VENDICARI NATURE RESERVE, SICILY

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Sighilli occupies an enviable position at the heart of Vendicari Nature Reserve, whose sublime seafront habitat comprises salt lakes, sandy beaches, vineyards, a wide variety of coastal flora, and an internationally-tinted range of fauna, including flamingos and sea turtles. All in all a truly unique context for Sighilli's very own brand of Epicurean luxury.





PRICES, AVAILABILITY AND BOOKING →

Service

Daily maid service and mid-week linen change

Features

Unique location in Vendicari Nature Reserve

16m-long pool

Extensive grounds

Nearby

The beaches of Vendicari Nature Reserve

Noto

Modica, Scicli and Ragusa

Syracuse

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ABOUT THE VILLA

8 GUESTS 4 BEDROOMS 4 BATHROOMS

Inside: accommodation at Sighilli is laid out over two floors.

Much of the ground floor is given over to the sumptuously furnished living areas, which include a large conservatory overlooking and accessing, via enormous sliding glass doors, the dreamy pool area. To one side of the living areas is the large, convivial indoor dining room, served by a well-equipped kitchen. Decorations, fittings and furnishings throughout are a combination of the opulent and the exotic, an eclectic mix of Moroccan mother-of-pearl inlayed objets d'art, Chinese porcelain, original oil masters, deep, cushion-laden sofas, and enveloping, oversized armchairs.

The ground floor is also home to three of the four suites, each of which has its own "hammamesque" en-suite bathroom:

• the first, a double, offers an in-bedroom sunken Jacuzzi bath, a walk-through rain forest shower room, a separate WC and access to the gardens via sliding glass doors;
• the second and third suites both comprise a double bedroom, a sitting area, a bathroom with Jacuzzi bath and separate shower, and large sliding glass windows accessing the surrounding gardens.

The fourth suite - the principal - is situated on the first floor and accessed via an external staircase and a terrace. On entering this bedroom, one's eye is immediately drawn to the floor-to-ceiling, wall-length sliding glass doors that lead out to a private terrace with stunning views over the surrounding vineyards, the salt lakes and out to sea. Apart from its impressive bed, the principal suite is furnished with sofas from which to watch TV or gaze out at the views (you'll probably end up doing the latter!). Its en-suite bathroom, which would make an Ottoman Emperor proud, includes a Jacuzzi tub, a separate walk-in shower and a Turkish bath.

Outside: the main gate opens onto a long palm-lined drive that leads towards the house. Once parked, the final approach passes under a pergola avenue of

fragrant Mediterranean climbers.

Lawned gardens, planted with numerous varieties of trees, shrubs and flowers fan out around the property on three sides, eventually giving way to the wilder nature of the reserve, a vineyard and other cultivated land. The gardens offer numerous spots of sitting, reclining, gazing out to sea, dining, chatting and playing games (including table tennis and table football).

The living area opens out on to a gorgeous, decked terrace with irresistible pool and plenty of space for soaking up the sun and taking in the hypnotic views. To the left of the pool, immersed in the gardens, is a large pergola with dining table, while to the right, the decking continues almost like a boardwalk down to a large sail-shaded outdoor living area and a second dining area. Beautifully illuminated at night, this is a magical spot for long convivial dinners and nightcaps under the moon and stars.

CONSIDERATIONS

This property is surrounded by countryside, some of which is unfenced and may include drops or steep slopes. We therefore recommend that younger children are supervised by an adult when exploring the grounds.

