# Villa Destino

Region: Umbria Sleeps: 6 - 20

# **Overview**

Looking out over the verdant hills of Umbria, towards Lake Trasimeno, Villa Destino enjoys an idyllic setting where you can spend lazy days in the beautiful countryside. The home is located in a small village, while the picturesque town of Castiglione del Lago is also easy to reach at just 6km away. If you wish to explore Umbria and neighbouring Tuscany with a larger group, this charming, historic home can sleep up to 20 quests.

Villa Destino is spread over three floors and has plenty of space to accommodate a larger family or a big group of friends. As you approach the house, you will see a pretty brick exterior with shuttered windows and terracotta roof tiles. The home is very typical of this area and fits in perfectly with the quaint village and patchwork of ancient fields around the house.

As you step inside, you will find a traditional farmhouse style home with tiled floors, exposed brick work and beamed ceilings. Each room is decorated in a neutral colour palette which adds a touch of modernity to this centuries-old villa and works in harmony with the antique furnishings and open-fireplaces to create a warm and welcoming place to stay.

The living and dining room is open-plan so your whole group can come together in the evenings to spend some quality time having drinks, in the winter months you could even light a cosy fire. The kitchen here is vast and professionally equipped, so whether you are doing the cooking or you opt to hire a chef for a few special meals, you will have all of the appliances and crockery you could require.

The villa has two more floors where the eight double bedrooms are to be discovered, each of these has a comfortable bed, overlooks the gorgeous garden and boasts an en-suite bathroom, so you are sure to get a great night's sleep.

Larger parties will also have use of the attached annexe building which has two more bedrooms and a lovely living and dining room, with a kitchen and bathrooms of its own. Alternatively, if you are travelling in a small group, you could choose to hire just this smaller villa.

Outside, especially for the guests that like to cook there is an herb garden and you will be welcome to forage through the fruit trees and, depending on the season, you will find apples, pomegranates, plums (suzini), figs, walnuts, passion fruits. Guests have full access to the huge garden and grounds where









you can dine al-fresco, swim in the pool or head out on your morning run.

When you wish to go out for the day or would like to tuck in to a delicious dinner in a lively town square, the town of Castiglione del Lago is only a short drive away. This walled, medieval town is a fabulous place to visit for the day and also offers lots of amenities. If you would like to visit a beach, or walk the ancient mule trails, Lake Trasimeno is just next to the town and is one of the area's best-loved attractions.

### **Facilities**

Villa/House • Great Value • Private Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Pets on Request • BBQ • Washing Machine • Dishwasher • Microwave • Coffee Machine • Safety Deposit Box • Hairdryer • Smart TV • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Parking Space • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Golf Nearby • Horse Riding • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites









# **Interior & Grounds**

#### **Villa Interior**

Main Villa (over three floors)

- Entrance hall
- Professional kitchen with breakfast table, range cooker, six burner stove, griddle, fridge freezer, dishwasher, microwave, toaster, kettle, blender, wine fridge and coffee machine
- Living room with sofas and TV
- 8 x bedroom with queen-sized double bed and en-suite bathroom with shower, sink and WC
- Guest WC

#### Annexe (over two floors)

- Living space with L-shaped sofa, TV, fireplace and dining tables seating 6
- Kitchen with oven, hob, fridge freezer, dishwasher and coffee machine
- 2 x bedrooms with queen-sized double beds
- Bathroom with bath, shower attachment, bidet, sink and WC
- Bathroom with shower, sink and WC

#### **Outside Grounds**

- Private swimming pool, open March until end of September
- Large, garden within 10 acres of private land, fenced only on the front of the property
- Outdoor dining tables
- Poolside sun loungers and parasols
- Children's swings and slide
- Hammocks
- Barbecue
- Parking

#### **Facilities**

- Air conditioning
- Wi-Fi
- Fireplace
- TV
- Children's books and games
- Washing machine
- Dryer
- Iron and ironing board
- Hairdryers in each Villa bedroom
- Mini refrigerators in each Villa bedroom

# **Location & Local Information**

Lying in sleepy Umbrian farmland, just a stone's throw away from the Tuscan border, you will find Villa Destino. This welcoming, traditional home has a wealth of space and can sleep up to 20 people, so whether you are travelling to Italy for a family holiday or an intimate wedding, this is the perfect house for you, in a wonderful location.

Just a short stroll from the home, is the centre of a little village which offers a shop, a bar and a church. This is a location where you will feel like part of the local community, while being able to reach plenty of stunning towns and tourist attractions with ease.

