Villa Boffalora

Region: Italian Lakes **Sleeps:** 14

Overview

Occupying a truly majestic position on a hilltop overlooking Lake Como and surrounded by nothing but forest and lush greenery is historic Villa Boffalora. Proudly sitting where a medieval watchtower once kept a lookout over the lake, the villa is encircled by ancient stone walls that border extensive terraced gardens. A short walk away is a cable car that offers an unforgettable journey with views over the lake and soaring hills.

Built at the very beginning of the 20th century, Villa Boffalora showcases the Liberty style to charming effect throughout its grand rooms. Set over three floors, with a lift effortlessly moving you from one exquisitely furnished space to the next, expect comfortable luxury wherever you unwind or socialise. Enhancing your stay even further are complimentary welcome drinks and snacks, as well as 'chef-on-call' who can hapilly prepare your breakfasts, lunches and dinners six days per week (grocery items charged extra).

Eight stunning bedrooms each have their own private balcony for starting every day with the sights and atmosphere unique to Lake Como. The combination of contemporary furnishings and original features such as frescoed ceilings, create sumptuous spaces you'll look forward to retiring to. Just as impressive are the large bathrooms with deep bath tubs for decadent relaxation.

There's a space for practically every occasion here. Hold film nights in the media room or enjoy quieter evenings in a cosy living area after sitting down to a delicious meal in the dining room. Play a few games of pool, work out in the gym and savour drinks under the stars on a rooftop terrace. There are so many ways to make the most of your time at this gorgeous villa and in such a tranquil area of Lake Como.

The fairytale-like outside space offers al fresco dining under an elegant pergola or by the well-equipped pool house. The infinity pool is where some of the very best views can be soaked up, with the feeling that you could swim right out into the lake itself.

Many of Lake Como's idyllic villages, towns and cities are easy to reach from Villa Boffalora's fantastic location. These include Argegno, Menaggio and Como, which are all within an hour's drive. Enjoy historic sightseeing, shopping, scenic cable car rides and typical cafe culture.

Natural sites of beauty to visit on days out include the caves of Grotte di Rescia and Greenway del Lago di Como, which offers lakeside walks and hikes through quaint villages.

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Facilities

Recommended • Watersports • Fishing • Canoeing/Kayaking • Golf Nearby • Historical Sites • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Sailing • Boat Trips • Horse Riding • Wellness • Villa • Private Pool • Walking/Hiking Paths • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Walk to Village • Ideal for Kids • Cots (Cribs) • Ideal for Teens • Heated Pool • Wow Factor • Has Discount • Has Offer • Special Offer • Chef/Cook Available • Maid Service Included • Instagrammable • Modern • Wi-Fi/Internet • Lakes and Mountains • Rural Location • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Pool/Snooker • Lift • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Games Room • Indoor Games • Bicycles Provided • Gym/Fitness Room • Satellite TV • Sauna/Steam • Home Cinema • Heating • Caretaker/Owner on Site • Water excursions/Boat trips • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Yoga Classes Available • Spa Treatments Available • Transfers Available • Board games • Babysitting Available • On-Site Concierge • Breakfast Included • Butler Available • Xbox/Playstation/Wii • Playground • Property host • Bikes • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interiors (1,231 sqm)

Ground Floor

- Entry Hall
- Library/Study with bookcase and armchairs
- Elevator Lobby
- Guest WC
- Fully equipped kitchen with a casual dining area seating 4 guests
- Formal Dining room seating 12 guests
- Sunroom with armchairs
- Living room with sofas, TV and piano
- Family Salon with sofa, armchair and TV

First Floor

- Bedroom with double bed and ensuite bathroom (not accessible to guests)
- Bedroom with double bed, private balcony, ensuite bathroom with stand-alone shower and bathtub
- Bedroom with double bed, private balcony
- Bedroom with twin beds, private balcony
- Bathroom with his and hers sinks, stand-alone shower and bathtub

Second Floor

- Master Suite with double bed, private balcony and terrace, ensuite bathroom with stand-alone shower and bathtub
- Bedroom with double bed, private balcony, ensuite bathroom with stand-alone shower and bathtub
- Bedroom with double bed, private balcony
- Bedroom with twin beds, private balcony
- Bathroom with his and hers sinks, stand-alone shower and bathtub. Can be accessed from both the double bedroom and twin bedroom

