

# Villa U Sole

Region: Southern Corsica **Sleeps: 10**

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## Overview

With gorgeous views towards the Corsican maquis and the sea in the distance, Villa U Sole enjoys a picturesque position just north of Porto Vecchio, a short drive from Plage de Saint Cyprien and its beachside summer restaurants.

In the south of Corsica, this villa is a modern home which is set over two floors looking out towards the sea and mountains from the upper terrace. The house is a great place to stay with family or friends and there is plenty of space for everyone. The living spaces are bright and spacious; there is a contemporary fitted kitchen with all the amenities you could need for preparing meals whilst doors lead to the al-fresco dining terrace and swimming pool. The lounge is a vast, colourful room with a large sofa and TV with sliding doors opening to terraces on either side.

As well as five well-appointed double bedrooms and five bath/shower rooms, the villa also benefits from Wi-Fi and air-conditioning. Sleeping up to 10 guests, there are also flexible options for smaller groups outside the height of the summer.

The outdoor space at Villa U Sole is another wonderful feature - with 1500m<sup>2</sup> of landscaped, gated grounds, you will find numerous terraces, lawned areas and an atmospheric dining terrace overlooking the swimming pool, native maquis and sea beyond. Whether you wish to dine al-fresco on the terrace or sunbathe by the inviting pool, there is plenty of space for everyone.

There is a wide range of beaches in easy reach of the villa, the nearest being Plage de Saint Cyprien, a pristine long beach with white sand and turquoise water in a protected area offering stunning sunbathing spots, summer beachside restaurants and lifeguards in warmer months. Watersport fanatics will love this beach as you can try out parasailing, water-skiing and take boat rides around the breathtaking coastline.

10km away is idyllic Plage de Pinarellu, another gem to visit with its pine backed beach and elegant restaurants whilst south of Porto Vecchio is the iconic Palombaggia Beach, one of the most popular spots on the island.

The lively and much-loved town of Porto Vecchio is 12km by car with plenty of charming restaurants, shops and bars to discover, as well as a bustling



ambience along its historic lanes and by the marina. Bonifacio is another must-see in the south of the island, as are the landscapes of the Forêt de l'Ospédale, a paradise for hikers and a great way to appreciate the stunning interiors of this magnificent island.

## Facilities

Modern • Private Pool • Child-Safe Pool • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • <1hr to Airport • BBQ • Coffee Machine • All Bedrooms En-Suite • TV • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Watersports • Walking/Hiking Paths • Cycling • Horse Riding • Fishing • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Scuba Diving • Paragliding • Boat Trips

# Interior & Grounds

## Villa Interior (210m2, two levels)

- Living room with terrace access, large sofa and TV
- Open-plan kitchen and dining room with breakfast bar, oven, ceramic hob, dishwasher, microwave, toaster, Nespresso Vertuo machine and dining table.
- Doors lead to al-fresco dining and poolside terrace
- Bedroom with double bed and en suite bathroom with bath
- Bedroom with double bed and en suite bathroom with shower and WC
- 2 x bedrooms with double bed and en suite bathroom with shower
- 2 x separate WCs
- Laundry room

*Two double beds are 160cm wide, three double beds are 140cm wide.*

## Outside Grounds (1500m2, enclosed)

- Swimming pool with safety alarm (12m x 4m, depth: 1.2-1.85m). Open approximately April to September/October
- Al-fresco dining terrace with table seating 6
- Poolside sun loungers and parasols
- Weber coal barbecue
- Garden (different levels)
- Electric gate
- Private parking

## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning
- TV with TNT channels
- Bluetooth speaker
- Washing machine
- Iron and ironing board
- Hairdryer



## Location & Local Information

Just 5km from south-eastern Corsica's stunning coastline, in a semi-rural setting surrounded by maquis and other holiday dwellings, is Villa U Sole. 12km from the much-loved town of Porto Vecchio, here you have some of the island's finest beaches, natural spaces and towns to explore making this a brilliant place to stay with friends or family.

If you are planning to spend your summer break on the island of Corsica, you are sure to be seeking a beautiful beach to visit. The closest beach is Plage de Saint Cyprien, 5km by car. Saint Cyprien is a breathtaking bay with everything you could wish for, adored by locals and tourists alike. This stretch of coastline has lots of space for unwinding on a sunlounger, clear and shallow water for taking a swim as well as seasonal watersports on offer. Here you can spend the day snorkelling and windsurfing or maybe you would prefer to hire your own boat to explore the rugged coastline.

