# **Fonte Di Pierdo**

Region: Lucca & Pisa Sleeps: 22

## **Overview**

Fonte Di Pierdo is an elegant, spacious home sitting in beautiful landscaped gardens. Historically used as a hunting lodge by Tuscany's ruling Dukes the Medici family, the house is the perfect blend of old and new as you will find modern, luxurious interiors inside the 16th century building and garden walls.

The villa is spread over two floors, on the ground floor you will find a stunning, double height living room which is flooded with natural light and is furnished with comfortable sofas and solid wood furniture which surround centuries-old fireplaces and sit on restored terracotta tiles. Guests can gather together in this vast room in the evenings for drinks while the children could spend time in the smaller sitting room, giving them a little space away from the grown-ups. When it is time for dinner, you can all dine together around a large dining table which is lit by pretty, twinkling chandeliers.

The home has an impressive eleven bedrooms where guests can be assured of a relaxing nights sleep. Two of these rooms; a double room and a twin room are located on the ground floor whilst the other bedrooms are located on the first floor and are divided into two separate wings. These wings are not connected but can each be reached from downstairs, meaning each wing could offer privacy to different groups or families who are travelling together as a larger party. There are nine bedrooms on the first floor as well as five well-appointed bathrooms.

With a lovely climate, you are sure to want to spend much of your time outdoors in the vast garden. Made up of lawned spaces, patios with little tables, wooded areas and a pergola covered dining terrace, the garden is a tranquil oasis where you can spend leisurely days in the sun. The star attraction of the garden is the collection of pools in the centre; there is a large freeform swimming pool which flows over in to a small pool, perfect for children and there is also a rock-carved jacuzzi where you can unwind and listen to the sounds of the birds in the trees. If you fancy a round of tennis, you will be pleased to know that the villa has a private court with rackets and balls available for guests.

The house is ideally situated for relaxed days spent making memories in the gardens and surrounding countryside and day trips to nearby towns and villages. There nearest village is just 1km away and can be reached on foot. It is a good spot for picking up fresh pastries or dining out at one of the pizzerias









or grill restaurants. Also close by is the village of Altopascio which is a 5km drive from the house. The village has a number of historic attractions as well as a wide range of eateries and artisan shops.

If you would like to enjoy a day out visiting museums, galleries and ancient churches in one of Tuscany's much-loved cities, you are spoiled for choice as you could pay a visit to Lucca (25km away), Pisa (47km away) or even Florence (80km away).

The home is also perfectly situated for a day at one of Tuscany's gorgeous sandy beaches, the nearest of which are around 45km away. You can opt to spend a day at a luxury, serviced beach club with restaurants and bars or you could find a tucked-away cove for an afternoon of snorkelling and sunbathing, whatever your preference, you will find a wonderful beach within easy reach of the villa.

### **Facilities**

Private Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens
• Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Pets on Request • Hot Tub • Walk to Village
• Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • BBQ • Coffee Machine • Hairdryer
• Tennis Court • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Smart TV • Table Tennis •
Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) •
Parking Space • Wine Tasting • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

# **Interior & Grounds**

#### **Villa Interior**

#### Ground Floor

- Living room with garden access, sofas, fireplace, piano and TV
- Sitting room with sofas, fireplace and TV
- Dining room with large dining table
- Fully-fitted kitchen with oven, hob, fridge freezer, dishwasher, microwave, toaster, blender, kettle and coffee machine
- Bedroom with double-sized bed with en-suite bathroom with shower, sink and  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{WC}}$
- Bedroom with twin beds and en-suite bathroom with shower, sink and WC
- Bathroom with shower, sink and WC
- Laundry room

#### First Floor

- Bedroom with double-sized bed with en-suite bathroom with shower, sink and  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{WC}}$
- 7 x bedrooms with double beds
- Bedroom with twin beds
- 4 x bathrooms with shower, sink and WC

### Outside Grounds (8000m<sup>2</sup>)

- Private swimming pool (13m x 6m, depth: 1.4m-2.5m), with separate smaller kids swimming pool (depth: 1.2m). Open approximately May-October
- Jacuzzi
- Poolside sun loungers
- Extensive landscaped ground with lawns, trees and floral planting
- Pergola covered dining space
- Terrace with outdoor sofas
- Tennis court
- Table tennis
- Barbecue
- Parking

#### **Facilities**

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning
- Smart TVs
- Washing machine
- Dryer









- Iron and ironing board
- Hairdryers

# **Location & Local Information**

Situated on a hilltop in a delightful Tuscan village offering unbelievable views whilst also being a short walk from the village centre, this villa offers an exceptional location. In just a 20 minute walk you can find a wide range of amenities including restaurants, bars, boutique stores and bakeries. In addition, the closest winery offering wine tastings is only a 10 minute drive from the villa.

