

Thank you for enquiring about Villa San Lorenzo di Bonvicino!

Villa San Lorenzo di Bonvicino offers privacy and spectacular views in a peaceful setting. This beautiful 17th Century stone villa sits on 4 hectares (ten acres) at an altitude of 575 meters (1900 feet). The property is nestled in the Alta Langa hills, near the small village of Bonvicino and 4 miles from Dogliani where you will find cafes, restaurants, shopping and a cinema. The famous Barolo wine village of Monforte d'Alba is 8 from the Villa.

Pick fresh figs, apples, pomegranates, cherries, wild strawberries, and blackberries just outside your front door. Walk directly from the house to view hawks, warblers, finches, sparrows, rabbits, deer, fox, coyotes, or drive to one of the many walks nearby.

Sit on the balcony, sip your morning coffee or enjoy a glass of wine at sunset while gazing out at the rugged and lush green mountain landscape in the spring and summer, and in the Autumn gold, orange, and red hues blanket the hillside. On clear days, enjoy spectacular views of the Alps. Villa San Lorenzo di Bonvicino provides a perfect base for exploring the Piemonte region.

Property

The property was completely renovated and finished in Spring 2008. Modern conveniences are combined with the antiquity of this centuries old farmhouse.

A private swimming pool offers exquisite views of the Langhe Hills. The pool measures 5 x 11 meters at a depth of 1.1-1.8 meters. The pool is surrounded by a beautiful stone patio.

There are four bedrooms each with queen-size bed (two rooms have the option of twin beds), all with private recently renovated bathrooms with bathtubs and showers, original photographs, and MP3 players.

The spacious living/dining room overlooks the Piemonte hills. A fully equipped kitchen includes fridge, 4 burner stove, oven, blender, American coffee maker, all cooking implements, utensils, pots and pans, and a handmade Piemontese dining table that seats 10 people.

Amenities

WiFi, CD/DVD players, satellite TV, swimming pool, wood burning fireplace, outdoor seating for dining and lounging, authentic stone pizza oven, solar-powered heating and hot water, new heating/plumbing, washer/dryer, new beds, pillows, down comforters and linens.

The Area

Local wineries abound, featuring the internationally acclaimed Barolo and Barbaresco wines. Visit the well-known towns of Monforte D'Alba and Barolo (nine and 12 miles away). The nearby town of Alba is known as the home of the famous white truffle. Bra prides itself on being the heart of the Slow Food movement. Cherasco is known for its famous chocolate, as well as offering a cultural museum and film retrospectives. Horseback riding and golf are just minutes away. Dogliani offers a choice of cafes where you can sample homemade Gelato, enjoy a cappuccino or stay for lunch or dinner. Shop at the local farmers' market on Tuesday or Saturday and visit the local pannerteria's and pasticceria's for your bread and dessert. Take a walk or drive to Bossolasco to sample their famous chocolates (including a variety of hot chocolate beverages) and views stretching over the entire region.

Location

You may want to take a trip to the seaside near Savona on the Ligurian Coast or to the Alps for skiing or hiking, both about an hour's drive away. Cinque Terre, Nice, and Milan are approximately two hours away.

Nearest airports: Turin (1 hour), Milan (2 hours), Nice (2 hours), Genoa (1.5 hours)

Cleaning

All linens and weekly/final cleaning are included. Daily cleaning is available.

Private Chef

Available upon request

2009 Weekly Rental Rates for Villa San Lorenzo di Bonvicino

3 Bedrooms 3100€

4 Bedrooms 4000€

6 Bedrooms 6000€

Weddings and Private Events

Villa San Lorenzo di Bonvicino is an idyllic location for weddings and other special events. We can coordinate your wedding or event including: flowers, photography, food and wine, cake, legal formalities, accommodations for 8 at the Villa, other accommodations can be arranged at a variety of local hotels and B&Bs. 50 person capacity.

Week long or multi day programs

Sign up for a week long program or we will create a program specific to your group's needs.

Programs cater to group's specific interests. Cooking (focus on making cheese, chocolate, pizza, pasta), Yoga, photography, walks and hikes, wine tasting and making.

Program Itinerary

- **Saturday**

Arrival followed by a traditional Piedmontese Dinner with an introduction to Piedmont's wines including Arneis, Dolcetto, Barbera, Barbaresco, and Barolo at Villa San Lorenzo di Bonvicino.

- **Sunday**

Begin the day with a morning walk through the vineyards and a visit to a Barolo winery followed by Sunday Lunch at a local restaurant in the Barolo region.

- **Monday**

Explore the art of making pasta by hand followed by lunch at Osteria dei Binelli. A local wine producer will guide you through a wine and food pairing. Lunch is followed by a winery tour and visit.

- **Tuesday**

Shop at the outdoor market in Dogliani before a private cooking class focusing on antipasti and secondi (meat, fish, and vegetarian). Enjoy the delicious food you have created from the region's fresh, local ingredients. Afternoon massage at the Bonvicino Spa (included but optional).

- **Wednesday**

Visit local artisan food producers specializing in cheese, coffee, and chocolate. Lunch in Alba. Pizza making using the traditional wood-fired pizza oven at Villa San Lorenzo di Bonvicino.

- **Thursday**

Visit two Barbaresco wineries before by lunch in Barbaresco. Visit a Barolo winery after lunch.

- **Friday**

Visit two Barolo wineries in the morning . Indulge in a private vineyard picnic. Gala dinner at Villa San Lorenzo di Bonvicino.

- **Saturday**

Departure

Program Rates

Our weekly rate includes lodging, food, wine, classes, and transportation within Piedmont. Maximum 12 people - minimum 4 people.

2800€ per person/double occupancy.

3500€ per person/single occupancy.