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Dimora Ghirlandaio – Company Profile.

INTRODUCTION

In the lavish nature of the Tuscan countryside, just 15 minutes from the centre of Florence sits Dimora Ghirlandaio nestled on Colle Ramole, surrounded by the unique landscape of Florentine Chianti. Its magnificent Renaissance hamlet, with five prestigious villas enclosed in a beautiful park with a swimming pool, has offered a setting of unparalleled beauty for centuries.

Since the 15th century, the Podere di Colle Ramole, as it was originally called, was the favourite residence of the "Ghirlandaio" painters. Such preference went from Domenico the father, one of the artists preferred by Lorenzo the Magnificent, who was Michelangelo's teacher from 1488, to Ridolfo the son, an artist particularly appreciated by Raffaello, whom he befriended. And summed up in the immortal words of Giorgio Vasari, you should never turn down any invitations to the family home in Colle Ramole.

Today Dimora Ghirlandaio shines once again thanks to the skilful work of restoration commissioned by the Cecchi family, who has owned the hamlet, since 2010. The result is this extraordinary place, where the charm and art of the past meet contemporary comfort to create a special blend. Inside the Residence's immense park, the hamlet's five villas, each with its own private garden, make up an exceptional resort, including a pool of 150 square metres, a refined wellness centre, a place for personalised catering and an organic vegetable patch with seasonal delicacies. The hamlet's exclusive pearl is the famous "Ghirlandaio Chapel", built by Ridolfo in tribute to his lineage and decorated internally with his original frescoes.

The Dimora Ghirlandaio estate also houses a magnificent olive grove that gives light to the extremely pure PGI extra virgin olive oil, which is extracted under the proprietary brand. The breathtaking landscape, the refined design of the Renaissance accommodations and the experiences reserved for guests combined with the magic of the place to create a unique, reserved environment for exclusive use.

LOCATION

Immersed in the sweetness of the Florentine hills, Dimora Ghirlandaio offers a privileged position to visit charming villages and the main cities of Tuscany. From the Residence's special location, you can admire Florence, its Cathedral (formally Cattedrale di Santa Maria del Fiore) and the dome by Brunelleschi, as well as the evocative monastery of the Certosa in Galluzzo. The wonders of nature are combined with the artistically rich architecture and the hamlet structures' histories, while you gaze amorously on soft ridges bordered by cypresses and the silvery expanses of olive trees. An exceptional setting for luxury stays in Tuscany or an event to remember for years to come.

THE HAMLET

Dimora Ghirlandaio houses an entire Renaissance hamlet, consisting of the elegant architecture of the original finely restored villas and a wonderful exclusive park. Walking through the hamlet's streets and paths, surrounded by lush greenery, you can breathe the scents of the bushes of aromatic plants and delicate flowers that cover the gardens and the Residence's rooms. Characteristic corners and magnificent views open onto the surrounding hills, while centuries-old, tall trees offer shade and refreshment from the sun that lights up the countryside.

A pool of crystal clear water in the middle of the park extends for 150 square metres providing a refreshing relaxation outlet in the frame of an extraordinary landscape. In the eastern part of the park, an ancient restored



bastion gave life to a natural viewpoint. The hamlet also includes a wellness centre, in the Renaissance villa's basement, and La Locanda, an exclusive restaurant in the estate's old building with a beautiful garden in front.

THE ACCOMMODATION

Dimora Ghirlandaio offers five different luxury villas, each with its unique history and characteristics. This is the fruit of the original buildings' restoration by the architect Leonardo Zorzet. Each residence retains the charm of Renaissance architecture, restored thanks to the expert local craftsmen's skills. The result is a flurry of villas of rare beauty, each with peculiarities that make it special. Overall, Dimora Ghirlandaio has 20 rooms, 17 of which are double and 3 singles.

La Villa

La Villa is the main building of Dimora Ghirlandaio and was a magnificent manor house. Typical of Renaissance villas, the splendid façade overlooks a double staircase with an Italian garden flanked by an ancient lemon house and a bathtub with sapphire reflections. The finely furnished interior retains some of the period's unmistakable features, such as the elegant coffered ceiling on the ground-floor living room. In addition to the living room with a fireplace, the Villa includes a bright dining room, a large equipped kitchen and five double bedrooms. The most exclusive is located in the villa's ancient dovecote and boasts an extraordinary view of Florence Cathedral and the the Certosa in Galluzzo.

