

# Villa Dei Tigli

Region: Sicily    Sleeps: 12

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## Overview

Villa dei Tigli, named after the linden trees that frame its fragrant grounds, is a rustic, ochre-toned country home offering rural charm close to the resplendent eastern Sicilian coast. Set within its expansive, pristine lawns, this home is executed in the traditional, local style with arched, cloister-style architecture, external staircase leading to roof terrace and sloping terracotta tiled roofs.

Outdoor living is offered at its finest, with dappled shade beneath the luscious trees, framed with vibrant, flowering plants and large terrace complete with elegant pergola, table tennis table and barbecue. Guests will enjoy long and leisurely lunches as a group, or intimate drinks as the sun softens over the open country views, pool side cocktails or a local style breakfast after a refreshing morning swim.

There are three layers of terraces, from the Moroccan style roof top terraces complete with "lounge" space and far reaching views, to the middle layer offering elegant dining and the ground floor which is a sumptuous spot to enjoy a gorgeous meal overlooking the lawns.

Twelve guests can be accommodated across six double bedrooms and six bathrooms at Villa Dei Tigli. The bedrooms are full of unique and characterful touches, whilst providing all the comfort a guest would expect in a boutique hotel, each one with its own accents of colour - whether it be powder blue or canary yellow!

The kitchen provides a chic, rustic environment bursting with original charm, colourful handprinted tiles, natural timber and a farmhouse feel. The large dresser, exposed brickwork, stone floor and use of natural timber all add to the authentic feel of this cosy, yet comfortable home. The open plan dining space, painted a very soft pistachio green, provides a sociable space for the group or family to



convene at the end of the day. The enormous polished wood table, beneath the wooden ceiling beams provide simple, elegant traditional taste at its very best!

Villa dei Tigli offers a quintessentially Italian farmhouse style home, blending the best of local raw materials with elegant, timeless interiors and impeccable outdoor living, within one of Italy's most unspoilt regions!

## Facilities

BBQ • Walking/Hiking Paths • Horse Riding • Watersports • Historical Sites • Tennis Nearby • Fishing • Air-Con • Golf Nearby • Wi-Fi/Internet • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Hairdryer • Coffee Machine • Villa • Washing Machine • Table Tennis • Saltwater Pool • Maid Service Available • Walk to Village • Cots (Cribs) • Maid Service Included • Chef/Cook Available • Beach Nearby • Private Pool • Cooking Classes Available • Spa Treatments Available • Transfers Available • Breakfast Available • Babysitting Available • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Safety Deposit Box • Satellite TV • Outdoor Games • Table Football • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • High Chair(s) • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

# Interior & Grounds

- 1) 12 Guests - 6-bedroom and 12-guest rate
- 2) 6 Guests - 3 bedrooms and 6-guest rate (*ground floor only*)

## Villa Interior (300m2)

### Ground Floor

- Living room
- Dining room
- Kitchen with electric oven, freezer, fridge, hob, dishwasher, kettle, microwave and toaster
- Double/twin bedroom with en-suite shower and whirlpool tub
- Double bedroom
- Double/twin bedroom with en-suite shower
- 2 x shower rooms
- Laundry room

### First Floor (*closed off when minimum occupancy is booked*)

- 2 x double bedrooms with en-suite shower room
- Double bedroom
- Shower room

### Outside Grounds

- Salt-water swimming pool (size: 4x10m, max depth: 1.4m) The swimming pool is open from beginning of April to beginning of November
- Sunbeds
- Terrace
- Outdoor dining area
- Garden
- Barbecue
- Outdoor shower

### Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning (in 5 bedrooms)
- Hi-Fi System
- Iron
- Fireplace
- Hairdryer
- Safe
- Washing machine and dryer





# Location & Local Information

Villa Dei Tigli is nestled in the ancient village located midway between the Etna mountain and ten kilometres from the Ionic sea. It is one of the highest villages in the Etna Park, set in the province of Catania and characterised by wonderful chestnut and pine woods.

Catania (which is where the nearest airport is), is dripping with history and cultural interest; the wide central square, Piazza del Duomo, features the whimsical Fontana dell’Elefante statue and richly decorated Catania Cathedral.

The Palazzo Biscari represents a beautiful example of Catanese baroque architecture, and contains a large archeological collection. History buffs will be impressed by the rococo style interiors, stylish decorations and sophisticated crystal chandeliers.

Whether it be benedictine monasteries, the vivacious fish market which is one of the most emblematic sites of the city, or the kiosks of Catania, this historical city is brimming with cultural interest, bustling local life and opulent historical buildings.

The thermal baths and spas are at the foot of Etna, whilst the famous “Kiosks of Catania” are a hub of local life, dating back to the 1800’s; the most famous of which are in Piazza Umberto, a stone’s throw from the Fera O’Luni, the market of Catania.

## Local Amenities

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| Nearest Airport    | Catania<br>(50km)                |
| Nearest Airport 2  | Palermo<br>(280km)               |
| Nearest Bar/Pub    | Riposto<br>(8km)                 |
| Nearest Beach      | Riposto<br>(10km)                |
| Nearest Golf       | Castiglione di Sicilia<br>(25km) |
| Nearest Restaurant | (1km)                            |
| Nearest Shop       | (800m)                           |
| Nearest Tennis     | (6km)                            |



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| Nearest Town/City     | Acireale<br>(20km) |
| Nearest Train Station | Giarre<br>(9km)    |

## What we love

- The interiors are finished with abundant local character and original charm, yet offer flawless comfort and contemporary touches
- Outdoor spaces are immaculately maintained and offer sumptuous lawns, pool side terrace, roof terraces and ample space to roam, relax and play
- Rural location away from the bustle of the crowds and strains of urban life; a true, quintessential Italian retreat!

## What you should know...

- There are five air-conditioning units across the villa (in five of the bedrooms).
- The salt-water swimming pool has a permanent cover over half of the pool and a retractable cover over the other half, due to protection against the Volcano ashes.
- A car is necessary in order to access all that this rich and varied region has to offer; there is ample parking on site.
- This is a rural, traditional country home rather than a serviced resort style hotel!
- When minimum occupancy is booked, certain rooms may not be accessible (subject to owner's discretion) - best to enquire with us beforehand.
- 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:** €1000 paid in cash to the owner upon arrival and refunded upon departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m. - 9.00 p.m. (late arrivals, if agreed, are from 9.00 p.m. - 10.30 p.m. and subject to a €50 fee)
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Included up to 400 kWh per week (extra consumption fee: €0.50 per kWh, payable locally).
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** When minimum occupancy is booked, the first floor will not be accessible. Air-conditioning is only featured in five bedrooms. 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.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday from end-June - end-August. 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:** 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- **Heating costs included?:** Extra charge payable locally and based on consumption.
- **Tax:** The Italian Visitors Tax is collected by Oliver's Travels (typically costs €1-€10 per adult per night - please enquire if exact amount is required).
- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet access included. Please note that the network is aerial and strong enough to support dozens of devices at the same.
- **Pool towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open from beginning of April to beginning of November, subject to weather conditions (cooler months may not be suitable for swimming).