

# Villa Filiberto

Region: Eastern Sicily Sleeps: 8

## Overview

Located a mere 15km away from the bustling centre of Catania, yet nestled in expansive private parkland, near to an array of smaller villages, Villa Filiberto is the perfect home-from-home for those wishing to explore the delights of Sicily's cities and natural attractions. This spacious, three-storey home sleeps up to 8 guests, so is the ideal choice for a family trip.

Villa Filiberto enjoys a wonderful setting, where guests can truly get away from it all and spend some quality time with loved ones, surrounded by the sights and sounds of nature. As you wander through the vast leafy garden, you will smell the fragrant florals and hear the sounds of the birds in the trees, an idyllic backdrop for an afternoon of rest and relaxation on a sun lounger.

The villa itself is laid out over three storeys and is equipped with some fantastic amenities and spaces. On the lower ground floor you will find a range of rooms which are set up purposefully for guests to indulge in some leisure time. On this level for example; there is a room with a bar, a pool table and a library where guests can gather over drinks in the evening. In addition, there is a cinema room for everyone to watch a film together and there is even a wellness area with a spa and a gym! What more could you possibly need?

As well as these amazing extras, the home also offers lovely living spaces and bedrooms. The main living area is located on the ground floor and is a large open plan room with seating gathered around a fireplace, plus a long dining table for sharing delicious Italian meals. Simply head up the stairs to the first floor to discover the four bedrooms. Two of these bedrooms boast double beds and en-suite bathrooms, while the other double bedroom shares the family bathroom with the final bedroom which can be set up as a twin or double room, whichever suits the needs of your party.

Outdoors, the villa is enveloped by lush grounds with long lawns shaded by established trees. Out here there is a wealth of seating dotted around the garden, al-fresco dining areas and pretty fountains. There is also a private swimming pool for cooling off on hot days.

When you wish to get out and see some of the local area, there is a village just 2km away which is called Trecastagni. This gorgeous village lies at the bottom of the sloping hills which surround Mount Etna and offers amazing rural views. From here you can take trips to local vineyards or farms and explore some of the scenic pathways through the countryside. The village was founded by the Romans so has a charming historic centre where you will find a range of



shops, cafes and restaurants.

You are also well-placed to visit the lively city of Catania which is 15km away and is packed with shops and historic attractions. In addition, there are plenty of beaches and swimming spots within 15-22km of the villa, so you will never be short of something to do.

## Facilities

Villa/House • Private Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • Hot Tub • <1hr to Airport • BBQ • Washing Machine • Dishwasher • Microwave • Coffee Machine • Safety Deposit Box • Hairdryer • Smart TV • Spa/Massage • Sauna/Steam • Gym/Fitness Room • Table Tennis • Pool/Snooker • Home Cinema • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds • Parking Space



# Interior & Grounds

## Villa Interior (500m2)

### Lower Ground Floor

- Billiard room with pool table and bar
- Cinema room with cinema screen and seating
- Spa space with Hammam, jacuzzi, massage table and sauna
- Gym with fitness equipment

### Ground Floor

- Open-plan living space with dining table seating 10, armchairs, built in seating and fireplace
- Fitted kitchen with oven, hob, dishwasher, microwave, kettle, toaster and coffee machine
- Guest WC

### First Floor

- Lounge area
- Bedroom with balcony, double-sized bed and en-suite bathroom with bath, shower, sink, bidet and WC
- Bedroom with double-sized bed and en-suite bathroom with shower, sink, bidet and WC
- Bedroom with double-sized bed
- Bedroom with double-sized bed or two twin beds
- Bathroom with shower, sink, bidet and WC

## Outside Grounds (2000m2)

- Private swimming pool (12m x 6m, depth: 1.5m) open year-round
- Garden with lawns and established trees
- Covered terrace with dining table seating 8
- Shaded pergola with outdoor seating
- Poolside sun loungers
- Fountains
- Ping pong table
- Wood fired pizza oven
- Barbecue
- Parking

## Facilities

- Air conditioning
- Wi-Fi
- Smart TV



- Pool table
- Cinema screen
- Iron and ironing board

## Location & Local Information

Sitting at the bottom of the incredible Mount Etna, close to some of Sicily's most vibrant towns and cities, Villa Filiberto is a brilliant place to stay, where you can explore the natural surroundings, visit the pristine beaches which line the coast and spend the day discovering historic attractions and monuments in the Catania.

