

# THE THINKING TRAVELLER

CASARANO, PUGLIA

## *MASSERIA CANALI*

Masseria Canali welcomes guests with a warm embrace and inimitable Salentine charm. Finished to exactly high standards, furnished with panache and character, and generously proportioned, it is at once homely and chic: a perfect synthesis of high-end country living and informal, easy elegance.



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### Service

Daily maid service and mid-week linen change

### Features

Exquisitely refurbished  
Gorgeous 18m-long pool  
Fully staffed, including in-villa chef  
Manicured gardens and dreamy terraces  
Spacious, flexible accommodation  
Home cinema and pool table

### Nearby

Gallipoli  
Sandy beaches  
Galatina and Lecce  
Leuca and Otranto

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### ABOUT THE VILLA

16 GUESTS 7 BEDROOMS 7 BATHROOMS

**Inside:** accommodation at Masseria Canali is all on one floor. The main entrance takes one into a fabulously spacious, long and luminous living area with double-height ceilings, white walls, and cool polished concrete floors. Furnished with eclectic good taste, enlivened by a collection of large, green-fronded tropical plants, and adorned with a fascinating miscellany of bibelots, curios and art, including an ingenious wall calendar by local artist Letizia Cariello, this welcoming, tranquil space is home to an antique (but fully functioning) pool table at one end, a sitting area and a baby grand piano towards the middle, and a second sitting area in front of a fireplace at the far end.

At the centre, opposite the main entrance, a perpendicular extension of the living room – once again furnished with panache and featuring a fireplace - leads out into the internal courtyard terrace. Three of Masseria Canali's seven bedrooms are accessed from the living room: two doubles with four-poster beds and en-suite shower rooms, and a quad with twin beds, a bunk bed, and an en-suite bathroom with tub. All three rooms have French windows accessing the internal courtyard terrace.

At the fireplace end of the living room, nine steps lead down into a hallway, off which one may access the internal courtyard terrace, the laundry room and a guest WC. This space also leads into Masseria Canali's generously proportioned, open-plan kitchen and dining area. With its sandy-stone barrel-vaulted ceilings, its beams, its green country cabinets, its central island, and its quality appliances, the kitchen is a great spot for communal cooking.

The dining area, meanwhile, is no less charming, and features a large farmhouse table, a pair of green dressers, and double-aspect views of the gardens. A door to one side of the kitchen leads into a multi-functional room furnished with a round central table, a chaise longue, a desk, and garden access. In turn, this room opens into the home cinema, which is equipped with a large TV, a surround sound system and a line of comfy, contemporary movie theatre seats.

The remainder of the accommodation at Masseria Canali is accessed from the internal courtyard terrace. To one side is a spacious double bedrooms with centrally-positioned bed, a large en-suite shower room and access, via a little terrace to the pool area. To the other side are three more double bedrooms, each with its own en-suite shower room. One of these also has access to the pool area.

**Outside:** the al fresco areas at Masseria Canali are spread over two main areas. Wrapped on three sides by the accommodation and accessed from all the bedrooms, the living area and the hallway next to the kitchen, the first of these is a gorgeous, stone-flagged internal courtyard with a lazy lounge area, shaded by a large sail, a pair of palms and a few other trees, and, a few steps down, a convivial al fresco dining area, where you will take most of your meals.

On the fourth side of this tranquil oasis is a wall with two arches leading to the second al fresco area: the gardens and the pool. Expanses of emerald green lawn give way to fragrantly planted borders, which fan out around the masseria. In pride of place at the centre, is the slender, 18m-long pool.

Finally, for a sunrise coffee or a sunset aperitif, arguably the best spot is the fabulous roof terrace, accessed via steps from the internal courtyard, which extends over the whole house and offers great views over the surrounding countryside.

## CONSIDERATIONS

Cats may be seen in the villa grounds. However, they will not enter the house unless encouraged to do so.

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#### Amenities

Accommodates (max)	16
Bedrooms	7
Double beds	6
Quad beds	1
Bathrooms	7
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Daily maid service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Breakfast preparation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Pool (LxW in m)	3.5 x 18
Pool changing room	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Air conditioning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Underfloor heating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Fireplace/log burner	✓
Safe(s)	✓
Wine cooler	✓
Washing machine	✓
Dishwasher	✓
Microwave oven	✓
Printer	✓
Sonos wireless music system	✓
Smart TV	✓
DVD player	✓
Stereo	✓
Home cinema <sup>2</sup>	✓
Bluetooth speakers	✓
Beach club access <sup>3</sup>	✓
Satellite Wi-Fi Internet	✓
Barbecue	✓
Private parking	✓
Pool table	✓
Shopping service	—
The Thinking Traveller local support	✓

<sup>1</sup> Daily cook service for lunch and dinner (the cost of ingredients is paid locally by the clients upon presentation of the receipt)

<sup>2</sup> including Apple TV

<sup>3</sup> Clients staying at this villa will receive a 10% reduction at Le Cinque Vele Beach Club

✓ = yes/present

— = optional/on request

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### EXPLORING THE LOCAL AREA

Masseria Canali sits a few km outside the pleasant towns of Casarano, Collepasso and Parabita, all of which offer a variety of amenities, including restaurants, pizzerias, bars, cafés and shops. Less than half an hour's drive west is the historic town of **Gallipoli**, set on a fortified island and featuring some fabulous architecture as well as lively nightlife and some great restaurants. The delightful baroque towns of **Galatina** and **Lecce** are 20 and 40 minutes' drive away respectively and most certainly worth a visit.

In terms of beaches, the coast running north and south of Gallipoli is a little corner of paradise for lovers of sand and azure waters and there are many options, including some with exclusive lidos, within a 30-minute drive.

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#### Distances

Brindisi Airport: 92km-57miles-1hr15

Bari Airport: 214km-130miles-2hr30

Nearest shops, restaurants and amenities: Casarano, Collepasso and Parabita - a 5 to 10-minute drive

Gallipoli: 20km-12miles-30mins

Nearest beaches: there are a series of beaches in and around Gallipoli within a 20 to 30-minute drive

Galatina: 17km-10miles-22mins

Lecce: 44km-27miles-40mins

Matera: 216km-135miles-3hrs



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### GALLERY



