

# Villa Camerina

Region: Eastern Sicily **Sleeps: 10**

## Overview

Taste the flavours of the Mediterranean at Villa Camerina, a contemporary villa in Sicily with fruit trees in its beautifully landscaped gardens. Originally part of Marchesi di Ganzeria estate, it was a noble Sicilian family's 20 hectares of unspoilt countryside and a hunting reserve. You're close to the beaches and baroque towns of southeast Sicily, but at the same time you may not want to leave the grounds, which feature a private pool, tennis court and swings.

This holiday villa accommodates ten guests in five bedrooms, all with private bathrooms in adjoining, inter-connected apartments. The open-plan living area is light-filled and airy with a beamed cathedral-style ceiling. Each apartment has modern décor and furnishings and features an independent air conditioning/heating system for your comfort no matter the season. The delightful pergola by the pool and the covered terrace are the perfect places to fire up the barbecue and dine al-fresco.

Just a short distance from Punta Secca, a charming fishing village in the Ragusa province, Villa Camerina is a short drive from golden sandy beaches and rocky cliffs. Enjoy the region's specialties, including Ragusano cheese, ricotta ravioli and homemade cavati.

Travel to Villa Camerina from the Comiso airport, Pozzallo ferry or Ragusa train station.

Being within a large estate, which also includes [Villa La Ganza](#), larger groups can be accommodated - please follow the link for more information.

## Facilities

Modern • Great Value • Private Pool • Heated Pool • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Walk to Village • BBQ • Ideal for Parties • Tennis Court • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Satellite TV • Wheelchair Access • DVD • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds • Rural Location • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Tennis Nearby • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages



# Interior & Grounds

## Villa Interior

- Open plan living area
- Two fully-equipped kitchens
- Dining area
- 3 x double bedrooms
- Twin bedroom
- One studio apartment with double bed and sofa bed that can accommodate two extra guests
- 6 x bathrooms
- One part of the villa can be separated for a family with a baby or a couple wanting more privacy

## Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (12m x 6m; depth 0.8m)
- Poolside terrace with sun loungers
- Pergola with outdoor furniture and barbecue
- Parking
- Barbecue

## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning
- Welcome pack on arrival
- Washing machine
- Dishwasher
- Indoor mini-pool



## Location & Local Information

Punta Secca is a small village in the Province of Ragusa, the most beautiful part of the south-eastern coast of Sicily and the ideal place to spend your holiday. It features golden sandy beaches and rocky cliffs and is the hometown of Inspector Montalbano in the TV series "Il Commissario Montalbano".

Punta Secca is a typical fishing village, originally an old Arab port, which faces the African Sea. It has wonderful sunny weather: not too hot in summer and a mild climate in the winter months. Autumn and spring are particularly pleasant as most holidaymakers have left and the seaside villages become peaceful and quiet.

The golden sandy beaches of Punta Secca are all free of charge and safe, and are surrounded by low cliffs on the West and on the East. The old white lighthouse, built with dry stone at the beginning of the last century, towers over the village.

The Province of Ragusa stretches out from the plateau to the sea and beautiful carob and almond trees dominate the landscape. The local cuisine is exquisite: the freshest ricotta ravioli; home-made cavati with tomato and meat sauce; aspic made with locally-raised pork; Valle dell'Acate artisan wines; and, most famously, "Ragusano" cheese, made from raw cow's milk using age-old techniques and traditional wood and copper tools.

Religious festivals are plentiful and a terrific opportunity for experiencing important traditions with participation particularly evident during the feast days in honour of the Patron Saint, Christmas and Easter.

There are many cultural and prestigious events that take place in Ragusa including classical theatre performances at the Greek Theater of Syracuse, the International Music Show "Ibla Grand Prize", and the Wine & Food Event "Cheese Art" (just to name a few).

The Province of Ragusa has recently been added to the UNESCO World Heritage List for its precious Baroque-style buildings. The whole area is bursting at the seams with architectural, archaeological and naturalistic treasures with Ragusa and Modica particularly lovely to visit.

The pretty seaside resort of Marina di Ragusa is just 5km away and has a range of services and facilities available including banks, post offices, restaurants, bars and sport facilities.

About 6km away on the coast is the River Irminio Nature Reserve, a Mediterranean estuary oasis. The area around the river mouth has wonderful



sandy beaches and is a fantastic place for bird-watching. Slightly further west from Punta Secca is Randello Beach, 3km of golden sand backed by the Randello Forest Reserve - a beautiful spot for a picnic.

The Hyblaean Mountains, characterized by deep “gorges” and wild Mediterranean undergrowth, are populated with rare species and are best explored on horseback. Also nearby is the must-visit “Cava d’Ispica” Park, a deep canyon housing a paleo-Christian catacomb.

### Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Comiso (20km)</b>
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Nearest Village	<b>Santa Croce Camerina (2km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Punta Secca (6km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Restaurant (1km)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Supermarkets &amp; Shops (2km)</b>

## What we love

- Pick vegetables from the kitchen garden and lemons, bitter oranges, mulberries, figs or almonds in the African-style garden!
- With two kitchens and a barbecue on the terrace, it's easy to prepare a meal for the group.
- This villa's pool, tennis court and swings will keep you occupied in the Mediterranean sun.

## What you should know...

- All bedrooms have a bathroom, but not all are en-suite.
- Up to 10 guests can sleep across four main bedrooms and a studio apartment. An additional six guests can also be accommodated, on request, using a sofa-bed and extra beds, subject to an extra charge - please enquire.
- The tennis court is shared with the neighbouring [Villa La Ganza](#).
- Being part of a dedicated "eco-friendly" estate, this villa uses its own natural well water source as well as solar-powered electricity supply.
- The nearest beach can be reached in a short 15-minute drive.

# Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €300 paid in cash to the owner upon arrival and refunded upon departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 4.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- Changeover day: Saturday.
- Pets welcome?: On request only and with prior agreement with the owner. If accepted, a pet supplement of €50 will apply (paid locally).
- Minimum stay: 7 nights (will consider shorter stays off-season, please enquire).
- Other Ts and Cs: Rates are based on 10 guests. There is also a sofa-bed (for 2) and an extra four beds (best suited to children) subject to an additional fee per person, per week - please enquire.
- 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.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, including mid-week towel change.
- Other Ts and Cs: The mini-pool is heated on request only approximately end-May to end-August subject to a €200/week extra charge, payable locally. Mini-pool heating is included during all other periods.
- Other Ts and Cs: The outdoor swimming pool is open approximately early 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.
- Pool towels included?: Yes.