

La Cornice

Region: Sardinia Sleeps: 8 - 10

Overview

Located in one of the most desirable areas in northern Sardinia, Villa Cornice makes the ideal base for those itching to explore the luxurious lifestyle of Porto Cervo and the prestigious beaches synonymous with Costa Smeralda, as well as the island's fishing villages and breathtaking natural backdrops.

The one-of-a-kind home has been expertly designed by famous French architect Jacques Couëlle, who has been dealing with many of the first villas built on the Emerald Coast in the 1960s. Stylish and contemporary with a nod to Sardinian traditions, you can expect red tiles, rattan furniture handmade on the island and beige stone walls with tree branches growing directly from the stone and into the space. Kick back in the living room designed in a typical Costa Smeralda style, boasting a fireplace for use in colder months, while the large central window gives continuity between the interior and the exterior, and lets the refreshing ocean breeze in on hot summer days. The kitchen and two of the four bedrooms in the villa are also located on this floor.

A central staircase leads upstairs where you can find another two bedrooms, all exuding an equally bohemian charm, with white-washed linen, beach wood wardrobes and nightstands carved directly into the thick, rustic stone. There's also an additional annexe that can host up to 2 more guests with its own kitchen and twin bedroom.

The terrace overlooking the stunning garden and pool offers panoramic views of the glistening azure-blue ocean in the distance; just imagine waking up to the bright-blue skies and sipping your morning coffee here. Local plants, dotted around the property are mixed with palms, cacti and flowering shrubs, while the granite rocks that make up most of the landscaped gardens perfectly tap into the rugged vibe.

Set in the hills overlooking Porto Cervo marina, it's just a 15-minute walk to the centre lined with prestigious boutiques, first-class restaurants and bars. The idyllic seaside resort is frequented by jet-setters and celebrities, so you might even spot a famous actor or singer on your afternoon parade.

Sardinia is nonetheless a beach paradise with options for every sunseeker and offers a great balance of flashy resorts and quiet corners suitable for those looking to find their own piece of utopia. The closest beach Spiaggia Cala Granu is less than a 30-minute walk away, while more picturesque spots



for swimming can be found in Capo Ferro, which also boasts a stunning lighthouse built on a cliff.

If you're looking for further amenities and options for wining and dining, head to Olbia, Sardinia's second-largest city. Here you can stroll around its buttermilk-yellow streets and visit local shops, cafés, restaurants and bars before catching sun rays on the palm tree-lined promenade.

Other notable cities such as Cagliari and Sassari are also a driving distance away and are worth staying overnight for.

Facilities

Villa/House • Quirky • Private Pool • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Walk to Village • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • BBQ • Hairdryer • TV • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Parking Space • Seaview • Watersports • Golf Nearby • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Boat Trips

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interior

Ground Floor

- Living room with banquette seating and fireplace
- Kitchen with a fridge, freezer, oven, hob, dishwasher and coffee maker
- Bedroom with a double bed with an en-suite bathroom with a shower and WC
- Bedroom with twin beds with an en-suite bathroom with a shower and WC

First Floor

- Bedroom with a double bed with an en-suite bathroom with a shower and WC
- Bedroom with twin beds with an en-suite bathroom with a shower and WC

Annexe

- Living room with twin beds
- Bathroom with a shower and WC

Outside Grounds

- Outdoor pool (10m x 4m, max. depth: 2.10m), open approximately May to October
- Pool terrace with sun loungers and umbrellas
- Terrace with lounge furniture
- Relaxation area with a stone table and seating
- Lounge furniture
- Rattan relaxation chairs
- Barbecue
- Parking spot for two cars

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- TV
- Air-conditioning
- Iron and ironing board
- Hairdryer
- Washing machine



Location & Local Information

Located in a quiet residential setting in northern Sardinia's famous seaside resort Porto Cervo, La Cornice grants guests 180-degree views of the glitzy marina below. This fantastic position just moments away from the seafront and a short drive from notable cities makes it an ideal base to explore the island without (almost) lifting a finger.

