

Welcome to Lo Spunto in Noto HOUSE MANUAL





Dear Sir/Madam.

May we please take this opportunity to welcome you to "Lo Spunto" and the beautiful area of Noto.

We would like to thank you for choosing us as your holiday destination and promise you an unforgettable stay.

It is with great pleasure to invite you into our world, that with years of hard work and dedication we are now able to share with all our guests. Our history and memories start from the purchase of a horse stubble, eventually leading us to create "Lo Spunto"!

Our vision began in Syracuse where we refurbished in 2004 two small apartments creating a unique B&B accommodation made of only two rooms, with a private cinema downstair. This is the origin of our company name: Tworooms!

Following the success of our initial project, we widened our horizons restoring apartments in Syracuse first, and then in Noto and now also in Modica. Our company still remains small and we put all our love and passion in developing Tworooms Apartments and Villas. You can have a look at our properties on www.tworooms.it

Our locations, beautifully landscaped gardens and a warm welcome has attracted many customers and through our new venture of rentals, we are proud to see those same customers year after year entrust us with their holiday.

A mixture of sea, sun and green valley below from your patio, plus the tranquillity of the surroundings make Lo Spunto your perfect choice for your dream holiday to relax and enjoy memorable experiences.

With our commitment and emphasis on a high standard of service our aim is to achieve only the best for your holiday experience in Noto.

Upon your arrival at Lo Spunto, please enjoy a glass of wine from our welcome package and enjoy the beautiful surroundings that you will soon discover. We recommend that you take a walk around to familiarize yourself with the property and its appliances.

We hope you will enjoy your stay in this beautiful Sicilian site.

Andrea & Sebastiano



LIVING ROOM



Avoid sitting on the sofas and on the chairs with wet or sandy swimming costumes You will find a television with local channels you can easily control with remote control.

KITCHEN



You will find utensils and equipment in various cupboards and drawers.

When using the hob, push and turn the knob to light fire. Gas comes from the tanks oustide in the garden, by the external kitchen.

Oven is electric and there is no gas for it.

CAUTION: Please keep the door of the oven closed during grilling. Grilling with the door open may permanently damage the oven and reduce operating system. Cook and bake carefully.

At the end and during your stay please empty your rubbish and take it to the Rubbish Collection Center as specified in the related section.

Please clean up any unwanted food as pests like ants find food quickly.

You can purchase dishwashing tabs in any supermarket. The instructions for the use of washing machine and dishwasher are in the drawer of the white cabinet near the dining table.



BATHROOM AND BEDROOM



The toilet system is not equipped for the disposal of feminine hygiene products or large items such as nappies. Please dispose these items and similar in the bin.

It is forbidden to use room towels outside the apartment!

Bathroom towels and bed linens are <u>changed once a week</u>. If you wish an extra change of bathroom towels or bed linen the cost is €20. Please send a whatsapp message to +393356075293



The property is Non-Smoking. Kindly smoke outside and use the ashtrays provided.

Do not dispose of cigarette ends in the garden.



EXTERIOR INFORMATION

Garden furniture is for external use only.

Please use the pool towels only on the sun lounges for hygiene reasons.

Please close umbrellas after use or if the wind picks up.

Garden maintenance and irrigation systems are frequently checked by our gardner.

Please use the villa exterior with care and all its facilities.

POOL



The use of pool is at your own risk as there is no lifeguard.

We kindly ask you to always take a shower before entering the pool. Shower must be taken again if you use suncreams.

It is possible to light the pool in the evening. The switcher of the pool is located in the technical room by the rocking chair, indicated with "Linea Fari".

Pool is cleaned before your arrival and then regularly every 3-4 days. The poolboy arrives early in the morning (between 6:00 and 8:00am) when you are probably sleeping. He has the keys to open the entrance gate in order to clean the pool and conduct maintanance.

BARBECUE

Please take care in using the barbecue.

