



Villa Paradiso Umbria, Italy



What we love...

We love the grandeur of the luxury property set within the rolling Umbrian countryside.

There are stylish European villas, and then there are properties that are simply a bit more special than any other. This luxury villa in Umbria is one of the latter.

Villa Paradiso is a simply stunning grand house nestled in the Umbrian hills amid acres of undulating olive groves. With its impressive shuttered façade and typically Italian terracotta roof tiles, it is picture-postcard-perfect as you approach.

A strong sense of history pervades the every wall and column of this fabulous building. Originally the site of a castle, there are still traces today of the ninth-century building that was eventually destroyed in 1400. The present building was built in the early 17th century by the Pianciani family.

The U-shaped building encloses a sunny courtyard at the rear with shaded colonnades, so whether you're a sun worshipper or fancy a bit of cool relief in the heat of the day, you'll always find the ideal spot to retreat to with a good book and a long, cool drink.

Keen walkers will find plenty to explore in the groves and hills surrounding the villa. The area has been declared a site of special interest by the EU, due largely to the wildlife that can be

spotted in the hills opposite the villa, including wolves, wild boar, roe deer and porcupines.

The interior is classically beautiful, with artworks and frescoes bringing style and colour to a traditional Umbrian palette of warm, neutral shades. Everywhere you go, ornate details and impressive stone features draw the eye. Visually, the house is a real treat.

There's plenty of space both inside and out for everyone in your party to 'do their own thing together', from the acres of gardens to the billiard room, and cosy lounge areas. While for special occasions there's nowhere like the beautiful ballroom for loud and laughter-filled parties.

Food is an intrinsic part of any stay here and your chef will be always on hand to keep you well fed with delicious local foods and fine wines. Long, refectory-style tables in several rooms and plenty of space for alfresco eating make meals here a very convivial affair.

Experienced staff are on hand at every turn to ensure everything is to your liking. Just bring yourself, a good book or three and an appetite for fabulous Italian food and they will take care of the rest for you.



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Rooms

Villa Paradiso sleeps 14 people across 7 bedrooms.

Bedrooms one and two
Double rooms on first floor; each with separate bathroom.

Bedrooms three and four
Twin rooms on first floor; each with separate bathroom.

Bedroom five
Double/triple room on second floor; shared bathroom.

Bedroom six
Double room on second floor; shared bathroom.

Bedroom seven
Single room on second floor; shared bathroom.

Please note that the second floor has two bathrooms shared between three bedrooms.

Eating

Each morning a delicious continental breakfast is served. Your private chef is also on hand to prepare either lunch or dinner for you.

The chef's specialities are Italian cuisine using local ingredients (DOP olive oil, truffles, meats, organic vegetables and fruit). Not to be missed is a traditional pizza night with organic leavened dough, cooked in a wood oven – always a favourite, especially with children. A selection of local wines will be served with your meals.

For keen amateur chefs, there is a large and well-equipped kitchen if you wish to self-cater with six burners, two electric ovens, a steam oven, microwave, large fireplace and small appliances. Cookery lessons can also be arranged on request.

Please note that provisions for continental breakfast are included but other groceries will be charged for separately at the end of your stay.





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Kids

Younger visitors are sure to be enchanted by this grand old house and its acres of sunny gardens to play in. Children of all ages will love the private swimming pool, where you can happily spend an entire afternoon.

The second floor rooms are ideal for a young family, comprising a double, double/triple room and a single bedroom with shared living room.

Cots and highchairs are available on request and nannies and babysitters can be arranged if you would prefer an evening to yourselves.

Location

Villa Paradiso is set in a large farming estate in the Valle della Spina, close to Spoleto, Umbria. The nearest city is Perugia.

The closest airport is Umbria International Airport at Perugia, a 45-minute drive away.

Staff

Firefly pre-arrival concierge service

Villa staff include:

- Chef
- Sous chef
- Host to serve meals
- Daily housekeeping
- Gardener

Additional staff such as nannies and massage therapists can be arranged on request.

Facilities

- Outdoor pool with dressing room, bathroom with shower and outdoor shower
- Library
- Billiard room
- Laundry room
- Extensive grounds
- Ample parking
- Kitchen
- Private chapel
- Cellar
- Wifi
- TV
- Hairdryers

Villa Paradiso is also a wonderful venue for a wedding and can host up to 150 guests.

