

# Villa Naxos

Region: Eastern Sicily **Sleeps: 18**

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## Overview

Surrounded by vibrant Mediterranean greenery and soaring palms on a lush hillside close to the heart of Taormina is dreamy Villa Naxos. This spacious home overlooks the sea, bay of Mazzarò, sweeping Sicilian coastline and Isola Bella for enchanting views any time of the day or night.

Getting even closer to the coastal action is easy from Villa Naxos. A five-minute walk away is a cable car station for riding down the hillside to Mazzarò's pretty pebble beach. Jump in the car to reach Taormina's centre with its historic sites and chic pavement-cafe culture in just five minutes. Or enjoy a leisurely 15-minute stroll into town.

Villa Naxos comprises a main villa and five beautifully appointed annexes. With a total of eight bedrooms, it's an ideal retreat for multiple groups holidaying together in paradise.

The villa is furnished with impeccable taste and a blend of irresistible Sicilian style and contemporary clean lines throughout. Rooms burst with ornate decorations, such as the grand living-room fireplace, more of those lovely traditional tiles and striking, eclectic art. When evening falls, curl up in front of that stunning fireplace as you plan tomorrow's adventures.

Gorgeous parquet floors feature across the three bedrooms, with all opening onto a terrace that offers panoramic sea views. Bathrooms put on a colourful show with decorative tiles so typical of the region.

All of the self-contained one-bedroom annexes have sea views, with some also enjoying private garden and private terrace. With marine-inspired colours and bright, airy atmospheres, these annexes feel almost like luxurious beach houses.

Dine indoors or al fresco on the pool terrace as the sun begins to set over the sea, the choice is yours. However, the hardest decision will probably be where to soak up the sea views outside. It could be the swimming pool, or perhaps the indulgent hot tub with a range of pampering features.

When you're feeling more active, stroll into Taormina and spend an afternoon sightseeing. Highlights include a medieval cathedral, the old town walls and a tiny hilltop church. But the absolute must-visit is Teatro Antico di Taormina, an



ancient Greek open-air theatre.

Explore more ancient history in the resort town of Giardini Naxos, just 15 minutes away by car. Also visit Catania with its wealth of Baroque architecture. Definitely an unmissable destination is iconic Mount Etna, which is perfect for a longer day out.

## Facilities

Wow Factor • Instagrammable • Modern • Private Pool • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Pets on Request • Hot Tub • Walk to Village • Walk to Restaurant • BBQ • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Satellite TV • Table Tennis • Heating • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Watersports • Sailing • Wine Tasting • Tennis Nearby • Fishing • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Boat Trips

# Interior & Grounds

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## Villa Interiors

### Lower Floor

- Living room with sofa, dining table for six people, doors to terrace
- Living room with sofas, flat screen TV, fireplace, sofa bed, doors to terrace
- Kitchen with oven, hob, double-door fridge with ice dispenser, kettle, coffee maker, dining table for four people, doors to terrace
- Bathroom with toilet, bidet, sink, shower

### Upper Floor

- Bedroom with double bed, TV, ensuite bathroom with shower, doors to shared terrace
- Bedroom with double bed, TV, doors to shared terrace
- Bedroom with double bed, doors to shared terrace
- Bathroom with toilet, bidet, sink, shower
- Bathroom with toilet, bidet, double sink, shower

## Annexe Interiors

- Bedroom with double bed, ensuite bathroom with toilet, bidet, sink, shower
- Living room/kitchen area
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### **Outside Grounds**

- Swimming pool (10m x 5m, depth: 3m) with inflatable cover. Open all year
- Pool terrace with sun loungers, cushions, umbrellas, outdoor shower, sofa, small barbecue
- Six-seater heated Jacuzzi with hydromassage, aromatherapy, chromotherapy, oxygen therapy. Open all year
- Covered terrace with dining table for six people
- Garden with seating, lawn, trees, plants, flowers
- Barbecue
- Parking

### **Facilities**

- Wi-Fi
- Air conditioning
- Satellite TV
- Table tennis

## Location & Local Information

With its picturesque setting on a hillside overlooking the sea, bay of Mazzarò and stunning coastline, Villa Naxos is an oasis of calm and beauty. But it's also incredibly well-connected to everything this gorgeous part of Sicily has to offer.

Just a short walk away is the cable car station that takes you down to the Mazzarò area with its pebbled beach and restaurants. You can also walk or drive down to the coast in around 10 minutes. Hire sun loungers to take it easy, swim in azure waters and enjoy a range of watersports such as snorkelling and diving.

A short distance from the beach at Mazzarò is Isola Bella, a stunning island connected to the coast via a thin strip of sand. It too boasts a pebble beach and plenty of hidden coves to explore. Boats also leave from the Mazzarò area for the magical Blue Grotto sea cave.

