Villa Minette

Region: Amalfi Coast **Sleeps:** 9

Overview

Villa Minette is a luminescent three storey villa which blends original architecture and rustic style with contemporary comfort.

Upon entering Villa Minette, guests will immediately feel the sense of laid back and understated luxury; executed immaculately, this villa also offers a “home from home” feel. The traditional touches are abundant: terracotta floors; pretty tiled detailing, inner arch within living space and exposed traditional stonework. The result is a cosy, inviting, yet impeccably finished home.

Informal, and brimming with character, Villa Minette offers an open plan living room: natural daylight pours in through the floor to ceiling glass doors; indoor and outdoor living fuse effortlessly - with views across the expansive green lawns.

Naturally sub-divided, yet all part of the same space, the dining table is magnificently commanding, a long, natural timber table that seats twelve guests - imagine sitting down to a special chef-prepared celebration meal, or just a fun family breakfast!

Beautiful plants, charismatic artwork, accents of canary yellow and wicker furnishings retain the relaxed and “beachy” vibe, while the living room offers a luxurious lounging space with large, comfortable sofas and ample soft furnishings for when downtime is in order. This home has been restored sympathetically to its original format, with a light touch and an unpretentious feel; the raw materials, stone and natural timber furnishings speak for themselves.

Far from being just another bland holiday rental, there are antique touches and a real sense of the locality; the scent









of lemon trees and olive groves filtering in from the gardens, and many nods to the region through the decorative touches inside.

The kitchen is a space full of quirks and personality - again, brimming with Sorrento flavour; the deep blue glossy unit fronts and brass fittings along with the pretty local tiles in burnt orange and marina blue give it a distinctively local feel. Every top range appliance is at guests disposal, in a set up which is designed for group catering, while the small table is ideal for toddler meals.

Playful touches give this home its unique, bohemian feel; the fantastic art-piece glass blue lighting, and gorgeous white spiral staircase being among some of these, keeping guests guessing at every turn!

Villa Minette accommodates nine guests across five bedrooms, and with five bathrooms, there is no need for bathroom queues! The bedrooms offer low-key, restorative indulgence, with beautiful, quality fabrics and soft furnishings, each room has its unique touches of character or accents of colour, whether it be ethnic style fabric; antique carriage lights, or direct courtyard access.

The bedrooms on the upper floors offer stunning views; the polished hardwood flooring is so attractive, while the antique artwork and beautifully refined rooms offer such a refined ambience, together with comfortable armchairs and beautiful Italian cotton bed linen. The bedrooms smart also provide own lounging potential, or writing desks, doubling as a sedate office space, or reading room!

The lawns are pristine, expansive and impeccably maintained; framed by a riot of flowering bushes and luscious shaded trees, the pool area is a smooth affair, with an array of parasols, loungers and sun beds. Guests will be able to sit back with a good holiday read and a cool bear or enjoy meals al fresco on the terrace as the sun softens at the end of the day and the gardens are romantically lit up.

Villa Minette is such a pleasant and comfortable, home-like villa, bursting with local flavour and original charm,

designer quirks and interiors panache combining with effervescent style, in one of the most beautiful parts of Italy - an ideal option for a family break or a couple of families holidaying in tandem.

Facilities

Catering Available • Air-Con • Fishing • Historical Sites • Recommended • Private Pool • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Walking/Hiking Paths • Walk to Village • Ideal for Kids • Chef/Cook Available • Special Offer • Has Offer • Has Discount • Ideal for Teens • Cots (Cribs) • Maid Service Included • Beach Nearby • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • DVD • Satellite TV • Heating • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds

Interior & Grounds

The Villa

Villa Minette is a three-floor villa with swimming pool, ideal for families, set in the Sorrento area. There are 5 bedrooms and 5 bathrooms, and it can accommodate up to 9 people.

Ground floor

- Living room with fireplace and TV
- Dining room for 12 people opening onto a terrace
- Fully-equipped kitchen
- Guest WC
- Bedroom with a double bed opening onto the terrace
- Bathroom with a shower, basin, bidet, WC
- Laundry room with washing machine, dryer, iron, ironing board

First floor

- Bedroom with a double bed and views of Capri
- Bathroom with hydromassage bath, shower, basin, bidet and WC
- Bedroom with a single bed and desk
- Bedroom with twin beds and views of Capri
- Bathroom with shower, basin, bidet and WC

Second floor

- Bedroom with a double bed and en-suite bathroom with a shower, basin and WC

Outside Grounds

- Garden with benches
- Swimming pool (11.5m x 7m, max depth: 1.8m). Open approximately beginning-April to end-October.
- Outdoor shower
- Terrace with outdoor furniture
- BBQ and pizza oven
- Parking spaces

More facilities...

