

Fiori Di Mondello

Region: Western Sicily Sleeps: 10

Overview

An early twentieth-century villa just a stone's throw from the glorious white beaches and crystal clear waters of northwest Sicily, Fiori di Mondello majestically embodies the Art Nouveau style synonymous with this culturally vibrant region.

Every inch of Fiori di Mondello oozes class, from its painstakingly maintained Liberty Style exterior and bold colouration, elaborate tapestries and sinuous, wrought-iron staircase balustrades to touches of modern luxury like the rainfall showers, air conditioning and pool with mountainside views from its terrace. The blend of attention to detail, respect paid to the original structure and delivery of absolute luxury is quite astonishing, with each area of this lavish home conveying the same message - "relax and enjoy yourself; it's beautiful here". Truly a bouquet for the senses, a stay at the aptly named Fiori di Mondello is an unforgettable, enchanting experience.

Five delightful, air-conditioned bedrooms await up to ten guests here, each boasting impossibly comfortable queen-size beds and superior-quality en-suite bathrooms. The bedrooms (three in the main villa, two in its annexe) enjoy garden or terrace access, with the pièce de résistance found on the first floor. There are beautiful views to wake to, and then there is this – the grand spectacle of the cliffs of Capo Gallo and the clear waters that meet the curvaceous Spiaggia di Mondello, all positioned beyond your intricately manicured garden, with its towering Mediterranean trees adding detail to this astonishing vista.

Your living space here is utterly exquisite, with preserved architectural details complemented by exquisite ornamentation and furniture as comfortable as it is tasteful. A floor-to-ceiling bookcase draws the eye to the stunning orangery with a dining table beyond, opening to a beautiful garden. Look up from your sumptuously comfortable sofa and admire the high ceiling's intricate cornices, with a vast fireplace occupying wall space permitted by the huge portes-fenêtres that flood the lounge with glorious natural light.

For all the careful preservation and enhancement of this home's original features, there is no compromise on modern functionality and comfort. The design and configuration use these features to maximise its contemporary elements, the kitchen being a superb example. This room becomes an exciting playground for any visiting gourmet when you factor in the wealth of incredible food available – not least at Palermo's famous food markets. A sleek central island comprises an integrated sink and induction hob, a brilliant white finish



matched by the gorgeous cabinets, and a sunlit by substantial patio doors adjacent to a family-sized dining table. This kitchen has top-end appliances and a recessed wine rack that you're almost duty-bound to load with some of the region's fabulous bottles.

Outside the kitchen, you'll find an outdoor space as painstakingly designed as the villa. Immaculate lawns that would grace a snooker table are stylishly punctuated by tall palms, with views of a beach that's only a short walk from your door. The colossal trees provide invaluable shade on hot days, with the private pool's submerged steps beckoning you to cool off in style. Of course, the outdoor dining area is a special place to enjoy meals together, with panoramic views from the terrace adding another layer of pure delight to your days and nights at the magnificent Fiori di Mondello.

Perfect for beach lovers, the seaside district of Mondello welcomes thousands of visitors to its silky sands and crystal clear waters each year. In a region renowned for both its cuisine and cultural heritage, you won't fail to be impressed by either. Just a short walk between Fiori di Mondello and the Beach is a sandwich shop whose owner is often known to burst into impromptu song and dance routines – the sandwiches are delicious, too! The stunning city of Palermo is just a few kilometres away, with more incredible Liberty Style architecture, beautiful restaurants and eclectic street markets to explore.