You must check the gas is open in order to light up the fire. Please look at the yellow handle. When it is parallel to the tube it is open, when perpendicular it is close.

The gas knob is under the black lava stone.



WI-FI

Password to Wi-Fi is written on the back of the little black device in the electric plug, near the TV. You can take the device with you in the garden or by the swimming pool, but please do remove the device from home.

The internet signal is quite weak, but unfortunately there is no other system to get it as the are is not covered by Internet radio frequencies.

If you look at the colour of the wi-fi icon on the device you understand the intensity of signal:

- green = good
- yellow = weak
- red = no signal

AIR CONDITIONING - HEATING

The apartment has both air condition and heating. You can control with remote controller.

Please pay attention to the *MODE* of remote control as each device works as air conditioner or air heating. By pressing the "mode" button you should select the right icon:

- Snowflake = cool air air conditioning
- Sun = heating
- Drop = de-humidifier only
- Fan = air circulation only

You will then simply have to <u>set the temperature</u> you desire.

- ✓ 20 Celsius = 68 Fahrenheit (recommended in cool air mode)
- ✓ 25 Celsius = 77 Fahrenheit (recommended in heating mode)

Please note when air con units are on the doors must be closed for proper use and cooling of the room.

Turn these off when you go out.

Please remember to switch these off when leaving.

Thank you for your help in saving energy for a better and greener environment.



SOMETHING YOU HAVE TO READ...

GENERAL RULES

- ✓ no smoking in the apartment, this includes vaping. In case we need to have the apartment sanitized for smoke odour the cost will be charged to the guest
- ✓ keep all doors and windows closed when you go out. This is to avoid thieves or cats entering in the apartment
- ✓ do not leave air conditioning on when you are not in the apartment

RUBBISH / RECYCLING

Please do not leave rubbish in the apartment. There is no collection of rubbish service in Noto. Rubbish must be delivered at Centro Comunale Raccolta Rifiuti (Isola Ecologica) located on SP II5, in direction of Noto. Directions from the house: drive to the end of the road and turn right in direction of Noto town. Pass the Agip petrol station, you will find the Centro Comunale Raccolta on your right side after approx. 500 meteres. Opening hours: Monday to Sunday 7:00-10:00 and 14:30-17:30

Map: https://goo.gl/maps/vRDzPQ2ZzHgjyfHw9

Rubbish must be differentiated in the four bins you find in the courtyard:

- 1) clean Paper (not contaminated with food)
- 2) clean Plastic
- 3) Glass
- 4) Indifferenziato = anything you do not know where to put

Inside the apartment, under the sink in the kitchen there are other two bins:

- 1) Brown bin for food and leftovers
- 2) White bin for Aluminium

We are confident you will pay great attention when separating your rubbish. The town of Noto is very strict on this – a penalty fee for not respecting this rule is $\in 50$.



SAFETY

Inside the house

Street door and flat door must remain closed at all times. Please make sure that doors and iron gate are properly closed. Please remember to close all windows when you are not at home.

Please locate the fire extinguisher in your apartment; we hope you won't ever have to use it but it is safe to know where it is.

The apartment is equipped with smoke and CO detector and alarm.

Outside the house

Noto is a safe area and you can walk everywhere at any time. However, beware of pickpockets when in crowded places.

ELECTRICITY

The electricity panel is located behind the TV. All switchers must be in the up position.

In case these switchers are all up and you still have no electricity, please check the main panel which is located outside the villa, at the base of the electricity Pole – inside a box covered with a plastic lid. Also in this case, the switcher must be in the up position.

If you still have no electricity, it must be a general council interruption of service.

WATER

Water is a scarce resource in Sicily. We ask our guests to be environmentally friendly and save the consumption of water as much as possible.

The villa has two underground water tanks which are filled before your arrival.

Saving the amount of water you use in the apartment will also prevent from empty tanks and water shortage.

In the unlucky event of water shortage, please send a whtasapp message to +39 3356075293 and we will be there asap to fill the tanks again.