Next to the garden, the old lemon house has been renovated to offer an annexe with an additional room. The round arches, which resemble the original ones, illuminate the interior with the light of the countryside that filters through the large windows.

La Fattoria

Adjacent to the Renaissance Villa, La Fattoria is one of the sixteenth-century villas of the Podere dei Ghirlandaio, which is transformed into a classy residence. Respectful of the original style, the restoration offers sober elegance and impeccable comfort, enhanced by the typical materials of the ancient Tuscan farmhouses, such as Macigno stone and the famous Impruneta terracotta. With four rooms, La Fattoria offers splendid views of Florence and the surrounding hills. The structure is completed by a large panoramic courtyard and exclusive access to the Cappella della Beata Maria Vergine which houses the frescoes of Ridolfo Ghirlandaio.

II Frantoio

Il Frantoio is among the most evocative villas of Dimora Ghirlandaio. It is the result of the restoration of the estate's ancient oil mill, a prestigious luxury accommodation today. The magnificent outdoor porch, overlooking the private garden, offers the perfect setting for outdoor lunches and breakfasts. A large living room and a sitting room, both with fireplaces, join the 3 bedrooms, 2 double and one single, on the upper floor in a context of refined elegance. From the internal courtyard, there is access to the annexe with an additional room.

La Bottega

La Bottega has maintained its original architecture more than any other. The beautiful characteristic arches and the typical materials of the rural style generate an atmosphere of welcoming beauty. In addition to the living room with a fireplace and living room, dominated by a magnificent wooden truss, La Bottega includes a kitchen and two double bedrooms, both equipped with wardrobes and a private marble bathroom. One particular room enjoys a view that opens onto the spectacle of Florence and the soft surrounding hills. And everything is topped off with a harmonious garden.



Lo Studio

For anyone who loves quiet and privacy, Lo Studio offers elegant accommodation surrounded by greenery, with a garden surrounded by fragrant hedges, bougainvillaea and fruit trees. A beautiful external pergola is ideal for lunchtime tasting sessions and outdoor aperitifs. The villa's interior houses a bright living room with a dining area, a fully-fitted kitchen, a master bedroom on the mezzanine floor connected to a single room and private access to the garden, plus two more double bedrooms on the upper floor.

THE WELLNESS CENTRE

The Dimora Ghirlandaio wellness centre is located in the Renaissance villa, in a unique and evocative atmosphere. Located in the basement, it preserves the ancient stone walls and a beautiful brick barrel vault that creates an exceptional setting. Wellness treatments for anyone's holistic care include a Turkish bath, jacuzzi, sauna and sensory shower. A range of relaxation options to regenerate the body and mind lulled by a setting straight out of your dreams. The wellness centre also includes a small gym and a private massage room for personalised treatments.

THE GHIRLANDAIO CHAPEL

The Chapel of the Blessed Virgin Mary is an exceptional work of art and architecture. Inside the Chapel's completely restored interior, Ridolfo Ghirlandaio depicted the Madonna and Child Enthroned between the saints Dominic and Benedict kneeling as a tribute to the father and uncle painters. The central work is echoed by the frescoes depicting the portrait of the father and a self-portrait of Ridolfo with his son Domenico. A precious tribute to his lineage that crosses the centuries with his mastery.

"LA LOCANDA" RESTAURANT AND THE ORGANIC VEGETABLE PATCH

The restaurant at Dimora Ghirlandaio is tailor-made for each guest, to fully satisfy their taste and needs. In La Locanda's dining room and the beautiful anterior garden, you can enjoy dishes based on local gastronomic excellence and fresh seasonal products. Among these, are seasonal delicacies from the organic vegetable patch inside the Residence, where guests can choose and collect the most mature and genuine vegetables, appreciating firsthand the proposals of the Tuscan land among extraordinary colours and scents. The Residence chef is always available to make superb dishes and reveal the secrets of the best local recipes.

EXCLUSIVE SERVICES

Scenic swimming pool

With 150 square metres, the Residence's panoramic swimming pool offers a magnificent tract of water surrounded by the green nature of the park. By the pool, guests have sun loungers and umbrellas to enjoy the view while sipping their favourite cocktails. Surrounded by a green lawn and a backdrop of cypresses, olive trees and fruit trees, the heated swimming pool also houses two stone islets with fragrant orange plants.

Helipad and Tesla charging station

Dimora Ghirlandaio also boasts a private helipad for flights and helicopter tours. Guests can thus reach the Residence in maximum privacy, move comfortably by helicopter and discover the unique beauties of the Tuscan landscape through exceptional panoramic helicopter tours. The Dimora also offers a charging station for electric cars with a Destination Tesla Charger.



