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TERREA

A well-loved and versatile family home, Terrea is a fabulous option for large groups of family (with children) and friends looking for fun, space and carefree living. With a pool, tennis and basketball courts, and an array of sea-view terraces at your disposal, it would be easy never to leave the property's generous confines, but with sandy beaches and picturesque Tinos Town virtually on your doorstep you may well be tempted to explore.





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Service

Features

- Tempting sea views
- Extensive grounds
- Large pool area
- Tennis and basketball courts
- Great for families with children
- Short walk to beach and tavernas

Nearby

- Sandy beaches
- Tinos Town
- Picturesque hill-top villages
- Mykonos

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ABOUT THE VILLA

12 GUESTS 6 BEDROOMS 7 BATHROOMS

Inside: accommodation at Terrea is spread over a main house on three floors and three independent guesthouses in the grounds.

The formal entrance of the main house opens into a welcoming foyer, off which much of the ground floor accommodation flows. Straight on is a voluminous, bright open-plan communal space, which is comfortably furnished with a trio of sink-in sofas and a dining table. A feature stone wall and hard-wood floors add character, multiple windows bring in the light, and a pair of French doors lead out onto a shady terrace.

A door near the dining table opens into the good-sized, well-equipped country-style kitchen, which in turn accesses the shaded al fresco dining area and outdoor kitchen.

Back in the foyer, a door to the left opens into the main bedroom, a spacious, elegantly furnished double offering views out to sea and an en-suite shower room.

A third door off the foyer, this time on the right, leads into a corridor, off which the two remaining bedrooms on the ground floor are accessed:

• a double bedroom with lofty, white beamed ceilings, garden views and an en-suite shower room
• a twin bedroom with en-suite shower room and French windows opening out onto a little terrace with views over the pool, the grounds and out to sea

A staircase next to the first of these two bedrooms leads up to the first floor, which is given over to a reading and TV room, a bathroom, and access to a pair of sea-view terraces, one shaded, one sun-kissed.

Accommodation in the main house is completed by the lower ground floor, which is accessed via a staircase between the kitchen and an elegant hallway off the living area. Here there is a games room-cum-reading room furnished with a

sofa.

The first of the three guesthouses is located at the bottom of the steps that lead up to the entrance of the main house. It hosts a double bedroom with sofa, white-beamed ceilings, garden views and an en-suite shower room.

The second guesthouse is located next to the pool and comprises a double-twin bedroom with en-suite shower room.

Last, but not least, is the third guesthouse, which is located just above the main house's al fresco dining area. Here there is a double bedroom with a sitting area, a kitchenette, an en-suite shower room and a long terrace looking over the main house, the gardens and out to sea.

Outside: immersed in a five-acre estate of olive groves and vineyards, the property has been in the same family for generations, and the maturity of the verdant gardens and the shade-giving trees testifies to this.

Interspersed with lawns and burgeoning shrubs and plants, terraces wrap around Terrea on different levels, offering plenty of opportunities for sociable gatherings and private moments.

The living and dining area opens out onto a shaded terrace, furnished with quality outdoor sofas and armchairs. Following this terrace round to the right is the wonderful al fresco living area, a sheltered and secluded haven with plenty of space for everyone and a fabulous outdoor cooking area featuring a large-scale, in-built barbecue.

Outside the entrance of the main house, steps lead down to a courtyard, off which is the first guesthouse. A few more steps down from there and one arrives at the fabulous pool area (home to the second guesthouse), which has a pergola with dining table, an indoor-outdoor sitting room, and, of course, the tempting pool itself.

Paths and steps weave between the various terraces, around the grounds and out into the vineyards and olive groves, making Terrea a fascinating property to explore. One of the most well-trodden of these paths leads down to the tennis and basketball courts, both fabulous additions to the property's already full roll-call of attractions.

CONSIDERATIONS

There is helipad near Terrea and helicopters can occasionally be heard landing, especially during peak season, although no more that twice a day.

Due to the nature of the property including terraces low walls and several drops around the grounds, children must be supervised at all times.

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

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

When the ferry connections timetable is not yet published for your travel dates, we recommend choosing a flight arriving in Athens or Mykonos by midday or, alternatively, adding a night in Athens or Mykonos the day before and/or after your time in Tinos.

