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TENUTA BARONIBLEI

With its cutting-edge, ultra-modern architectural features and its blurring of interior and exterior spaces, Tenuta Baroniblei is a bright, colourful and captivating home infused with a sense of fun, originality and verve. Glorious views pan out from the extensive, beautifully planted gardens, and well-thought-out shady and sun-kissed terraces offer plenty of options for living an al fresco lifestyle to the full.





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Features

Wide-open sea views
15m-long salt water pool
Inspiring architecture
Original design
Extensive gardens

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ABOUT THE VILLA

10 GUESTS 5 BEDROOMS 5 BATHROOMS

Inside: accommodation at Tenuta Baroniblei is laid out over two wings that are connected by a corridor of sliding glass doors.

All the spaces, from the communal areas to the bedrooms and bathrooms, are stylistically united by a series of design motifs: marbled grey concrete flooring, buttery plaster walls, wide, ceiling-to-floor sliding glass doors, and a variety of materials that ranges from metal and wood to colourful contemporary ceramics. This last element pays homage to Sicily's age-old pottery traditions, while at the same time bringing a vibrancy of colour, texture and form to both the interiors and the exteriors.

The first wing is home to a spacious open-concept communal space with a well-equipped contemporary kitchen to one end and a sitting area with a large, multi-dimensional modular sofa and fireplace to the other. In between sits an antique wooden dining table. A 10m-long wall of sliding glass doors allows the space to flow outside onto a well furnished shady terrace.

Just off this area are the two bedrooms (and a guest WC) of the first wing. Both are doubles with "floating" cantilevered beds with ceramic-tiled feature walls, walk-in showers behind ceramic-tiled semi-partition walls, en-suite WCs, and access to the gardens.

A corridor of sliding glass doors leads from the communal area to the second wing, which is home to two more bedrooms, a triple (with a double and a single bed) and a double. Each is laid out in a similar way to the first two bedrooms, with ceramic-tiled feature walls, walk-in showers, en-suite WCs and garden access.

The remaining accommodation at Tenuta Baroniblei is something of a jolly room, situated in the second wing across the corridor from the two bedrooms. Here there is a double-twin bedroom with study area, a wall of sliding glass doors opening outside, and an en-suite bathroom with sunken tub. This room may be transformed into a sitting room with a pair of elegant sofas depending

on your requirements.

Outside: Tenuta Baroniblei sits in around 7.5 acres of landscaped grounds and orchards. All the rooms open out into the extensive wrap-around gardens, which feature a fabulous array of low-lying, aromatic and flowering shrubs and ornamental grasses arranged into free-form raised beds. Gravel walkways meander around them, and a liberal scattering of trees offer shady spots.

Accessed via the 10m-long wall of sliding glass doors of the communal area, a large cane-shaded terrace runs along the sea-facing side of the house, offering abundant space for al fresco life. Nearest the kitchen is a large concrete dining table with antique wrought iron chairs. A little further along, outside the corridor of sliding glass doors that connects the two wings, are a pair of elegant sofas, a scattering of beanbags and some well-cushioned built-in seating. This sitting area is mirrored on the opposite side of the glass corridor, meaning that no matter where the sun is, there's always a cool, shady spot to retreat to.

Each of the bedrooms has its own section of shaded terrace.

About 25m from the main sea-facing terrace is the gorgeous 15m-long infinity pool, which features wide shallow steps at one end and wonderful views out across Vendicari Nature Reserve to the glistening sea. Surrounded by sun-soaked terraces, it also comes with a good-sized shady pergola, a water feature, and a panoramic railed balcony.

Last but not least, flanked by another of the ceramic-tiled feature walls, stairs lead from the sea-facing sitting area to the roof terrace, from where the wide-open vistas are at their very best. This is the perfect spot for dawn yoga as the sun rises above the sea and for pre-prandial aperitifs as the soft evening light fades to night.

CONSIDERATIONS

Tenuta Baroniblei features a fantastic infinity pool, offering swimmers stunning views while in the pool. There is a drop off the infinity side so we recommend children are supervised at all times. Please refer to our **general safety page** if you would like more information about infinity pools.

