# Casa Leonardo

Region: Puglia Sleeps: 11

### **Overview**

Casa Leonardo is a beautifully restored 19th-century home in the heart of southern Salento, Puglia, offering a blend of traditional charm and modern comfort. Set within private gardens, this villa accommodates up to nine guests across four bedrooms and four bathrooms, including a separate annexe. The property seamlessly connects indoor and outdoor living, providing a serene and stylish retreat.

The gardens are immaculately landscaped, featuring a covered veranda adorned with white cotton curtains, perfect for evening drinks or breakfast after a swim in the private pool. A brick-built outdoor kitchen and oven create an inviting space for alfresco dining, while stone banquettes with marina blue cushions and lanterns add to the charm. Lush lawns dotted with palm trees and greenery provide plenty of space for relaxation and activities.

Inside, the villa exudes a cosy, rustic elegance with a Scandinavian-inspired design. The living and dining area features a large table for eight, a television corner, and an original fireplace. The kitchen maintains its authentic character, with exposed stone walls, timber doors, and a pastel blue Smeg fridge, all enhancing the home's warm and inviting atmosphere.

Just a five-minute drive from the coast, Casa Leonardo is ideally located for exploring the stunning beaches of Puglia, including Torre Suda and Baia Verde. The nearby towns of Taviano and Gallipoli, known for their rich history and vibrant dining scene, are perfect for day trips. Casa Leonardo offers a unique blend of relaxation and exploration in a private, tranquil setting.

### **Facilities**

Wi-Fi/Internet • Washing Machine • Air-Con • Hairdryer • TV • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Private Pool • Cots (Cribs) • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Pets on Request • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Fenced Grounds • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages







### **Interior & Grounds**

#### Main House + Annexe 1 + Annexe 2

#### Main House

- Open plan living room with single sofa bed, dining space and kitchen
- Fully-equipped kitchen with dishwasher, microwave, fridge-freezer
- Open fireplace
- One bedroom with bunk beds
- One double bedroom with garden access
- 2 shower rooms
- Utility room with washing machine and sink

#### Annexe 1

- Double bedroom with en-suite bathroom

#### Annexe 2

- One double bedroom with a single bunk bed above the double, with ensuite shower room and fridge

#### **Outside Grounds**

- Lawns (4600m<sup>2</sup>)
- Barbecue
- Bikes
- Gazebo
- Roof terrace
- Private pool (12m x 5m, depth:1.2m) - Loungers
- Lower dining terrace with dining furniture
- Outdoor fireplace
- Outdoor shower
- Patio with views
- Garden furniture, built-in banquettes
- Private parking

#### Additional Facilities

- Alarm
- Wi-Fi
- Air conditioning in living room only
- De-humidifier
- Cot (on request)









### **Location & Local Information**

Casa Leonardo is nestled just a five-minute drive from the coast, just south of Gallipoli, in Puglia, the "heel" of Italy.

There are many restaurants towards the coast and also some excellent choices in the historic town of Taviano, only 4km away. Admire the beautiful architecture and this town full of history and be sure to try some of the local Salento wine that this area is well known for.

The nearby coastline (1.5km) offers crystal-clear waters and a rocky coastline, ideal for snorkelling as well as swimming. Further north, there are sandier beaches and longer stretches, including the wonderful Baia Verde (15km), just south of Gallipoli, where you will find clear shallow waters which are ideal for children as well as great nightlife as the day draws to a close.

Gallipoli (16km), meaning beautiful city in Greek is a summer escape known for being surround by water on all sides, with a longstanding fishing history and seafood featuring heavily in the cuisine. The *centro storico* is stunningly pretty, with winding alleyways, artisan boutiques and endless eateries.

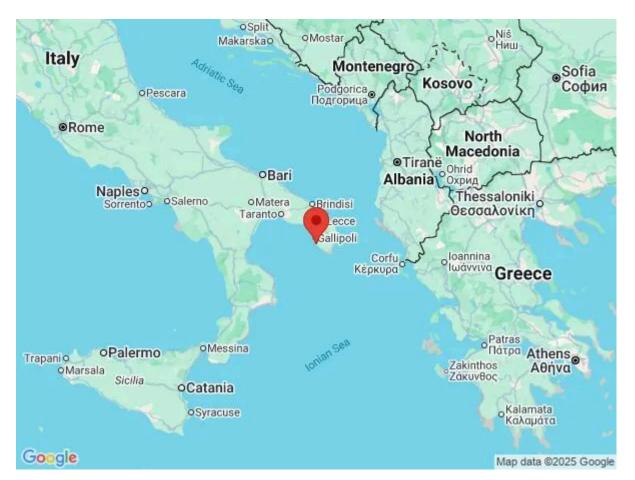
Around forty minutes south, visitors will reach Santa Maria di Leuca (38km), Puglia's southern-most tip, where you can watch the boats in the marina or even take a trip out to see local caves along the dramatic coastline.

Other noteworthy places to visit include Specchia (28km), one of Italy's prettiest villages as well as the great city of Lecce with its great shops and well as historic sights.

The region is known for its olive oil production, as evidenced by the surrounding stretches of olive groves as well as its distinctive white-washed hill towns, centuries old farmland and kilometres of Mediterranean coastline.

#### **Local Amenities**

Nearest Airport	Brindisi (101 km)
Nearest Airport 2	Bari (219 km)
Nearest Village	Marina di Mancaversa-Giannelli (4 km)
Nearest Town	Gallipoli (16 km)
Nearest Restaurant	Marina di Mancaversa-Giannelli (3 km)
Nearest Bar/Pub	Marina di Mancaversa-Giannelli (3 km)









Nearest Beach	Spiaggia di Marina di Mancaversa (3 km)
Nearest Supermarket	CONAD (5 km)

### What we love

- Vivaciously restored 19th century home brimming with local flavour and original touches.
- Sublime outdoor living and dining potential with a roof terrace offering panoramic views.
- Privacy and seclusion, whilst being a few moments from the beach.
- The famous sandy beach of Baie Verde is only 20 minutes away.
- Stunning villages and towns such as Gallipoli, Specchia and Lecce will make wonderful day trips.

## What you should know...

- Low passage ways and ceilings in some parts add great character to this beautiful home.
- Two of the bedrooms are located in two separate buildings.
- For the ninth guest, one of the beds could be a single sofa bed in the living room or there is a bunk-bed above the double in one of the *trulli*.

### **Terms & Conditions**

- Security deposit: €500 paid in cash to the owner upon arrival and refunded upon departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 6.00 p.m. Check-in outside this time may be subject to an extra cost. Please enquire for more details.
- Departure time: 9.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Linen & towels included?: Linen and bath towels are included. Pool towels available on request.
- Pets welcome?: On request only and with prior arrangement with the owner. If accepted, a pet supplement of €100 per pet per stay, payable locally applies.
- Other Ts and Cs: Air conditioning is in the living room only. Please note home security devices may be installed at the villa, please enquire for further information. 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.
- Changeover day: Saturday from July to 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?: Strictly no smoking inside the villa.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights from July end-August. 4 nights during all other periods.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- Internet access?: Wi-Fi connection included.
- Pool opening dates?: The pool is open approximately April to 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.
- Property Licence Number: CIS: LE07506391000004929 CIN: IT075063C200039271