# Villa Majolica & Villa Bobolino

Region: San Gimignano Sleeps: 14 - 17

### **Overview**

Enjoy glorious valley views from one of your two swimming pools at Villa Majolica and Bobolino, two charming villas set on a Tuscan hilltop surrounded by olive groves, vineyards and forested hills. Just half an hour from Florence and with Lucca and Siena also easily reached, this estate is perfectly located for exploring the very best of this beautiful region.

The larger of the two villas, Villa Majolica, has undergone such a thoughtful restoration and features charming interiors alongside modern features. Soak up the traditional Tuscan ambience as you admire exposed wood beams and original terracotta floors and appreciate the comfortable furnishings and great attention to detail of this welcoming 5-bedroom home, sleeping up to 11 guests.

Smaller Villa Bobolino is bursting with character and charm, with room for 4-6 guests across two bedrooms and a sofa-bed. The panoramic views are stunning as you relax on the veranda or wander up to Majolica for grand alfresco feasts on the large terrace with more sweeping valley views close by.

With exclusivity of the whole estate, guests have the benefit of two wonderful swimming pools. The picture-perfect setting of Villa Majolica's pool will enchant you with its pretty flowers whilst Villa Bobolino's salt-water pool makes the most of the Tuscan landscapes and also features a jacuzzi corner.

Both medieval Montelupo Fiorentino and historic Empoli are around ten minutes by car with their inviting restaurants, cafes and shops whilst the artistic treasures and exquisite architecture of Florence can be reached in around half an hour.

When not hiking, cycling or horse-riding through the undulating landscapes of cypresses, vineyards and olive groves, spend time visiting idyllic villages such as San Miniato and San Gimignano or stunning towns including Siena, Lucca and Pisa. You could even reach the Versilia coast in just over an hour or head to the Chianti vineyards to taste some of the finest wines in this exceptional part of Italy.

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### **Facilities**

Private Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens
• Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Pets on Request • <1hr to Airport • BBQ •
Safety Deposit Box • Hairdryer • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Satellite TV •
DVD • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Ceiling Fans • Cot(s) •
High Chair(s) • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting •
Golf Nearby • Cycling • Horse Riding • Outstanding Landscapes •
Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

### **Interior & Grounds**

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#### Villa Majolica Interiors

Please note that this villa is composed of two separate apartments connected via an interior door.

#### Main Floor

- 2 x living rooms
- Kitchen, well-equipped including dishwasher, fridge/freezer, oven, hob, microwave, kettle, toaster, blender and coffee maker.
- Master bedroom with queen-size double, separate dressing room and en suite bathroom with shower
- Bedroom with double bed
- Bathroom with shower
- Guest WC

Mid-Level (between main and first floor, walk-through room)

- Bedroom with single bed

#### First Floor

- 2 x living rooms with fireplace
- Kitchen, well-equipped including dishwasher, fridge/freezer, oven, hob, microwave, kettle, toaster, blender and coffee maker. Doors lead out to terrace
- Master bedroom with queen-size double bed and en suite shower room
- Bedroom with queen-size double bed
- Bedroom with twin beds
- Bathroom with shower
- Guest WC

#### Villa Majolica Outside Grounds

- Salt-water swimming pool (3m x 8m, max depth: 1.4m). Open approximately May to September
- Al-fresco dining area
- Barbecue
- Swing and hammock
- Automatic gate
- Parking
- Jacuzzi area

#### Villa Majolica Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Ceiling fans (bedrooms and kitchen)
- Satellite TV









- DVD player
- CD player
- Washing machine
- Ironing facilities

#### Villa Bobolino Interiors

#### Ground Floor

- Kitchen with oven, hob, microwave, dishwasher and dining facilities
- Bedroom with double bed and en-suite bathroom with shower
- Bedroom with double bed
- Bathroom with shower

#### First Floor

- Living room/upper gallery with double sofa bed, TV, DVD, CD, books and a fireplace

#### Villa Bobolino Outside Grounds

- Salt-water infinity pool with Jacuzzi (10.5m x 7.5m, depth: 1.10m - 1.40m).

Open approximately May to end-September

- Veranda with garden furnishings and sun beds
- Al-fresco lounging area
- Dining facilities
- Landscaped gardens
- Barbecue
- Covered parking

#### Villa Bobolino Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning (bedrooms only)
- Washing machine
- Iron & ironing board
- Cots and highchair on request

### **Location & Local Information**

Just half an hour west of Florence in the Fiorentine Chianti hills, Villas Majolica and Bobolino sit on a hilltop with stunning valley views, set amongst forested hills, olive trees and vineyards.

Within a short drive you will find Montelupo Fiorentino (4km), a small medieval town which was an important pottery centre in the Renaissance era. It's also known for its wonderful Tuscan food with restaurants and local agriturismi often serving delicious produce from nearby farms. Locally made Pan Bistugio is a Montelupo Fiorentino speciality, especially when accompanied by wine from local Chianti vineyards.