What's more, the spectacular walled city of Lucca is just a 25 minute drive from Fonte Di Pierdo where you can find a greater range of amenities as well as a multitude of historical sites. Roam the picturesque streets and admire the exquisite architecture and impressive Renaissance walls encircling the centre. Whilst you're here be sure not to miss Piazza dell'Anfiteatro, Torre Guinigi and Il Duomo di San Martino.

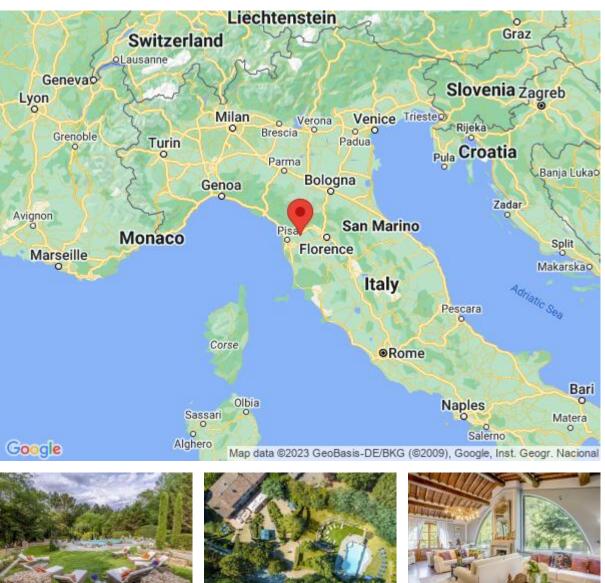
Furthermore, the fascinating village of Collodi is only a 20 minute drive away. This village was where the famous author of Pinocchio who went by the pen name Carlo Collodi spent part of his childhood. Some must-sees in this area include Pinocchio Park, Casa delle Farfalle and Storico Giardino Garzoni. Moreover, the gorgeous mediaeval city of Pistoia is only a 30 minute drive from the villa where there are plenty of historical and beautiful sites to see such as the Cathedral of San Zeno and Piazza della Sala.

On top of this, the spell-binding cities of Florence and Pisa are just a short drive from this property. Reach the magical city of Florence in just under an hour where you can find a remarkable collection of renaissance art and architecture. Be sure to stop by the famous Cattedrale di Santa Maria del Fiore and its well-known bridge, Ponte Vecchio. The magnificent city of Pisa is roughly a 45 minute drive from the villa where you can see the iconic Leaning Tower of Pisa. Additionally, head for a wander along the river and old streets as you admire the beautiful mountainous backdrop.

From this home you are also just a 40-45 minute drive away from the beach. For example, you can head to the beach at the charming coastal town of Forte dei Marmi. This glamorous town is perfect for those looking for high-fashion boutiques and Michelin star restaurants. The seaside town of Viareggio is another great option for a beach day.

### **Local Amenities**

| (JUNIII) | Nearest Airport Pisa (30km) |
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| Nearest Airport 2   | Florence<br>(80km)    |
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| Nearest Village     | Orentano<br>(1km)     |
| Nearest Restaurant  | (1km)                 |
| Nearest Bar/Pub     | (1km)                 |
| Nearest Supermarket | Altopascio<br>(5km)   |
| Nearest Golf        | Montecatini<br>(25km) |
| Nearest Beach       | Viareggio<br>(45km)   |

### What we love

- Fonte Di Pierdo is a beautiful 16th-century home which was once owned by the prestigious Medici family who ruled over Tuscany for hundreds of years and features beams, fireplaces and floor tiles that have all been preserved, while the interiors have been fully renovated with high-quality furnishings
- Make the most of the fabulous amenities offered at this property, from the jacuzzi to the tennis court, you will never get bored!
- The closest village is just 1km away, here you can find a bakery and a number of cafes and restaurants
- Ideally situated to explore all of the best that Tuscany has to offer being within
  easy reach to the bustling Florence and Pisa as well as the walled city of
  Lucca and some glorious beaches

# What you should know...

- A couple live on-site in the left wing of the property, however, both sides of the house are completely independent with separate entrances and trees in the garden area to conserve each side's privacy. Fonte Di Pierdo also has its own private pool and garden area.
- The first floor of the home is split in to two wings which are not interconnected, ideal for families or parties looking for privacy. Both wings can be reached from the ground floor.
- · Whilst there are two ground floor bedrooms available some of the home is not accessible to wheelchair users.
- There is a village within walking distance, though you will need to bring a car in order to visit the coast and some of Tuscany's
  pretty towns.

# **Terms & Conditions**

- Security deposit: €2000 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation one month before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 4.00 p.m. 7.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. All other durations on request.
- Changeover day: Saturday. All other changeover days on request.
- 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.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Heating costs included?: Included up to €100 per week. Excess charged extra.
- Pets welcome?: On request only and with prior agreement with the owner. If accepted, a pet supplement may apply (payable locally). 2024: not allowed.
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- Internet access?: Wi-Fi internet access included.
- 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, personal belongings, public liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.
- Pool opening dates?: The pool is open approximately May to end-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: A cot and highchair are available on request.
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