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A stunning position on one of Sicily's most spectacular stretches of coastline... With its large grounds, spectacular views, private sea access and walking distance to restaurants and shops, Funcia offers the perfect balance for many of our clients. Steps lead down to the crystal clear waters below while the coves and bays of the nearby Lo Zingaro Nature Reserve are invitingly close at hand.





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Service

Maid service three times a week and a mid-week linen change

Features

Garden gate sea access
Spectacular sea and coastal views
Walking distance to restaurants and shops

Nearby

Scopello
Lo Zingaro nature reserve
Segesta
Capo San Vito

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ABOUT THE VILLA

6 GUESTS 5 BEDROOMS 4 BATHROOMS

Inside: accommodation at Funcia is spread over three floors. The front door leads to the main living area, comprising two sitting areas, an open fireplace, a large dining table and French windows accessing the large sea-view terrace. A door from living area takes one to the well-equipped kitchen looking over and accessing the gardens and an al fresco dining area.

A few stairs lead from the entrance hall down to a second living area with comfortable sofas and TV, a double bedroom and a shower room. Down another few stairs is a fully self-contained apartment with a double bedroom, shower room and open kitchen area leading onto a terrace.

Back in the entrance hall, stairs lead up to the first floor, where there are three bedrooms, a double, a bunk bed twin, a large single, and two bathrooms, one with shower and one with tub.

The double has wonderful sea views and access to a panoramic terrace, while the single accesses a balcony overlooking the garden.

Outside: Funcia is set in extensive grounds from which superb sea views abound. The main sea-view terrace, accessed from the living area and the gardens, is furnished for lounging and dining.

Two more al fresco dining areas, one outside the kitchen, the other in a nearby barbecue area, make it possible to have breakfast, lunch and dinner in different places, while a seafront viewing point looking down along the coastline is the perfect spot for an aperitif.

One side of the garden is given over to a shady copse of pine trees, where you may take a restorative afternoon snooze in a hammock or have a game of table tennis. Finally, at the bottom of the garden a flight of about 120 steps leads down to the rocky coastline and the crystalline waters of the Tyrrhenian 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.

Although this property is located within walking distance of some shops and restaurants, we strongly recommend that you hire a car.

Boats moor in the bay in front of the property, and while this can create a lively atmosphere, their presence may create some noise during the day.

The sea access below the property is via rocks. There is a little ladder, but please note that in case of rough sea, it may not be possible to use the ladder. In this case, the sea might only be accessible by those who are used to swimming off bathing platforms and rocks. We urge caution at all times.

Due to the villa's privileged location near the Tonnara and the Torre of Scopello, you may occasionally hear music from events held at these venues.

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Amenities

Accommodates (max)	6
Bedrooms	5
Double beds	3
Single beds	1
Bunk beds	1
Bathrooms	4
... of which en suite	0
Garden gate beach/sea access	✓
Sea views	✓
Walking distance to restaurant(s) [1]	✓
Walking distance to shop(s) [1]	✓
Daily maid service	–
Table tennis	✓
Barbecue	✓
Private parking	✓
Satellite Wi-Fi Internet	✓
Air conditioning	✓
Fireplace	✓
Heating	✓
Shopping delivery service	–
Stereo	✓
Satellite TV	✓
Hairdryer	✓
Iron	✓
Washing machine	✓
Dishwasher	✓
Microwave	✓
Safe	✓

[1] there is a mini-market with an outstanding deli, butcher's and wine section, a good bar, and an organic farm shop selling superb fruit and vegetables just a 10-minute walk away. There are also some good restaurants in the village of Scopello, about a 20-minute walk away (uphill). Please note that there are no pavements along the

road up to Scopello, so we don't recommend the walk at night.

= yes/present

= optional/on request

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EXPLORING THE LOCAL AREA

Set on the edge of the Golfo di Castellammare, Funcia occupies a very private spot on one of the most beautiful stretches of coastline in Sicily.

The small village of **Scopello** just up the hill has a good selection of restaurants and bars, and can be reached on foot in about 20 minutes. There is also a mini-market (with an excellent deli, butcher's and wine selection), a good bar and an organic farm shop selling superb fruit and vegetables about 10 minutes walk away.

The old tuna fishery (*tonnara*) of Scopello, a few hundred metres along the coast from the villa, is a must-see if staying at Funcia. In recent years the beauty of the building itself, and its wonderful setting, has made it popular both as a visitor attraction, and as an event venue, hosting weddings and other celebrations.

As well as the tuna fishery, you can also easily visit **Lo Zingaro Nature Reserve**, which offers a range of spectacular walks and some beautiful crystal clear bays for swimming. There is a diving centre in Scopello for scuba lovers and a pebbly beach with equipped lidos just a 5-minute drive away at Guidaloca.

The town of **Castellammare del Golfo**, a few kilometres east, has several seafront bars and restaurants and a daily fish market.

The spectacular Elymian/Greek site of **Segesta** is about 20 minutes drive away and **Erice**, **Palermo**, **Trapani** and **Selinunte** can all be reached in under an hour.

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Distances

Palermo airport: 50km-31miles-45mins
Trapani Airport: 65km-40miles-1hr
Catania airport: 283km-176miles-3hr20
Comiso airport: 306km-190miles-4hr
Pebble beach at Guidaloca: 5mins drive
Nearest shops: 10mins walk (2mins drive) along the road approaching the villa or 5mins drive in Scopello
Castellammare del Golfo (shops and beach): 15-20mins drive
Zingaro Nature Reserve: 5mins drive
Segesta: 30km-18miles-30mins
Erice: 35km-22miles-45mins
Selinunte: 70km-44miles-55mins
Palermo/Monreale: 75km-47miles-1hr15





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