Villa Soldani

Region: Chianti & Arezzo **Sleeps:** 17 - 33

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WHY DO ORDINARY?

Overview

This extraordinary villa in Tuscany was built by architect Massimiliano Soldani as his own residence between 1700 and 1750, and is now a perfect entertainment venue or holiday villa with exclusive amenities.

The interior is styled with careful attention to detail, including eclectic décor and antiques. Unwind in the multiple spacious living rooms, cook Tuscan feasts in one of the two well appointed kitchens (one is for catering use with a wood-burning fireplace), gather in the formal dining room, then play a game of billiards or table tennis.

The first floor boasts a chandelier-glad sitting room and eight charming bedrooms. For groups of more than 17 people, the second floor, with seven additional bedrooms split into two apartments, can comfortably accommodate up to 33.

Your private Tuscan wonderland lies just outside among centuries-old cypress trees, olive groves, vineyards. With a barbecue, private pool and tennis court, and gardens to stroll through, it's easy to stay busy – or completely relaxed – during your stay.

The ancient villages of Bucine and Mercatale Valdarno are minutes away with a few local restaurants. Wine tasting is a must, with the villa bordering the Chianti region, and festivals extend throughout the region year 'round.

Facilities

Great Value • Private Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Pets on Request • BBQ • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Tennis Court • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Satellite TV • Table Tennis • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Allow External Caterers • Dry Hire Option • No Corkage • Marquee Hire Permitted • Indoor Reception Available • Outdoor Ceremony • Flexible Catering Options • Nearby Church/Chapel • Licensed for Marriage

Interior & Grounds

Interior

Ground Floor

- Fully-equipped catering kitchen with wood-burning fireplace
- Additional, fully-equipped kitchen for daily use with table and chairs for four guests
- Two fully-equipped kitchens (one for catering and the other for daily use)
- Dining room
- Large double living room with satellite TV and fireplace
- Living room with a vertical piano
- Large billiard room
- Utility room
- Twin bedroom with en-suite bathroom
- Two WCs

First Floor

- Two double bedrooms with en-suite bathroom
- Four twin rooms with en-suite bathrooms
- Connected double and single bedrooms with a shared bathroom

*** For groups of 17 or less only the first floor with 10 bedrooms and 9 bathrooms will be available. Larger groups of 18 - 33 will also enjoy use of the second floor.

Second Floor - Available for larger groups of 18 - 33 guests

Apartment One

- Sitting area
- Triple bedroom
- Double bedroom
- Two twin bedrooms
- Two shared bathrooms

Apartment Two (accessed via a separate entrance)

- Double bedroom
- Twin bedroom
- Triple bedroom
- Two shared bathrooms

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool, open approximately May to early October
- Deckchairs
- Private garden
- Tennis court
- Barbecue

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Heating
- Satellite TV
- Phone
- Washing machine
- Dishwasher
- Burglar alarm
- Table tennis

Catering & Services

At Oliver's Travels we pride ourselves on going that little bit further for our guests. From private chefs to babysitters we can help you arrange those little extras that make it a truly memorable holiday. Simply fill in the concierge request form or contact the Oliver's Concierge Team who will be happy to help. We can typically help you arrange any of the following:

- Maid service/extra cleaning
- Private chef/cook/catering
- Welcome hamper/pre-stocked fridge
- Local day-trips or tours
- Airport transfers
- Babysitting/childcare services

Extras included at this property:

- Daily cleaning (4 hours per day)
- Winery visit and guided tasting (on request)

Extras available at this property (payable locally):

- Extra towels and linen
- Extra cleaning
- Personal Chef
- Cot & Highchair

Please note that all services are subject to availability and must be requested in advance and that due to some rural/remote locations, not all services will be available at all properties. Prices are on request. We will always do our best to fulfil your requests!

Location & Local Information

Visitors to Tuscany come for many reasons. Many come in search of fine art and others to explore the extraordinary countryside. Gourmets and wine buffs descend on Tuscany to enjoy the simple but wonderful cuisine and wine. Walkers enjoy the mountain paths, cyclists the rolling hills, and summer vacationers the sea coast and islands. Students come to learn the beautiful Italian language and culture.

From the Etruscans to the Romans to the Renaissance, Tuscany is possibly the greatest repository of art in the world, from extraordinary paintings and sculptures to frescoes and architectural masterpieces. This captivating region is a hub of Italian life, boasting the finest dining, the finest wines and breathtakingly picturesque scenery.

Arezzo is a popular province and an important Etruscan Town. It is an ideal town to explore on foot and soak up the enchanting atmosphere. The town offers a beautiful square, Piazza Grande, plenty of churches, museums and many other cultural points of interest.

The villa is placed on the slopes of the hills bordering the Chianti region and overlooking the lovely valley of Valdarno Superiore.

There are easy train connections from Florence and Rome that serve directly the nearby train stations of Montevarchi-Terranuova and Bucine. The nearest international airports are Pisa, G. Galilei, Florence, Peretola A.Vespucci – Perugia and S. Francesco d' Assis.

Local Attractions

- Joust of the Saracens, a medieval festival.
- Arezzo Wave, popular music and cultural festival.
- Grape Festival, first weekend of fall in Tuscany.
- Baroque Festival of San Gimignamo.
- Arezzo Antiques Fair: the oldest antiques fair in Italy with over 500 stalls. The fair offers antiques and restored works in the incomparable setting of the towns historic centre. The main section of the fair is located in Piazza San Francesco, Piazza Grande and the Logge Vasari, and the stalls branch out from there throughout the town, transforming the area into one great market place. For over 20 years, the fair has taken place on the first weekend of every month and has become an essential event for collectors and dealers alike. Average attendance is 20,000 people each weekend.

Location

- Local towns of Mercatale Valdarno and Bucine: 1 km

- Siena: 40 km by car
- Arezzo: 30 km by car
- Florence: 50 km by car
- Nearest motorway: 15 km by car

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Florence (76km)**
Nearest Airport	**Pisa (136km)**
Nearest Village	**Mercatale Valdarno (2.3km)**
Nearest Town/City	**Montevarchi (8km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Mercatale Valdarno (2.3km)**
Nearest Bar/Pub	**Rendola (5km)**
Nearest Beach	**Grosseto (Over 100 km)**
Nearest Golf	**l'Ugolino - Impruneta (48km)**
Nearest Ferry Port	**Piombino (Over 100km)**

What Oliver loves…

- This villa in Tuscany's premium amenities – from a private tennis court and game tables, to the local wine, olive oil and honey made at the estate and offered to guests
- The price includes 4 hours of daily cleaning service
- It's a perfect wedding venue and has previously hosted celebrity weddings. Other famous guests include Jamie Oliver and David Cameron

What you should know…

- Heating costs are charged on consumption
- When minimum occupancy is booked, certain rooms may not be accessible (subject to owner's discretion) - best to enquire with us beforehand
- For larger parties it is possible to rent sister property Villa Costi (sleeps 8 guests) - please follow links for more information

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €600 paid in cash to the owner upon arrival and refunded upon departure, subject to full inspection.

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

- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.

- Heating costs included?: Extra 4,50€/m3, payable locally. Firewood is provided at no extra cost.

- Linen & towels included?: Yes.

- Pets welcome?: On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.

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

- Changeover day: Saturday in July and August. Flexible during all other periods.

- Minimum stay: 7 nights in July and August. 4 nights during all other periods.

- Insurance: Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for cancellations, personal belongings, public liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.

- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges.

- End of stay cleaning included?: 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.

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

- Other Ts and Cs: A cot and highchair are available on request at an additional cost - please enquire.

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