

# Villa Chiesa

Region: Umbria Sleeps: 14

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## Overview

The Old World is alive at this historic villa in Umbria, whose ancient stone courtyard is surrounded by meadows, woods vineyards, and olive groves. A recent restoration has welcomed this abandoned 11th century church and 18th century farmhouse into the present; now the property enjoys a second life as a working organic farm. Inside you'll find old stone walls, standing in perfect contrast with the plush furniture and modern fixtures. Especially stunning - the grand piano, shining beneath the old beams of a vaulted ceiling!

Weddings are nothing short of spectacular here, whether your guests join you the chapel (seating up to 60) or outside among either fields or ancient flagstone. We're happy to help arrange catering, flowers, and other services - see the Events page for full details. Guests will find innumerable spots to reconnect, and (of course) photograph; from the pergola in the garden to the old stone fountain.

Located by the tiny town of La Bruna (1 km), this holiday villa has easy access to Perugia (30 km), the capital city and site of the nearest airport. You'll delight at the countryside here, at the foot of Monte Tezio; the truffle forests of Umbria are calling you!

## Facilities

Private Pool • Heated Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Pets on Request • BBQ • Ideal for Parties • Stag/Hen Allowed • Tennis Court • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • TV • Wheelchair Access • Indoor Games • DVD • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Toys • Fenced Grounds • Baby Proofing • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Chapel on Site



# Interior & Grounds

Villa Chiesa is a stunning 11th century church and 18th century farm house, restored in 2012. The property is divided into two structures, the first the ancient church and the second the farm house.

## Church Interior

The main church area has been restored to the exact proportion of the original, together with a recently discovered small crypt. The large floor to ceiling glass window provides a spectacular view of the surrounding countryside.

There is a large, well equipped kitchen, including double oven and 6 gas hobs, dishwasher, microwave and large fridge/freezer. There is also a kitchen table and chairs.

There is a stunning drawing room in the main section of the church. These rooms are furnished with comfortable sofas and a grand piano, and it is wonderful for relaxation, yoga or meditation as well as a great entertainment space.

Off this main room is a large dining room, able to seat 14. A toilet (suitable for disabled) is also located in the church.

## Farmhouse Interior

The farmhouse is a beautiful restored large building on two levels, surrounded by terraces and located across a small courtyard from the church. It features eight bedrooms and six bathrooms: five en-suite double bedrooms, one double and two single bedrooms.

### The ground floor

Bedroom 1 is a large double bedroom that is suitable for handicapped use; it has its own terrace and an en-suite bathroom with shower.

Bedroom 2 is a large double bedroom, with its own stone terrace, with an en-suite bathroom with shower and own private dressing room.

Bedroom 3 is a large double bedroom, with private terrace and a stunning en-suite bathroom with shower and luxury bath, both with stunning views across the truffle wood.

Each bedroom can have either two single beds or one large double bed.

A second kitchen area is located on this floor. This features a small kitchenette with fridge and microwave and also a place for coats and boots.

In addition there is a laundry with washing machine, tumble dryer, clothes dryer and sink.

### First floor

4 further bedrooms and an additional sitting room

The master bedroom with en-suite bathroom with shower, fireplace and



stunning private terrace and outdoor stairs, giving it its own private entrance.  
A second double bedroom with en-suite bathroom with shower.  
A third large double bedroom, and a fourth charming bedroom that contains a single bed (an additional bed can be added) and they share a large family bathroom with shower.  
The rooms all lead onto the centrally located sitting room, with comfortable seating, stereo system and television.

### **Outdoor Space**

The property has a stone terrace surrounding it and there are beautiful landscaped gardens. The swimming pool is located above the main house in a quiet and secluded position. This is furnished with sunbeds, large umbrellas, outdoor shower and a toilet inside the pool house. There is a pergola to provide shade. The area around the pool has been fenced for safety but this does not impose on the wonderful views gained from this area. A barbecue area is located close to the main kitchen and outside dining area.