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

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Amenities

Accommodates (max)	10
Bedrooms	5
Double beds	3
Flexible (double or twin)	1
Triples	1

Bathrooms	5
... of which en suite	5
Infinity pool [1]	15x4m
Sea views	✓
Outdoor dining area	✓
Daily maid service	✓
Table tennis	✓
Barbecue	✓
Private parking	✓
Air conditioning	✓
Optional cook	–
Satellite Wi-Fi Internet	✓
Fireplace	✓
Smart TV	✓
Bluetooth speakers	✓
Hairdryer	✓
Iron	✓
Washing machine	✓
Tumble dryer	✓
Dishwasher	✓
Microwave	✓
Safe	✓

[1] It is a salt water pool

✓ = yes/present

– = optional/on request

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EXPLORING THE LOCAL AREA

Tenuta Baroniblei rises in a panoramic position in southeast Sicily, gazing out over **Vendicari Nature Reserve**, with its fabulous array of beaches, and its unspoilt coastal habitat. The closest entrance to the reserve is about 3km away (please remember that there are no lidos or bars on the beaches of the reserve so you should take your own supplies/facilities with you).

Other gorgeous sandy beaches nearby include those of San Lorenzo, Lido di Noto and Marzamemi, which are all about 15 minutes' drive away. All three have facilities.

The nearest major town, fascinating, gorgeous **Noto** (20mins drive), is the most easterly of a chain of baroque towns (protected as a UNESCO World Heritage Site), that includes **Modica**, **Ragusa** and **Scicli**. All were rebuilt in flamboyant style following a major earthquake in 1693 and are certainly worth a visit. Just south of Vendicari is the pretty little fishing village of **Marzamemi**, which is a great spot for an evening stroll and a seafront dinner. Quiet and unassuming for most of the year, it comes to life in the summer months with bars and restaurants spilling out onto the lovely square and narrow streets. A little beyond this is Portopalo di Capo Passero, Sicily's southeasternmost point.

A stay in this part of Sicily, however, wouldn't be complete without a visit to **Syracuse**, once the mightiest city in Magna Graecia, and one of Italy's most lovely historic centres.

If hiking or horse riding in the hills is your thing, then there is some spectacular scenery in the rushing streams, waterfalls and gorges of Cassibile and Pantalica, a Paleolithic burial site near Syracuse.

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Distances

Catania airport: 95km-57miles-1hr10
Comiso airport: 77km-48miles-1hr20
Palermo airport: 320km-200miles-3hr30
Trapani airport: 400km-248miles-5hrs
Nearest beaches: at Vendicari Nature Reserve - 3km-2miles-6mins; Lido di Noto - 10km-6miles-15mins; San Lorenzo - 11.5km-7miles-15mins
Noto (nearest shops, restaurants and amenities.): 11km-7miles-15mins
Marzamemi: 14km-8.5miles-18mins
Syracuse: 43km-27miles-40mins
Modica: 38km-23.5miles-45mins
Scicli: 41km-26miles-50mins
Ragusa: 53km-33miles-1hr15





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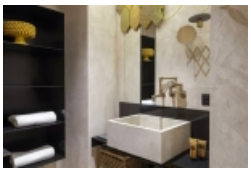
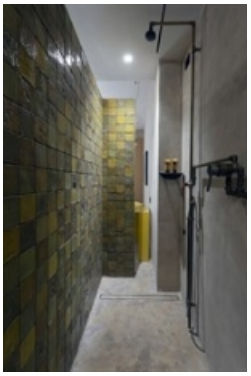
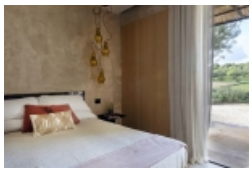
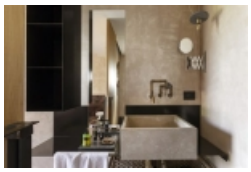



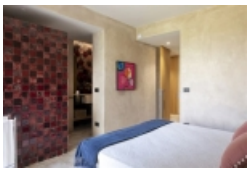
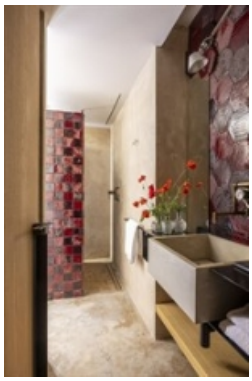
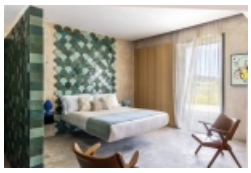




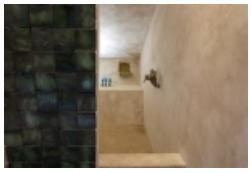


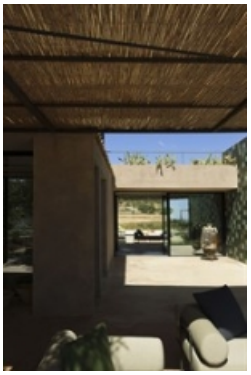









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