

The Salina Lighthouse- '5 Star': Salina, Aeolian Islands, Sicily

Summary

This amazing luxury boutique hotel on the beautiful Aeolian Island of Salina, just north of Sicily, is set to become a deluxe cult hotel of the world. Typically Aeolian, it features perfectly white pillared terraces and wooden decks. At its heart is a stunning pool and gourmet restaurant overlooking the glimmering sea. The whitewashed guestrooms, clustered among lush vineyards, are styled as contemporary Caribbean beach villas, each with terrace and sea view. Here you'll feel a million miles away from anywhere else - the perfect romantic retreat for luxury honeymoons or holidays in Sicily.

Details

As the name suggests, the hotel is built on the grounds of a working lighthouse set on a jutting promontory in the blue Mediterranean Sea. Behind rises one of the verdant mountains of the island of Salina – one of the unspoilt jewels of the string of Aeolian Isles to the North East of Sicily. Between the sea and mountains the ground is covered with the famous Malvasia grape vines (from which is produced a sun-ripened sweet desert wine), wild capers and strawberries, all thriving on the fertile volcanic soil.

Dotted in amongst the vines are the 18 luxury villas of the Salina Lighthouse. Their whitewashed walls and terraces shimmer in the strong sun, and provide a perfect backdrop to the signature furnishings. In sharp contrast, the modern bathrooms are tiled in black slabs of local volcanic stone. At night the place takes on an even more magical air as the low level lighting picks out the terraces, whilst candles and storm lanterns twinkle everywhere ... and of course the lighthouse begins to glow rhythmically in the background.

It takes a little effort to get to this enchanting island – but that's what has kept it an exclusive secret. There are characterful towns nearby to explore, and don't miss the caper festival in June for some local colour, but primarily this is a romantic destination for pure indulgence and relaxation. Laze by the pool, take in a game of tennis with the heat of the day has subsided, or hire a scooter to explore the local beach. Private boat hire is also a must – island hop for the day, discover hidden coves, go waterskiing, scuba diving or even swim with dolphins.

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Facts & Figures

17 Guest Rooms:

- Standard Double – Stylish rooms with private terrace. Private terrace. Sea view (at a distance or obscured)
- Superior Double – Stylish rooms with larger private terrace. Some rooms have bathtub as well as shower. Some have separate lounge. Sea view (at a distance or obscured)
- Deluxe Double – Largest Suites, with sitting room. Some have bathtub as well as shower. All have separate living room. Best sea views

All rooms have: ensuite bathrooms (some with bath tubs/Jacuzzi) - Sat TV - Minibar - Air-Con/heating - Safe - Telephone - Hairdryers

Hotel facilities: Swimming Pool (usually open Apr-Oct) - Tennis Court – Restaurant – Bar - Drinks Service - Terraces & Gardens - Rocky Beach nearby (Shingle Beach 5km)

Also available (extra cost) : Massages - Boat Tours - Dolphin Watching – Waterskiing - Cookery courses (October) - Wine Tasting - Scooter & Car Hire

Regional Highlights

- Sight-seeing in the coastal island towns
- Island walks in the mountains
- Sunbathing in rocky and shingle coves
- Scooter and car hire on the island
- Relaxed nightlife
- At and around the hotel (extra cost) - Massages, Boat Tours, Dolphin Watching, Waterskiing, Cookery courses (October), Wine Tasting, Scooter & Car Hire

Location

Nearest airports:

Catania (c.1hr to Milazzo & 1hr 40min hydrofoil crossing); Palermo (c.2hr drive to Milazzo)

Domestic flight connections:

Rome, Venice, Milan

Domestic sea connections:

Milazzo, Lipari, Palermo, Messina, Naples, Capri

Nearest direct flight:

Catania (mainland)

Nearest train station:

Catania (mainland)

Beach

Doorstep

Nearest shops & restaurants:

c.10 min drive

From Catania, we can organise a car transfer to Milazzo from where regular hydrofoil services depart for the island. Please ensure that your flight arrives in time for the last hydrofoil crossing – **check with ferry operators usticalines.it, siremar.it & gruppotirrenia.it for latest timetable info.**

