La Diouana

Localization

Country : Morocco
City : Tangier/ Oualidia / Ouarzazate / Taroudant & High Atlas
Address : Oualidia / Ref; M 1595

Properties

Type : Villa
Bedrooms : 5
Bathrooms : 5
Sleepings : 10
Showers : 0
WC : 5

Features

Air conditioning - Wifi - Pool - Parking - Garden - Near the beach - Views - No smoking

Description

Charming villa overlooking the laguna in Oualidia, 5 ensuite bedrooms, great park and garden, private pool, magnificent view of the laguna and ocean, fully staffed.

La Diouana is a beautiful villa with panoramic ocean views overlooking the Oualidia laguna on the Atlantic coast of Morocco. Just two and a half hours from Marrakech, the pace at La Diouana is slow and unhurried. By day you can snooze in a hammock or sunbathe on the roof terrace, gazing down at the lagoon far below you. At night-time, you can relax and gaze up at the stars, the only sounds are the distant crash of waves and the rustle of wind in the pine trees.

The villa has 5 bedrooms and sleeps 10 guests (12 on request), terraces and garden, a swimming pool and daily maid service.

The house is a beautiful mixture of traditional and contemporary Moroccan design. It is equipped with a large kitchen, a study/library with broadband access and a sitting room with wood-burning stove, stereo and DVD player.
There is a cottage in the garden with kitchen/sitting room, en-suite bedroom and patio, as well as a separate first-floor apartment, bathroom, terrace and sea views. All rooms have moucharrabieh woodwork and tadelakt (polished plaster) floors.

Hidden behind a high wall the garden of La Diouana is 25,000 square feet of peace and repose. Among the palm trees, jacaranda, mimosa, eucalyptus and olive trees the stresses of the 21st century seem far away.
There are two hammocks, a table tennis table and a set of boules. Younger visitors will enjoy the swings. Not to mention the 8 chameleons, 5 tortoises and 2 peacocks.
La Diouana has an infinity pool as well as a paddling pool for toddlers. The water is warm enough for swimming from April to November. Sunbathing is possible all year round.

The house manager, Abdillah, lives two minutes away and will cheerfully help with suggestions and assistance during your stay. Daily maid service is included in the price.
The house Chefs Fatima and Hanane will be delighted to serve delicious sea-bass, spider crab, paella, charcoal-grilled kebabs, chicken and olive tagine, vegetable couscous, aubergine, cauliflower & bean salads and many other Moroccan and Mediterranean dishes, including child-friendly options, all at modest prices.

There are few places in the world with a setting as magical as Oualidia (pronounced Wa-li-dee-ya).
The village of Oualidia is situated north of Essaouira and south of Casablanca, on the wild Atlantic coast of Morocco. Here, the ocean cliffs give way to a five-mile long tidal lagoon. At the southern end of the lagoon lie soft sandy beaches and the ruins of a royal summer palace. To the north, the lagoon winds its way through a protected nature reserve of oyster farms, wetlands and bird habitats.

The house is perched on a cliff-top close to the town centre, with a 25,000 sq ft garden, infinity pool and some of the finest views in Oualidia.

The beach - a few minutes walk from the house - is safe and pleasant for swimming. You can hire a boat for lagoon excursions and we can arrange fishing trips for sea-bass and sea-bream (Abdillah the house caretaker will grill your catch on the barbecue).

We can organise surfing lessons, windsurfing, kayak, pedalo and catamaran hire. Quad bikes are available in the village. There are also two tennis courts with rackets for hire.

Accommodation:
The main villa has three bedrooms. There are two additional bedrooms in the cottage. All bedrooms are en-suite with heating and air conditioning. The cottage is located in a separate building in the garden (60 feet from villa) and makes an ideal family suite.
Garden level;
Bedroom 1: Double bedroom with Queen size 160cm bed, air conditioning & view to the sea & with en-suite bathroom with shower & WC
Bedroom 2: Twin bedroom of 80cm & a bunk bed, air conditioning & view to the sea & with en-suite bathroom with shower & WC
Bedroom 3: Double bedroom with Queen size 160cm bed, air conditioning & view to the sea & en-suite bathroom with shower & WC

Cottage; *with independent access*
Bedroom 4: Double bedroom with Queen size 160cm bed & two single beds of 80cm, air conditioning & direct access to the garden view to the sea & with en-suite bathroom & shower head & WC

First floor;
Bedroom 5: Double bedroom with Queen size 160cm bed, air conditioning & view to the garden en-suite bathroom with bath & shower head & WC.

