

# Villa Nettuno

Region: Eastern Sicily **Sleeps: 4**

## Overview

Located in the heart of an exclusive estate, this uniquely beautiful lava stone villa welcomes couples seeking an intimate break in an unforgettable setting. Villa Nettuno is a brilliantly restored eighteenth-century farm building featuring a private garden with a heated pool.

Upon arrival, you'll discover a welcome pack that includes a specially selected bottle from the estate's wine cellar, freshly cut flowers and fruit from the same orchards visible from your villa's garden. A mini-bar will be filled with snacks and drinks for some poolside refreshments. You'll enjoy using the Bose speakers, a Technogym case and yoga mats, along with complimentary coffee, tea and infusions.

This cosy and beguiling villa is perhaps the best example of the estate's use of bioarchitecture. While other buildings on the estate grounds utilise lava stone as feature walls and art installations, this former millstone goes further. Carefully selected contemporary art and furniture, a luxurious sofa and an excellent king-size bed all compliment this villa's bold character. Embedded within the corner of the lounge, a splendid wood-burning fireplace suits Villa Nettuno's unique style as perfectly as its gorgeous, vaulted timber ceilings.

The immaculately appointed bathroom, replete with complementary Anyah toiletries, features a fabulous walk-in shower, washbasin and WC. You'll notice further imaginative use of materials, with wall-mounted taps above a porcelain washbasin on a beautiful wooden counter.

In the bedroom, you'll climb into a delightfully comfortable king-size bed that utilises what was once this millstone's grape-crushing tank. Aficionados of restoration projects appreciate Villa Nettuno's elegant design, while every guest loves the comfort it delivers.

This cosy villa's understated, effortless beauty is replicated in its private garden. Enjoy a complementary morning coffee at the breakfast table before reclining on the two fantastic sun loungers at the poolside, shaded by a giant parasol. The dreamy solar-heated pool is deliberately positioned, with its bathers enjoying scintillating views stretching as far as the Mediterranean Sea.

Your concierge will handle all your dinner reservations and schedule hands-on experiences at the resort. Like Villa Nettuno, the seasonal dishes served at the restaurants are products of their environment. The estate shares the Etna region's rich agricultural heritage, with its vineyards, orchards, vegetable farm



and botanical garden forming the cornerstones of this organic restaurant's seasonal menus. The restaurant's chefs happily share traditional Sicilian cooking techniques with visitors, with pasta-making classes available to book. Explore the region's phenomenal wines in a tasting session with an expert sommelier, then discover the culinary secrets of the botanical garden as the bar's mixologist invites you to join a cocktail-making tutorial.

## Facilities

Villa/House • Private Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Pets on Request • Walk to Village • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport • Coffee Machine • Safety Deposit Box • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Seaview • Watersports • Canoeing/Kayaking • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Tennis Nearby • Cycling • Horse Riding • Fishing • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites • Boat Trips

# Interior & Grounds

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## Villa Interior (50m2)

- Bedroom with king-size bed
- Living area with a sofa bed, glass coffee table and wood-burning fireplace
- Bathroom with walk-in shower
- Antique and contemporary Italian designer furniture
- Artwork

*\*Please note that this villa does not have a kitchen*

## Outside Grounds

- Solar-heated pool (172ft<sup>2</sup>)
- Private garden
- Sun loungers and parasol
- Garden furniture

## Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air-conditioning in bedroom
- BOSE Wi-Fi Speakers
- Yoga mats
- Bathrobes and slippers
- Coffee machine and kettle
- Technogym case with fitness tools
- Mini bar
- In-room safe



## Location & Local Information

A revelation in bio-architectural design, the resort where Villa Nettuno is situated embraces the geology and terroir of western Sicily. This estate will enchant you with its elegant synergy of traditional local architecture and produce, vibrant contemporary art, and passion for hospitality.

Your concierge will arrange, at your request, experiences which celebrate the region's cultural, gastronomic and environmental heritage. You'll have the chance to join the chefs beyond the pass for a personal cooking class that will impart some of the knowledge and skill that continues to place Sicily at the forefront of gastronomic innovation.

