Lorenzo Village

Region: Tuscany **Sleeps:** 40

Overview

Stay in a beautifully restored historic *borgo* for up to 40 guests, a short drive from magical San Gimignano and within easy reach of both Siena and Florence.

The hospitable Bandini family purchased this hamlet at the end of the twentieth century and have taken many years restoring it with great care and attention. Offering a totally unique holiday experience, or perhaps an enchanting place for a dream Tuscan wedding, each of the apartments has been lovingly furnished with character and charm and are now used for their original purpose as a working farm and guest house.

Available to be exclusively hired, each apartment has its own private entrance and terrace and there's a glorious swimming pool with idyllic views of the undulating hills and Tuscan landscapes. A sparkling indoor venue provides the ideal space for a wedding reception or could be a fine spot to host a yoga retreat with friends.

Children will adore the play area and football field, whilst parents will appreciate having a restaurant on-site offering mouth-watering evening meals serving authentic Tuscan fare. The bar is also a lovely touch, the perfect place to relax with a glass of chilled *Vernaccia* from the vineyards of nearby San Gimignano.

Wine-tastings, horse-riding, tennis lessons and guided tours can be arranged by the hospitable owners who frequently visit to help in any way they can. There's a true Tuscan ambience throughout this beautiful setting with its 9th century church and traditional surroundings.

Charming Colle Val D'Elsa is a short drive away with its restaurants and pretty shops or drive a little further to discover some of the classic Chianti villages within half an hour. The famous towers of San Gimignano are also close by, one of Tuscany's most famous and charming villages where you can explore the narrow winding lanes and admire the incredible historic architecture.

Florence and Siena are also waiting to be explored, both within easy reach, or head even further south to the exquisite southern Tuscan towns of Montepulciano and Cortona. Whether you are in the magnificent Tuscan countryside you can be sure of incredible cuisine, fine local wines and wonderfully diverse landscapes of hills, woodland, pretty villages and historic towns.









Facilities

Private Pool • Wine Tasting • Recommended • Weddings • Cycling • Tennis Nearby • Historical Sites • Horse Riding • Air-Con • Walking/Hiking Paths • Ideal for Kids • Golf Nearby • Ideal for Parties • Ideal for Teens • Cots (Cribs) • Maid Service Available • Has Discount • Has Offer • Special Offer • Chapel on Site • Chef/Cook Available • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Parking Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Pool/Snooker • Table Tennis • Table Football • Cooking Classes Available • Babysitting Available • On-Site Concierge • Swings • Trampoline • Slide • English speaking babysitter available • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Mattress protector • Booster seat • Bibs • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds

Apartments and three double bedrooms (40 guests)

Seven apartments are available for guests, each having their own private entrance and terrace. Using traditional materials, the village now offers an original Tuscan atmosphere, combined with modern furnishings.

Furthermore, when booking up to 40 guests, three double en suite bedrooms are also made available, more modern in style. Two are next to each other (and can interconnect on request), the third is the other side of the apartments.

Apartment 1 (140m2, 10 people)

- Located on the first floor of the main house
- 3 x bedrooms with double bed
- Bedroom with double bed and single bed
- Small bedroom with single bed
- 3 x bathrooms with bath/shower
- Living room (mezzanine level)
- Large kitchen and dining area
- Spacious and partly covered terrace

Apartment 2 (100m2, 5-7 people)

- Located on the first and second floors of the vicarage
- Living room with sofa bed
- Large dining area with antique fireplace
- Fully-equipped kitchen
- Bedroom with twin beds
- Bedroom with double bed and single bed
- Bathroom with Jacuzzi tub
- Outside area furnished with sofas, chairs and garden furniture
- Air-conditioning

Apartment 3 (90m2, 5 guests)

- Located in the old barn of the farm
- Large living/dining room with sofa-bed
- Fully-equipped kitchen with balcony
- Bedroom with three single beds
- Bedroom with double bed
- Bathroom with shower
- Air conditioning
- Outdoor patio perfect for al fresco dining

Apartment 4 (90m2, 4-6 people)

- Large living/dining room with sofa bed
- Fully-equipped kitchen with balcony
- Bedroom with double bed
- Bedroom with two single beds
- Bathroom with shower
- Air conditioning
- Tranquil outdoor space with fruit trees and garden furniture









Apartment 5 (75m2, 2-3 people)

- Located on the first floor of the Vicarage
- Elegant living/dining room
- Fully-equipped kitchen
- Double bedroom (with possibility of adding a third single bed)
- A spacious bathroom with bath tub and shower
- Air conditioning
- Atmospheric outdoor space furnished with table and garden chairs

Apartment 6 (40m2, 2 people)

- Based in a romantic little house with a view over swimming pool
- Living room with kitchen
- Double bedroom with bathroom
- Air conditioning
- Paved patio area and furnished garden

Apartment 7 (92m2, 6 people)

- Kitchen
- 3 x double bedrooms
- 2 x bathrooms
- Living room with sofa bed

Double bedrooms across estate (3 units, 18m2 and 2 people each)

- Bedroom with double bed and en suite bathroom
- Bedroom with double bed and en suite bathroom
- Bedroom with double bed and en suite bathroom

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (16x18m, depth: 1.4-1.8m) open approximately April to end-October (9am - 7.30pm)
- Poolside terrace for private use
- Natural cave formed by ancient limestone sediments
- Views of the vineyards, olive groves and valleys towards San Gimignano
- Playground area (trampoline, swing and slide)
- Table tennis
- Football field
- Vast grounds (open)
- Parking

