

## **TENUTA LOPEZ**

# Salice Salentino

Accommodates (max)	14
Bedrooms	6
Bathrooms	6
of which en-suite	6





Surrounded by vineyards and olive trees, in an unspoiled rural landscape of the Apulian Salento, is set Tenuta Lopez. Here you can still experience authentic Apulia, but at the same time, you are not far away from the beautiful sandy beaches on the Ionian Sea. Tenuta Lopez is a luxurious country house, which has been completely renovated, keeping the eighteenth-century structure and its original features. Large arch windows and high vaulted ceilings provide light and emphasize the impressive spaces inside. The attractive and playful interior is characterized by modern furniture with vintage & retro touch, wooden cabinets and tables, designer lamps, and local accessories made of glass and wicker.

The name of the estate might come from the surname of a noble Spanish family which was later changed to Lo Pezza and then Pezza. The farm was already present in the land register of Terra D'Otranto in 1747. It was where tobacco and wheat were grown and sheep and pigs were raised. Today Masseria Lopez is an accommodation facility and a farm with **20 hectares of land** planted with **vines**, **olive trees**, **orchards and arable land**. The current owners **Antonio and Giorgio**, with their hearts between Milan and Salento, find in this place refreshment from the frenzy and authentic roots, and love to share it with friends and guests.

#### **MAIN DISTANCES**

27 km from Lecce station46 km from Brindisi airport165 km from Bari airport

#### ABOUT THE MASSERIA

Tenuta Lopez comprises two buildings and can accommodate **up to 14 people** across its **six bedrooms**, all of which are different in size and orientation. The **main house** has three spacious bedrooms between 40 and 70 sqm, two of which boast private terraces, plus a light-filled dining/living area with a fireplace, lounge area and a large dining table as well as a **fully equipped kitchen**. The old stables have been converted into a **garden villa**, which features three additional ensuite double



bedrooms, as well as a living space and a newly built designer kitchen. In the courtyard of the farmhouse is an inviting **swimming pool**, which is framed by a pergola terrace where you can dine alfresco or lounge with a good book while enjoying the sunsets. Surrounding the farmhouse is 20 hectares of private land that's planted with fruit and nut trees, as well as a **vineyard** and **organic vegetable garden**.

#### THE ROOMS

**Six rooms** in all, **two classic and four suites**, each different in size, view and position, all equipped with great comforts: **free wifi, audio system, air conditioning and underfloor heating, bathroom and pool accessories, courtesy products**.

The "Ulivo", "Malva" and "Melograno" rooms are located inside the main building, in the original nucleus of the farm and the Manor House built around 1700. "Ulivo" and "Malva" have a **private terrace**, ideal for spending pleasant moments with a good read in complete relaxation. "Melograno" has a sitting room with **fireplace** and a sofa bed.

Spacious and bright, they guarantee the comfort of a refined style that combines the classic with modern furnishings, **king size beds and linen and fine cotton linens**. The original stone of the internal walls, the exposed wooden beams and the *chianche* and *cementine* floor give warmth and charm.

The rooms "Mirto", "Limone" and "Mandorlo" occupy the old stables, restored maintaining the original structure, with barrel vaults and stone arches. They open onto the internal courtyard and the surrounding countryside and allow for total immersion in the nature that surrounds the farm. A large **kitchen with wooden beams** and a large **living room** complete this part of the structure.



## **AMENITIES**

Air conditioning

Electricity, water, gas

Heating

Wi-fi

Daily pool and garden maintenance

Private parking

 $\mathsf{TV}$ 

Swimming pool

Final cleaning

1 mid-week cleaning service

Baby coat

Highchair

Linen and bedsheets

Towels and toiletries

Welcome hamper with typical Apulian products



















































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## **RECOMMENDED EXPERIENCES**

- 1. Street food tour in Lecce (walking / biking)
- 2. Lecce bike & wine (biking)
- 3. Porto Selvaggio, nature and prehistory (hiking)





#### 1. STREET FOOD TOUR IN LECCE (WALKING/BIKING)

DEPARTURE POINT: Lecce old town – DURATION: 2,5 hours

TRAVEL DISTANCE: approximately 3 km – DIFFICULTY: easy

#### ITINERARY:

The city of Lecce is one of the Italian capitals of street food: its inhabitants, especially in summer, prefer to eat something to quickly grab (in Italian we say "al volo") rather than a real lunch.

We therefore propose a walking guided tour in the heart of the historic center which includes a series of tastings:

- la Puccia (a typical bread stuffed with olives);
- Il Rustico (a medallion of puff pastry filled with bechamel and tomato) or the Calzone (a folded pizza filled with mozzarella and tomato);
- il Pasticciotto (shortcrust pastry filled with custard);
- Leccese coffee (coffee on ice with almond milk)

All tastings will be done in artisan shops or in the bars that local people loves.

## 2. LECCE BIKE & WINE TOUR (BICYCLE EXCURSION)

- DEPARTURE POINT: Lecce old town DURATION: half day (4 or 6 hours)
- TRAVEL DISTANCE: approximately 35 km DIFFICULTY: average / easy

#### ITINERARY:

Riding on unpaved roads among hundreds-of-years-old olive trees, we discover the most important area of wine production in Southern Puglia, especially



red (Primitivo and Negramaro) and rosé (Salice Salentino and Malvasia). We discover "Valle della Cupa", the rural surroundings of Lecce with ancient villas and

local religion worship places. We visit one or two wine cellars during the tour, where owners show us the production process, from harvesting to wine making. Wine tasting. On our way back we can see "ancient Rudiae" the most ancient settlement in Lecce, from Roman Times.

## 3. PORTO SELVAGGIO, NATURE AND PREHISTORY (HIKING)

DEPARTURE POINT: Santa Caterina (Nardò) – DURATION: half day

TRAVEL DISTANCE: 10 km – DIFFICULTY: easy

#### ITINERARY:

The route of this hike covers the Natural Park of Porto Selvaggio, one of the most charming coastal areas of Salento. We start out by visiting the **Torre dall'Alto** – also called Tower of the Damned – and we walk in the pine forest, between the **macchia mediterranea** (a particular type of shrubland), up to **Uluzzo Tower**. Here are some of the most important caves in Europe: Neanderthal settlements that have given their name to a prehistoric period, the "Uluzziano age". Passing along wide paths, we reach the beach of Porto Selvaggio and then the **Cave of Capelvenere**, where, according to legend, Cupid was born, before finally returning to our departure point.



## **OTHER EXPERIENCES**

#### **BIKING:**

Bike & Cooking in Gallipoli

Lecce and its seaside

Lecce and its countryside

Lecce between art and taste

Gallipoli between land and sea

Cycling to the end of the world: Leuca

Otranto, balcony of the East

The Grecia Salentina

## **HIKING & WALKING:**

Cipolliane trek

Otranto, balcony of the East

#### **AND MORE:**

Rikshaw tour

Sailing trips

Cooking class

Kayak

Diving

Horse riding