Hot water is controlled by a heater located in the external wall of the villa, outside the exit on first floor. You will find a control display inside the apartment, under the air conditioning device, which must be on and indicate hot water temperature (celtius)



CHECK OUT

Check-out time is 10:00am on departure day.

You can leave the keys to the on-site assistant or to the cleaning service when you meet.

In case you need to leave earlier in the morning, please leave the keys in the palm tree by the iron gate.

Before you leave please check the following

- The apartment is clean and there are no dirty dishes in the kitchen
- air conditioner or heating fans are off
- Windows are well closed
- No rubbish in the apartment

<u>If something breaks</u>, no matter if it is / is not your fault, please inform us! We can then fix it or replace for you or for the guests to come.



SERVICES

APARTMENT CLEANING

Should you wish to have cleaning service during your stay, please do not hesitate to ask by sending a whatsapp message to +393356075293.

The cost is €15 per hour and you pay directly the maid for the service in cash.

TOWELS & BED LINEN

Bathroom towels and bed linen are changed once a week.

If you wish an extra change of bathroom towels or bed linen the cost is €20. Please send a whatsapp message to +393356075293

It is forbidden to use room towels outside the apartment!

LAUNDRY

The apartment is equipped with washing machine Please use only liquid detergent.

We are not responsible for any damage occurred to your laundry when using the washing machine.

An iron and ironing board are provided. Do not forget to turn off the iron.

Laundry Shops are located in Noto:

- Lavanderia Maiolino Vico Corradino Sinatra 5 tel 0931 573382
- Smacchia Lampo Via Giovanni Aurispa 57
- La Rapida Via Ducezio 75 tel 0931 835519



WINE CANTEEN

Inside the apartment, in a natural grotto, there are bottles of red and white wine we selected for our guests. These are typical local wines, very good in our opinion.

You can purchase the wine from the rack. Please pay for your wine in the bowl by the rack.

BOATS AND SAILING

We can organize a full / half day cruising with our beautifully restored wood fisherman boat (12 meters long). Full day cruising includes lunch and drinks on board.

From 2 up to 8 persons. Price is around €100 per person

Check availability with Andrea +39 3356075293 (English) or Ivo +39 3393981731 (Italian).

The boat departs from Siracusa Porto Turistico.

We also organize a wonderful aperitif at sunset or private dinner on the boat in the harbour, under the walls of Castello Maniace.

PARKING

You can park your car in front of the villa

CAR and MOTO RENTALS

Fly Sicilia – www.flysicilia.com

PHARMACY

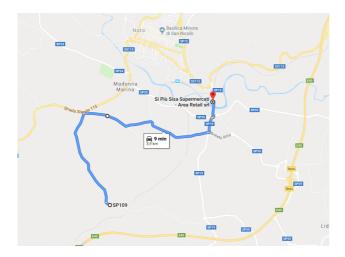
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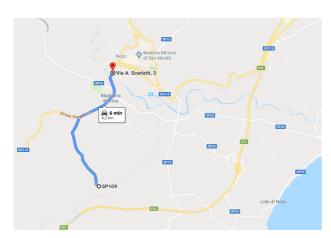
GROCERIES

Supermarkets

- SIPIU' supermarket. Located near restaurant Assinaro. At the Energy Plant turn right in direction of Noto. Turn the first to the right and go to the next turnaround. Turn left and you see the supermarket on your left side. It offers anything you need, including fish and meat or delicatessen. Map: https://goo.gl/maps/TvLA]xvoQyKJFJgS8



- FORTE hard discount- Located at the entrance of Noto. At the Energy Plant turn right in direction of Noto. The supermarket is on your right side after the bridge. Map: https://goo.gl/maps/BIA5nZ5YRphsVHDV8





FOOD

RESTAURANTS

La Manna Via Rocco Pirri 19 - Noto Tel +39 0931 836051

The best restaurant in town, owned by our friends Roberta and Manuela.