### **Amenities**

- Internet: The property has WiFi broadband available throughout
- Intercom system: There is an intercom system available between the church and farmhouse
- Stereo: Stereo and iPod docking stations are available throughout the property
- Television: Satellite television is available in the sitting room of the farmhouse and DVD player
- Hairdryers: Each bathroom has its own hairdryer.
- Library: There is a well stocked library including local maps and guidebooks, magazines, novels, cds, dvds and boardgames
- High chairs
- Cots and sheets
- Appropriate children's toys and books
- Changing mats
- Babysitting services
- One double bedroom on the ground floor has disabled access and bathroom facilities
- Tennis court: The estate has its own private tennis court. Guests wishing to use this facility must book in advance of their arrival
- A substantial welcome pack is available on arrival.
- Barbecue
- Swimming pool, Dimensions: 15x5.5 metres

## Location & Local Information

Villa Chiesa is located in the heart of Umbria, only 20 minutes north of the cosmopolitan city of Perugia and close to the borders of Tuscany.

It is located at the foot of Monte Tezio in a protected valley where the wildlife is abundant and nature is thriving. The views from all directions are stunning. To the south is Monte Subasio and the town of Assisi. To the west is the ancient castle of Antognolla, and to the north are woodlands and the mountains ranges of the Appenines.

The valley itself is outstanding in natural beauty. The mountains of Monte Tezio rise high above it, and forests and olive groves follow down to the valley where there are beautiful streams and a wonderful vineyard. This is great countryside for horse riding and walking as well as for trying local food and wine.

Villa Chiesa is very well located to the amenities of the local area. It is only 1 km from the small village of La Bruna. The village of Pierantonio is a 5 minute drive, and the larger market town of Umbertide is a ten minute drive. All of these towns have shops, restaurants, banks and more and are easy to reach.

The main road of the E45 is only a 5 minute drive away and allows guests to visit the many attractions of the nearby area as well as in Tuscany, Le Marche and southern Umbria.

Visitors to the area are able to enjoy the highlights of Assisi and Gubbio. It is very much a thriving local area. There is a vibrant market weekly in Umbertide. Wild boar hunts take place in the valley weekly in the season, and many local fiestas are held throughout the year. Visitors are very much welcomed.

The University city of Perugia is only a 20 minute drive and provides all the larger services such as rail, bus and air connections as well as the famous festivals such as Umbria Jazz.

Only 2 km from the property is Antognolla Golf Estate, which boasts a challenging golf course and a wonderful restaurant.

Lake Trasimeno is a short half hour drive and there guests can enjoy a large variety of watersports, take a ferry across to one of the Islands, visit many of the lovely towns that surround the lake and eat at some of the wonderful restaurants that serve fresh lake fish.



## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport

**Perugia,  
(26-30 km)**

Nearest Ferry Port	<b>Anocna (Over 100 km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>La Bruna (1 km)</b>
Nearest Town/City	<b>Umbertide (10 km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Pierantonio (5 km)</b>
Nearest Bar/Pub	<b>Pierantonio (5 km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Lake Trasimeno (21-25 km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Antognolla (2 km)</b>

## What we love

- The chapel at this villa in Umbria is an 11th century relic, an utterly romantic wedding venue!
- You'll have the modern comfort of a heated pool and use of a tennis court at this lovingly restored property.
- Rich with wildlife and abundance, the countryside is full of truffles, olive groves and vineyards.

## What you should know...

- There's a wheelchair accessible bedroom suite on the first floor.
- Guests wishing to use the tennis court must book in advance of their arrival.

# Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: Credit card guarantee.
- Arrival time: 4.00 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.
- Departure time: 8.00 a.m. - 10.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes including mid-week bathroom towel change.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes and daily maid service (excluding Sundays and public holidays). 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.
- Heating costs included?: Extra cost, payable locally based on consumption.
- Pool heating charge?: Extra cost, payable locally. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- Pool opening dates?: 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.
- Changeover day: 2023: Saturday. 2024: Friday. All other changeover days on request.
- Pets welcome?: On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- Internet access?: Wi-Fi access included.
- 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 and any other special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. Short breaks are available on request in low or mid season - please enquire for a quote.