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A luxuriously finished, romantic, top-floor eyrie with fabulous views over the Ionian Sea, Oltremare is the perfect retreat for anyone wishing to immerse themselves in the myriad pleasures of Taormina. The town's history-filled centre, with its cafés, bars and restaurants, is right outside your door, while the cable car down to the beaches of Mazzarò and Isola Bella is a just a few minutes' stroll away.



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Service

Features

Fabulous sea views

Style, elegance and comfort

Perfect for couples

Prime location in Taormina

A 5-minute cable-car ride to the beach

Nearby

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ABOUT THE VILLA

4 GUESTS 2 BEDROOMS 1 BATHROOMS

Inside: accommodation at Oltremare is laid out over the top (3rd) floor of a small apartment block.

Refurbished with an unerring sense of style and a subtle artistry, Oltremare oozes charm and class. Feature walls of geometrically patterned tiles in cream and soft pastel hues offset the warm, earthy palette of ochre, burnt sienna and fawn used elsewhere. Discreet contemporary lighting adds to the allure, while the furnishings are a harmonious blend of classic and understated modern. The resulting ambience is at once welcoming, elegant and calming.

The communal hub of the apartment is an open-plan space comprising a grey-blue, sink-in sofa, a pair of well-cushioned, curvaceous wicker easy chairs, and round dining table and sleek kitchen area. A wall of sliding glass doors brings in the wonderful sea views and allows the space (and the flooring) to flow outside onto the panoramic terrace.

There are two bedrooms:

- a romantic double with sea views and sliding glass doors opening out onto the terrace
- a smaller but equally welcoming double-twin

The two bedrooms share a beautifully finished and wonderfully atmospheric bathroom with a large walk-in shower.

Outside: al fresco life at Oltremare revolves around a wonderfully panoramic terrace with views out over the roofs of Taormina and across the sparkling waters of the Ionian Sea to Calabria on the Italian mainland.

Accessed from the living area and the main bedroom, the terrace is shaded by a large cane-shaded pergola, under which is a comfy sofa to one side, a pair of stylish easy chairs in the middle, and a dining table topped with beautiful, deep-blue tiles to the other.

Glass balustrades, a variety of plants and an irresistible al fresco shower complete the picture.

In reality, this wonderful terrace is only part of Oltremare’s outdoor realm, as Taormina’s picture-perfect old town centre, with its historic sites, and its cafés, bars and restaurants is literally on your doorstep.

CONSIDERATIONS

Oltremare is located on the third floor of an apartment building in the centre of bustling Taormina and therefore has neighbours. If you're looking for seclusion and total peace, this is not the property for you. If you love being at the centre of a vibrant historic town, however, it's hard to beat.

The number of steps that must be negotiated to get into this property (there is no lift) might make it unsuitable for people with limited mobility.

Please note that the centre of Taormina is virtually car-free and there is no private parking at Oltremare. Taormina does get busy, especially in the summer months, so parking places can sometimes be difficult to find. This said, for everyday life at Oltremare, you won't need a car, as everything you need is right on your doorstep. If you wish to make the occasional excursion, why not let us arrange a driver?

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Amenities

Accommodates (max)	4
Bedrooms	2
Double beds	1
Flexible (double or twin)	1
Bathrooms	1
... of which en suite	0
Sea views	✓
Short walk to shop(s) / restaurant(s)	✓
Outdoor dining area	✓
Air conditioning	✓
Starlink High-Speed Wi-Fi	✓
Heating	✓
Smart TV	✓
Bluetooth speakers	✓
Hairdryer	✓
Iron	✓
Washing machine	✓
Dishwasher	✓
Microwave	✓
Safe	✓

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 = yes/present

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 = optional/on request

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EXPLORING THE LOCAL AREA

Oltremare is located just a 1-minute walk from the centre of the ancient, glorious, beguiling and perfectly positioned town of **Taormina**. Its labyrinth of pretty streets, its panoramic *piazze*, its boutiques, its Michelin-starred restaurants and its chic bars are all on your doorstep, not to mention its myriad historical and architectural treasures.

In the summer months, Taormina's world-famous Graeco-Roman theatre hosts numerous concerts, operas and other events, so you'll never be short of things to do in the evening.

The idyllic beaches of Mazzarò and Isola Bella below Taormina are just a cable car ride away, making it wonderfully easy for those who wish to spend time by and in the Ionian Sea.

Sicily's Ionian Riviera has much to offer besides Taormina, including the huge attraction of **Mount Etna** and the villages and towns that populate its flanks.

Guests staying at Oltremare are also within easy day trip range of **Catania** (a Baroque lava-stone city with vibrant streets markets and much more), ancient **Syracuse**, once the mightiest city in Magna Graecia, and the UNESCO World Heritage towns of **Noto**, **Modica**, **Ragusa** and **Scicli**.

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Distances

Catania airport: 65km-41miles-45mins

Palermo airport: 290km-180miles-3hr15

Trapani airport: 370km-231miles-3hr55

Taormina centre (restaurants, cafés, shops, sights, etc): right outside your door

Nearest beaches: Isola Bella and Mazzarò - a 5-minute walk and a 5-minute cable car ride

Mount Etna cable car: 62km-38miles-1hr10

Catania centre: 52km-32miles-45mins

Syracuse: 120km-73miles-1hr30

Noto: 145km-90miles-1hr45

Modica: 175km-110miles-2hr10



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GALLERY



