magnificent park of Mount Etna, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with the highest volcano in Europe, and one of most active of the world, which is less than 40 minutes away.

From June to September there are many cultural events across the town, including a film festival, theatre, classical and pop concerts, among others. A fabulously scenic path can access the many beautiful beaches along the coast, or you may opt to take the funicular down the steep hill, or you can even drive for maximum accessibility. There is a scuba diving school at Isola Bella beach, while just a ten-minute walk away you will find some great tennis courts available.

Sicily is a diverse and beautiful island on the southern tip of Italy, famous for its exquisite wine and gastronomy (largely Mediterranean cuisine with strong hints of Arabic and Spanish influence), interesting architecture, and its picturesque rugged coastline. The island's capital, Palermo, has a thriving nightlife and wonderful opportunities for sightseeing.

### Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Catania Airport (65 km)
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Nearest Village	Taormina (100 m)
Nearest Town/City	Catania (50 km)
Nearest Restaurant	Restaurants & Cafes (200 m)
Nearest Beach	Beach (4 km)
Nearest Supermarket	Shops & Supermarkets (250 m)



## What we love

- Just a few minutes' walk from the city centre, and a stone's throw to the beach, Villa Liberty is perfectly placed to ensure you have the ultimate freedom to explore.
- The panoramic views from the luscious garden and terraces are beautiful, taking in both the sea and the magnificent town!
- This fabulously exotic, tropical garden ensures plenty of privacy while offering a truly privileged position on the hill and endlessly beautiful and interesting plants, flowers and old trees!
- Careful attention has been paid to create a classical beauty within the interior design, with traditional furniture complementing rustic patterns and textures

## What you should know...

- There's a reasonably steep walk to the beach but if you don't fancy it, hop on the funicular!
- Please note that the villa does not have on-site parking. The nearest public car park is located approximately 1 km away and parking fees in the area can be relatively high, reflecting the exclusive location. From the car park, a complimentary shuttle service is available, with the nearest stop situated approximately 200 metres from the property. A valet parking service is also available at an additional cost. Please enquire for further information
- Please also note that the villa is set in an elevated position and is accessed via approximately 60 steps.
- Air-conditioning is available in the bedrooms only, but the thick walls ensure the rooms keep cool and fresh throughout summer
- 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:** €1,000 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation one month before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.

- **Arrival time:** 4 p.m to 10 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 in rental price.

- **Linen & towels included?:** Linen and bath towels included in rental price (beach towels not included).

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

- **Other Ts and Cs:** Air-conditioning in bedrooms only. <br> Please note home security devices may be installed at the villa, please enquire for further information. <br> 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. <br> Please note that your booking will only be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner or their property manager. <br>

- **Changeover day:** Flexible.

- **End of stay cleaning:** Extra €350, paid to Oliver's Travels with the balance. 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. Short stays of 4 nights are accepted on request and when check-in is less than 60 days after reservation.

- **Heating costs included?:** Extra €150 per week (from October Until April), to be requested in advance, 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 connection included.