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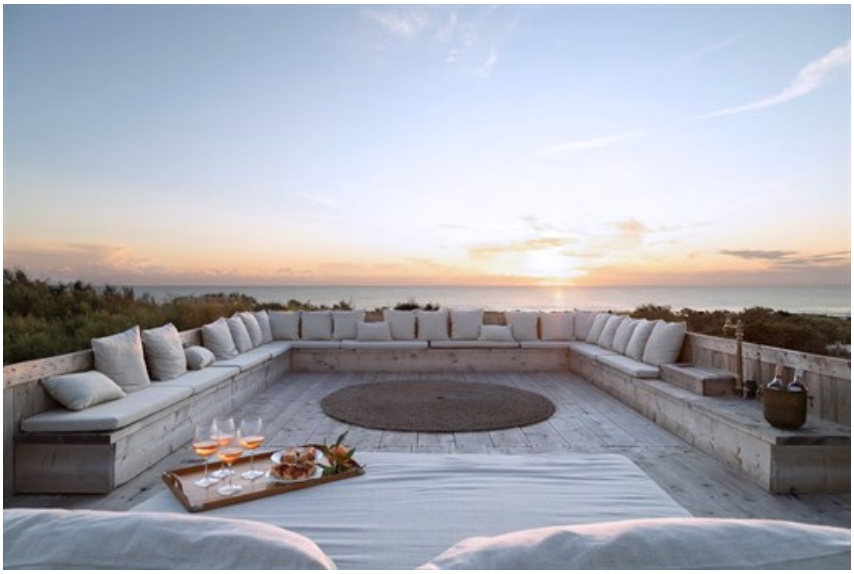
The name Cabanna evokes scenes of carefree seafront serenity, but it's also a play on words: in Sicilian, it means "the right spot" or "here's good". In both respects, the owners have chosen well, for Cabanna, hidden away in a shady grove of acacia trees bordering the dunes and beach of Costa dell'Ambra, is a free-spirited, perfectly situated retreat that encapsulates all that is desirable about chic, toes-in-the-sand living.



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Features

Magnificent seafront location
Beautifully designed beach-chic interiors
Idyllic wrap-around terraces
Shady woodland surroundings
Super-panoramic, convivial roof terrace

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ABOUT THE VILLA

4 GUESTS 3 BEDROOMS 3 BATHROOMS

Inside: accommodation at Cabanna is laid out over two separate levels.

Taking inspiration from its surroundings – acacia trees, rolling dunes, a golden beach and sparkling seas – Cabanna is a camouflaged, wood-clad haven where the lines between indoor and outdoor living vanish into the leafy surroundings. Inside, sunlight filters through the foliage and dapples the sandy-coloured walls and bamboo ceilings; steel-grey flooring morphs with the metal frames surrounding the banks of floor-to-ceiling glass doors; artfully designed contemporary light fittings are juxtaposed by summery, frayed rope lamp shades; and a discreet mix of artwork and Sicilian bibelots pique the interest. The resulting atmosphere is one of pulse-slowing, lazy tranquillity.

The hub of the home is an open-concept communal space laid out over two levels. Above, is the stylish kitchen, which features bamboo-clad cabinets, black work surfaces, a charcoal grey island with a cylindrical steel extractor fan, a cast iron breakfast table and chairs, and a wall of windows opening out onto the terraces. A couple of steps below is the living area, which is furnished with a large, well-cushioned, built-in sofa, a pair of easy chairs and a console. On three sides, walls of glass open up to allow a seamless connection with the surrounding terraces.

A door to one side of the kitchen opens into a double-twin bedroom with en-suite shower room and access to a long terrace running along the side of the house.

Next to this is a double bedroom, which may be accessed either via the double-twin (thanks to a lockable communicating door) or independently from the terraces. It too has its own en-suite shower room.

The last bedroom, meanwhile, is located on the first floor and accessed via an external flight of wooden steps. It too is a double and has a glazed shower room, and a separate WC. Although a little smaller than the other bedrooms, and with less storage space, it does have its very own panoramic terrace

amidst the canopy of acacia trees.

Outside: the interiors of Cabanna spill outside at every opportunity via walls of glass doors which open up completely to allow a seamless indoor-outdoor flow.

In keeping with the overall aesthetic of the property, the al fresco areas feature decked terraces and wide wooden boardwalks that wrap around the house on three sides. Most open-air action (or lazy inaction) takes place on a wide expanse of shady terrace outside the living room, where there is a well-furnished sitting area, and a convivial dining table. A wooden structure nearby is home to a barbecue and cooking area, an outdoor shower and guest WC.

Dotted around the grounds, beneath and between the acacia trees are strategically placed sun loungers that allow everyone to find their own peaceful spot in which to relax, read or snooze.