- Hairdryers

- Heating
- Safe









Location & Local Information

Villa Minette is just a short walk from Sant'Agata Sui Due Golfi which is a small community nestled above Sorrento. On one side lies the Gulf of Naples and Vesuvius, on the other lies the Gulf of Salerno with the Galli islands and Amalfi coast, and just off the beach is the famous and glamorous island of Capri.

Locally, the Monastero del Deserto has charmed travellers such as Stendhal and Goethe, and the church of Santa Maria Delle Grazie, which is known for its opulent inlaid altar, laid with marble and mother of pearl.

The region has a robust gastronomical heritage, with some multiple starred restaurants including Don Alfonso and Lo Stuzzichino, as well as cheese dairies which offer tours.

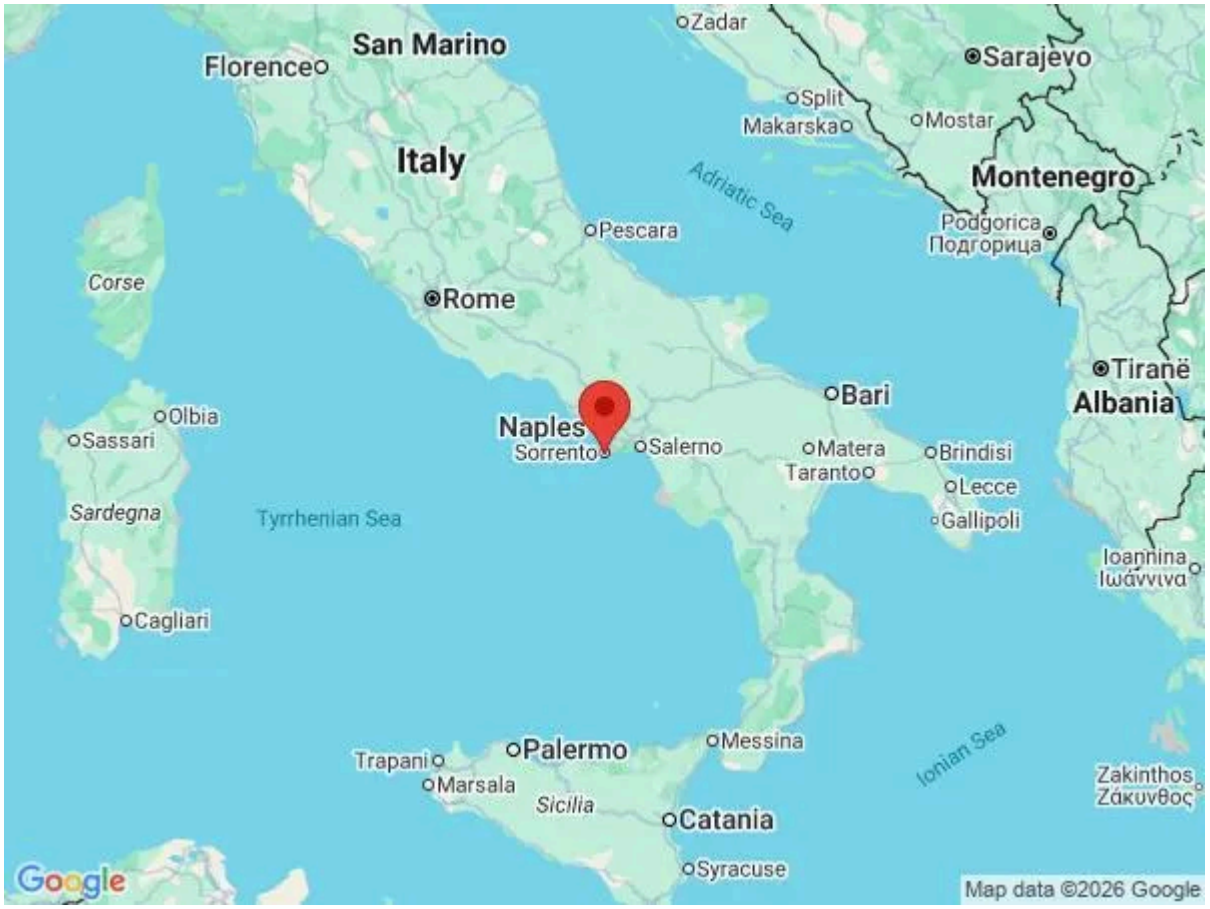
The magical, historical site of the Bagni della Regina Giovanna - famous for the legendary tale of Queen Giovanna; a natural seawater lagoon inside the old Roman ruins is worth a visit, while the area around Sorrento is rich with culture, and the beautiful Amalfi coast offers so much.