Facilities

- Wi-Fi connection
- Air-conditioning (all apartments except Apartment 1)
- Fans (in apartment with no a/c)
- Communal bar and living area
- On-site restaurant (evening only)
- Courtyard bar
- Pizza oven (for pizza nights)
- Indoor wedding area with mirrored walls (can also be used for yoga sessions, on request)
- Cots, highchairs and a stair gate are available on request

Location & Local Information

Lorenzo Village is a beautiful old *borgo*/hamlet which has been converted into apartments and rooms. The setting is perfect in the heart of Tuscany between Siena and Florence, with easy access to the motorway, allowing guests to be able to visit some of Tuscany's most idyllic villages, historic towns and wonderful cities and countryside.

The *borgo* itself has a fascinating history dating back to around 553 AD and treasures that were found when excavating the hamlet last century can be seen in the Museo Civico e Diocesano d'Arte sacra near Colle Val D'Elsa, just 6km away.

You can also visit the 9th century church in the hamlet with its frescos on the altar. In medieval times the *borgo* was a place of hospitality on the pilgrimage route for travellers to Rome; nowadays guests are equally well looked after in the delightful Lorenzo village.

The restaurant on site is family-run and is occasionally open to outside customers as well - there are options to reserve the restaurant for exclusive use if desired.

The estate is surrounded by natural parkland - look out for deers, wild boars, hares and fawns. There is a path accessible from the grounds that takes you to the 6km long cycling route that connects Poggibonsi and Colle Val D'Elsa.

Both Tuscan towns of Poggibonsi and charming Colle di Val d'Elsa are around a ten-minute drive away where you will find a variety of good local restaurants, supermarkets and lovely shops. You're also conveniently near the Autostradale Firenze-Siena, meaning Siena (27km) is just half an hour away by car and Florence (48km) can be reached in around 45 minutes. One other option is to drive to Poggibonsi (4km) and pick up a train to either city for a fantastic day out.The enchanting village of San Gimignano (15km) is also close by, a glorious medieval town with its many towers and is famous for its historic beauty. The village also has a fine reputation for its food and wine – look out for pretty shops selling local saffron and also the famous Vernaccia white wine of this region.

Of course you are surrounding by magical Tuscan landscapes of rolling hills, cypress trees, olive groves and vineyards. You can visit some of the classic Chianti wine villages within half an hour such as Castellina in Chianti (19km) and Radda in Chianti (30km) or drive just over an hour south to the glorious countryside around the famous towns of Montepulciano (88km) and Cortona (99km).

This area also offers outstanding walking and cycling routes, mountain biking opportunities, horse-riding and even tennis lessons within a short distance.

***Please note that hiring a car is essential when staying at Lorenzo Village - taxis are very limited in this area.**









Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Florence Airport (60km)**
Nearest Airport 2	**Pisa Airport (90km)**
Nearest Golf	**Nr Colle di Val d'Elsa (4km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Colle di Val d'Elsa (4km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Colle di Val d'Elsa (4km)**
Nearest Town/City	**San Gimignano (12km)**
Nearest Train Station	**Poggibonsi (4km)**

What we love

- A superb setting for a wedding or special event in the very heart of beautiful Tuscany.
- Enjoy the magical views of the rolling hills and vineyards from the glorious swimming pool.
- The on-site restaurant in the *borgo* is fantastic in the evening - look out for occasional themed dinners, pizza nights and wine-tastings.
- The children's play area will delight younger guests.
- Both Florence and Siena are easily reached by car or drive to the local town and catch the train to either city for an amazing day out!

What you should know...

- There are seven apartments across the estate plus three double bedrooms which are also included when booking for all 40 guests - please see the 'Features' tab for full details of each dwelling.
- Sofa beds are available on request to accommodate 2 additional guests. Please enquire for full details.
- Air-conditioning is featured in six of the apartments (not Apartment 1).
- The owners are frequently on site and are extremely welcoming. They are always happy to help arrange additional services and extras.
- The restaurant is sometimes opened to outside customers but there are options to book it for exclusive use, if desired.
- As is typical in Tuscany, it's an unmade, dusty track leading up to the estate.
- Hiring a car is essential when staying at Lorenzo Village - taxis are very limited in this area.
- If visiting with children, please note the beautiful grounds are unenclosed.
- Please note, guests can enjoy the restaurant for breakfast and dinner; lunch service is not available.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €2000 charged to client's credit card by the owner prior to arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.

- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m. - 7.00 p.m.

- **Departure time:** Before 10.00 a.m.

- **Energy costs included?:** No, charges apply.

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

- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings and any other special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges. Cots are available on request subject to an extra cost of €10 per stay, payable locally. Hiring a car is essential when staying at Lorenzo Village - taxis are very limited in this area. Sofa beds are available on request to accommodate 2 additional guests. Please enquire for full details.

- **Changeover day:** Flexible.

- **End of stay cleaning:** Standard changeover clean included in the price. 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.

- **Minimum stay:** 4 nights June - September. 3 nights during all other periods.

- **Heating costs included?:** No, charges apply.

- **Tax:** Italian Visitors Tax payable locally (typically costs approximately between €1-€3 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).

- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open approximately April 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.