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DON ARCANGELO ALL'OLMO

"The best villa in Sicily... There is an embarrassment of beauty at Don Arcangelo all'Olmo. It is exquisitely peaceful... It's like having your own five-star hotel." Condé Nast Traveller, The Best of Sicily. Don Arcangelo all'Olmo (or **L'Olmo** for short) is, quite simply, one of the very finest properties available for rent in Sicily. It is a superbly finished luxury villa in a stunning and perfectly peaceful setting between the sea and Mount Etna. The views, the gardens, the heatable pool, the style of the house, the fittings and furnishings, and the relaxed but professional nature of the welcome make it a hard act to beat indeed.

Don Arcangelo all'Olmo in **AD Italia**.





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Service

Full team of staff including cook

Features

Immaculate service
In-villa cook service for three meals a day
Luxuriously appointed interiors
Fabulous 18m-long heatable pool
Well-equipped gym
Enchanting mature gardens

Nearby

Taormina
18 hole golf course
Catania
Mount Etna

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ABOUT THE VILLA

24 GUESTS 12 BEDROOMS 12 BATHROOMS

Inside: accommodation at Don Arcangelo all'Olmo is spread over Il Casale, a handsome villa, and a beautifully restored, equally luxurious guesthouse, Casa all'Olmo.

Access to Il Casale is via an impressive entrance hall with high vaulted ceilings and a decorative water feature. A few steps lead up to a wide corridor, at the end of which is the welcoming central hub of the house, an open space with an impressive fireplace. To the left, down a few steps, is the convivial, warmly decorated dining area, conveniently located next to the kitchen where the chef will prepare your meals.

To the right of the hub, a few more steps take one down into a generously proportioned, beautifully appointed living area. Comfy armchairs and a sink-in sofa gather around a deep fireplace to one side, while to the other is a second sitting area with TV. Venerable grey lava stone floors provide a foil for colourful kilim rugs; white walls and lofty vaulted ceilings offer a blank canvas for a collection of objets d'art and paintings; furnishings encapsulate the aesthetic of effortless elegance; and banks of glazed doors open out onto the surrounding terraces and gardens. The atmosphere is at once refined, informal, welcoming and luminous, all attributes that define Don Arcangelo all'Olmo as a whole.

A doorway to one side of this first living area leads into a second, even more commodious communal space. Furnished with three large white sofas and boasting another magnificent fireplace, this grand room is imbued with the owners' exquisite taste, evident in the eclectic artwork, furniture and bibelots brought home after a lifetime of world travel.

The bedrooms in Il Casale are spread over two wings.

The west wing, which is accessed via a staircase from the corridor near the entrance hall, is home to four bedrooms, each with its own name and distinct character:

• Riccardo is a deluxe, double aspect double-twin bedroom with views of both the sea and Mount Etna, a panoramic balcony, and an en-suite bathroom with large walk-in shower
• Terrazzo is another deluxe double-twin with its own private panoramic terrace looking out over the gardens and the sea, and a luxurious bathroom with tub and separate shower
• Ambra, also a deluxe double-twin, has an en-suite bathroom with large walk-in shower
• Etna is a classic double-twin bedroom with great views of A Muntagna (as the locals call Etna), and an en-suite bathroom with tub and separate shower

The east wing, accessed from the first living area, is also home to four bedrooms:

• a few stairs lead down to Archi, a generously proportioned deluxe double boasting an alcove sleeping area, an en-suite bathroom with tub and separate shower, and a shaded terrace area looking out over and accessing the gardens
• Baldacchino, on the first floor, is a deluxe double with a romantic four-poster bed, a balcony offering superb garden and sea views, and a spacious en-suite bathroom with tub and separate shower
• Verde and Arancio are classic double-twins with en-suite shower rooms

The remaining accommodation at Don Arcangelo all'Olmo is in Casa all'Olmo, a luxuriously refurbished guesthouse that mirrors the refinement, elegance and overall style of Il Casale. Situated just a few metres away through the gardens from its larger sister, Casa all'Olmo's main entrance leads into a bright, welcoming living area with fireplace. Whitewashed wood-beamed ceilings offset the colourful walls and the kilim-covered terracotta floors, while views take in the gardens and the sea.

