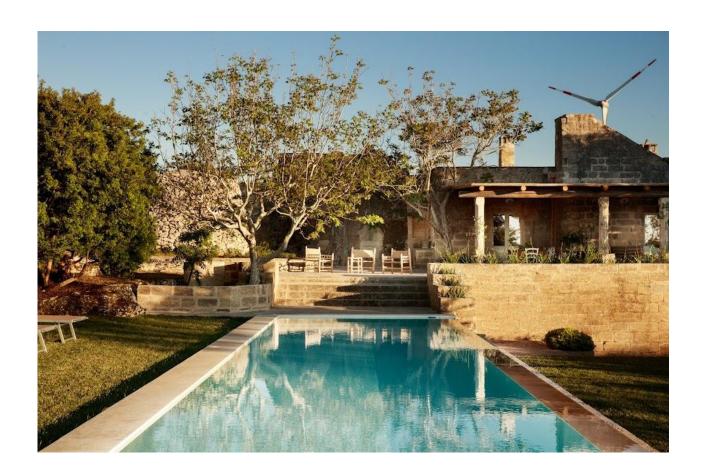


MAISON DEL SALENTO

Carpignano Salentino

Accommodates (max)	10
Bedrooms	5
Bathrooms	5
of which en-suite	5





Maison del Salento is an elegant villa located in a small village on the Adriatic coast of **Apulia** – precisely in **Salento**, the "heel" of the Italian "boot". Nestled in **10 hectares of organic lands** with ancient olive groves – and soon native grape variety – it's a place designed for families and groups of friends who are looking for an authentic oasis of peace.

With its **5 en-suite bedrooms** gracefully decorated, its wide spaces, and its relaxing atmosphere, this holiday house will make you start that book you've been trying to read for so long; it will make you take that dip in the pool that you'll think about in the winter months; it will make you discover the magical land of Apulia.

MAIN DISTANCES

28 km from Lecce station 76 km from Brindisi airport 197 km from Bari airport

ABOUT THE VILLA

Blending design and tradition, Maison del Salento was renovated while maintaining the local spirit and its signature characteristics. An ancient Romain Road located at the entrance of the villa and classified as cultural patrimony was also restored. The result is an enchanting **country house** that combines a strong agricultural identity with an exclusive, authentic and warm hospitality. The simple and elegant decor also helps create this **rustic-chic atmosphere**.

Throughout the house, there is a serene atmosphere. The indoor and outdoor blend harmoniously. The bright **living room** and the **kitchen** communicate in an open space that leads onto the **terrace** overlooking the **Mediterranean maquis**. This allows you not only to spend important moments in the company of your friends and family but also to take some time for yourself, without feeling isolated.



The villa was designed to enjoy the exterior spaces as much as possible. As an extension of the living room, the terrace will host your aperitifs, lunches, and dinners in front of the Mediterranean maquis.

The rural setting is the backdrop to the **pool** and enhances its delicate style. Surrounded by greenery, this stretch of water fits perfectly into the beautiful natural landscape. The **rooftop terrace** offers a wonderful view, a spectacular show of colors and scents that becomes a real emotion. All you have to do is go upstairs at the right time, not to miss the play of light in nature.

You will find peace between the dry stone walls and the secular olive trees of the house. Whether under a tree shade or the waterfall jet of the shower in the **Trullo**, this house will make you enjoy summer. Likewise, a **fireplace** and a good glass of red wine will warm you up during the mild autumn and winter.

THE ROOMS

Maison del Salento can accommodate up to **10 guests** with its **5 en-suite bedrooms**. The main structure, with a cozy and refined atmosphere, has two 20sqm² bedrooms with private bathrooms that can be prepared with a double bed or twin beds.

A **dependence** has two connecting bedrooms – each of 15sqm² – with private bathrooms. The 2 rooms can be prepared with a double bed or twin beds. An independent suite of 20sqm² with a king-size bed of 180×200 and a private bathroom is located in an original **Trullo**.

The spaces impress with their authenticity, attention to detail, and the highest level of quality, in a familiar environment. For this reason, each room has all the comforts you may need: a private bathroom, air conditioning, and everything you need for a pleasant stay. From the big windows, you can also enjoy the scents and colors of the surrounding countryside.