Please note that due to the risk of wildfires, the use of fire pits and barbecues is restricted when the weather is windy or temperatures are high. This is particularly common in July and August. More information will be provided in your House Guide and via your local specialist.

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Amenities

Accommodates (max)	12
Bedrooms	6
Double beds	4
Twin beds	1
Flexible (double or twin)	1
Bathrooms	7
... of which en suite	6
Pool	12x5m
Walkable to beach/sea	✓
Sea views	✓
Tennis court	✓
Basketball court	✓
Walking distance to restaurant(s)	✓
Helipad [3]	✓
Daily maid service	✓
Breakfast (excl. ingredients)	✓
Table tennis	✓
Private parking	✓
Air conditioning [2]	✓
ADSL Wi-Fi Internet	✓
Laundry service [4]	–
Satellite TV	✓
Hairdryer	✓
Iron	✓
Staff on the grounds	✓

[1] the cook can provide dinners on request and depending on availability

[2] in all the bedrooms and living room

[3] there is a public helipad just over 200m from the villa

[4] the laundry facilities are operated exclusively by the villa staff. A laundry service is available and the first three loads are included in the rental fee. After that there is an additional cost, payable locally.

= yes/present

– = optional/on request

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EXPLORING THE LOCAL AREA

Terrea rises on the south coast of Tinos, just a few minutes' walk from the long sandy beach, tavernas and bars of Agios Fokas.

Apart from Agios Fokas, there are many other fabulous beaches within easy reach, including those of Agali, Agios Sostis and Agios Ioannis.

The island's capital, Tinos Town, is just 5 minutes' drive away, and it is here that you will find all the amenities you might require, from minimarkets and banks to petrol stations and chemists'. It's a gentle place, with a weave of pretty streets, a good selection of tavernas, and a bustling port. Arguably the star of the show is the church of Panagía Evangelístria, one of the most important pilgrimage sites in the Greek Orthodox world. Built in 1830 in florid renaissance style, it houses an icon of the Virgin Mary that is said to have performed numerous miracles.

Measuring just 27km long and 13km wide, Tinos is easy to explore in a week or two. The west coast is a series of little coves, many of which have little sandy beaches, and a day or two exploring these by boat is highly recommended, also because some are difficult to access on foot or by car.

The interior of Tinos is mountainous and home to a liberal scattering of pretty whitewashed villages just waiting to be explored. Many of these have their origins in Byzantine and Venetian times and it is no coincidence that they were all built at a safe distance from the sea. The rocky landscape is also home to numerous intricately designed dovecots and cylindrical windmills, both architectural traditions introduced by the Venetians, who ruled the island between the 13th and the early 18th century.

The most northerly quarter of Tinos, after the lovely village of Pyrgos (Panormos) is largely uninhabited, but there is a curious profusion of churches and chapels. The simple roads that connect them are interesting to explore on foot or bike, and one really has the feeling of being off the beaten track.

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Distances

Mykonos Airport: 15mins to Mykonos New Port, 20-35mins (approx.) ferry crossing to Tinos Port + 10mins from Tinos Port to Terrea
Athens Airport: 30mins to Rafina Port, 2-4h (approx) ferry crossing to Tinos Port + 9mins from Tinos Port to villa
Tinos Town (tavernas, cafés, shops, amenities): 2.5km-1.5miles-5mins
Nearest beaches: Agios Fokas - a 3-minute walk; Agali - 1.9km-1.2miles-4mins; Agios Sostis - 3.2km-2miles-8mins; Agios Ioannis - 4.7km-2.9miles-9mins
Exomvurgo: 11km-6.8miles-20mins
Pyrgos (Panormos) village: 18km-11.1miles-30mins

The highest point of the island is the mountain of Tsiknias, which stands at 750m, but arguably the most interesting peak is the jagged stone cone of Exomvourgo (641m). It was here that the Venetians built an impregnable fortress that was never vanquished, despite numerous attempts by Ottoman forces. It only fell into Ottoman hands in 1715, when the governor surrendered, an act of treachery that enraged La Serenissima so much that he was sentenced to life imprisonment on his return home.

Lastly, if you wish to indulge in a little island-hopping, frequent ferry services connect Tinos Town to Mykonos. Crossings take just 22-35 minutes, meaning that it's perfectly viable to go for a day trip.





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GALLERY
























































