



VILLA DEL PICCIOTTO

Alezio

Accommodates (max)	12
Bedrooms	5
Bathrooms	6
...of which en-suite	5



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Villa del Picciotto is a prestigious **luxury villa** equipped with the most modern accessories and characterized by large outdoor areas. The villa is on two floors with additional outbuildings. The beautiful **terrace** with gazebo is furnished as an outdoor dining area.

The **villa** opens into a big **living room** under star-vaulted ceilings, with an elegant **sitting room** and **dining area**; moreover, there is a well-equipped **kitchen**. The sleeping area of the main unit consists of **4 double bedrooms with ensuite bathroom**. The **outbuilding** in the garden is entirely independent, with **kitchen**, a **bathroom**, the **fifth double bedroom** and a sofa bed for two people in the **living room**.

The unit by the swimming pool is a **laundry** with washing machine, iron and ironing board and a small fridge. Moreover, there is a bathroom.

NEARBY

Villa del Picciotto is in the countryside of **Alezio**, a small town with a long history, 6 kilometers away from the centre of **Gallipoli**, one of the most loved Apulian tourist destinations. The beaches of **Lido Conchiglie**, **Rivabella** and **Padula Bianca** are 10-12 kilometers away, while Gallipoli's **Baia Verde** is 8 kilometers away.

MAIN DISTANCES

40 km from Lecce station
87 km from Brindisi airport
208 km from Bari airport



AMENITIES

Air conditioning

Heating

Electricity, water, gas, wi-fi

TV

Swimming pool (5m x 14m x 1,6m)

Linen and bedsheets

Towels

Final cleaning

Private parking

Outdoor shower

Cot

Barbecue



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RECOMMENDED EXPERIENCES

1. Bike & Cooking in Gallipoli
2. Gallipoli between land and sea
3. Porto Selvaggio, nature and prehistory





1. BIKE & COOKING IN GALLIPOLI (BICYCLE EXCURSION + COOKING CLASS)

- DEPARTURE POINT: Gallipoli old town – DURATION: full day
- TRAVEL DISTANCE: approximately 30 km – DIFFICULTY: easy

ITINERARY:

Food and Wine cycling tour including cooking class. It starts in the morning from the village of **Gallipoli**, a fishing town located in southern Puglia, overlooking the Ionian Sea. In a few kilometers we reach **Alezio** (ancient Messapian city, where there is an interesting museum on pre-Roman civilizations) and then **Sannicola**. Cycling on secondary country roads, among olive trees and dry-stone walls, we reach "**Tenuta DonnAnna**" - a family-run "agritourism" where cooking class takes place. The products are harvested directly from the family garden and then move on to the preparation: "pitta di patate" (a kind of potato gateau, with a stuffing of tomatoes, olives, capers, onion and tuna), "pittule" (some fried dough balls), filled with tomatoes and capers, or empty to taste with honey), **hand-made orecchiette** (a typical local pasta, shaped like an ear, prepared with fingers and a knife), "pasticciotto cake" (a cake made with shortcrust pastry, filled with chantilly cream); these are some of the dishes that we prepare.

Following family lunch. On the way back we have the possibility to visit the baroque city of Galatone and the "radio museum" of Tuglie. The route is easy and suitable for everyone.



2. GALLIPOLI BETWEEN LAND AND SEA (BICYCLE EXCURSION)

- DEPARTURE POINT: Station of Gallipoli – DURATION: full day
- TRAVEL DISTANCE: approximately 35 km – DIFFICULTY: average/easy

ITINERARY:

Gallipoli and its inland still retain traces of the wealth that the lamp oil trade generated for centuries. First stop is in **Alezio** to visit the **Messapic Museum**, then we go on to **Tuglie** for the amazing **Radio Museum** (all the items, including telegraphs, are still in working order!) or for the **Museum of Rural Life**. Heading back toward the coast, in the **Porto Selvaggio Natural Park** we have a picnic lunch in the shade of the pine forest and, for those who feel like it, a refreshing swim in the cool spring waters. Return to Gallipoli by sunset.

3. PORTO SELVAGGIO, NATURE AND PREHISTORY (HIKING)

- DEPARTURE POINT: Santa Caterina (Nardò) – DURATION: half day(4h)
- 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:

Otranto, balcony of the East

Lecce & its seaside

Lecce & its countryside

Lecce between art & taste

The Grecia Salentina

Cycling to the end of the world: Leuca

HIKING & WALKING:

Cipolliane trek

Otranto, balcony of the East

Street food tour in Lecce

AND MORE:

Rikshaw tour

Sailing trips

Cooking class

Kayak

Diving

Craft workshop