Great food and elegant atmosphere. Booking required.

www.mannanoto.it Average price €50

Il Crocifisso Via Principe Umberto 48 – Noto Tel +39 0931 571151

One of our favourites. The chef Marco Baglieri will be able to suprise you

with his creations. Booking required

www.ristorantecrocifisso.it

Average price €50

II Dammuso Via Rocco Pirri 19 - Noto Tel +39 0931 835786

A good quality restaurant with typical Sicilian dishes. Booking required.

www.ristorantedammuso.it

Average price €40

Il Cantuccio Via Cavour 12 - Noto Tel +39 0931 837464

Nice restaurant in a beautiful courtyard with plants.

www.ristoranteilcantuccio.it

Average price €40

Anche gli Angeli Via Arnaldo da Brescia 2 – Noto Tel +39 0931 576023

Nice restaurant in the centre of Noto, built under a Church. Usually quite

busy, booking is recommended. Ask for Norma, the manager

www.anchegliangeli.it

Fontana d'Ercole Vicolo Salonia 30 - Noto Tel +39 0931 837772

Typical Sicilian restaurant. Only few tables. Booking required

Average price €30

Il Baglietto along the road to Vendicari beach Tel +39 327 0124519

Beautiful restaurant in the garden, with few tables, on the way to Vendicari

Beach. Open in the summer time only

Average price €30

Marianeddi at the end of the road going to Marianelli beach in the Vendicari Reserve

Tel +39 392 8877680

Beautiful open air restaurant with few tables. Open in the summer time only

Average price €30



BARS AND CLUBS

Bar Zisola This is the closest bar to the villa for coffee and snacks.

At the end of the road turn left, 200 meters in direction Rosolini.

Caffè Sicilia Corso Vittorio Emanuela 125 – Noto Tel +39 0931 835013

The most famous cafè in Noto. Try their sweets and granita.

Costanzo Via Silvio Spaventa 7 – Noto Tel +39 0931 835013

Excellent Granita and good patisserie.

Anche gli Angeli Via Arnaldo da Brescia 2 – Noto Tel +39 0931 576023

Good for an aperitif or after dinner drink



BEACHES

Noto area and South:

- "<u>Riserva Naturale di Vendicari</u>" by far the best beach of whole oriental Sicily. 10 minutes driving. Directions: at the end of the road turn right in direction of the highway. Follow indication in direction of Portopalo and you will find access to five different beaches. In order, going south
 - o Eloro I- easy to access
 - o Eloro II families and kids
 - o Marianelli naturist beach beautiful restaurant at the parking
 - o Calamosche once voted the most beautiful beach of Italy
 - o Vendicari visit the abandoned tuna factory
- http://www.riserva-vendicari.it/spiagge-vendicari/
- San Lorenzo 15 minutes driving exit "Noto" and follow Portopalo
 - o Agua Beach booking +39 0931 841684
 - o Lido San Lorenzo Plus booking +39 0931 841799
 - o Cittadella dei Maccari IX strada
- Marzamemi 20 minutes driving exit "Noto" and follow Portopalo
 - o Lido Baiamuri very elegant, great service and restaurant. High price level booking +39 339 1668306
- Portopalo 30 minutes driving
 - o Le Dune located near Carratois beach closed to Isola delle Correnti booking +39 333 8270085

Syracuse area and North:

- "Scoglio" (The Rock) in Ortygia which is located on Lungomare di Levante. It is usually crowded and quite uncomfortable to lay down, but it is the easiest spot for a nice swim in the sea. In the summertime there is an additional wood platform to accommodate more people and facilitate the access to the sea.
- "Solarium Ortigia Nettuno" on Lungomare di Levante in Ortygia. Open only in the summer. With bar and self-service restaurant. Price for two sunbeds and one umbrella around €30.
- "Area M" in Ortygia has a modern stylish wood deck with sunbeds. With bar and restaurant It is located in Riva Nazario Sauro 6, right after Talete Parking



