

Villa Papaveri

Region: Lake Como **Sleeps: 10 - 12**

Overview

By the shores of the world-famous Lake Como, Villa Papaveri offers its guests a stay like no other. With its backdrop of spectacular mountains and with the glittering lake bordering the villa's lush and pleasant garden, you will find simply stunning vistas everywhere you look.

Villa Papaveri offers chic accommodation with a contemporary flourish that Italians seem to do so well. Modern yet comfortable, guests will appreciate lounging on the sunny back porch with a book just as much as soaking up the sun on the al fresco dining terrace, all whilst taking in the landscape across the water. The garden is spacious and well kept, whilst the interior of the house benefits from plenty of light and fantastic vistas, thanks to the generous use of sliding glass doors to make the absolute most of its gorgeous location.

All bedrooms enjoy lake views and most benefit from the convenience of an en suite bathroom and under floor heating. The overall look and feel of the villa is enhanced by the use of sleek stone, polished wood and stylish minimal detailing, perfectly complemented by crisp white walls that reflect the abundance of light.

A feature that guests will no doubt find convenient is that the villa has two kitchens set over separate floors, which allows for flexible cooking and dining in group sizes as you choose. In addition, both the generously sized upper terrace and the airy ground floor dining room with sliding doors to the garden allow for the perfect al fresco dining experience – might we suggest by way of the garden's barbecue?

Just a few minutes' walk from the villa you will find shops, cafés, bars and eateries, as well as a supermarket and bank, or explore the shores of the lake, just steps away and accessible by jetty. Alternatively, around a 10-minute drive away is the beautiful Riserva Naturale Pian di Spagna e Lago di Mezzola, a nature reserve and wetlands that is especially stunning at sunrise and sunset.



Facilities

Easy By Train • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids
• Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Walk to Beach • Walk to Village •
Walk to Restaurant • BBQ • Satellite TV • Heating • Cot(s) • High
Chair(s) • Waterfront • Watersports • Sailing • Canoeing/Kayaking •
Walking/Hiking Paths • Golf Nearby • Cycling • Fishing • Outstanding
Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages •
Historical Sites • Boat Trips

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interior (190m2)

Ground Floor

- Open plan lounge with sofa and TV. Sliding glass doors to garden
- Kitchen, with hob, oven, kettle, toaster, dishwasher, microwave, fridge, freezer, electric coffee machine, dining table with chairs. Sliding glass doors to garden
- Bathroom with shower and WC
- Bedroom with double bed and en suite bathroom with shower and WC
- Bedroom with double bed

First Floor

- Open plan lounge and dining area with sofa, satellite TV, dining table and chairs, and kitchen with hob, oven, toaster, kettle, dishwasher, microwave and coffee machine, and doors to terrace with dining table and chairs
- Bedroom with double bed, cot and en suite bathroom with shower and WC
- Bathroom with shower and WC

Second Floor (accessible via open staircase)

- Open plan bedroom with 1x double bed, 2x single beds

Outside Grounds

- Garden bordering lake with lawn, trees and paved areas
- Rear porch onto garden
- Terrace with dining table and chairs
- Barbecue
- Deckchairs
- Parking for 4 cars

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Underfloor heating
- Washing machine
- Satellite TV



Location & Local Information

On a street by the lake, and neighbouring other houses that wind their way along the base of the mountains by a single railway track, Villa Papaveri enjoys the benefits of glorious lake views combined with the convenience of being in a small town location. You can take a short walk into town for bars, restaurants, and shops, several of which are found just a few minutes' walk away, or an intriguing historic landmark is a 'secret' tunnel, built during WW1, is also accessible on foot and worth checking out when you are in the mood for a local wander.

As well as the charms of its natural landscape, the Sondrio province of Lombardy where the villa is located has an abundance of old churches and historical holy sites, one such being the startlingly beautiful Chiesa di San Giorgio di Cola. Nestled on a mountaintop, it lies just a 10 minute journey away by car in nearby Nevate Mezzola.

Walk or cycle along the local Tracciolino trail, a route that connects Verceia with nearby Novate Merzola. A genuinely unique scenic path, this trail includes tunnels, lush valleys with rare plants, and even a miniature train!

The ever-impressive metropolis of Milan is around an hour and 45 minutes away in the car where you can shop 'til you drop and dine out in style, or you could always take a trip to the lakeside city of Como itself, a little over an hour's drive from the villa. Here you will be rewarded with architectural delights such as the Basilica di Sant'Abbondio and the gothic marvel that is the Cattedrale di Santa Maria Assunta, or simply wander the city's colourful streets and squares to your heart's content. For culture vultures, Como's opera house Teatro Sociale is a neo-classical marvel and features performances throughout the year.

Naturally, you cannot think of the Lombardy region without its wonderful cuisine also coming to mind. Aromatic risotto made with locally grown rice and lake-caught fish, served with grilled polenta, would be perfectly matched with a local fine wine such as a Soave or Asti Spumante, perhaps finishing with a resca sweetbread, a specialty of the region.

Lake Como itself offers a wealth of activities and sites, including boat hire and boat tours, pedalo hire, romantic shoreside promenades, grand palazzos right on the lake, and even fishing tours. Just be sure to ask the local tackle shops and tour companies about obtaining a one day licence before you haul in that big catch!



Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Milan Linate Airport (105km)
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Nearest Airport 2	Milan Malpensa Airport (125km)
Nearest Restaurant	(Within walking distance)
Nearest Supermarket	(Within walking distance)
Nearest Town/City	(Within 500m)
Nearest Train Station	Verceia (2km)
Nearest Golf	Valtellina Golf Club (40km)
Nearest City	Sondrio (45km)
Nearest Beach	Pebble beach (150m)

What we love

- A modern villa with a stylish and contemporary design
- An unmatched location right on the shores of Lake Como
- A stone's throw from the railway line, accessible just a 5 minute drive away
- Plenty of farmer's markets in the area for the finest fresh local produce
- Explore local wineries for tastings of Soave, Muscato and sparkling Asti Spumante

What you should know...

- A main road is nearby and easily accessible.
- Whilst the villa can accommodate up to 12 guests, please note that two guests will be sleeping on sofa beds. Please see the 'Features' tab for full details.
- Please note that published rates are only valid for the current year. Any bookings for subsequent years will be on request only and correct rates will be confirmed at the time of booking.
- Please note that your booking will only be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner or their property manager.

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €600 paid in cash to the owner upon arrival and refunded upon departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: Between 4.00 p.m. and 7.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- 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.
- Linen & towels included?: Bed linen is included, towels are not provided.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Heating costs included?: Extra cost, payable locally.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- Changeover day: Saturday from mid-May to mid-September. Flexible during all other periods.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- 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.
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