

Hamamelis

Region: Emilia-Romagna Sleeps: 10

Overview

Overlooking rows of olive trees to one side and vineyards set to the other, Hamamelis belongs to the verdant territory of a luxury private estate, nestled in northern Italy's rolling countryside. Known for its flourishing landscape and central position, the Bolognese backwaters are ideal for those seeking a peaceful retreat surrounded by nature.

Spread across three floors, the enchanting residence has been lovingly restored with classic features made by Italian artisans such as floor-to-ceiling curtains, leather headboards and watercolour paintings, exuding old-world charm. Upstairs, five chic bedrooms all featuring an en-suite bathroom are patiently waiting for your arrival. Each benefiting from a picturesque view over the green backdrop, they're equipped with a small desk to allow for privacy when you need to catch up on work emails.

In the top-floor studio, you can practice your downward-facing dog or reach the state of zen during a meditation class. The kids playroom is also located on this level, and is equipped with a comfortable sofa and PlayStation to allow for hours of uninterrupted entertainment. While the children play in their den, curl up in one of the chaise lounges with a good book and relax while gazing out onto the hills of the surrounding commune.

Luckily, the outdoor area is just as magnificent - with so many corners and south-facing areas, you're really spoiled for choice here when it comes to soaking up the Italian sunshine. Surrounded by a manicured garden and magical views of the valley below, the infinity pool lights up in a kaleidoscope of colours at night, creating an illuminated bathing experience you're set to love.

All you need to enjoy the estate's superb facilities is to make your way to the main villa which is home to four restaurants, specialty spa with outdoor pools as well as a modern gym and outdoor courts.

Only a 5-minute drive away, the local village benefits from a supermarket, more restaurants and local amenities, offering a change of scenery and the chance to stock up on home-grown produce. Enveloped by other pastoral villages, the area turns out some of Italy's most highly prized wines, as well as local delicacies. Eat your way through hearty plates of pasta alongside meat and cheese in Bologna's many trattorias and delis – only 30 minutes' drive



away, it has a sprawling plaza and many Renaissance buildings worth admiring.

Facilities

Private Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens
• Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Pets on Request • Walk to Restaurant •
<1hr to Airport • Laptop Friendly Workspace • Safety Deposit Box •
Hairdryer • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Satellite TV • Lift • Cot(s) • High
Chair(s) • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Tennis
Nearby • Cycling • Horse Riding • Fishing • Outstanding Landscapes •
Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interior (400m2)

Ground Floor

- Kitchen with a fridge, freezer, induction hob, oven, dishwasher, kettle (upon request), toaster, coffee machine
- Food storage room
- Dining room with table and chairs
- Living room with TV
- Small office with a monitor
- 2 Guest WCs
- Lift connecting the three floors

First Floor

- Five King-sized/twin bedrooms, each with a small table/desk and en-suite bathrooms with a shower and WC

Two of the bedrooms can be interconnected on request.

Second Floor

- Playroom with a sofa and playstation
- Office studio with a desk and sofa

Outside Grounds

- Private infinity pool (6m x 12.5m, depth: 1.40m). Open approximately May to September
- Sun loungers and parasols
- Garden (3600m2)
- Shaded pergola with a dining table, chairs and lounge furniture
- Parking

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning
- Safe
- Lift
- Playstation
- Hair dryer
- Iron and ironing board (upon request)



Location & Local Information

Hamamelis' convenient yet harmonious location means that every type of traveller can find their own niche in the sprawling region – whether it's getting lost in nature, wining and dining in charming towns or catching ample sunrays by the sea.

The resort where the property is tucked away in benefits from a restored 18th-century villa that boasts a private spa and four restaurants, meaning you don't even need to lift a finger to unwind in luxury. Take advantage of the estate's first-class facilities and let the hospitable staff help you organise a mountain bike tour through the neighbouring vineyards, olive groves and orchards. Alternatively, the private park's many wellness trails are best for getting your steps in.

For more restaurants and local amenities, head to the closest village, easily reached by car in just 5 minutes. The immediate area is famous for thermal baths and springs, with the wellness oasis Castel San Pietro Terme being located only a 10-minute drive away. The city is full of centuries-old churches, cobbled alleyways and cafés that help you to embrace a slower pace of life. Its world-renowned spa facility uses water from the healing Fegatella Spring and offers specialised treatments and services for those looking for hours of pampering. Just over 20 minutes' drive away, the open-air museum Dozza belongs to one of the most beautiful mediaeval villages in Italy and boasts an ancient Sforza fortress alongside colourful murals.

For true hustle and bustle, drive to the region's capital Bologna, only 30 minutes away. Home to one of the oldest universities in the western world, it houses many museums, galleries and notable buildings such as its two leaning towers and the 38 kilometres-long porticoes that are part of the UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

The east coast looking out to the aquamarine Adriatic Sea is studded with glorious swathes of pale-gold sand, where sorbet-coloured parasols stand neatly in lines like soldiers. Grab a sun lounger at the Singita Miracle Beach in Marina di Ravenna – the blanket-dotted beach is a popular spot for watching the sun slip behind the horizon or head to Rimini for a thriving nightlife scene and more beach clubs.

The swooningly romantic Venice can be reached in two hours by car, and so does Tuscany's capital city Florence. Both amorous in their own way, they're noted for their Renaissance architecture, monuments and beautiful historic centres belonging to UNESCO World Heritage Sites.



Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Bologna (29km)
Nearest Airport 2	Florence (124km)
Nearest Train Station	Bologna (Large station) (25km)
Nearest Village	Osteria Grande (5km)
Nearest Town/City	Bologna (19km)
Nearest Bar/Pub	On the estate (Less than 1km)
Nearest Supermarket	Osteria Grande (5km)
Nearest Golf	(Within the resort)
Nearest Beach	Ravenna (74km)
Nearest Tennis	On the estate (Less than 1km)
Nearest Restaurant	On the estate (Less than 1km)

What we love

- The villa is situated within a scenic botanical landscape designed by architect Antonio Perazzi and belongs to the famous Italian network Great Italian Gardens
- Children will love playing in the pool while you catch sunrises from the sun loungers
- The villa's serene views over the rows of vineyards below create a sense of tranquillity, ideal for those looking for a peaceful holiday
- Enjoy a glass of locally produced wine alongside an al-fresco meal in the pergola
- The famed Castel San Pietro Terme and other thermal baths are close by

What you should know...

- Please note that the use of any of the resort facilities e.g. restaurants, spa and sporting activities is at an extra cost, payable locally.
- For larger parties it is possible to rent sister properties [Il Mosaico](#) (sleeps 11), [Giardino Degli Aromi](#) (sleeps 8), [Villa Claterna](#) (sleeps 12), [Villa Ravaggiolo](#) (sleeps 10-12) or [Villa Assunta](#) (sleeps 10) on the same estate - please follow links for more information.
- 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.
- Please note that small children shouldn't be left unsupervised around the lift.
- Please take extra care outside around the pool's glass fence, steps and uneven stone surfaces, especially with young children.

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €900 in cash or charged to client's credit card by the owner upon arrival and refunded up to two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 3.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 11.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- 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?: Yes.
- Pool towels included?: Yes, changed daily.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights during July and August. 1 to 4 nights during all other periods. Please enquire for specific details.
- Changeover day: Flexible.
- Pets welcome?: Small to medium sized pets welcome on request only and with prior agreement with the owner. If accepted, a pet supplement of €30 per pet per day will apply (payable locally).
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- Tax: Italian Visitors Tax payable locally in cash (typically costs €1-€10 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.
- 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.
- Other Ts and Cs: 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.
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- 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.