Fringed with a garland of golden, sometimes white sand, Sardinia's coastline is exotic in look and feel, and the coastline is awash with colour: waters swirl with shades of indigo and skies are streaked by coral sunsets and flocks of resident pink flamingos that nest in salty lagoons. Luckily, you're in the right spot to indulge in all the salty activities. Head to Spiaggia Cala Granu, a beach in a small cove protected by headlands or Spiaggia Tre Monti which can be observed from the nearby rocky paths. Alternatively, drive further to Capo Ferro to explore more beaches backed by woodlands, as well as the famed lighthouse built at the edge of a cliff.

Porto Cervo itself is excellent for strolling around and shopping in its prestigious boutiques which include big Italian designer brands as well as local artisans. The closest restaurant is just a 15-minute walk away with more dining spots being located in the modest central square, and so is a supermarket if you need to stock up on fresh ingredients.

From Palau (a 30-minute drive), you can easily explore the nearby La Maddalena islets by renting a boat or hopping on an organised boat trip. The constellation of tiny islands is rich in fauna and flora, and you might spot dolphins and turtles as you sail across the crystal-clear azure sea, with only powder-soft sand below.

If you're craving the buzz of city life, drive south for 30 minutes to reach Olbia, Sardinia's second-largest city. Although it's not as busy as Cagliari, there are still plenty of opportunities for dining and sightseeing. Visit the mediaeval San Simplicio Basilica dating to the 11th century, or make your way through a palm-lined waterfront promenade to the Museo Archeologico di Olbia which exhibits artefacts from Roman worship. The hilltop Nuraghe Riu Mulinu is an archaeological complex with excellent views of the Gulf of Olbia if you're feeling up for a hike. Shop on the Corso Umberto avenue lined with small boutiques and later in the afternoon, watch the world go by from one of the bars and restaurants at the Piazza Regina Margherita to discover Sardinia's thriving food and drink scene.

Sassari is easy to reach by car in 1.5 hours, and this proud and cultural university town has a handsome historic centre for wandering around. Its central square Piazza d'Italia is where people gather and there are often street



food festivals and other celebrations happening in the summer months. Admire the Cattedrale di San Nicola – a mediaeval Romanesque cathedral, with a later baroque facade and neoclassical features. The public gardens next to the city's university provide much-deserved shelter from the sun, with pretty picnic spots underneath swaying palm trees.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Olbia (32km)
Nearest Airport 2	Alghero (154km)
Nearest Town	Porto Cervo (1.5km)
Nearest Restaurant	(1.5km)
Nearest Bar/Pub	(1.5km)
Nearest Supermarket	(1.5km)
Nearest Golf	Pevero Golf Club (7km)
Nearest Beach	Cala Granu (2km)

What we love

- The villa exudes a true bohemian charm inside and out, featuring sandstone walls, granite rocks and tree trunks growing from the walls
- Enjoy breathtaking panoramic views of the port and sea from this superb hillside villa
- The lovely sandy beaches of Costa Smeralda are only a few minutes' drive away
- Olbia, with its array of restaurants, bars and a promenade running along the marina is only a 30-minute drive away

What you should know...

- Please note that the villa is set on an uneven surface with terraced lawns and typical granite rocks, making it not suitable for small children.
- La Cornice sleeps 8 guests in the main villa and 2 guests in the annexe - perfect for anyone that enjoys some privacy.
- The bathrooms are typical in style, though some are quite narrow.
- Please note that hiring a car is highly recommended to explore the island.
- 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: €3000 paid in cash to the owner upon arrival and refunded upon departure, or via bank transfer one month before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 3.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- Changeover day: Flexible.
- Minimum stay: 14 nights in August. 7 nights during all other periods.
- End of stay cleaning included?: No. €1000, payable locally. This is for a standard changeover clean. 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.
- Energy costs included?: Utilities are included up to €300. Excess charged upon consumption, payable locally.
- Heating costs included?: Utilities are included up to €300. Excess charged upon consumption, payable locally.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes.
- Pool towels included?: Yes.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- Pool opening dates?: The pool is open approximately May to 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.
- 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, loss of personal belongings, 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.
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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.
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