- Plemmirio natural reserve, which is south of Syracuse, opposite Ortygia. Follow "Arenella" and then the "Plemmirio" and "Guardia di Finanza" signs. Discover the many beautiful spots. No bars or services there; bring your own food.
- Plemmirio Peninsula 30 minutes driving
 - o "Lido Cala Zafiro" Via degli Zaffiri. Wood patios on the rocks. With bar and restaurant
 - o "Lido Varco Venti3" Via degli Zaffiri. With beach volley, bar and restaurant
- Arenella 20 minutes driving north (exit highway Cassibile)
 - o Arenella beach, sandy beach with umbrella and chairs. For children.
 - o Le Nereidi, wood platform with bar. Usually no children.
- Fontane Bianche 20 minutes driving north (exit highway Cassibile)
 - o "Sayonara" beach. Crowded and young atmosphere, with loud music.

FLEA MARKETS

- In Modica (30 min driving) it happens the last Sunday of each month from 8:00am to 1:00pm. This is our favourite market! You can find antiques, ceramics, furnitures, linens and much more.
- In Syracuse (30 min driving) it happens every Sunday morning in Piazza Santa Lucia, from 8:00am to 1:00pm. It is a poor flee market where you can find things for very small price.



VISITING AROUND... WHAT YOU CANNOT MISS!

Going North

CAVAGRANDE LAGHETTI DI AVOLA

An amazing canyon with a river creating beautiful natural pools you can swim and dive in. A must see. You need to wear gym shoes to access the site. It takes 45 minutes walking to descend and return back to car park. You must be in good health condition.

SYRACUSE

With its historical centre named Ortygia, as well as the Archeological Park. Greek tragedy performance on May and June.

CATANIA

The centre of Town with its Duomo, Via dei Crociferi, Via Etnea

ETNA VULCAN

Organize a tour on the Etna Vulcan, taking the cable car from Rifugio Sapienza www.funiviaetna.com

TAORMINA

The famous promenade and the Ancient Theatre

Going West

PALAZZOLO ACREIDE

PANTALICA NATURAL RESERVE

A walk in the nature where you can see the rest of prehistoric caves. You can enter the reserve either from Ferla or Sortino towns.

CALTAGIRONE AND PIAZZA ARMERINA

Villa Romana del Casale – a wonderful well preserved Roman villa discovered in 1950 with great floor mosaics

Going South

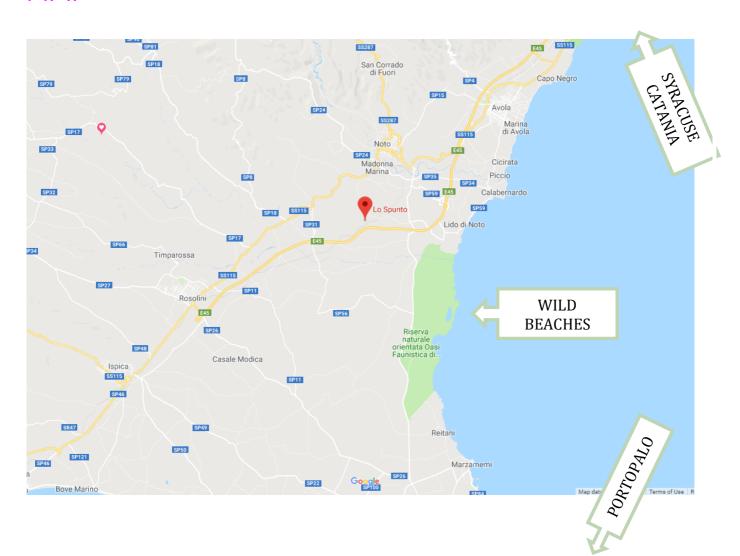
MODICA

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MAP





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Firemen +39 112

Ambulance / Doctor +39 118

Hospital Trigona Avola-Noto +39 093 | 890 | | |

Pronto Soccorso – open 24/7

Via dei Mille 98 - Noto - See map below