One of the closest, larger towns is Castiglione del Lago which is 6km away and sits on a promontory looking out over the calm waters of Lake Trasimeno. The town we see today is medieval, though the origins lie in the Etruscan era. Emperor Frederick Barbarossa had much of the original town rebuilt when the staggering castle Castello del Leone was constructed in the 13th century. You are able to explore the castle today and the walls which wrap around the city. In the grounds of the castle there is also an ancient church and an open-air theatre. A great place to start wandering around the town is the Palazzo del Comune, a lovely square with Renaissance style buildings.

There is lots to keep you busy in town, so you are likely to visit a number of times. Some of the attractions include, the Palazzo della Corgna which is an ornately decorated 16th century palace, the exquisite town hall and of course the castle. You will also find countless artisan shops, cafes and restaurants lining the streets. Just outside of the walls, visitors can access three of the nine beaches which surround Lake Trasimeno, and also board ferries to the little islands on the lake and for scenic boat trips. Sports enthusiasts can also access hiking routes from here and take part in water sports.

If you would like to spend the day in the neighbouring region of Tuscany, the town of Montepulciano is a brilliant choice. Just 22km away by car, Montepulciano is a unique place which is known as a spa town. While here you can soak in the thermal waters of natural springs, either in outdoor public pools or by booking a day at one of the luxury spas here which also offer treatments such as facials and massages. The town is also set within the heart of Tuscany's wine growing area and you could visit a vineyard while here or take part in a wine tasting in town. The town centre itself is incredible, with over 1500 years of history and impressive architecture.

If you do not mind driving a little further, you could also visit the amazing cities of Arezzo (60km away) or Siena (78km away) which are both worth the trip!









# **Local Amenities**

| Nearest Airport       | Florence Airport<br>(130 km)              |
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| Nearest Train Station | Castiglione Del Lago Train Station (8 km) |
| Nearest Village       | (>2 km)                                   |
| Nearest Town          | Castiglione del Lago<br>(6 km)            |
| Nearest Bar/Pub       | (>2 km)                                   |
| Nearest Golf          | Golf Club Lamborghini<br>(17 km)          |
| Sightseeing           | Battle of Lake Trasimene Stop<br>(25 km)  |

# What we love

- Villa Destino is a grand, spacious home nestled within 10 acres of private land on the border between Umbria and Tuscany.
- If you are travelling with a large group, this is the perfect place as the home and annexe can accommodate up to 20 guests. If you wish, two extra guests can be accommodated in two comfortable fold out couches, that will allow 24 guests to sleep at the villa.
- The vast garden and private grounds are a relaxing oasis where you can swim, dine and unwind.
- The villa sits in a beautiful countryside location, though the nearest small village and restaurant are less than two kilometers away, while the delightful town of Castiglione del Lago is just 6km away, on the shores of Lake Trasimeno.

# What you should know...

- The main villa and the adjoining annexe can sleep 20 guests, or 24 guests when utilising additional roll out beds. If your group has fewer than 18 guests, the annexe will not be open, whereas if you are a group of 6 or fewer you can simply hire the annexe.
- Extensive renovations to the interior have recently been completed and exterior renovations are underway, but please note
  these will not cause disruption during your stay.
- · Guests will need to bring a car in order to visit the nearest villages and towns.
- · Please be mindful if booking with a pet that the back of the property is 10 acres of private land, and it is not fenced.

# **Terms & Conditions**

- Security deposit: €3000 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation at least 2 weeks prior to arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 4.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 10.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Extra €95 per night, payable locally. 50% discount for 6 guests occupancy.
- Heating costs included?: Extra €95 per night, payable locally. 50% discount for 6 guests occupancy.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes.
- End of stay cleaning included?: No. €800, payable locally in cash. 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. 50% discount for 6 guests occupancy.
- Tax: Italian Visitors Tax payable locally in cash (typically costs €1-€10 per adult per night please enquire if exact amount is required).
- Changeover day: Sunday.
- Minimum stay: 5 nights. All other durations on request.
- Pets welcome?: On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- Smoking Allowed?: Not allowed. If this rule gets broken, the owner might charge a cleaning fee of €1000.
- Stag & Hen Do's Allowed? : Stag/hen parties and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges. Minimum of nights allowed are 5 nights, and for 30 guests maximum.
- Internet access?: Wi-Fi internet access included.
- Pool opening dates?: The pool is open approximately March to end of 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.
- 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 the entrance to the property and the garden is gated in front and fenced. The back of the property is 10 acres of private land, and it is not fenced.