A wide corridor with windows overlooking the terraces and gardens leads from this space to the four bedrooms:

• Marina, a double-twin with en-suite bathroom with tub and separate shower
• Acquerelli China, a charming double-twin featuring chinoiserie frescoes on the walls and a sumptuous en-suite bathroom with tub and separate shower
• Kilim/Africa, a double bedroom, once more with en-suite bathroom with tub and separate shower
• Tea, a double-twin with en-suite shower room

Outside: you will be absolutely charmed by the colourful, fragrant gardens,

whose design harks back to the Arabic belief that gardens should be a place of delight and wonder.

Extensive terracotta terraces fan out in all directions, each one furnished for either relaxing or dining in style. Lava stone steps lead down past manicured lawns, a mini olive grove, lush, perfumed Mediterranean flowers, and an exotic array of mature trees, to the irresistible heatable pool, which is itself surrounded by yet more flourishing, luxuriant greenery.

The views from the gardens to the sea are interrupted only by large expanses of citrus groves, while in the opposite direction, you will become transfixed by the awe-inspiring sight of Mount Etna... All in all this is one of the most spectacular locations in Sicily.

CONSIDERATIONS

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Amenities

Accommodates (max)	24
Bedrooms	12
Double beds	3
Flexible (double or twin)	9
Bathrooms	12
... of which en suite	12
Fully serviced [1]	✓
Gated heatable pool [2]	18x8m
Sea views	✓
Gym	✓
Daily maid service	✓
Barbecue	✓
Table tennis	✓
Private parking	✓
Fast Internet connection	✓
Cookery classes	–
Wine-tasting	–
Air conditioning [3]	✓
Fireplace	✓
Heating	✓
Stereo	✓
Sonos wireless music system	✓
Smart TV [5]	✓

Shopping delivery service	✓
Laundry service	–
Hairdryer	✓
Iron	✓
Washing machine [4]	–
Ice maker	✓
Dishwasher	✓
Microwave	✓
Staff on the grounds	✓
Safe	✓

[1] the in-house cook will prepare breakfast, lunch and dinner. Please note that the cost of ingredients is not included and is payable locally. Please see the Service section below for more information about dining at Don Arcangelo all'Olmo

[2] a saline filtration system is used. There is an extra charge of €1100 per week to heat the pool, if requested in advance. Please give us at least a week's notice if you would like the pool heated.

[3] in all the bedrooms and in the living area of Casa all'Olmo

[4] the laundry facilities are operated by the villa staff and come at an extra cost, payable locally

[5] including Sky Movies

✓ = yes/present

– = optional/on request

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EXPLORING THE LOCAL AREA

Situated near the town of Giarre on the east coast of Sicily, Don Arcangelo all'Olmo is a good base from which to visit **Catania**, **Taormina**, **Mount Etna** and the fascinating villages on the volcano's flanks. There are also several charming fishing villages and some nice beaches nearby. An eighteen hole golf course is about 45 minutes drive away.

Further afield, **Syracuse**, the baroque towns of the **Noto** valley, the quiet beaches of **Vendicari** and Capo Passero to the south and Messina to the north are all comfortably reachable for day trips.

We can also arrange for you to over fly Mount Etna and many other sites, or to make excursions to the **Aeolian Islands**, by helicopter.

The nearby beaches of Fiumefreddo and Marina di Cottone have received several consecutive "Bandiere Blu", attesting to the cleanliness of the water and their general ecological excellence.

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Distances

Catania airport: 43km-27miles-40mins

Palermo airport: 269km-168miles-2hr50

Trapani airport: 348km-216miles-3hr30

Comiso airport: 120km-74miles-1hr35

Nearest shops: 5mins-10mins

Nearest beaches: Fondachello - 8km-5miles-20mins, Marina di Cottone - 11km-7miles-25mins, Isola Bella, Taormina - 30km-19miles-30mins

Taormina: 30km-19miles-30mins

18-hole golf course: 30km-19miles-40mins

Catania: 30km-19miles-35mins

Mount Etna: 34km-21miles-45mins

Syracuse: 95km-60miles-1hr10





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