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Nr Viterbo, Lazio

The retreat of Julia Roberts whilst filming “Eat, Pray, Love”, Villa Maria is a magnificent grand home ideal for large family gatherings and weddings. With easy access to Rome and steeped in history, Villa Maria is a delightful haven of luxury and relaxation.

A splendid 17th century private estate, Villa Maria has been in the same family for the last three hundred years and is designated as a national monument. Set within mature and beautiful gardens, Villa Maria is set amidst the Lazio countryside just outside Viterbo and is within easy distance of numerous Etruscan sites and Renaissance palaces and only an hour north of Rome. Impressive and elegant with many fine antiques and ancestral portraits, Villa Maria is a fabulous venue for weddings and celebrations as well as being ideal for a large gathering of friends and family for a fun and relaxing summer vacation. Next door is the exquisitely restored and luxurious Guest House providing further accommodation for larger groups and there are numerous outdoor areas for al fresco dining and relaxing with a book or an aperitivo.

Inside, Villa Maria cannot fail to impress guests with its large reception rooms with frescoed ceilings, original floor tiles and elegant rich furnishings. With so many interior and exterior sitting areas, even groups of twenty people will not feel

cramped or stifled. The large and well equipped kitchen is the domain of the fabulous staff at Villa Maria who delight in producing delicious meals for guests at the property and for those guests who are keen cooks then lessons can be arranged with the fun and charming owner within the comfort of Villa Maria. Bedrooms are spacious and grand with modern bathrooms and views onto the fabulous gardens and the stunning horizon pool with the olive groves beyond.

Once the farmhouse for the workers on the estate, the next door Casale has been thoughtfully and tastefully restored into a stylish and luxurious Guest House. With Provencal style interiors and every comfort one could wish for, all the bedrooms in the Guest House enjoy fine en suite bathrooms and soft furnishings. The beautiful sitting room, entrance hall and kitchen all lead onto the pergola covered terrace and gardens and just a short stroll to the stunning pool below the main villa.

With its history, elegance and marvellous setting it's no wonder Julia Roberts chose

Villa Maria as her retreat during the filming of “Eat, Pray, Love”! Here one can spend days lazing in the gardens or by the pool and step back to a time of days gone by. This is an area where Romans have escaped to for hundreds of years and one can understand why. With so much to see and do in the area yet away from the tourist crowds of Tuscany, Lazio holds a magic all of its own and Villa Maria is an oasis of tranquility and tradition. A truly spectacular wedding venue, the owners at Villa Maria are experts in this field and many a famous name has stayed here and been guest at one of the impressive weddings organized at the villa. With its rich and verdant gardens, private Chapel and excellent staff, Villa Maria is an ideal destination for any important celebration where friends and family can gather from all corners of the world.

Information

Sleeps: 11/23

Service: Please enquire for full details of maid, cook & butler service

Accommodation:

Villa:

Lower Ground floor:

- Large dining room
- Large kitchen with fireplace & well equipped cellar
- WC.

Ground floor:

- Two grand hallways.
- TV room with fireplace leading out to a paved pergola.
- Billiard-room.
- Two large sitting rooms, one with fireplace.
- Study leading out onto a terrace with garden furniture and dining table.
- Double bedroom with shower room en suite

First floor:

- Double bedroom suite with a sitting room and large bathroom with jacuzzi and separate shower
- Double bedroom
- Shower room
- Single bedroom with a 'French' bed (suitable for one adult or two children)
- Double bedroom & Twin bedroom with shared bathroom (bath & shower)

Guest house:

Ground floor:

- Kitchen.
- Dining room.
- Living room (all with access to the garden or paved terrace)

First floor:

- Master suite with fireplace & shower room en suite
- Two double bedrooms with mezzanine with a single bed with shower rooms en suite
- Twin bedroom with shower room en suite
- Twin bedroom with bathroom en suite

Facilities:

- Private pool 7 x 14m
- Outdoor shower
- Microwave.
- Dishwasher
- Washing machine
- Satellite TV (Sky with English channels) in all bedrooms
- DVD/video in sitting room only
- CD player
- Central heating
- Telephone
- Internet access through a USB key (computer not provided)



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Places of Interest and Amenities

Nearby:

- Cookery lessons at the villa with the owner
- Tennis and thermal spa in Viterbo 10 minutes
- Riding stables at San Martin al Cimino 10 minutes
- 18-hole golf at Sutri 20km
- Rome 1hr15mins
- Orvieto 1hr
- Montefiascone, Villa Farnese, gardens of Lante & Bomarzo, Cerveteri with Etruscan museum

Airports:

- Rome 1hr 15mins
- Florence 2hrs 30mins



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