

The Hill Lodge – Luxury Boutique Hotel & Self-Catering Villa: Near Florence, Tuscany

Summary

This luxury boutique hotel is a beautifully renovated Tuscan villa – a secret find nestling in the hills just south of Florence. Whilst retaining an informal country feel, the small luxury hotel boasts traditional features, beautiful frescoes and period furnishings. The expansive grounds and beautiful pool provide a picturesque setting for romantic holidays or honeymoons in Tuscany and the Lodge also makes a perfect vantage point for exploring nearby Florence and the sights of Tuscany. With a newly opened 2-bedroom luxury self-catering villa, the Lodge is also perfect for family holidays in Tuscany.

Details

Passers-by would little imagine that behind a set of discrete walls in the rolling hills of Tuscany lies the impressive façade of the Hillside Lodge. The expansive lawn, dotted with ancient cypress trees, leads to the beflowered pillared loggia. In the terraced gardens below is the glorious pool with views across the countryside, where guests can spend lazy days interrupted by only birdsong and the odd long cool drink from the “honesty bar”.

The interior boasts guest lounges of impressive proportions and equally spacious rooms and suites. All are decorated in period style with stunning restored frescoes. One room even retains a stunning roll-top bath, whilst others have fresh modern fittings. The whole building exudes a rarefied atmosphere and a tranquillity of days gone by. This retreat is perfect for a slow-paced holiday, free of stress.

In the surroundings one can easily visit the renaissance city of Florence and the many pretty surrounding towns. Within easy reach there are also designer shopping outlets, and guests can also enjoy wine tasting and even truffle hunting in the Autumn. Gourmets will also appreciate the nearby Michelin starred restaurant and the many good quality local eateries. Cookery courses can also be organised and those wishing to explore the countryside, horse-riding and bicycle hire are available in the locality. The best of Tuscan golfing facilities are also a great draw.

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Facts & Figures

26 Guest Rooms and Suites

- Double – Comfortable rooms on the lower floors of the villa
- Superior Double – Larger rooms with better views. One Superior is on ground floor (no views) with luxury bathroom (roll top bath)
- Suites – Larger rooms with best views. Either single open plan space, or bedroom with separate sitting room. One open plan room has private balcony
- Independent self-catering villa with 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, kitchen, lounge with fireplace and terrace

All rooms have: Ensuite bathroom - Sat TV – Minibar – Telephone - Air-Con/Heating – Safe – Hairdryers

Hotel facilities: Outdoor Pool (open mid-May-end Sept) – Wellness Zone - Gardens & Terraces – Restaurant (breakfast; also open for lunch & dinner May-Oct)

Also available by prior arrangement: Mountain Bike Hire - Horse-riding - Golf - Cookery courses (min 6 people) – Michelin Starred Restaurant

Regional Highlights

- Natural beauty of the Arno Valley and the Chianti Hills
- The cultural sights of Florence, Pisa, Siena, San Gimignano, Lucca and the many other Tuscan towns of note
- Wine tasting (Chianti of the region)
- Shopping for designer fashion, antiques, leather goods and textiles
- 3 PGA golf courses

Location

Nearest airports:	Florence (c.30min), Pisa (c.1hr)
Domestic flight connections:	Rome, Milan, Naples
Nearest direct flight from London:	Florence
Nearest train station:	Florence (c.5min drive)
Nearest shops and restaurants:	Shops 2kms; Restaurant 300m
Nearest Beach	c.1.5hr drive