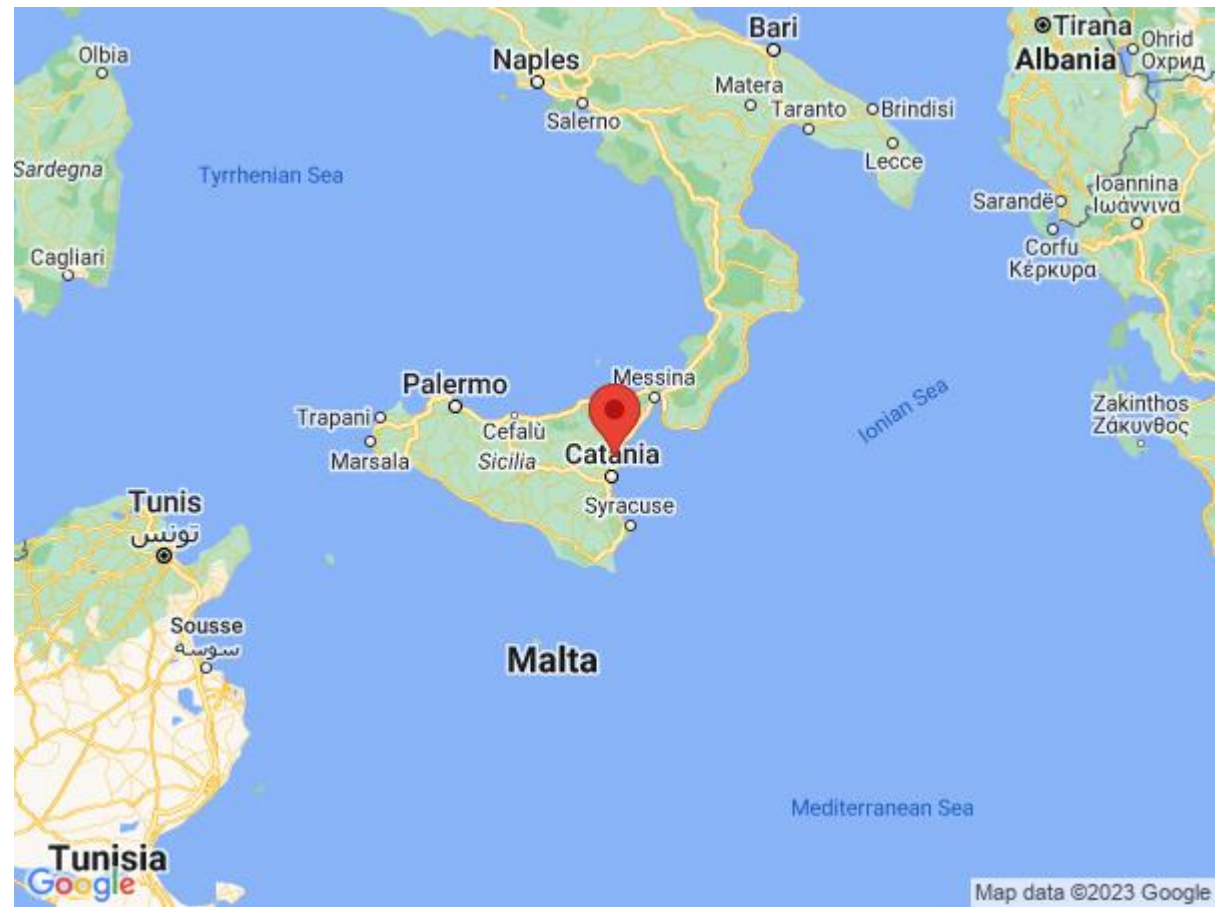
At the resort, you will enjoy an immersive and salubrious experience, catered for by expert guides, renowned chefs and sommeliers.

Serving dishes curated from the very best local produce, along with wines from one of Italy's top three winemaking regions, the chefs will delight you with their culinary skills. The estate's organic restaurant will introduce you to Sicilian cooking styles and ingredients in delicious style. Lovingly harnessing slow food culture, a collective inter-generational culinary wisdom and modern, innovative gastronomic craft enables the restaurant to deliver extraordinary seasonal menus.