AMENITIES

Air conditioning

Electricity, water, gas

Wi-fi

Sky TV

Parking

Swimming pool

Daily cleaning

Bed linen, bath towels and bathroom amenities

Change of bed linen and towels every 4 days



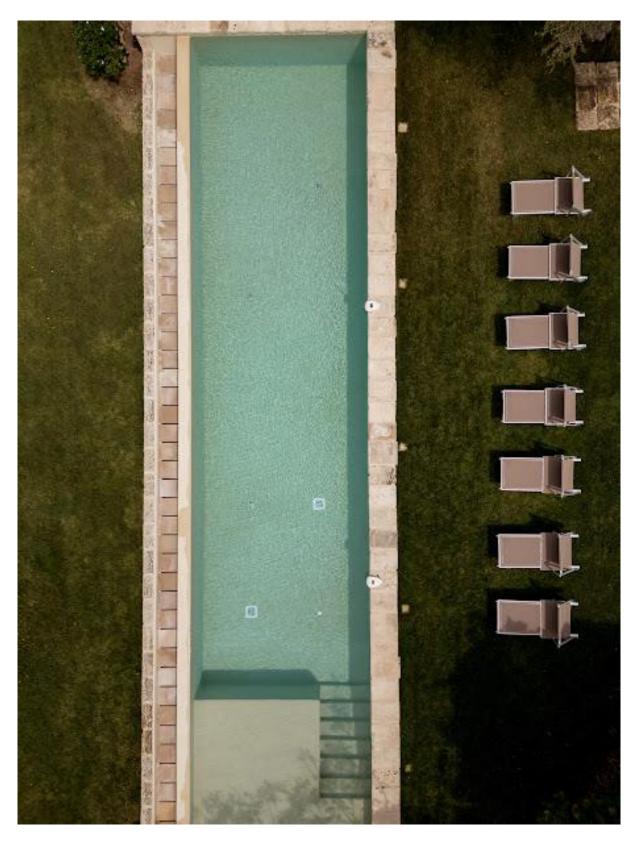






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RECOMMENDED EXPERIENCES

- 1. Otranto, balcony of the East (bike or hiking excursion)
- 2. The Grecia Salentina (hiking excursion)
- 3. Horse riding in Otranto





1.1. OTRANTO, BALCONY OF THE EAST (BICYCLE EXCURSION)

DEPARTURE: Porta Terra, Otranto – DURATION: full day

TRAVEL DISTANCE: approximately 35 km – DIFFICULTY: average/easy

ITINERARY:

The inland of Otranto is probably the best preserved area of Salento. Going up the Idro Valley, we visit an ancient **Byzantine crypt**, and then stop at the Constantine Foundation where they practise the art of **traditional weaving**. We then cross the 'megalithic garden' of Giurdignano, dotted with dolmen and menhir.

Tasting lunch at one of the best bakeries of the province, in Specchia Gallone. After lunch we reach Porto Badisco, with its calm, sheltered beach. After a swimming (if weather allows) we return to Otranto, along one of the most beautiful stretches of the coast, visiting the lighthouse of Punta Palascìa (eastern most point in Italy) and the stunning Bauxite Lake.

1.2. OTRANTO BALCONY OF THE EAST (HIKING)

DEPARTURE POINT: Otranto's castle – DURATION: full day

TRAVEL DISTANCE: 20 km – DIFFICULTY: average

ITINERARY:

Departing from the Castle of Otranto we head towards the harbour along the coastal area, reaching the **Snake's tower**. This is the starting point of a coastal path leading to **Punta Palascia lighthouse**, the easternmost point of Italy and geographical boundary between the Ionian Sea and the Adriatic.

After a **cheese tasting** in a local farmhouse, we visit the ruins of the **Church of San Nicola di Casole** and magnificent **Bauxite Lake**, whose bold colors have created a unique landscape.



2. THE GRECIA SALENTINA (BICYCLE EXCURSION)

DEPARTURE POINT: Zollino Station – DURATION: half day

o TRAVEL DISTANCE: approximately 18 km - DIFFICULTY: easy

ITINERARY:

Grecia Salentina is the Salento area where people still speak **Griko**, and which preserves the most authentic traditions of Salento. We start out from Zollino, a small town where we visit the **pozzelle** (ancient water collection system) and a **menhir**; a few kilometers further on we are in Sternatía where we visit an **underground oil mill**, and then we continue to Soleto to visit the **Byzantine Church of St. Stephen** and the spire which, according to legend, was built in one night by witches. Then we head back to Zollino for a **tasting of local products**.

3. HORSE RIDING

DEPARTURE POINT: Otranto – DURATION: half day

Horse riding trips and lessons for both beginners and experienced riders with federal guides in **Otranto Natural Park – Leuca** and Tricase Wood or in the **Idro Valley**. The horses are all very tame and well trained. The itineraries are designed to take advantage of historical, archaeological and natural sites such as **Red Lake** ('the Bauxite Lake), **Bay of Orte, S. Emiliano Bay, Palascìa Lighthouse, Abbey and the Crypt of St Nicola in Casole**, and a number of **fortified farms**.



OTHER EXPERIENCES

BIKING:

Bike & Cooking in Gallipoli

Lecce & its seaside

Lecce & its countryside

Gallipoli between land and sea

Cycling to the end of the world: Leuca

Lecce between art & taste

HIKING & WALKING:

Cipolliane trek

Porto Selvaggio, Nature & Pre-history

Street food tour in Lecce

AND MORE:

Rikshaw tour

Sailing trips

Cooking class

Kayak

Diving

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