

The Granary – Boutique Agriturismo Hotel & Luxury Self-Catering Villas: Sicily

Summary

This gem is a luxury agriturismo farmhouse nestling in the stunning countryside of Southern Sicily. It is a tastefully restored granary, whose enthusiastic family owners now produce an acclaimed range of olive oils. The surrounding acres of olive groves, stretching to the sandy coast, are best enjoyed from the elevated stone pool terrace ... or from the hotel's luxury yacht. With flexible and stylish accommodation (including two luxury self-catering villas, one with private pool), gourmet food and welcoming hosts, this newly opened romantic boutique hotel is the perfect spot for relaxing luxury holidays or honeymoons in Sicily.

Details

The restoration of this luxury agriturismo has been a labour of love, and it now boasts preserved period features, with grand stone fireplaces, original flagged floors and majolica tiles. Even the huge old granary doors have been faithfully replicated for each guest room. The family have owned it for generations and until this year, it was used for the production of premium olive oil and gourmet foods. Now they have now turned their attention to creating guest accommodation to the same deluxe standards. Their philosophy is to entertain you as private guests in their own house, and as such you are invited to treat this as your own country house in Sicily.

All the guest rooms are decorated using crisp contemporary country furnishings, successfully mixed with authentic wooden antiques, and the muted colour palette echoes the colours of the Sicilian landscape. As well as double rooms and suites, The Granary also offers a self-catering apartment, sleeping up to 6 people, complete with period kitchen. There are an abundance of panoramic sun terraces, and formal Italian and African gardens, and indoors there are various comfortably furnished libraries and a "wintergarden" lounge. The fantastic stone pool occupies an elevated position above the property, from where you can survey the glorious surrounding countryside.

The cuisine is superb and the owners' enthusiasm for the simple, strong flavours of traditional Sicilian cooking is evident. Meals are served in a characterful private restaurant, with almost every ingredient being freshly picked. Don't miss the chance to indulge in a very special private cookery lesson, and in October you are invited to participate in the olive harvest. You'll even be able to use your own harvest to produce your very own bottle of oil. The Granary ideally located for visits to Agrigento and the stupendous Valley of the Temples, as well as the historic towns of Licata and Sciacca. An 8 berth skippered yacht is also available for hire and a day's sailing takes you along the beautiful sandy coastline with a gourmet barbeque lunch aboard.

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Facts & Figures

11 Guest Rooms

- Double – stylish bedrooms. 1 with private balcony
- Attic Suite– Stylish bedroom with adjoining lounge
- Suite – Bedroom with adjoining lounge; some with 4-poster beds
- Olive Suite – 1 Double & separate Single bedroom, 2 bathrooms & lounge (sofabed for 2 further people in lounge)
- Self-Catering Apartment – with 3 double ensuite bedrooms, lounge, 3 terraces, kitchen, over 2 floors
- 2 Independent Self-Catering Villas (sleeping 2-6) – each with 2 bedrooms (both with ensuite shower rooms), farmhouse kitchen, sitting room & terraces

All rooms have: Ensuite bathrooms – TV (on request) – Air-con/ Heating – hairdryers

Hotel facilities: Pool (usually open April-Oct) – Terrace – Gardens – Palm-lined jogging track - Agriturismo Restaurant (usually open April-Oct)– Drinks Service

Also available (extra cost): Bikes – Yacht Tours – Olive Harvest (Oct) – Wine Tasting – Cookery Courses - Airport transfer (on request)

Note there is a supplement of 20E for arrivals between 7-10pm and a charge of 100E for arrivals after 10pm.

Regional Highlights

- All the sights of Southern Sicily
- Temples & Ruins at Agrigento, The Valley of the Temples & historic Sciacca & Licata
- Day trip to the stately city of Palermo
- Days in the countryside biking & walking
- Hire the hotel's private yacht for a day exploring the coast and a gourmet picnic on board
- Sunbathing on the nearby sandy beaches
- Wine Tasting, Olive Oil Tasting & tours of the olive mill
- Participate in the Olive Harvest in October and make your own bottle of olive oil
- Cookery Courses using all the fresh produce of the farm

Location

Nearest airports:

Domestic flight connections:

Nearest direct flight from London:

Nearest train station

Nearest Beach

Nearest shops and restaurants:

Catania & Palermo (c.2hrs drive)

Rome, Venice, Milan

Catania/Palermo

Licata (c.10min drive)

c.4km

Licata (c.10min drive)

