

Villa Karasi

Region: Islamlar Sleeps: 4

Overview

It is so romantic to stay up in the hills at Villa Karasi. This modern villa is located in the village of Islamar, in the foothills of the Taurus Mountains. It is a spectacular location with the mountain backdrop and views across vineyards and olive groves down to the sea at Kalkan. Villa Karasi enjoys two bedrooms, a superb open plan living space and a gorgeous terrace with a pool. It is ideal for two couples, a family or perhaps you might want to indulge yourselves and take the villa for a romantic getaway.

Islamar is a charming village just ten minutes drive from Kalkan and its beautiful coastline. Set in the mountains with an abundance of fruit trees, olive groves, vineyards and trout farms, guests enjoy a tranquil, totally unspoilt location, breathtaking panorama and delicious cuisine as well as gaining an insight into beautiful rural Turkish life which has remained unchanged for many years. You will enjoy simple, authentic Turkish food bursting with flavour at the village restaurants. Not only that, the temperature is a few degrees lower than at the coast so it can be very refreshing after a day on the beach. Kalkan is one of Turkey's prettiest resorts brimming with fabulous restaurants, hilly, narrow cobbled streets covered with vibrant, cascading bougainvillea, independent shops, flower adorned courtyards and fabulous cocktail bars. Delicious gastronomic cuisine is offered from the town's three hundred and fifty plus restaurants, some tucked away on secret corners, some hidden away in pretty warrens and some high up on rooftops where you will delight in the sensational sea views, especially at sunset.

Villa Karasi is very spacious with open plan living and two generous bedrooms. The living space offers an excellent glossy white kitchen with all the appliances you could possibly need for your self-catering stay. Next to this is a modern dining table and chairs followed by the living space which is sprinkled with colourful artworks and soft furnishings. Here you can relax on a giant corner sofa watching the large television or making plans for the next day. Very wide, floor-to-ceiling doors open to the terrace and the most spectacular of views.

The master bedroom suite is enormous and full of eye-catching furnishings and artworks. There are vibrant colour splashes alongside white walls and furniture. The room benefits from an ensuite bathroom with a shower and a jacuzzi bath. What luxury! You can wake in your comfy double bed in the morning and open the doors to the terrace for an early morning swim or to



enjoy a cup of coffee on the terrace. The twin bedroom also enjoys colourful splashes on the walls with modern art and a feature wall. Guests staying in this room have a beautiful, spacious shower room to enjoy. They too have direct access to the terrace.

The terrace is a stunner with beautiful views, a wonderful swimming pool, loungers, a luxurious hammock, bean bag chairs, a built-in barbecue and a fabulous alfresco dining area under a contemporary sail canopy. The terrace is completely secluded, a totally idyllic spot in the mountains.

Facilities

Private Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Walk to Village • Walk to Restaurant • BBQ • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Satellite TV • Walking/Hiking Paths • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

Interior & Grounds

The Villa

Villa Karasi is a 2-bedroom villa sleeping 4 guests, situated in the village of Islamar, less than a 10-minute drive from the centre of Kalkan.

Ground Floor

- Open-plan living & dining area
- Fully-equipped kitchen
- Bedroom with double bed, terrace access and in-room bathroom
- Bedroom with twin beds, terrace access and en-suite shower room

Exterior Grounds

- Private swimming pool (9m x 4m, 1.6m depth)
- Terrace
- Dining facilities
- Barbecue
- Sun loungers

Additional Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air conditioning
- TV
- Washing machine
- Parking