Make the most of the beautiful walking, cycling and horse-riding trails through this part of Tuscany and beyond. Golf-lovers have the choice of a picturesque nine-hole course only a 10-minute drive away or the popular Circolo Golf dell'Ugolino just south of Florence.

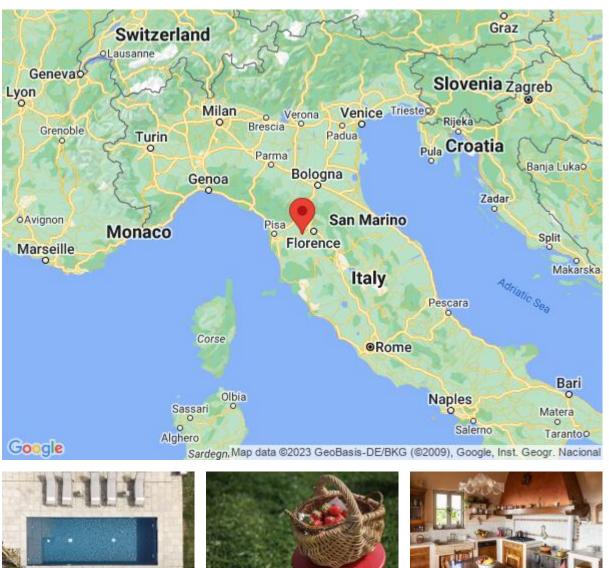
The rich heritage of Empoli (7km) is also waiting to be explored, as is the gorgeous perched village of San Miniato (20km) with its enchanting lanes and grand square. If staying in late autumn or winter then look out for white truffles being served in local restaurants or you could even partake in a truffle-hunting excursion.

Other historic gems to visit include Certaldo (25km), San Gimignano (37km) and Volterra (56km) whilst the Chianti vineyards, wineries and idyllic villages can be reached within an hour such as Radda, Greve and Castellina in Chianti.

If you are hoping to visit Florence for the day then why not drive to the local station, around 5km away, and catch the 30-minute train to the city centre. There is so much to do within this stunning city whether exploring its art galleries and museums, enjoying a gelato by the carousel on Piazza della Repubblica or just wandering around the city admiring its incredible architecture.

Siena (67km) is another fantastic day out, as is Lucca (60km), Pisa (60km) and even the Versilia coast with Viareggio and Forte dei Marmi under 90 minutes away. For a truly spectacular drive, head further north to the charming coastline and villages of the Golfo dei Poeti and onwards to La Spezia (132km), the gateway to the Cinque Terre National Park.

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### **Local Amenities**

Nearest Airport	Florence Airport (26km)
Nearest Airport 2	Pisa Airport (57km)
Nearest Village	Montelupo Fiorentino (4km)
Nearest Supermarket	Montelupo Fiorentino (4km)
Nearest Restaurant	Montelupo Fiorentino (4km)
Nearest Town	Empoli (7km)
Nearest City	Florence (32km)
Nearest Golf	Golf Club Montelupo/Circolo Golf dell'Ugolino (7km/35km)

### What we love

- An idyllic Tuscan setting on a hilltop surrounded by olive trees, vineyards and forested hills
- Both villas have been beautifully restored with original features and charming décor
- · Guests benefit from two swimming pools and ample space for al-fresco dining
- Medieval Montelupo Fiorentino and historic Empoli are both just a short drive away
- An ideal location for visiting Chianti vineyards, Florence, Lucca, Siena and endless hilltop villages and towns across Tuscany

## What you should know...

- There are two villas on the estate Villa Majolica (11 guests) and Villa Bobolino (4-6 guests including a double sofa-bed). For small groups, each villa can also be rented separately outside of high season.
- Villa Majolica is one villa but please note it is composed of two separate apartments which are connected via an internal door.
- Air-conditioning is featured in the Villa Bobolino bedrooms only.
- Please note that whilst this villa comfortably sleeps 11 guests, one guest will be sleeping on the single bed located in a walkthrough room between the two floors.

### **Terms & Conditions**

- Security deposit: €1000 paid in cash to the owner upon arrival and refunded upon departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 3.00 p.m. 7.00 p.m. Late check-in is possible at an extra cost of €50 per hour.
- Departure time: By 10.00 a.m.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Extra €300, payable locally on arrival. Mid-week cleaning is included at both properties. 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, except air-conditioning in the villa's bedrooms which is an extra €150 per week, payable locally.
- Heating costs included?: Extra cost, payable locally (€6/m3). One basket of firewood is provided, additional baskets are €7 each, payable locally.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes. Changed weekly.
- Pool towels included?: Yes.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- Changeover day: Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- Pets welcome?: Well behaved pets are on request only and with prior agreement with the owner. If accepted, a pet supplement of €100 per pet per week will apply (payable locally). Dogs must be on a leash in all public areas as well as the garden but they are not permitted in the pool area.
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- Tax: Italian Visitors Tax payable locally in cash (typically costs €1-€5 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required).
- Insurance: Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for cancellations, loss of personal belongings, personal liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.
- Internet access?: Wi-Fi internet access included.
- 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.
- Pool opening dates?: The pool is open approximately May to September. 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.
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