

HINITSA, PORTO HELI

AL MARE

Cocooned in mature, secluded gardens, and offering restful views out across the Bay of Hinitsa to the island of Spetses, Al Mare offers space in abundance and everything you could possibly desire for a carefree escape. Whether you're lazing by the 18m-long pool, strolling down to the local sandy bay, sipping a drink at the bar, or dining al fresco under the stars, you'll feel you're in the perfect place in which to recharge your batteries and enjoy the rejuvenating pleasures of Greek life.



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Service

Features

Enchanting views out to sea

Irresistible 18m-long pool

Wraparound terraces and luxuriant gardens

Quick walk to an idyllic sandy bay

Spacious, airy interiors

Perfect for large groups

In-villa cook service for two meals a day

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ABOUT THE VILLA

12 GUESTS 6 BEDROOMS 6 BATHROOMS

Inside: accommodation at Al Mare develops over a main house on three floors and two independently accessed guest rooms in the garden.

From a leafy, walled courtyard, the front door of the main house opens into a voluminous central hallway, off which the ground floor accommodation flows organically. The aesthetic motifs that define the property as a whole are on full display here: terracotta-tiled floors bring a sense of warmth; arched apertures with decorative wrought-iron flourishes create an airy, open feel; banks of windows bring in the light and the sea views, and allow guests to move freely between the interiors and the terraces and gardens.

At the centre of the hallway is a round wooden table, while to one side is an antique wooden chest of drawers topped with marble.

A wide arch with wooden grills and double doors leads into the fabulously, well-equipped kitchen, which is a tale of two halves: the first part features sleek white cabinetry and worktops, a large range cooker and everything else you might need to rustle up a feast; the second, with its colourful countertops, its polished concrete floors and mix of wood-beamed and glass ceilings has an indoor-outdoor feel. It comes with hobs, a sink, a built-in barbecue, and a luminous, convivial dining area with a door opening out onto the surrounding terraces. Just outside is a wood-fired pizza oven.

Back in the central hallway, a pair of wide openings lead into the main house's remaining communal spaces: a convivial dining area with lofty, wood-beamed ceilings, a large table, and two walls of sliding glass doors opening out onto the terraces; and, down a few steps, a generously proportioned living room with a pair of armchairs and sofa gathered round a large fireplace, and three sets of French doors opening out onto the terraces.

Accommodation on the ground floor is completed by a pair of bedrooms, accessed from a corridor near the front door:

- a double with garden and sea views, access to the pool area, and an en-suite shower room
- a double-twin with garden and sea views, access to the pool area, and a shower room on the opposite side of the corridor

A flight of stairs to one side of the central hallway leads up to the first floor, which is home to two more bedrooms:

- a double with en-suite shower room, sea views and a shaded, private terrace looking out over the gardens and the pool to the sea
- a double-twin with en-suite shower room, sea views and a shaded, private terrace looking out over the gardens and the pool to the sea

The lower floor in the main house, which is accessed via a flight of steps leading from the central hallway, is home to a playroom-living area.

The two externally accessed guest rooms are situated a few metres to one side of the main house. Each one has lofty, wood-beamed ceilings, a double bedroom with garden views, and an en-suite shower room.

Outside: Al Mare sits in extensive, beautifully landscaped gardens bordered by mature, leafy trees that make for a secluded, tranquil atmosphere.

Paved terraces alternate with manicured, emerald lawns, floral beds planted with aromatic plants perfume the air, and vibrant bougainvillea, clinging to the external walls of the house, adds flashes of vivid colour. Dotted here and there around the grounds are places to sit, chat, and sip on a morning cup of coffee or a chilled glass of wine. No matter where you are, you'll be able to gaze out at the restful views across the blue Bay of Hinitsa to the neighbouring island of Spetses.

On two sides of the house, the roof extends out to provide ample shade for a long, L-shaped terrace that's accessed from all the rooms on the ground floor. Along the front are several areas furnished with coffee tables and chairs, while to the side is a comfortable sitting area with three well-cushioned wicker sofas.