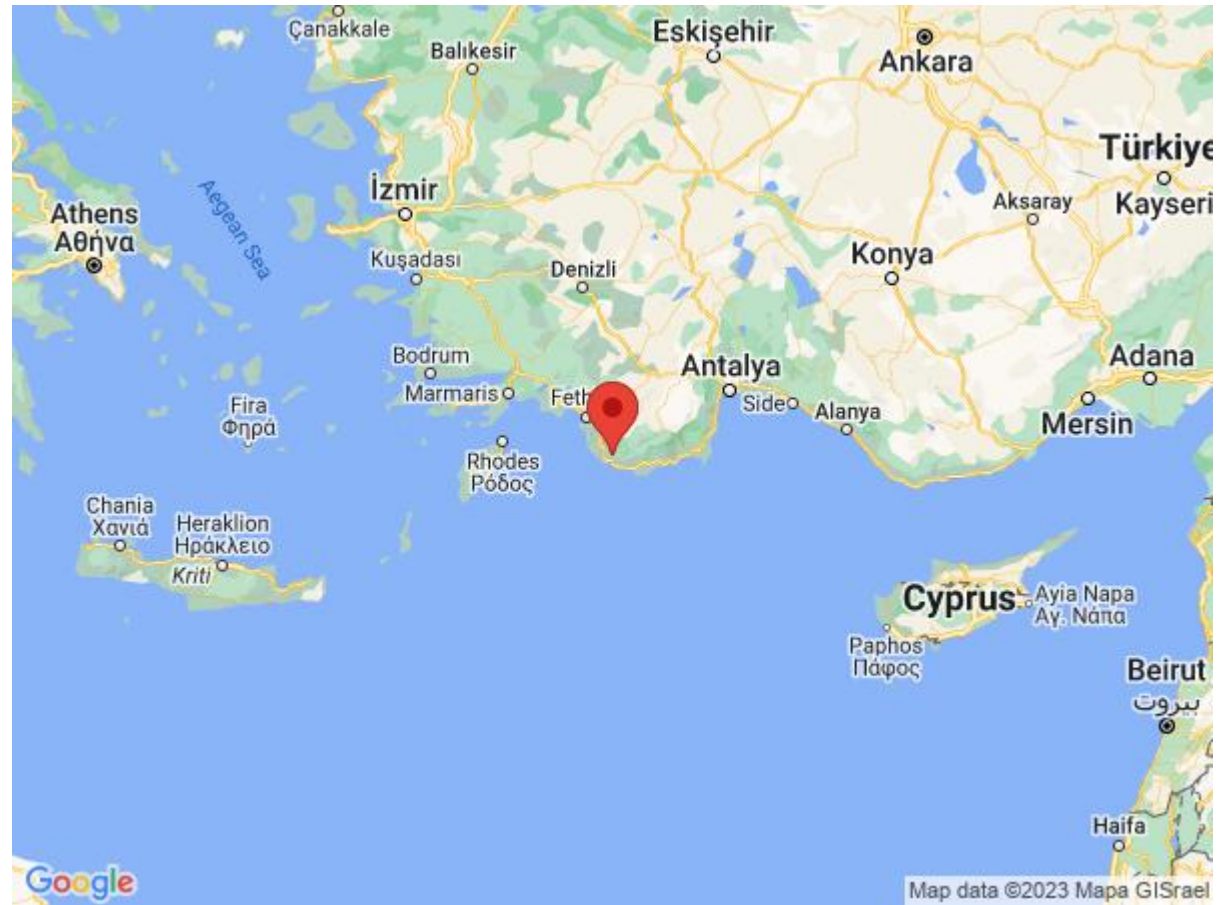


Location & Local Information

Islamar Village is delightful. It is friendly, charming and completely authentic. It sits in the foothills of the Taurus Mountains with a fabulous backdrop and extraordinary views down to the sea. The village still uses a water-powered millstone where the flour for local residents is ground. It is very unspoilt and boasts some excellent village restaurants where you can eat the freshest of fish from the trout farms. All the ingredients are locally grown, organic and bursting with flavour. Small waterfalls, springs and mountain streams provide constant fresh water giving natural irrigation and feeding the trout pools. The village is close to part of the famous Lycian Way so is also a great pick for walkers. Uzulmu is another quaint village close by that similarly gives you a feel for the real Turkey. It too sits in the mountain foothills with extraordinary scenery.