Private Chef

Dimora Ghirlandaio's private chef is ready to accompany guests on refined taste experiences, with their precious culinary talent. From the careful selection of the best ingredients of the day to the creation of unforgettable dishes, they can amaze every palate with always new and refined proposals.

Flower arrangements

In homage to the mastery that gave its name to the Ghirlandaio lineage, the Residence welcomes its guests with the wise art of a floral designer, to create splendid floral decorations and exceptional bouquets. Upon request, the different rooms are decorated with fragrant bouquets of fresh flowers, according to their designs. From the wonderful varieties of typical Florentine flowers, which bloom in the Residence's park, to the qualities of corollas preferred by each guest, the decorations embellish the stay with unique and bewitching decorations.

EXPERIENCES

If a stay at Dimora Ghirlandaio is in itself an experience of art, prestige and unspoilt nature, there is no lack of activities to make your break even more memorable. The Residence experiences accompany guests to discover the landscapes, food and wine, craftsmanship and lifestyle that make Florence and Tuscany something out of the ordinary. For lovers of taste, exclusive tastings of local products, including the wines of the most famous Chianti wineries. To immerse yourself in the flavours and secrets of Italian cuisine, we arrange personalised cooking classes with a private chef to reveal the finest recipes.

Those who love experiencing adventure can discover breathtaking places, with guided horseback excursions and bike tours in the hills or the main Tuscan cities. Or how about relaxing on a romantic boat trip along the Arno River through Florence? Or the thrill of a fabulous panoramic flight over the Tuscan cities and landscapes, by helicopter or hot air balloon?

To complete the experience, the exclusive Ugolino Golf Club, the historic home of Florentine golf, complete with a restaurant, pool and gym, where you can spend pleasant days in a dream landscape.

WEDDINGS AND CEREMONIES

The Renaissance hamlet of Dimora Ghirlandaio, with its backdrop of gentle hills, lush woods and magnificent olive trees, is a supreme place to celebrate unforgettable ceremonies and fairytale weddings. Perfectly framed with the city of Florence in the background, the accommodation's bright beauty and extraordinary nature also make it essential to stay at the event.

MEETINGS AND BUSINESS EVENTS

Belonging to the Ghirlandaio lineage, the residence's prestige combined with the availability of the large park and the hamlet's elegant villas, make Dimora Ghirlandaio an ideal location for professional meetings and highprofile corporate events. From noteworthy business meetings to team building events in the name of luxury and personalised comfort, with private parking, Tesla charging and helipads for helicopters.

PHOTOGRAPHIC AND CINEMATOGRAPHIC SHOOTING

The incredible landscape that surrounds Dimora Ghirlandaio and the peculiarity of the hamlet and villas are the perfect settings for exceptional shooting sessions. The Renaissance atmosphere of the Medici period, the park's



lush paths and the views of Florence and the Certosa in Galluzzo offer endless opportunities to take unique shots, with settings of exceptional beauty.

NEARBY ATTRACTIONS

Dimora Ghirlandaio is located a few minutes from the city of Florence with its countless monuments and masterpieces. Siena, San Gimignano, Pisa, Arezzo and Lucca are other Tuscan cities of art within easy reach. Splendid medieval and Renaissance villages dot the hills around the Residence, from the Impruneta, home of terracotta processing, to the many villages of Chianti. San Gimignano, Montefioralle, San Gusmè, Castelnuovo Berardenga, Volpaia and Monteriggioni are just some of the extraordinary villages that have made this area famous, among magnificent castles and enchanting landscapes. Not to mention the countless museums, the Sculpture Park and the companies that dot the Chianti Classico Wine and Oil Route.

Guests can choose from numerous historical, artistic and gastronomic itineraries to discover Tuscany and its excellences.

OVERVIEW OF EXPERIENCES

- o Biketour
- o Cooking courses
- o Excursions on horseback
- o Boat trip on the Arno
- o Ugolino Golf Club
- o Helicopter tours
- o Hot Air Balloon Rides

OVERVIEW OF SERVICES

- o Swimming pool
- o Wellness Centre
- o Custom catering
- o Private chef
- o Flower arrangements
- o Tesla Destination Charger
- o Private helipad and helicopter transfer
- o Private parking
- o Organic vegetable patch
- o Production and sale of PGI extra virgin olive oil

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