Third Floor

- Media room with sofas, TV, projector, fireplace, doors to balcony
- Games area with pool table
- Living room with sofa, armchairs, fireplace, doors to balcony
- Kitchen with table and chairs/bench, hob, toaster, dishwasher, ice maker, wine fridge, door to outside
- Bedroom with double bed, private balcony, ensuite bathroom with stand-alone shower and bathtub
- Guest WC

Basement

- Staff apartment
- Laundry room

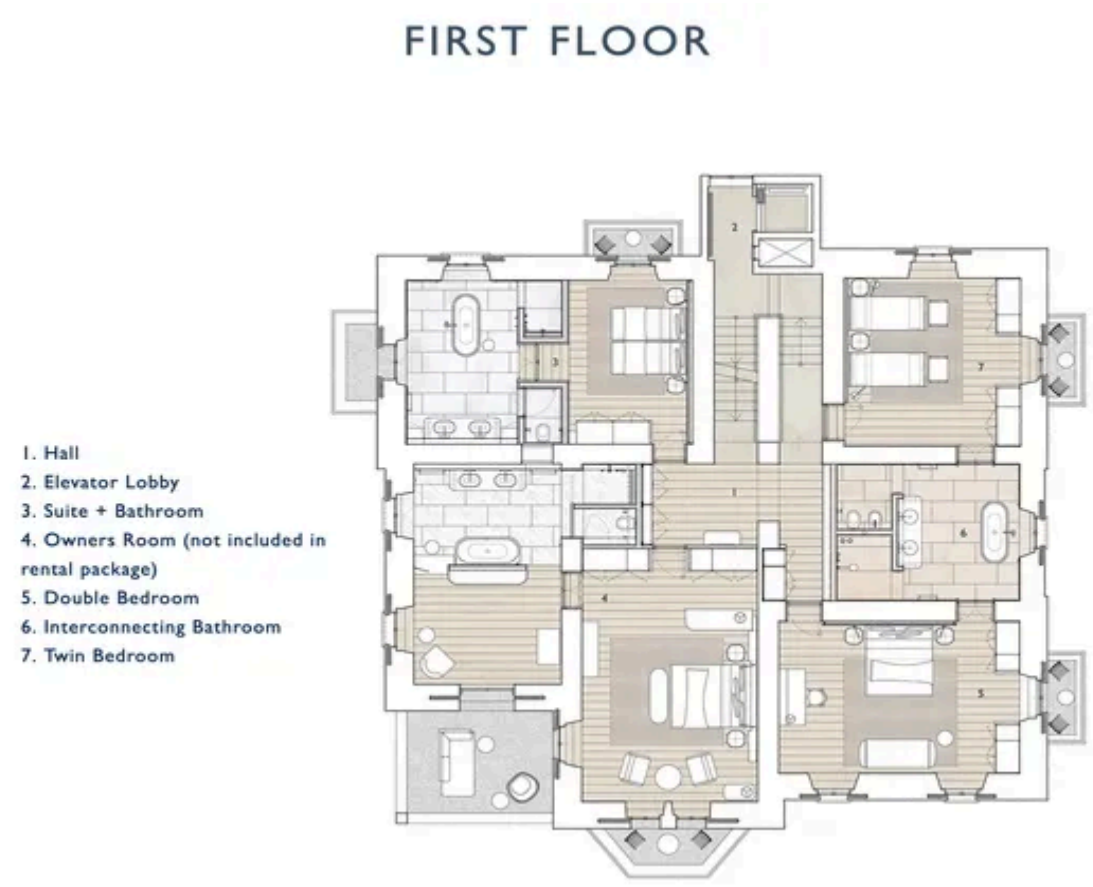
Outside Grounds

- Heated infinity pool (length: 22m) with Jacuzzi features, open approximately May to September
- Pergola-covered dining terrace
- Al fresco dining area









- Roof terrace with outdoor fireplace, wet bar and raised viewing platform on third floor
- Pool house with kitchen, island bar seating area, bathroom, TV and 'green' roof terrace with sun loungers
- Fitness/yoga room (inside rock face) with Technogym equipment (including rowing machine, Kinesis cable weight training system, exercise bike, dumbbells, stretch bands and exercise balls), WC, steam room and shower
- Playground with a tree house, Tibetan bridges, slide, fire truck and a zip line
- Dining area with table for 12 guests
- Outdoor seating areas
- Parking for 6 cars
- Gated entry

