



VILLA IGTEA
PALERMO
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VILLA IGIEA
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SPRING 2025

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A Joyous Spring in Palermo

Make the most of Sicily's mild springtime weather and discover Palermo's bustling markets, Baroque palaces and cathedrals.

Perched high on a limestone rock, Villa Igiea is surrounded by waters dotted with yachts.

Join us as we celebrate the new season. Visit Italy's largest theatre, relax with a detox treatment at our Irene Forte Spa or take part in our Easter egg hunt with your little ones before sampling local delicacies.

Whatever you choose to do, an escape to Villa Igiea is sure to put a springtime bounce in your step.





FLORIO RESTAURANT

Sunday Brunch by Fulvio Pierangelini

Gather friends and family for a feast of traditional Italian dishes, with live music and stunning views of the Azure Tyrrhenian Sea on our sunny terrace. Save space for dessert, as you can take away a box of homemade pastries baked by our chefs.

Your little ones will be entertained with activities and workshops thoughtfully curated by Libreria Dudi.

**Available from March 2
from 1pm to 3pm**

**€78 per person, beverages excluded
€35 per child, beverages excluded**

A Night at the Theatre with Villa Igiea

For a magical evening in the Sicilian capital, combine a trip to Teatro Massimo with a stylish culinary experience at Villa Igiea. Teatro Massimo is Italy's largest opera house, famous for its Greek temple-inspired architecture and incredible acoustics.

Enjoy an aperitivo at Villa Igiea before the 8pm curtain, or catch the 6pm performance and follow with a romantic three-course dinner with paired wines at Florio. We'll arrange transport to and from the theatre, so all you need to do is sit back and watch the city lights rush past you.

**Your experience includes:
Return transfer from the theatre
Aperitivo or dinner for two**

**€95 per two people, with aperitivo
€190 per two people, with dinner
Tickets to a performance to be added
(please refer to Teatro Massimo's calendar)**

Subject to availability, advance booking is recommended





Discover Teatro Massimo

With its grand dome, Grecian style columns and imposing staircase flanked by bronze lions, Teatro Massimo has been Palermo's star attraction ever since its opening in 1897.

Europe's third largest opera house, the grand theatre reveals its secrets on a guided tour. Admire the golden stuccoes and the Stately Royal Box. Marvel at resonance of the Pompeian Room, dubbed the 'echo room' for its remarkable acoustics. While examining the frescoes in the Coat of Arms Hall, you'll also be treated to a wonderful view right across the city.

Be enchanted by a calendar of classic performances, or step behind the curtain during a private tour arranged by our concierge team.

Faust (Opera): March
L'elisir d'amore (Opera): April
Anna (Ballet): May
Salome (Opera): Maggio

Available daily from 9.30am to 5.30pm

*The Perfect Sunday Afternoon at
Irene Forte Spa*

Whether you're planning a romantic weekend or a trip with friends, relax with a therapeutic treatment at Irene Forte Spa.

Unwind with a treatment including Fit For You, Sicilian Aroma Relax or a Volcanic Hot Stone Massage, then enjoy an aperitif or coffee and chocolates with exclusive use of our relaxation area.

Every Sunday from 4pm to 7.30pm
Subject to availability, advance booking is recommended



IGIEA TERRAZZA BAR

Springtime Tea

Afternoon tea is always a treat but especially so on the terrace of Igiea Terrazza Bar, bathed in the sunshine of a bright Spring day. Sun seekers are well catered for but, if you prefer the cool of the shade, take cover beneath a parasol or under the cloisters. Take your time choosing from our selection of tea and coffee, as you anticipate the arrival of delicate finger sandwiches. Leave room for homemade cakes and warm scones served with clotted cream and homemade preserves.

**Available on Friday, Saturday and Sunday
from 5:30pm**

€35 per person



IGIEA TERRAZZA BAR

Mixology Masterclass

Immerse yourself on a sensorial journey and mix your own cocktails under the supervision of our passionate mixologists.