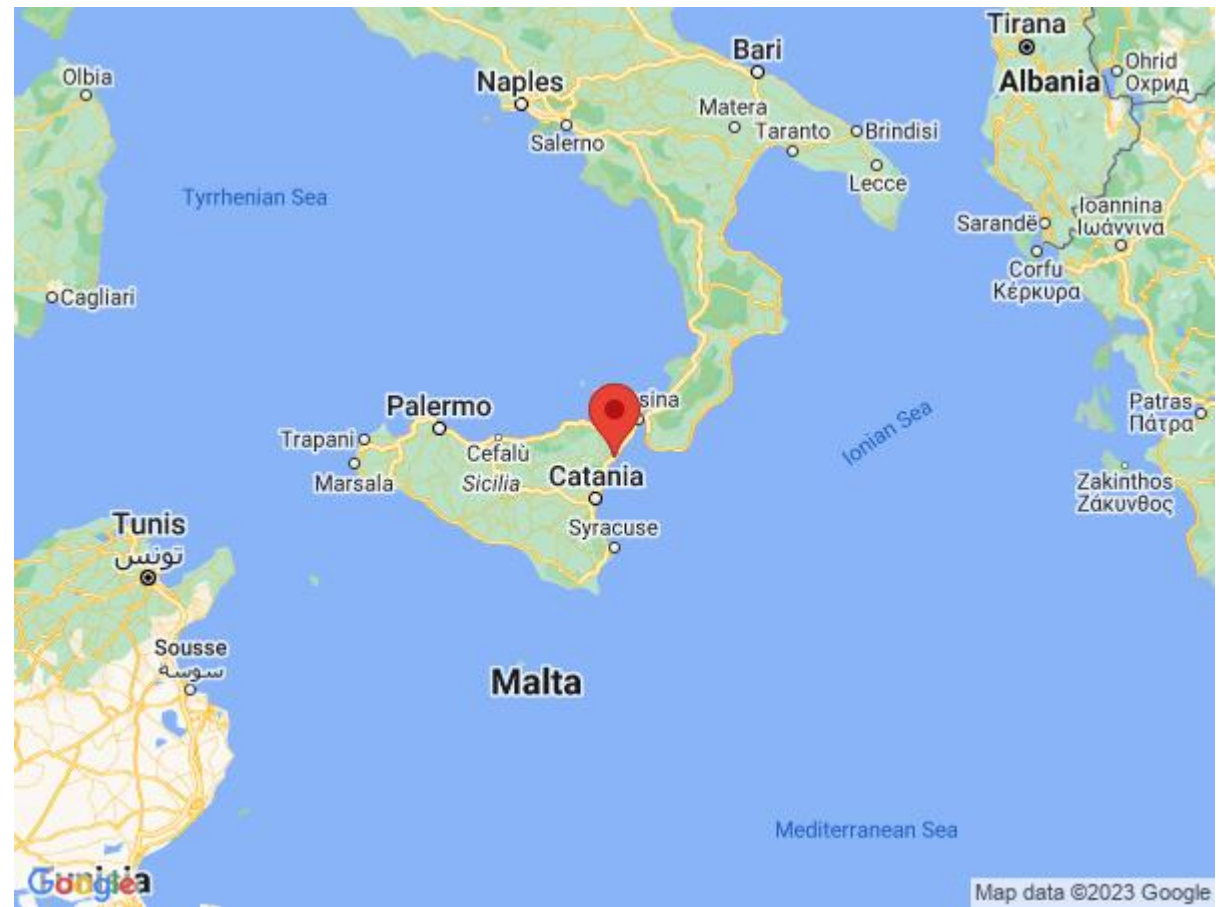
You can reach the heart of Taormina on foot in 15 minutes or jump in the car and be there in just five. You're spoilt for choice when it comes to meals and drinks out, with spots such as Piazza IX Aprile lined with restaurants, cafes and bars. Fashionistas will love Corso Umberto with the area being the town's top shopping destination. It bursts with luxury boutiques and shops selling clothing, jewellery and souvenirs.

Historic highlights of Taormina include Duomo di Taormina, Palazzo Ciampoli and Porta Catania, with the latter being the ancient arched gateway to the town. Walk up the slopes above Taormina and follow a stepped pathway cut into the rocks to discover the tiny church, Chiesa Madonna della Rocca. The ancient Greek open-air theatre, Teatro Antico di Taormina, is Taormina's most-famous site and is worth visiting for the breathtaking views alone.

More ancient history is on offer in the resort of Giardini Naxos, as well as sandy beaches. Explore the ruins of what is said to be the first ancient Greek colony and settlement in Sicily at the archaeological park and museum.

The ancient port city of Catania with its beautiful Baroque architecture and famous fish market is just a 45-minute drive from the villa.

Mount Etna has natural history more than covered and is an ideal destination for a longer day out. Explore the moon-like terrain of this still-active volcano by jeep and ascend at least 2,500 feet on the cable car.



# Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Catania (70km)</b>
Nearest Ferry Port	<b>Messina (50km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>Taormina (5km)</b>
Nearest Town/City	<b>Giardini Di Naxos (6.5km)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>(1km)</b>
Nearest Bar/Pub	<b>(1km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>(1km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Isola Bella (5km)</b>
Nearest Tennis	<b>(4km)</b>
Nearest Town/City	<b>Catania (50km)</b>

## What we love

- The villa's hillside setting offers sweeping views over the sea, coastline and dramatic Isola Bella
- Interiors boast a wealth of characterful features such as lively wall art and colourful, traditional tiles
- Spend time unwinding in the pool or Jacuzzi and with al fresco meals on the terrace
- Walk to the cable car and journey down to Mazzarò and its beautiful beach in mere minutes
- The centre of Taormina with its historic attractions is only a five-minute drive away

## What you should know...

- One of the bedrooms in the main villa has separate access from outside
- The main villa's staircase is open-tread and curved
- The gardens are steep and terraced in places

# Terms & Conditions

- Arrival time: 2.00 pm.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- Security deposit: €1000 paid in cash to the owner upon arrival and refunded upon departure, subject to full inspection.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes, plus light cleaning of bedrooms and bathrooms every other day. 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.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, changed every two days.
- Pool towels included?: Yes, changed every two days.
- Changeover day: Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- 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.
- 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.
- Tax: Italian Visitors Tax payable locally in cash (typically costs €1-€3 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).
- 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.