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Heating (including underfloor heating)
- English satellite TV channels
- Sonos audio system
- Three TVs with Apple and satellite channels
- 9 portable Dyson air-conditioning fans (bedrooms only)
- Boat (Axopar 28) - Max 8 passengers and the captain (cost to be paid separately)
- PS4 and Wii consoles
- Board games
- Pool table
- Grand piano
- Washer/dryer
- Iron and ironing board
- Hair dryer
- Safes
- Lift
- 6 Mountain bikes
- Security camera (outward facing)

Location & Local Information

As Villa Boffalora sits where a medieval watchtower once perched and looked out from the hilltop, the immediate area is tranquil and utterly private. From such a privileged position, the views over Lake Como are second to none. Just a short walk from the villa is a cable car which you can ride for an even more exciting way to take in views of the lake and dramatic landscapes.

Amenities such as restaurants, bars and shops can be found within a 30-minute drive, with a couple of restaurants around 10 minutes away. Drive to the nearby small town of Argegno (15km) for meals out and historic sightseeing along the charming narrow streets of its old town. Highlights of Argegno include a roman bridge and the 17th-century Church of Santissima Trinità.

There are plenty of naturally beautiful spots to discover in the area, with Grotte di Rescia being a series of stunning caves explored by underground tram. Also visit Greenway del Lago di Como to enjoy scenic lakeside walks and hiking through small villages. You'll find lots of places to stop to buy drinks, snacks and ice creams along your travels.

Lake Como is famous for its botanical gardens, with those at Villa Carlotta in Tremezzo being some of the most picturesque. Also admire the extensive art displayed inside the museum that's found within the villa.

The lively, cosmopolitan city of Como is around an hour's drive from the villa. It has something for everyone, with an historic centre, shops, restaurants and a chic cafe culture. Take a ride on the funicular railway up to the village of Brunate, with glorious views as you ascend.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Milan Malpensa (80km)**
Nearest Airport 2	**Milan Linate (97km)**









Nearest Airport 3	**Bergamo (100km)**
Nearest Village	**(800m)**
Nearest Town	**Argegno (15km)**
Nearest Bar/Pub	**(1km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**(7km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**(1km)**
Nearest Beach	**Spiaggia Pubblica di Bellagio (31km)**
Nearest City	**Como (36km)**
Nearest Ferry Port	**Argegno (15km)**
Nearest Golf	**Golf Club Menaggio Cadenabbia (30km)**

What we love

- The villa occupies a truly stunning position, with incredible views over Lake Como
- The historic interior of the villa is luxurious and elegant throughout
- Enjoy views from the beautiful infinity pool, rooftop terraces and bedroom balconies
- Leisure and outdoor facilities include a media room, fitness space and pool house
- A cable car that offers amazing Lake Como views is just a short walk from the villa

What you should know...

- Please note, this property comfortably sleeps 14 guests although additional children's beds are also available.
- The en-suite double bedroom on the first floor is not accessible to guests. Please see the 'Layout' tab for full details.
- Quiet and non-intrusive staff live on-site, they will be very happy to help.
- Relax in the knowledge that a chef and sous-chef service can prepare lunch and dinner (7 days a week) while breakfast is prepared from the waiter. Please note meals are not included - there is an additional cost for groceries (payable locally).
- 9 portables Dyson air-conditioning fans available on request in the bedrooms only.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €10,000 per week 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:** 4.00 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?:** Yes.

- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.

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

- **Other Ts and Cs:** 9 portables Dyson air-conditioning fans available on request in the bedrooms only.
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 A chef and sous-chef service will prepare lunch and dinner 7 days a week while breakfast will be prepared by the waiters. Please note, there is an additional cost for the food bill (payable locally).
 Please note, this property comfortably sleeps 14 guests although additional children's beds are also available.
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 A food and beverage deposit of €10,000 is required for all the grocery costs during your stay, payable one month before arrival via bank transfer. The Villa Manager will keep track of the costs and undertake a reconciliation of all the costs at the end of your stay.
 There is a mid week bedroom and bathroom linen change. For any additional linen change required there will be an extra cost to be paid locally (for the changes of all the bedrooms and bathrooms). Please enquire for the exact amount.
 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 approximately July, August and September. Flexible during all other periods.

- **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.

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

- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights approximately July, August and September. 3 nights during all other periods.

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

- **Pool heating charge?:** Included from May to September. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures. Please enquire for further info.

- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet access included.

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

- **Pool opening dates?:** The pool is open approximately May to September. 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.