For a taste of the dolce vita Positano is a beautiful picture-card perfect day trip with stunning coastal roads.

Pompeii requires a full day (and plenty of cooling drinks in the heat of the summer.) This ancient preserved town has been crystallised in time; the statues are a sobering and unforgettable sight. Parents of toddlers should be aware that the streets are cobbled; the cafe offers a good selection of ice lollies, however.

Capri is a fun boat trip away, with smart restaurants and beautiful, excellent sandy beaches.

Naples itself is buzzing, and bustling working city; the markets, the narrow streets with their outdoor washing lines and cobbled alleyways offer an authentic taste of southern Italian colour and life, along with plenty of history, beautiful churches and allegedly the best pizza Italy has to









offer.

Sorrento itself looks over the Bay of Naples on the Sorrentine Peninsula; sitting on the clifftops that separate the town from its busy marinas, it is renowned for its sweeping water views across the waters and central Piazza Tasso, the cafe-lined square.

The centre of Sorrento is steeped in history; within a warren of narrow alleys the Chiesa di San Francesco is a sight to behold; the 14th-century church in rich, opulent Italian style with tranquil cloisters.

Amalfi itself is so attractive with its ochre tones, set in a fertile region known for its fresh produce, boat trips and long sandy beaches are the tones of the day. Seafood restaurants are aplenty, as are small, little authentic towns set within the cliffs.

Whether it be hiking, fine cuisine or historical sites, this part of Italy offers opportunity in abundance. The Lattari mountains hug the Sorrentine peninsula impressively. Jazz concerts in the open air are popular in the summer months, and the renowned Museo Correale di Terranova is a must-see for art lovers.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Naples International Airport (60 km)**
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Nearest Village	**Sant'Agata sui Due Golfi (500 m)**
Nearest Town/City	**Sorrento (7 km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Restaurants & Cafes (500 m)**
Nearest Beach	**Sandy/Stone Beach (4km)**
Nearest Shop	**Supermarkets & Shops (500 m)**

What we love

- Villa Minette can be booked alongside the adjacent villa for a total of twenty-two people, making it an ideal setting for a group of families, or celebrations and anniversaries
- This home offers the best of a private, independent home, along with five-star hotel services including chef, laundry service, airport transfers, pre-arrival grocery shopping - all available for pre-booking as optional extras
- The outdoor space is sublime; private enclosed garden, outdoor terrace with barbecue, grill and pizza oven, as well as windows with far reaching views across the sea to the island of Capri
- Daily cleaning and towel changes included; weekly change of bed linen

What you should know...

- Air conditioning only in some of the rooms, while the villa is light and luminous with cool marble floors and large windows.
- Heating is not included, yet is available at an additional fee
- Swimming pool is available from April until the end of October
- Please note access to the second floor is via a narrow 12-step spiral staircase from the first floor, children should be supervised.
- 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 the use of any external caterers and/or contractors is not permitted.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €500 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:** 3.30 p.m. - 8.00 p.m. Check-in outside this time is subject to an extra cost (€60).

- **Departure time:** 9.30 a.m.

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

- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, and change of linen every 4 days and daily towel change included.

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

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- **Changeover day:** Flexible.

- **End of stay cleaning:** Extra €200, payable locally. 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.

- **Other Cleaning:** Daily cleaning included, towels changed daily, bed linen changed every 4 days

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

- **Minimum stay:** 3 nights.

- **Heating costs included?:** If requested extra €70,00 per day of use, payable locally. Available from beginning-January to end-April, beginning-November to end-December.

- **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.

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

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