Facilities

Villa/House • Private Pool • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • <1hr to Airport • BBQ • Washing Machine • Dishwasher • Microwave • Coffee Machine • Hairdryer • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Smart TV • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Parking Space • Seaview • Walking/Hiking Paths • Tennis Nearby • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Seafont

Interior & Grounds

Villa Interior

Ground Floor

- Kitchen with induction hob, oven, dishwasher, microwave, fridge-freezer, electric coffee machine, dining table
- Lounge with adjacent dining area
- Bedroom with queen size bed, en-suite bathroom with bathtub, shower
- Bedroom with queen size bed, en-suite bathroom with double shower

First Floor

- Bedroom with queen size bed, en-suite bathroom with bathtub, terrace with sea view

Annexe Ground Floor

- Bedroom with garden access, queen size bed, en-suite bathroom with shower

Annexe First Floor

- Bedroom with queen size bed, en-suite bathroom with shower

Outside grounds

- Swimming pool (10 x 5m x 2m/1.20m) Approximately open from beginning of June to mid-October
- Outdoor shower
- Barbecue
- Outdoor lounge
- Dining table
- Sun loungers
- Parking

Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- Air conditioning
- Washing machine
- Safe
- Hairdryers
- Stereo system



Location & Local Information

Visitors to the Sicilian capital of Palermo cannot fail to be awestruck by the spectacular Art Nouveau architecture that adorns its streets and squares. The Palazzo dei Normanni, or the Royal Palace, Palazzo Sant'Elia and Teatro Massimo – the largest theatre in Italy – are absolute must-sees.

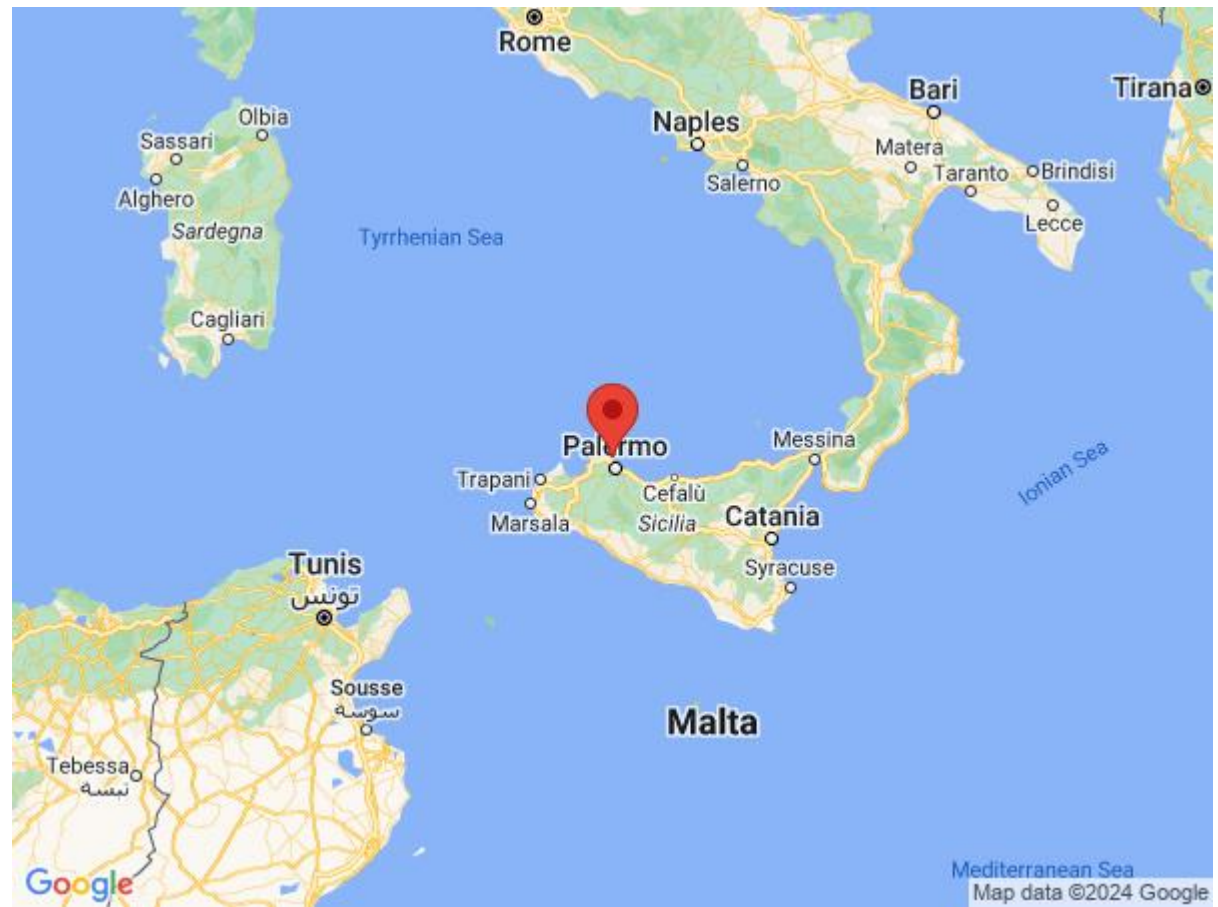
Just as jaw-dropping are the mountain views and coastal vistas that encircle this sophisticated and vibrant city and Mondello to the north, a few minutes walk from Fiori di Mondello, the Beach is a phenomenal expanse of white sand that meets the Mediterranean's beautiful, electric blue waters. Just as in Palermo, you'll find a fantastic selection of bars, cafés, street food vendors and even Michelin-starred restaurants close to the Beach. In addition to fresh seafood, local highlights include pasta alla norma (a savoury pasta with aubergines, tomatoes and basil) and arancini (fried risotto balls stuffed with meats and cheeses).