Penthouse 6: Double Bedroom *on request at extra charge*

Outdoors Features:
Infinity pool & paddling pool for toddlers *water is warm enough for swimming from April to November.*
Sunbathing is possible all year round
Direct sea access
Great private park and garden
Lounge chairs on the terrace
Outdoor dining areas
Outdoor dining table
Terrace(s)
Walkway to water

Features & Amenities:
Sleeps 10: 5 bedrooms & 5 bathrooms & WC.
A*dditional bedroom on request*
Air conditioning in bedrooms only
Living room with fireplace
Dining room
Reading room
Roof terrace
Fully equipped kitchen
Books & Cards and board games
DVD player
Internet access Wi-Fi
Music on CDs
Satellite or cable or Internet TV
Stereo sound system
Outdoor infinity swimming pool

Children:
Children welcome

Staff:
Fully staffed villa
Cook

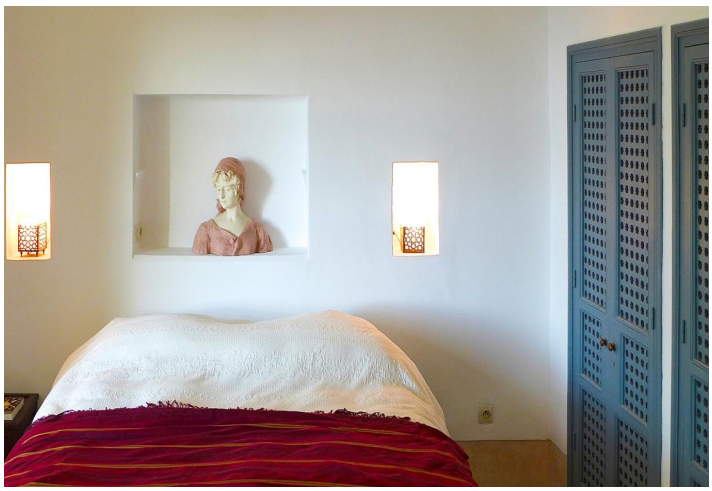
Services Included in the Rental:
Bed and household linens
Concierge service
Domestic staff
Utilities Electricity, water, gas
Housekeeping
Internet Wi-Fi
Pool maintenance

Extras Not Included in the Rental: *on request when booking & subject to availability*

Refundable Security Deposit 1 500 € to be paid with the final rental instalment or credit card imprint
Airport transfer
Breakfast
Cancellation insurance
Dinner & Lunch starting from 15.00 € per guest
Cost of food (groceries, drinks...)
Grocery delivery
Tips for the staff

Please Note:
Price shown is for 5 bedrooms
Price on request can be rented with 6 or 4 or 3 bedrooms *please enquire*
Smoking is not allowed inside the property
The house chef/cook prepares all meals. Meals and beverages will be charged to your final bill
The house must be returned in the same condition of check in. Otherwise extra fees can be charged
Check in16:00 h
Check out 12:00 h
Language spoken by staff: Arabic & French

Location:
Beach 5 Minutes by car
Golf 75 Minutes by car
Sea shore 5 Minutes by car
Marrakech 180 minutes by car
Casablanca 120 minutes by car

History of the Villa
La Diouana was built in the 1930s and served during the French Protectorat as a customs house (douane). It is located near the old Kasbah of Oualidia, eight minutes' walk from the centre of town, and overlooks the grounds of a ruined summer palace built by King Mohammed V.
The villa has been restored using traditional Moroccan tadlakt, woodwork, filigree metalwork and stucco arches while retaining the original French doors, windows, shutters, roof tiles and water tower. It is a traditional Riad - by the sea

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