Further south, another option is the lovely Santa Giulia beach which is 20km away from the villa, close to the famous Palombaggia Beach. Santa Giulia looks exactly like a tropical beach and is lined with atmospheric seafood restaurants open in the summer months. Both Palombaggia and Santa Giulia are popular beaches, best visited as early in the day as possible.

As well as the incredible coastline, Corsica has lots more natural beauty to be seen. Within driving distance you can visit woodland, mountain ranges and protected parkland where you can walk, cycle or hike through the unique Corsican landscapes such as the Col de Bavella and the Forêt de l'Ospédale. For a fun-filled day out you could even see the terrain on a 4x4 or quad bike tour with a local guide.

When it comes to amenities such as supermarkets, small shops and restaurants, you can find a selection within a short drive from the villa, dotted around the surrounding hills and little hamlets. Around the beach at Saint Cyprien there are also some lovely summer bars and restaurants that you can visit after a day at the beach.

12km away from Villa U Sole you can reach Porto Vecchio which is a large, thriving harbour town and has all the shops and eateries you could need. This pretty town was initially a Roman town which was later settled by the Genoese. Porto Vecchio has a rich history which can be seen as you wander around the streets of the old town, lined with mostly medieval buildings. The lanes wind up to the hill-top fortress which was involved in countless battles – also look out for the 16th-century fortress, the old town gates and old Roman structures. In the newer part of town, you can spend the afternoon pottering around the artisan shops and picking up fresh produce at the markets before



dining at one of the charming restaurants.

If you would like to take a day trip to another area, then head 40km south to Bonifacio which sits dramatically on the cliffside. This ancient town was founded around 800AD making it Corsica's oldest town. Visit the underground rooms and the tower of the fortress which is one of the tallest in France or see the unique Escalier du Roi d'Aragon, a 15th century staircase built into the cliffs which once famously led the invading army straight to their awaiting opponents who captured them immediately. Bonifacio also has a wealth of quaint bistros and street side cafes, many with unrivalled sea views where you can tuck into local delicacies such as chestnuts, brocciu and wild boar.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Figari Airport (34km)</b>
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Bastia Airport (119km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Local area (3-5km)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Spar Lecci (2km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Plage de Saint Cyprien (5km)</b>
Nearest Town	<b>Porto Vecchio (12km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Golf Club de Lezza (12km)</b>

## What we love

- A spacious, modern and air-conditioned villa only 5km from idyllic Plage de Saint Cyprien
- The upper terrace is a gorgeous spot for al-fresco dining and swimming in the inviting pool, looking out towards the Corsican maquis and distant sea beyond
- Enjoy local beachside restaurants and a range of watersports in the summer months
- The much-loved town of Porto Vecchio is only 12km away

## What you should know...

- 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: €2000 security deposit and €200 cleaning deposit both paid separately via local currency cheque or charged to client's credit card upon arrival as a pre-authorisation and both refunded 30 days after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 4.00 p.m. - 8.00 p.m. (arrivals after 8.00 p.m. will be charged €50 per hour, payable locally.)
- Departure time: Before 9.00 a.m. (an end-of-stay inspection will take place at this time with the property representative who will carry out the check-out)
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- Changeover day: Saturday in July and August. Flexible during all other periods.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes and a light mid-stay clean for stays of 2 weeks or more is also included. 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 weekly.
- Pool towels included?: Extra €10.50 per towel, payable locally on arrival.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Pool opening dates?: The pool is open approximately April to September/October. 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.
- Tax: French Visitors Tax payable locally (typically costs €1-€5 per adult per night- please enquire if exact amount is required). The dates of birth of all guests under 18 years of age will be requested before arrival.
- Insurance: Guests are advised to be in possession of a valid insurance policy which covers them for cancellations and are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for the rental property, to include personal liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.
- 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.
- Other Ts and Cs: Please note that your booking will only be confirmed once we have checked availability with the owner or their property manager.
- Other Ts and Cs: Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed, unless authorised in advance.
- Other Ts and Cs: A cot and highchair are available on request. Extra €35 per item per week, payable locally on arrival.