Separated by only seven kilometres – and the imposing Montepellegrino - from the Sicilian capital, Mondello attracts visitors worldwide. The town is home to the World Festival on the Beach, a celebration of water sports events. It's an appropriate location for the event, in a town whose nautical clubs have produced numerous Olympic champions. However, don't let that stop you from trying kiteboarding for the first time – you'll find plenty of watersports tutorials along the kilometre-and-a-half-long Beach!

For a more sedate experience, the white beaches at Mondello are perfect for sunbathing as you fancy, with the nearby nature reserve of Capo Gallo just beautiful for a coastal walk – don't forget your sea shoes!

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Palermo (23km)
Nearest Village	Mondello (2km)
Nearest Restaurant	Mondello (2km)
Nearest Beach	Spiaggia di Mondello (1km)
Nearest Supermarket	Mondello (2km)



Nearest Bar/Pub	(500m)
Nearest Tennis	(2km)
Nearest Train Station	Palermo Tommaso Natale (5km)
Nearest Town/City	Palermo (11km)
Nearest Ferry Port	Palermo (11km)

What we love

- This gorgeous home has retained all the charm of its Art Nouveau origins, with a wealth of luxury enhancements
- Everything about this villa, its grounds and the surrounding landscape is glorious, with the ever-popular Spiaggia di Mondello on its doorstep
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What you should know...

- Although you'll be in a prime seaside location, there's no need to worry about leaving your hire car at the roadside - private parking is available on the grounds of Fiori di Mondello.
- The villa's pool isn't gated, so children should be supervised when outdoors.
- If you plan on visiting the coastline beneath the nearby cliffs at Capo Gallo (and why wouldn't you?!), don't forget to pack some sea shoes – it's pretty rocky and rugged to navigate barefoot.
- Fiori Di Mondello is made up of the main villa, which sleeps up to 6 guests across 3 queen size beds and 2 adjoining annexe which can sleep 4 guests in 2 queen size beds and offers additional privacy. 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.
- Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are not allowed.

Terms & Conditions

- Damage Waiver: A damage waiver of €149 is due to help you enjoy a peaceful stay. The waiver provides a limited damage cover in case of any damage to the property or its contents (except in the case of deliberate or reckless acts) up to the value of €2,500. An additional security deposit of €500 is due for this property, charged to client's credit card 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.
- Energy costs included?: Yes.
- Heating costs included?: Yes.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Changeover day: Flexible.
- Minimum stay: 7 nights. All other durations 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.
- Smoking Allowed?: No.
- 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.
- Pool towels included?: Yes.
- Pool opening dates?: The pool is open approximately from beginning of June to mid-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.
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