The closest large city to the home is Catania which is 15km away, but this does not mean you will be isolated during your stay here. Villa Filiberto is located within a leafy residential area which is close to peaceful walking and cycling routes, family-run vineyards and a scattering of sleepy villages. The Roman village of Trecastagni is the closest at just few kilometers away but you can also visit plenty of others such as the charming village of Viagrande which offers a beautiful butterfly house and a Mount Etna museum in addition to the usual shops, cafes and restaurants, Viagrande is a great place to stop for an afternoon stroll and a coffee.

If you would like to go sightseeing or shopping, Catania is the place to go! This vast city is just 15km away and is packed with attractions and amenities. Though the city has ancient roots, as you walk through the streets and squares, you will notice the stunning Baroque buildings which were built in the 16th century when the original city was destroyed by an earthquake. Some of the city's historic sites include the town hall, the Diocesan Museum and the medieval castle which survived the earthquake. One of the most-visited buildings in the city however is a little more unusual- the fish market here is beloved by locals and visitors alike and is a great place to pick some ingredients up for dinner. As well as its lively centre, Catania is also home to some of the closest beaches. There are serviced beach clubs, natural swimming beaches and family beaches on offer here, one of the favourites with locals is La Playa which is 18km away from the villa.

If you don't mind driving a little further to experience a fantastic day out, you should not miss Taormina. The coastal town is 46km away and is a magnet for tourists who flock here to see the unrivalled views and picturesque shopping streets. The Greek-Roman theatre is the main attraction here and it is one of the best preserved in all of Italy. While down on the coast you can visit some tiny, romantic beaches by cable car and gaze out over Isola Bella which is an offshore island which you can explore on foot as it connected to the mainland by a thin strip of sand. Lots of celebrities and VIPs spend time in Taormina, meaning you will find lots of fine-dining restaurants, spas and chic cocktail bars here.

A few more wonderful places you can visit include Mount Etna which is 21km away and the ancient city of Syracuse which is 81km away.



## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Catania Airport (20 km)</b>
Nearest Ferry Port	<b>Catania Port (30 km)</b>
Nearest Train Station	<b>Catania Centrale (13 km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>Trecastagni</b>
Nearest Town	<b>Catania (13 km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Le Capannine Beach (27 km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Sicilia's Picciolo Etna Golf (50 km)</b>
Nearest Tennis	<b>Tennis Club Tommy (&gt;3 km)</b>
Nearest Bar/Pub	<b>In the nearby Trecastagni</b>

## What we love

- Villa Filiberto sits within an oasis of private parkland with towering trees, lawns and fountains, making this a peaceful place to stay.
- This spacious home offers welcoming living spaces and some brilliant features such as a gym, a spa and a bar area.
- A bespoke chef service is available at Villa Filiberto; the chef will create a tailor made menu for every meal if you wish to book.
- When you wish to explore more of Sicily, you have so many incredible places within easy reach; Catania is 15km away, while Taormina is 46km away.

## What you should know...

- Guests should be aware that there are a number of open staircases in the home, so those with little ones or with restricted mobility should be conscious of this.
- The closest village is just few kilometers away, though a car is needed to visit the city of Catania and the stunning coast.

# Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €1000 charged to client's credit card by the owner, or paid by in cash upon arrival, and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: After 3.00 p.m.
- Departure time: Before 10.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Yes, up to 400 KWh. Excess charged extra.
- Heating costs included?: Extra €50 per day, payable locally if used.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes.
- End of stay cleaning included?: No. €250, charged to your payment method before arrival. 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.
- Minimum stay: 4 nights in low season and 7 nights in high season.
- Changeover day: Saturday from June to September, flexible during the rest of the year.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Internet access?: Wi-Fi internet access included.
- Smoking Allowed?: Not allowed.
- Stag & Hen Do's Allowed? : Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges.
- 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 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.