The bedroom on the first floor has its own panoramic terrace, but where the very best views are concerned, one should head up the external wooden steps to the divine roof terrace. With its well-cushioned wraparound seating, its views out over treetops to the sea, this is a most sociable space in which to come together, chat and toast the sunset.

As if all this weren't enough, Cabanna has yet more magic up its sleeve: a wooden boardwalk weaves through the acacia grove for about 50m until it arrives at the garden gate. Beyond this is a scene of extraordinary natural beauty that incorporates the dunes, the golden sands and the azure waters of Costa dell'Ambra.

CONSIDERATIONS

Due to the nature of the property including terraces low walls and several drops around the grounds, children must be supervised at all times.

Because of natural changes to the coastline from season to season, the sandy beach in front of this property may not look as it does in the photos.

Please note that the beach in front of this property can get busy in July and August.

Please note that this property is located in a residential area and therefore has neighbours.

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Amenities

Accommodates (max)	4
Bedrooms	3
Double beds	2
Flexible (double or twin)	1
Bathrooms	3
... of which en suite	3
Garden gate beach/sea access	✓
Sea views	✓
Daily maid service	–

Please note that this villa does not have a pool.

Cabanna is situated next to farmland that is sometimes used for grazing sheep

Barbecue	✓
Private parking	✓
Satellite Wi-Fi Internet	✓
Optional cook [1]	–
Air conditioning	✓
EV charging point	✓
Underfloor heating	✓
Sonos wireless music system	✓
Smart TV	✓
Hairdryer	✓
Iron	✓
Ice maker	✓
Washing machine	✓
Dishwasher	✓
Safe	✓

[1] the cook can provide breakfasts and dinners on request and depending on availability

✓ = yes/present

– = optional/on request

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EXPLORING THE LOCAL AREA

Cabanna sits right on the beach of Costa dell'Ambra, a 2km-stretch of sand just to the west of Capo Passero, whose lighthouse signals Italy's most meridional point – considerably further south than Tunis.

The part of the Sicilian coastline is almost entirely given over to long sandy **beaches**, the very same ones landed on by British and Canadian forces during Operation Huskey in the 2nd World War. Many in the area have received several consecutive Blue Flags, attesting to the cleanliness of the water and their general ecological excellence.

The nearest town for shopping, restaurants and other amenities is Pachino (famous for its cultivations of IGP cherry tomato), and just a few kilometres beyond that is the charming fishing village of **Marzamemi**, whose seafood restaurants and summery vibe are highly recommended.

Some 40 minutes to the north is the splendid baroque town of **Noto**, while **Syracuse**, once the mightiest city in Magna Graecia, is about an hour's drive. **Vendicari Nature Reserve**, home to beautiful unspoilt beaches, migrating flamingos and nesting turtles, is just 30 minutes away.

Around an hour's drive northwest are the other splendid towns of the Val di Noto UNESCO Heritage Site, **Modica** and **Scicli**, and, a little further afield, **Ragusa**.

Finally, some 30km to the west is the port of **Pozzallo** from where, in just 90 minutes by hydrofoil, it is possible to get to Malta.

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Distances

Catania airport: 110km-66miles-1hr20

Palermo airport: 334km-208miles-3hr45

Trapani airport: 419km-261miles-4hr50

Comiso airport: 89km-56miles-1hr20

Nearest restaurants: 10-15mins drive

Nearest shops and amenities: Pachino - 6.5km-4miles-12mins

Marzamemi: 11.5km-7miles-25mins

Vendicari Nature Reserve: 21km-13miles-30mins

Noto: 30km-19miles-40mins

Modica: 33km-20miles-50mins

Scicli: 60km-37miles-1hr

Syracuse: 58km-36miles-1hour

Pozzallo (hydrofoils to Malta): 33km-20.5miles-45mins

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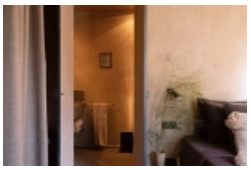

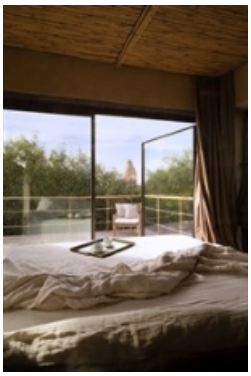

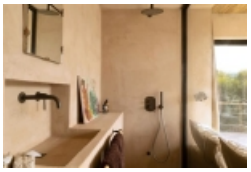
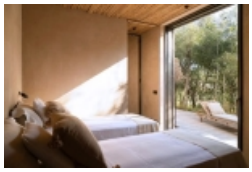

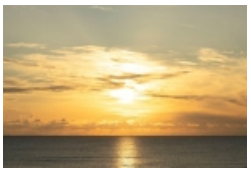

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