Just as the chefs treat the locally-sourced ingredients with absolute reverence, the bartenders and sommeliers proudly showcase Sicily's flavours in glasses of various shapes and sizes. Their expert knowledge of the region's terroir is reflected in the menu at the bar, with elements of local fruits and herbs infused in delicious cocktails that delight all five senses. Choose your beverage, then relax and enjoy the sweet sounds of live jazz in the courtyard before a live DJ set provides your late-evening soundtrack.

Who could resist the chance to sample expertly selected Sicilian labels in the volcanic heart of one of Italy's foremost winemaking territories? The house sommelier will introduce you to the joys of Etna's wines at the spectacular wine cellar, where you can enjoy an exclusive dinner at a private table on the cellar's glass ceiling.

Not only does the resort embrace the unique landscape of Mount Etna with its sublime use of local produce and building materials, but it is also perhaps the finest base from which to explore the volcano and its surrounding territory. Speak to your concierge to arrange cycle rentals or horse riding around the estate and a private helicopter tour for phenomenal aerial views of Etna.



You'll have wellness therapies available in-room, simply ask your concierge to arrange signature massages or treatments – all using organic products and essential oils in keeping with the spirit of the estate.

A glorious day at the coast can be enjoyed just forty minutes away at Taormina – known as the 'Pearl of the Mediterranean' – where you will discover Spiaggia di Isola Bella, considered by many to be Sicily's most beautiful beach. Reachable by cable car, this pebble beach faces its namesake 'Beautiful Island'. Sunbathe to your heart's content, slip on a pair of sea shoes, bathe in the crystal clear water and even rent a jet ski with the most phenomenal backdrop for your ride. Boat trips depart from Giardini Naxos Harbour, giving a two-hour tour of this coastline's bays, including the Grotta Azzura, where you can swim. You can even walk across from the beach to the Isola Bella itself at high tide.

Also under an hour away is the fantastic Etnaland Park- a theme park packed with spectacular rides and family entertainment and an aqua park boasting thrilling waterslides, rafting and pools. The park has extended opening hours during the summer, with the evening lighting adding another layer of excitement to the tremendous rollercoasters!

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Catania Airport (30km)</b>
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Comiso Airport (114km)</b>
Nearest Airport 3	<b>Palermo Airport (329km)</b>
Nearest Ferry Port	<b>Catania Port (25km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>Giardini Naxos (Taormina) Train Station (30km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>Zafferana Etnea (3km)</b>
Nearest Town	<b>Catania (25km)</b>
Nearest Bar/Pub	<b>Zafferana Etnea (3km)</b>

Nearest Supermarket	<b>Zafferana Etnea (3km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>(On-site)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Taormina (30km)</b>
Nearest Tennis	<b>(4km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>(32km)</b>

## What we love

- The intricate interior design, expert configuration and painstaking restoration of this old farm building all contribute hugely to its character
- Villa Nettuno sits in the centre of an exclusive estate, offering not only stunning views, but easy access to all of the estate's facilities and features
- Enjoy uninterrupted views of vineyards in the estate and the Mediterranean Sea from the private garden and swimming pool.

## What you should know...

- Although this villa's lava stone walls help to keep the interior cool in summer, the bedroom is equipped with air conditioning.
- The stylish wood-burning fireplace heats the entire villa during cooler weather, with a modern roof, windows and doors helping to maintain a comfortable temperature.
- The villa sleeps 2 guests in a bedroom with a king-size bed. A sofa bed can accommodate an additional guest making the maximum capacity 3 guests. Please see the 'Features' tab for further details.
- 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 there is no kitchen in the villa, although the resort has restaurants and bars for the guests to make use of.
- Please note that daily breakfast is served in the pine wood area (300m from villa, close the main building of the Estate) in summer and, in winter, there is a breakfast hall, still close to the main building.

# Terms & Conditions

- Arrival time: 3.00 p.m
- Departure time: 11.00 a.m
- Minimum stay: 3 nights.
- Changeover day: Flexible.
- 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.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes.
- Pool towels included?: Yes.
- Pool heating charge?: Included. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- Pool opening dates?: 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: Italian Visitors Tax payable locally in cash (typically costs €1-€10 per adult per night - please enquire if exact amount is required).
- Pets welcome?: On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- Smoking Allowed?: Outside only.
- Internet access?: Wi-Fi internet access included.
- 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: 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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