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Amenities	
Accommodates (max)	8
Bedrooms	4
Double beds	4
Bathrooms	4
... of which en suite	4
Pool	16x4m
Sea views	✓
Hot tub [3]	✓
Hammam/steam room [2]	✓
Wine cellar	✓
Daily maid service	✓
Table tennis	✓
Barbecue	✓
Table football	✓
Private parking	✓
Satellite Wi-Fi Internet	✓
Air conditioning	✓
Heating	✓
Shopping delivery service	–
Stereo	✓
Satellite TV [1]	✓

Telescope	✓
Bluetooth speakers	✓
Hairdryer	✓
Iron	✓
Washing machine	✓
Ice maker	✓
Microwave	✓
Safe	✓
Staff on the grounds	✓

[1] includes Sky Movies and Sky Sport in the living area. Each bedroom has its own TV but these do not have SKY packages

[2] in the master suite's en-suite bathroom

[3] most of the en-suite bathrooms have hot tubs

✓ = yes/present

– = optional/on request

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EXPLORING THE LOCAL AREA

With seven hectares of private nature reserve at your private disposal, and a further fifteen hundred hectares at your fingertips, you may not want to move very far. Although the beach is accessible on foot, passage is restricted due to the fact that sea turtles use the area as a nesting ground.

The nearest beaches, therefore, are accessed from outside the property, just a few minute's drive and walk, and are rarely crowded (except in the height of summer).

The nearest main town is **Noto**, the most easterly of a chain of baroque towns now protected as a UNESCO World Heritage site. It is also perhaps the most perfect of the seven towns, which were all rebuilt in flamboyant style following a major earthquake in 1693. Noto is also where you will find the best supermarkets, grocery stops and amenities. For dining, both Noto and **Marzamemi**, a very attractive little fishing village, have some excellent restaurants.

If hiking in the hills is your thing, then there is some spectacular scenery in the rushing streams and waterfalls of Cassibile and at the Paleolithic burial sites in the dramatic gorge of **Pantalica**.

Syracuse is just half an hour's drive away, and at least a day there is highly recommended to anybody spending a week or two at Sighilli. A little further afield, the other baroque towns of **Modica**, **Ragusa** and **Scicli** are also easily reachable for day trips.

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Distances

Catania airport: 95km-60miles-1hr05

Palermo airport: 445km-205miles-3hr45

Comiso airport: 85km-52miles-1hr25

Trapani airport: 410km-255miles-4hr30

Nearest beaches: 5mins by car to the entrances of Vendicari Nature Reserve

Marzamemi (lovely fishing village with excellent fish restaurants): 10km-6miles-15mins

Noto: 13km-8miles-20mins

Syracuse: 44km-27miles-40mins

Modica: 43km-27miles-50mins

Ragusa: 61km-38miles-1hr10





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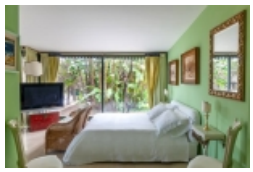


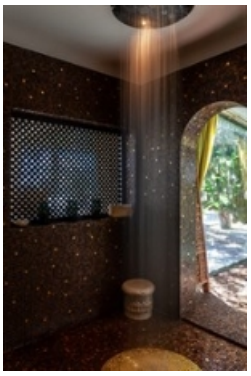
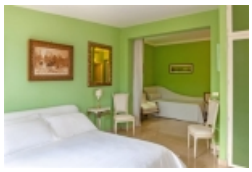
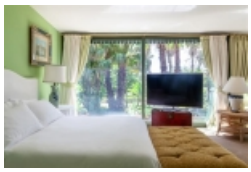


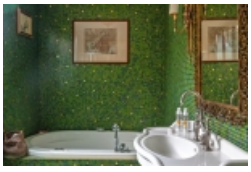


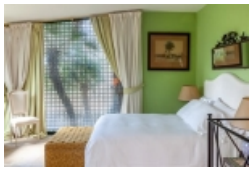






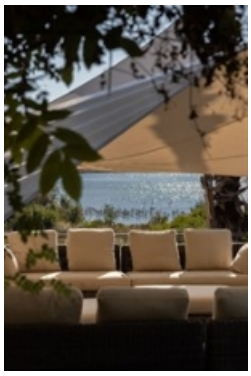










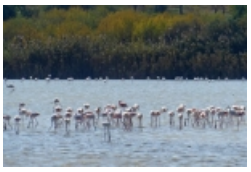


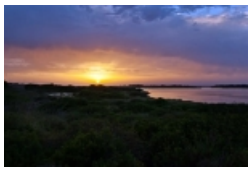
















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