A couple of steps down from the terrace at the front is the pool area, which has been designed for those who wish to spend all day living al fresco. Sitting at the centre is the irresistible 18m-long pool, which is perfect both for proper swimming and for cooling off. To one side is large, U-shaped lounge area with

built-in seating topped with plenty of cushioned. To the other is a long, voluminous, pergola topped with terracotta tiles. Under its wood-beamed ceilings is a well-furnished sitting area, a large, convivial dining table, a bar with sink, fridge, and a couple of hobs, and a handy WC.

To the front and side of this pergola is a large area of emerald lawn. Dotted with trees, it's a great spot for fun and games or afternoon snoozes under leafy shade.

One more bit of magic is to be found in the corner of the garden, where a covered staircase leads down to a gate and a 90m-long path leading directly to an idyllic sandy bay.

Last but not least, the two bedrooms on the first floor have their own private, covered terraces looking out over the gardens, the pool and the sea.

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.

There is no real shallow end in the pool (the min. depth is 1.5m).

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

Please note that due to the risk of wildfires, the use of fire pits and barbecues is restricted when the weather is windy or temperatures are high. This is particularly common in July and August. More information will be provided in your House Guide and via your local specialist.

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Amenities		
Accommodates (max)	12	
Bedrooms	6	
Double beds	4	
Flexible (double or twin)	2	
Bathrooms	6	
... of which en suite	6	
Fully serviced ¹		✓
Pool	18x6m	
Walkable to beach/sea		✓
Sea views		✓
Poolside bar		✓
Pizza oven ³		✓
Daily maid service		✓
Barbecue		✓
Private parking		✓
5G Wi-Fi Internet		✓
Air conditioning ²		✓
Smart TV		✓
Bluetooth speakers		✓
Hairdryer		✓
Iron		✓

Tumble dryer	✓
Washing machine	✓
Dishwasher	✓
Microwave	✓

1 including a cook, who will prepare breakfast and either lunch or dinner daily. Please note that the cost of ingredients is not included and should be paid for locally.

2 except for the lower floor of the main house

3 a wood-burning pizza oven

✓ = yes/present

— = optional/on request

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EXPLORING THE LOCAL AREA

Al Mare sits in an enviable position just a short amble from a sandy bay about 5km south of the upmarket resort of Porto Heli. For many years, the town and its surrounding area (the tip of the easternmost peninsula of the Peloponnese) has been second home to the Athenian aristocracy and Greek shipping magnates, who built sumptuous summer estates there. Today, it attracts the international jet set, from royalty to business tycoons, who come for the sophisticated atmosphere and the sense of hush-hush privacy.

Also known as the Greek Riviera, the peninsula of Porto Heli is lined with gorgeous beaches and lapped by sparkling blue seas. It's a great place for water sports, yachting and island-hopping - the cosmopolitan islands of Spetses and Hydra are just across the water.

Apart from the sandy beach accessed via a path from the end of the garden, guests staying at Al Mare have numerous other beaches nearby including those of Kosta and Kounoupiou.

Porto Heli, with its promenade of seafront bars and restaurants and its shops, is less than 10 minutes' drive away.

For history lovers, one must-see is the archaeological site of Epidaurus. Its stunning theatre is famed not only for its size and its sensational views, but also for its crystal clear acoustics, and there is much more to see besides.

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Distances

Athens airport: 208km-130miles-2hr45 (driving) or a 2hr ferry crossing from Piraeus to Porto Heli + a 7-minute drive

Nearest beach: there's an idyllic, almost-private sandy beach right at the bottom of the garden

Porto Heli (nearest bars, restaurants, shops and amenities): 4.7km-3miles-7mins

The island of Spetses: a 10-minute crossing by sea taxi from the jetty below the house

The archaeological site of Epidaurus: 60km-37miles-1hr5



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GALLERY



