

# THE THINKING TRAVELLER

GALLIPOLI, PUGLIA

## MASSERIA LE QUERCE

The impressive, white-washed façade of Masseria Le Querce greets guests like long-lost friends, inviting them to enter, explore its generously proportioned spaces, and make themselves at home. Beautifully crafted interiors spill out into a delightful walled courtyard garden where myriad pleasures await.



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### Service

Daily maid service and mid-week linen change

### Features

Contemporary masseria design  
Spacious, luxuriously finished interiors  
16m-long pool  
Stunning walled gardens

### Nearby

Old town of Gallipoli  
Wonderful beaches  
Shops and restaurants  
Tennis and horse riding

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### ABOUT THE VILLA

10 GUESTS 5 BEDROOMS 5 BATHROOMS

**Inside:** accommodation at Masseria Le Querce is spread over a two-storey main house and an independent courtyard suite.

The impressive entrance of the main house leads into a pleasingly symmetrical, barrel-vaulted sitting room featuring a decorative limestone fireplace flanked on either side by a white sink-in sofa and a window surveying the internal courtyard garden. The elegant furnishings, the restful white-and-cream palette, the quality of the fixtures and the finishing, and the lofty spaciousness of this room set the tone for the rest of the property.

To the right, an opening leads into a voluminous, triple-aspect kitchen and dining area with wide glass doors opening out onto a shaded al fresco dining area and, beyond this, the gardens and pool of the walled courtyard. The beautifully designed, contemporary kitchen features a bar-height central island, while the dining area is offset by a decorative corner fireplace. Off the kitchen area is a utility room with two double-sized fridge-freezer, a large wine cellar and other appliances. Beyond that is a laundry room with washing machine and dryer, and a cosy guest bathroom.

Heading back through the central sitting room, one accesses a second, larger living area, this one with double-height vaulted ceilings, a centrally-positioned, double-sided sofa, a decorative limestone fireplace, and access to the shady terraces flanking the walled gardens. From this room, one may either access a corridor, or climb the stairs to the first floor.

Heading along the corridor, past a little light well garden and a guest bathroom, one comes to the first two bedrooms of the main house, a double and a double-twin, each with its own stylish en-suite shower room and direct access to the gardens.

The first floor of the main house, accessed via the stairs from the second living room, is home to two more bedrooms, connected via a galleried landing overlooking the living room below. The first, a gracious suite, is accessed via a

study area and boasts a double bedroom, a dressing room and a sumptuous bathroom with double sinks and a sunken bath with shower. Doors open out from the bedroom onto a splendidly panoramic shady terrace with steps leading down to the walled courtyard garden and views overlooking the surrounding countryside. The second first floor bedroom, also a double, comes with an en-suite shower room, garden views and its very own shady terrace, once again with steps leading down to the garden.

Accommodation at Masseria Le Querce is completed by an independent suite situated near the pool area at the opposite side of the internal walled garden. Here there is a large double-twin bedroom with an en-suite shower room.

**Outside:** Masseria Le Querce is reached via a long private driveway flanked by oak and pine trees, and is immersed in its own estate. Al fresco life revolves around the dreamy walled courtyard garden, which covers nearly an acre and boasts around 550m<sup>2</sup> of shady pergolas and terraces.

The communal living and dining areas of the main house, as well as the two ground floor bedrooms, flow out onto a shaded pergola terrace that runs along the entire façade of the property, offering ample space for reclining, chatting and dining.

Floral arcades flank the two lateral perimeter walls, leading to the opposite side of the garden, which is home to another shady pergola terrace mirroring in length but outdoing in spaciousness its opposite number. At one end is the guesthouse suite, while at the other is a pool house with a kitchen, a bathroom and a changing-cum-massage room. In between is a built-in sitting area wrapping around an outdoor fireplace, a dining area equipped with prep area, sink, and barbecue, and a zen-tranquil lounge area with suspended day beds gently swaying in the breeze. Magical during the day, this area becomes truly enchanted after sundown when illuminated with suffused, golden light.

The cool stone paving extends from this wonderfully convivial space towards the centre of the garden, where it wraps around the thoroughly irresistible pool. From here, a large expanse of emerald-green English lawn fans out, dotted with centuries-old carob trees and flanked by aromatic herb bushes, roses and other flowering plants.

The outdoor areas at Masseria Le Querce are completed by the terraces of the first floor bedrooms, which may also be accessed via flights of steps from the garden.

## CONSIDERATIONS

Please watch your step in the bathroom with the sunken shower, since stairs may be slippery when wet.

The number of steps that must be negotiated to get into and around this property might make it unsuitable for people with mobility problems.

Please note that the fireplaces at Masseria Le Querce are decorative only.

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### Amenities

Accommodates (max)	10
Bedrooms	5
Double beds	3
Flexible (double or twin)	2
Bathrooms	5
... of which en suite	5
Daily maid service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Optional cook <sup>1</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Breakfast (excl. ingredients)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Pool (LxW in m)	16x6
Pool changing room	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Pool house with shower	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Air conditioning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Underfloor heating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Fireplace/log burner <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Safe(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Filtered drinking water	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Wine cooler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tumble dryer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Washing machine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dishwasher	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Microwave oven	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Outdoor sound system	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Smart TV	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Integrated sound system	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Bluetooth speakers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Satellite Wi-Fi Internet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Outdoor fireplace/fire pit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Barbecue	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Organic vegetable garden	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Private parking	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Table football	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Shopping service	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electric car charging point	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
The Thinking Traveller local support	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**1** the cook can provide lunches and dinners on request and depending on availability

**2** decorative only

= yes/present

= optional/on request

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### EXPLORING THE LOCAL AREA

Masseria Le Querce is just 2 km from the charming town of Alezio and 8km from Gallipoli and a series of gorgeous sandy beaches. Alezio has some superb baroque buildings, high-quality shops and cafes, a market, restaurants and a relaxed, authentic feel. **Gallipoli** is a true jewel of a town, set on a fortified island and featuring some fabulous architecture as well as lively nightlife and some great restaurants. The delightful baroque town of **Lecce** is just 40 minutes drive, most certainly worth a visit. Tennis courts and horse riding are a 10-minute drive away.

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#### Distances

Brindisi Airport: 85km-53miles-1hr15

Bari Airport: 204km-127miles-2hr30

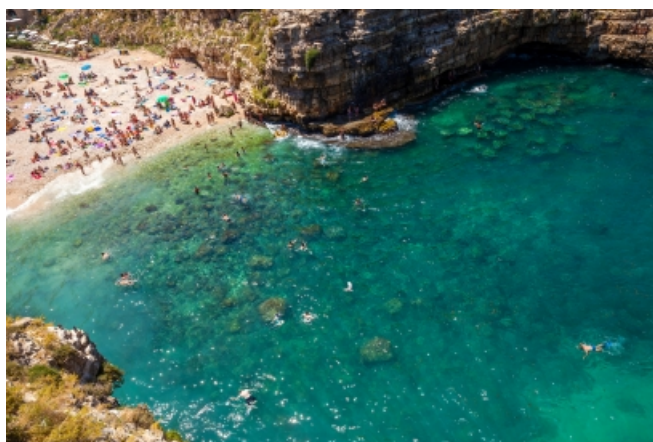
Nearest shops, restaurants and amenities: Alezio, 2km-1.3miles-5mins

Gallipoli: 8km-5miles-20mins

Nearest beaches: there are a series of beaches in and around Gallipoli within a 20-minute drive

Lecce: 42km-26miles-40mins

Matera: 216km-135miles-3hrs



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### GALLERY