Roughly ten minutes down at the sea is the enchanting town of Kalkan. Until the 1920's, Kalkan was a sleepy fishing village and today it remains an unspoiled despite being a popular spot with tourists. It is a captivating destination awash with nature, historic architecture, bougainvillea-draped streets, rooftop restaurants and sparkling turquoise, crystal clear sea. The busy harbour looks very attractive, full of yachts, gilets and boats awaiting tourists who want to explore the coast or enjoy some watersports. The town enjoys many bathing platforms for sun worshippers, a number of beach clubs and a small central beach. Other beach options nearby are the sandy cove of Kaputas, ten minutes away and the stunning sandy Patara Beach. Sprinkled along the narrow, hilly streets are Ottoman-Greek whitewashed chic boutiques and gift shops selling textiles, clothes, 'designer' handbags and very pretty jewellery. The town's charming restaurants offer varied menus of Turkish mezes, zesty salads and plenty of fresh fish. Boat trips can be taken from Kalkan harbour on traditional gulets or other boats. The gulet trips are wonderful and usually come with a traditional meal. Visitors enjoy exploring the local bays, beaches and sea caves while others go further to Kekova, one of the most beautiful areas of the Turkish coast. Other popular excursions include those to the village of Ucaoyz and glass-bottom boat trips, all of which include swim stops. There are also romantic moonlight cruises and sunset trips. Thrillseekers can be taken to the top of the mountains to paraglide over the coast.

For a total change from beach days, visitors seeking a little adventure enjoy kayaking along the Dalyan River or visiting the majestic and dramatic Saklikent Gorge which was opened as a national park in 1996. The gorge is 18km long and 300m deep. Visitors wade through chilly water, climb, swim and slide through the gorge and its many boulders and tunnels. It is exhilarating and great fun with the fresh mountain water often up to waist height. Guides can lead you through offering so much fun. River rafting and



dining by the waterside are additional options at this fantastic location.

Patara is a fantastic historic site, perfect for an excursion. It boasts an ancient theatre, restored parliament building and impressive Roman baths. The preserved 'ghost village' of Kayakoy where hundreds of deserted, Greek-style houses and churches sit eerily on the hillside should also be on your list of excursions. It was abandoned after the Turkish-Greek population exchange of 1923 and is eerily silent.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Dalaman Airport (119km)
Nearest Town/City	Kalkan (6.5km)
Nearest Village	Islamar (500m)
Nearest Restaurant	Bodamya Tepe Restaurant (500m)
Nearest Supermarket	Cinar Market (850m)
Nearest Beach	Kalkan Public Beach (7km)

What we love

- Villa Karasi enjoys a heavenly, romantic location with the Taurus Mountains as a backdrop and stunning views over the olive groves and vineyards to the sea
- The villa is perfect for a romantic break, offering a wonderful living space, an indulgent bedroom suite with a jacuzzi bath, a fabulous terrace with a pool, alfresco dining and those views!
- Islamar is absolutely charming and you will enjoy the most delicious food in its restaurants. The cosmopolitan Kalkan is only about ten minutes away with all of its bars, shops and rooftop restaurants

What you should know...

- The villa is located on the hillside. If you do not want to drive, you can catch a taxi to and from Kalkan
- Although Kalkan has an extraordinary amount of fabulous restaurants, you must eat in one of the village restaurants at least once. With fresh local produce, a cool breeze and breathtaking panorama, it is a wonderful experience
- The villa is built on a single level so although it is in the mountains, it does make things easier for those with mobility issues

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: 1,000 Turkish Lira (or the equivalent in pounds) paid in cash to the owner upon arrival and to be refunded in full upon departure, subject to inspection.
- Arrival time: 4pm
- Departure time: 10am
- Energy costs included?: Yes, included in the rental price
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, included in the rental price
- 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.
- Internet access?: Complimentary Wi-Fi internet access included in rental price. It is good to note that the speed is dependent on local provider and technical issues may cause reduced speed or cut of service.
- Changeover day: Flexible
- Minimum stay: Please note that there is a 7-night minimum stay
- Pets welcome?: No pets
- Smoking Allowed?: No smoking
- Insurance: Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for cancellations, personal belongings and any accidental damage caused during their stay.