

THE THINKING TRAVELLER

NOTO, SICILY

ADESSO

Adesso's architectural pedigree lies not only in its subtle, light-filled contemporary design, but also in the gentle, unassuming way it sits in its ancient context. Surrounded by dry stone walls, carob trees and olive groves, and blessed with timeless views over the undulating hills around Noto and the sparkling sea beyond, Adesso offers a magical mix of peace, personality and proximity to all that's best about Sicily's southeast corner.



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Service

Features

Exquisite contemporary architecture

Superb vistas

Dreamy 15m-long infinity pool

Nearby

Noto

Sandy beaches

Vendicari Nature Reserve

Modica, Ragusa and Scicli

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ABOUT THE VILLA

8 GUESTS 4 BEDROOMS 4 BATHROOMS

Inside: accommodation at Adesso is all on one floor. The main entrance takes one into a luminous, open-concept space, which is arranged in three distinct but organically flowing sections. The first is furnished with a sofa and a collection of designer chairs gathered in a convivial circle around a coffee table and a decorative fireplace.

The central section is given over to a dining table, which is served by a minimalist (though well-equipped) contemporary kitchen at the far end of the space. Furnishings and fittings are of an excellent quality and set the tone for the rest of the property. Walls of glass bring in the light and the (sea) views and ensure that the difference between indoor and outdoor living is minimal. Creamy floors of locally quarried stone add a touch of warmth and perfectly offset the modernist edge.

A partially open corridor running behind the open-plan living space provides access to the four welcoming bedrooms, whose similar dimensions ensure that all guests will feel equally pampered. There are two doubles and two double-twins, each with its own en-suite shower room and access, via large glass doors to the fragrant surrounding gardens.

Outside: Adesso sits at the centre of a wraparound garden from where views of Noto's countryside and the sea fan out in front of you. A monumental pair of carob trees, one on each side of the house, give a feeling of natural symmetry and provide a sense of place.

Both the living areas and the bedrooms access the gardens, so no matter where you are inside, you're never more than a couple of steps away from being outside. The living areas flow out onto a large terraced area complete with a shaded al fresco dining area, which in turn gives way to an area of lawn.

Next comes the gorgeous infinity pool, which has been oriented to give bathers the sensation of swimming out towards the sea. Beyond the pool is an outdoor

kitchen and a second al fresco dining area, from where you may look back at and admire your contemporary home from home.

CONSIDERATIONS

Due to the nature of this property, we cannot accept bookings with children under 12.

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Amenities

Accommodates (max)	8
Bedrooms	4
Flexible doubles/twins	4
Bathrooms	4
... of which en suite	4
Daily maid service	✓
Cook	—
Infinity pool (LxW in m)	15x3
Air conditioning	✓
Safe(s)	✓
Washing machine ¹	✓
Dishwasher	✓
Microwave oven	✓
DVD player	✓
Bluetooth speakers	✓
Amazon Firestick	✓
Satellite Wi-Fi Internet	✓
Plancha grill	✓
Private Parking	✓
Yoga mats	✓
Shopping service	—
Sea views	✓
The Thinking Traveller local support	✓

¹ available during the cleaner's hours
(for 1.5 hours a day from around 09:00/09:30am)

² includes SKY Sport

✓ = yes/present

— = optional/on request

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EXPLORING THE LOCAL AREA

Adesso sits in the rolling hills above the fascinating town of **Noto** and the beautiful beaches of **Vendicari Nature Reserve**. Noto is the most easterly of a chain of baroque towns that were built from scratch after the terrible earthquake of 1693. Along with its neighbours, **Modica**, **Ragusa** and **Scicli**, it forms the UNESCO World Heritage Site of the Val di Noto.

The coastline around Italy's southernmost point is flanked by mile upon mile of sandy beaches, many of which, including those of Vendicari, are just an easy drive from Adesso.

Slightly further afield, but highly recommended, is **Syracuse**, once the mightiest city in Magna Graecia. Its archaeological site and island centre, Ortigia, are fascinating.

Last but not least, If hiking in the hills is your thing, then there is some spectacular scenery to explore in the rushing streams and waterfalls of the Cassibile gorge and the Paleolithic burial sites in the dramatic valley of **Pantalica**.

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Distances

Catania airport: 80km-50miles-1hr

Comiso airport: 83km-52miles-1hr30

Palermo airport: 315km-195miles-3hr15

Trapani airport: 396km-246miles-4hr25

Nearest beaches: Marina di Avola - 9km-5miles-15mins; Vendicari: 18km-11miles-30mins

Noto (shops, bars, restaurants): 5km-3miles-10mins

Syracuse: 35km-21miles-30mins

Modica: 40km-25miles-45mins

Ragusa: 60km-38miles-1hr



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GALLERY

