

Villa Romy

Region: Lake Garda **Sleeps:** 10 - 20

Overview

Villa Romy lies in a small town between Lake Iseo and Lake Garda, surrounded by the vineyards that the Franciacorta area is famous for. Glorious Lombardy countryside and renowned wine cellars are on the doorstep here - as are amenities such as restaurants, shops and banks. Just a short drive away is Lake Iseo with its pretty villages and beaches.

Pass through a private gate and down the approach that leads to an entrance courtyard bursting with hydrangea and rose-filled flower beds. The impressive facade of Villa Romy is as romantic as the vineyard views and scenes out over to majestic Monte Orfano.

This nine bedroom estate dates back to the 17th century when it was owned by a noble family. It's a truly wonderful showcase of the architecture and style that characterises homes in the Lake Iseo area. The decorative use of Sarnico grey stone is particularly evocative and has remained a feature despite several renovations over the centuries. As have the wine cellars where the original owners produced and preserved Franciacorta brut wine.

Other highlights of Villa Romy include the 17th-century fireplaces and vaulted ceilings found in many of its elegantly furnished rooms. The villa's heritage can be felt in every antique piece, with history around every corner. Especially up in the attic with its well-preserved wooden structure.

With nine bedrooms and communal spaces including a living room, library and two sitting rooms, Villa Romy is a dream for up to 20 guests. Every experience feels special here, whether it's meals in a grand dining room or simply soaking in a deep bathtub after a long day.

Even more treats are found outside, with gardens offering vineyard views and a swimming pool for cooling off on hot days.

Villa Romy is a great base for getting out and exploring the gorgeous Franciacorta countryside. Enjoy horseback rides through vineyards and woodlands, with long walks and bike rides hard to resist.

Also spend lazy days at any one of Lake Iseo's beaches, with watersports and swims in crystal-clear waters. You'll always find a restaurant serving fresh seafood and plenty of warm Lombardy hospitality.



Immerse yourself in history with a visit to the attractive city of Bergamo. Longer days out can be enjoyed in places such as Lake Garda, Verona, Parma, Mantua and chic Milan. The Ponte di Legno-Tonale ski area with its 100km of slopes and 28 ski lifts is around two hours away by car.

Facilities

Private Pool • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Pets on Request • Walk to Village • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • BBQ • Safety Deposit Box • Hairdryer • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Wine Cellar • Caretaker/Owner on Site • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds • Watersports • Canoeing/Kayaking • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Horse Riding • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Boat Trips

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interiors

Ground Floor

- Living room with sofas, armchairs, fireplace, piano
- Dining room with table for 10 guests, fireplace, doors leading outside
- Dining room with table for 10 guests, doors outside
- Two sitting rooms/study with desk, sofa, armchairs, doors leading outside
- Library with desk, sofa, armchairs
- Kitchen with oven, microwave, dishwasher, fridge/freezer, toaster, kettle, blender, espresso coffee machine
- Laundry room with washing machine, iron, ironing board
- Guest WC

First Floor

- Bedroom with double bed, sitting area, sofa bed
- Bedroom with double bed, sitting area, sofa bed
- Bedroom with double bed
- Bedroom with twin beds
- Bedroom with twin beds
- Four bathrooms with bathtubs

Second Floor

- Bedroom with double bed
- Bedroom with twin beds
- Bedroom with three single beds
- Bedroom with single bed
- Two bathrooms with bathtubs

Outside Grounds

- Swimming pool (15m x 7m), open all year round
- Pool terrace with sun loungers and a parasol
- Barbecue
- Garden with lawn, trees, plants, flowers, seating areas
- Front porch/terrace with seating
- Parking

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- TV



- Music system
- Safe (on request)
- Wine cellars

Location & Local Information

Surrounded by vineyards that characterise the Franciacorta area, Villa Romy offers a truly authentic and exclusive experience. The amenities of the small town at the other end of the villa's long approach and private gate are just a short stroll away. There are banks, restaurants and shops, as well as a wealth of vineyards. The nearest supermarket is around 4km away.

As well as immersing yourself in wine culture, the countryside is also ripe for enjoying a range of outdoor activities. Scuderia Crazy Horse riding centre (2km) is just a five-minute drive away, where rides set off through scenic vineyards and woodland. Also just five minutes away by car is a multi-functional sports club which is next door to a fantastic water park for the kids. Meanwhile, golfers will love the course at Franciacorta golf club (7km).

Lake Iseo boasts lots of little villages, beaches and waterfront restaurants, with amazing lake and mountain views. Some of the nearest beaches include La Spiaggetta (13km) and Lido Nettuno (14km). Enjoy lake swims in crystal-clear waters, a variety of waterports and simply relaxing on the grassy, pebbly shores. Torbiere del Sebino Nature Reserve (12km) is a 20-minute drive away. The small, wooded and mountain-like island of Monte Isola is a beautiful spot, with a wealth of walking paths to follow. Including one that leads to the summit and the church, Santuario della Ceriola.

The villa is situated approximately halfway between the historic town of Brescia (27km) and the city of Bergamo (30km). Bergamo, on the edge of the Alps, is particularly lovely for a day out. The old part of the town, Città Alta, is where most of the historic sites and attractions are. Stroll along narrow lanes and discover the heart of the old town, Piazza Vecchia. It's a vast open space lined with medieval and Renaissance architecture, as well as cafes and bars. Places to tick off your sightseeing list include Palazzo della Ragione and the 12th-century church of Santa Maria Maggiore.

Majestic Lake Garda (68km) can be reached by car in an hour, with Verona (89km) and iconic Juliet's House just over an hour's drive away. Chic Milan (79km) is a must-visit on a longer day out.

Other unmissable towns and cities include Mantua (108km), Piacenza (118km) and Parma (135km) with all their history, art and culture. The slopes of Ponte di Legno-Tonale ski area (110km) can be reached by car in just under two hours.



Local Amenities

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| Nearest Airport | Bergamo (32km) |
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| Nearest Airport 2 | Verona (82km) |
| Nearest Town/City | Walking distance |
| Nearest Restaurant | Local village (500m) |
| Nearest Supermarket | (4km) |
| Nearest Bar/Pub | Local village (500m) |
| Nearest Shop | Bakery (Within 500m) |
| Nearest Beach | Lake Iseo (La Spiaggetta) (13km) |
| Nearest Golf | Franciacorta Golf Club (7km) |

What we love

- This villa is a wine-lover's paradise, set in the Franciacorta countryside that's famous for its vineyards
- A wealth of 17th-century features, including grand fireplaces, can be found throughout the villa's elegant interior
- The gardens offer peaceful vineyard views and cooling dips in the private pool
- Town amenities are on the doorstep, with Lake Iseo and its beautiful beaches around 13km away
- The historic city of Bergamo with its art, history and culture can be reached by car in 30 minutes

What you should know...

- Villa Romy comfortably sleeps 18 guests in 9 bedrooms. 2 bedrooms also feature sofa beds, accommodating a further 2 guests. See 'Features' tab for further details
- The villa is not air-conditioned but has a bright and airy feel throughout
- The caretaker lives next to the villa and is on hand if needed
- Please note the 10-person price for bookings is available from 2024 onwards.

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €1000 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.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, bath towels changed mid-week.
- 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.
- 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: Flexible.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- Pets welcome?: On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- 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.
- Internet access?: Wi-Fi internet access included.
- Pool towels included?: No.
- 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.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.
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