

# Villa La Ganza

Region: Sicily Sleeps: 8 - 12

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## Overview

Villa La Ganza is perched hillside on the site of the Marquis of Ganzeria's old hunting lodge, offering incredible views of the southern coastline, from the lighthouse of Punta Secca to Capo Bianco. The large swimming pool is perfectly positioned for the panoramic vista and guests can use the outdoor kitchen to prepare a delicious al fresco meal. With a tennis court, hot tub room and complimentary welcome pack containing basic essentials, you'll feel pampered.

This holiday villa's décor is magnificent, with modern furnishings that blend with the landscape. All six bedrooms have luxurious private bathrooms and air conditioning. Many areas will make the most of the property's breathtaking views. Dine in the fully equipped kitchen or a more formal dining area.

Being within a large estate, which also includes [Villa Camerina](#), larger groups of up to 24 can be accommodated - please follow the link for more information.

The villa's location in Santa Croce Camerina means an easy drive to the UNESCO World Heritage sites of Ragusa, Modic and Scicli, famous for their Baroque architecture. You'll want to spend time on the golden sandy beaches of Punta Secca, a charming fishing village. The owner can help you organise sailing, wine tasting and other tours too.

## Facilities

Private Pool • Heated Pool • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Internet • Air-Con • Pets Welcome • Hot Tub • Walk to Village • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • BBQ • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Tennis Court • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Cable TV • Games Room • Indoor Games • DVD • Heating • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds • Rural Location • Wine Tasting • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages



# Interior & Grounds

## Villa Interior

### Ground Floor

- Open plan living area with sitting area, reading area and billiards table
- Fully-equipped kitchen with small dining table seating 4 people
- Dining area with seating for 10 people
- Six double bedrooms with air-conditioning and en-suite bathrooms
- Family bathroom

*\*\* The villa is for 12 adults + 4 children (extra beds are available upon request)*

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## Outside Grounds

- Private, heated pool (12m x 6m, depth: 0.8m - 1.5m), open all year
- Swimming pool with sun loungers
- Hot tub
- Covered porch with outdoor kitchen and dining table with bench seating
- Covered porch with comfortable seating
- Pergola with outdoor furniture
- Barbecue
- Tennis court (shared with neighbouring Villa Camerina)

## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning (in all rooms)
- Heating
- iPod dock



## 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**, **Modica** and **Scicli** particularly lovely to visit.

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

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



sandy beaches and is a fantastic place for bird-watching. Approximately 3 km west from Punta Secca is Randello Beach, 3 km 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 (20 km)</b>
Nearest Airport	<b>Catania (115 km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>Santa Croce Camerina (2 km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Beach (3 km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Restaurant (300 m)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Supermarkets &amp; Shops (2 km)</b>

# Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €500 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.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights during peak season. Shorter stay considered out of peak season - please enquire.
- Pets welcome?: On request only and with prior agreement with the owner. If accepted, a pet supplement of €50 per pet will apply (paid locally).
- Heating costs included?: Extra €100 per week, paid locally.
- Other Ts and Cs: Rates are based on 12 guests; extra €150 fee per additional guest per week (4 additional beds).
- 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.
- Pool heating charge?: Extra €200 per week, paid locally. Available approximately mid-October to mid-May, on request.
- Other Ts and Cs: Mini-spa included during winter months. Extra €200 per week during all other periods (approximately mid-May to mid-October), on request.
- Pool towels included?: Yes.
- Other Ts and Cs: One cot and highchair are included, on request. Extra €35 per week for any additional cots/highchairs.