



*Highly recommended
in every way!*

Villa Medicea

Montevettolini, Nr Montecatini, Tuscany

Once the hunting residence of Granduke Ferdinando 1, grandson of Lorenzo de' Medici Il Magnifico, Villa Medicea is a truly unique property with delightful staff & enchanting gardens in the beautiful olive clad hills between Lucca and Florence.

Steeped in atmosphere and history, Villa Medicea is a truly special and a magical find. Situated next to the delightful medieval borgo of Montevettolini overlooking the Val di Nievole valley, this sumptuous and elegant home has been in the aristocratic Borghese family for over 200 hundred years. Thoughtfully and tastefully restored by its present owner, Prince Borghese, Villa Medicea offers the most discerning guests the opportunity to relax in absolute tranquility and style. With its fascinating and rich history and record of numerous illustrious guests who have stayed at Villa Medicea including Paolina Bonparte, sister of Napoleone, visitors cannot fail to feel honored and privileged to have the opportunity to stay in such an elegant and unique home.

One cannot fail to be impressed by the magnificent panorama from Villa Medicea with extensive views as far as the coast. Just below the villa is the beautiful Italian garden and glorious large pool and above here is the enchanting shaded al fresco dining area where guests can enjoy delicious long lunches prepared by

delightful Maria who has been working for the Borghese family for over 40 years. All number of typical Tuscan dishes using fresh local ingredients can be provided and Maria, together with the exquisite housekeeper, Patrizia, are without doubt an added bonus for an guests staying at Villa Medicea!

Inside, all the rooms are decorated with fine antique furniture and paintings, venetian glass chandeliers and persian carpets. There is a warmth and fascination about Villa Medicea as one moves from the fabulous dining room with its large fireplace and original marble carving of Pope Paolo V to the hall rich in hunting relics from Kenya. Each of the double bedrooms is extremely spacious with glorious high beamed ceilings and magnificent beds each with its canopy in rich colourful material above. All bedrooms enjoy their own the bathrooms and have been recently renewed to a high standard. There are two twin bedrooms, again with their own bathrooms, and these are ideally suited to children and teenagers. From each bedroom guests can

enjoy the glorious views and one even has its own balcony looking to the pool below.

If one can draw oneself away from Villa Medicea and the enchanting borgo of Montevettoli, there is much to see and do in the local vicinity and further afield be it cultural visits to towns such as Lucca, Pietrasanta, Florence or Pistoia or a day on the Versilia coast at Forte dei Marmi. For the more energetic there is an 18 hole golf course nearby as well as tennis courts and riding and of course just down the road are Montecatini and Monsummano, famous worldwide for their thermal spas and healing water.

Villa Medicea in indeed a unique and memorable property for any guests and located in a much sought after area steeped in history, culture and beauty. Highly recommended in every way!

Information

Sleeps: 14

Service:

- Housekeeper
- Daily maid service
- Cook
- Butler
- Gardener

Accommodation:

Ground Floor:

- Large kitchen
- Large dining room with fireplace
- Smaller dining room (ideal for children)
- Guest bathroom
- Large galleria
- Two large double bedrooms each with bathroom en suite and tv

First Floor:

- Very large living room with fireplace and piano
- Smaller living room
- TV room with fireplace
- Library containing an antique collection of books
- Billiard room
- Private chapel
- Two large double bedrooms with antique poster beds each with bathroom (one with terrace overlooking the park and the whole valley)
- Two smaller double bedrooms each with bathroom en suite
- Double bedroom with bathroom en suite (Princess Borghese's room)

Facilities:

- Private pool 18m x 7m (small kitchen for pool snacks)
- Satellite TV
- Fax machine
- PC station
- Wi-Fi connection.
- All rooms have flat screen TV with cd/dvd player and iPod sound dock
- Ping pong table
- A small kitchen for pool snacks and a patio for open air lunches



Place of Interest and Amenities nearby:

- Montevettolini Borgo on the doorstep
- Florence 30 mins, Montecatini (thermal spas & station) 10 mins
- Forte dei Marmi 30 mins
- Viareggio 30 mins
- Pietrasanta, Vinci, Prato, Pistoia & Florence all within one hour's drive
- Golf course (18 holes), riding stables and tennis courts 10 mins
- Grotta Giusti Beauty Spa 5mins,
- Montecatini Terme & Monsummano with thermal spas 7kms
- Wine tasting in Chianti
- Special tours to private villas & gardens nearby

Airports:

- Pisa & Florence 40mins