Learn more about the philosophy of the Creative Director Salvatore Calabrese, the bar 'maestro', has developed our 'The Island of Desire' cocktail menu, inspired by the different populations passed through the island, imprinting onto existing traditions to shape our rich and inimitable identity. Under the direction of our expert mixologists, shake and stir five cocktails at Igiea Terrazza Bar.

Subject to availability, advance booking is recommended
€90 per person



Taste the Wines of Sicily

Enveloped in gentle coastal winds and rolling hills that come alive under the warm glow of the Mediterranean sun, Sicily possesses the perfect surroundings for producing a diverse range of wines. Our expert Sommeliers have carefully selected the best varieties from our beautiful island and invite you to sample a collection of sparkling, white, red and dessert wines. Accompanied by choices of local cheeses and charcuterie, embark on a flavourful journey through the Mediterranean island.

€75 per person



FLORIO RESTAURANT

Brunch & Lab

Join our complimentary workshops held by a local expert and Sicilian excellence, learn about a specific topic in an exciting group lesson.

Available on:

- 2 March, dressing a table with Athena Antichità**
- 13 April, grazing boxes with Sabrina Damiani**
- 4 May, contemporary table with Nova Nova**

Complimentary session available at 11.30.
Subject to availability and reservation.





A Sicilian Feast Market Tour & Cooking Class in Palermo

Experience Palermo's culinary delights in a 5-hour adventure. Start with a private transfer in a Mercedes to the city's lively open-air market. Explore the stalls with your chef, tasting street foods like panelle and pane con la milza, before selecting fresh ingredients for your cooking class. In a traditional Sicilian home, learn to prepare classic dishes, then enjoy your creations with local wine and desserts. This hands-on experience connects you to Palermo's food culture, leaving you with skills and memories to savor.

5-hour private Mercedes vehicle with English speaker
Market visit with food tasting
Private cooking class
Lunch or dinner with wine and dessert included

FLORIO RESTAURANT

Candlelit Dinners

This Spring, Florio restaurant will be illuminated by candlelight creating an extra sense of intimacy and romance for very special evenings. On special Mondays in March and April, our restaurant will be switching off its lights in support of energy saving and romance to embrace guests in a memorable glow, with the memorable dishes created by Chef Fulvio Pierangelini.

**Available every Monday of April
from 7.30pm**



Sit for a Unique Portrait

In an era marked by selfies and snapshots stored in the cloud, choose an authentic portrait experience designed to capture the real you. Alessio Falzone brings Unique Portrait to Villa Igiea. A project inspired by the dawn of photography and the nostalgia of family sittings. Return home from Palermo with a truly bespoke souvenir of your stay - a printed portrait of you and your loved ones, immortalised like a painting, in a perfect moment of connection.

**One monthly session available in
March, April, and May**



Palermo's Fascinating Easter Traditions

Discover Sicilian Easter traditions with us.

On Holy Thursday – April 17 – join a local guide for a tour of places of worship in Palermo including the churches of San Domenico, San Francesco d'Assisi and Gesù and Norman Palace's Palatine Chapel.

Our Easter Sunday tour on April 20 meanwhile includes a taste of our traditional sweet pastry, cannoli, followed by a trip to a Medieval village, where locals perform a masked parade that represents the triumph of good over evil.

On Thursday, April 17





FLORIO RESTAURANT

Easter Egg Hunt and Lunch at Florio

This Easter Sunday, enjoy a traditional Sicilian lunch alongside sweet treats beneath Florio's grand chandeliers. Decorated in the style of a royal lounge from the King Louis XVI era of the late 1700s, this is the perfect setting for a grand meal. Weather permitting, you can also enjoy your meal on our shady terrace with sea views. To celebrate the occasion, your little ones will be kept entertained with an Easter egg hunt in our beautiful garden.

Sunday, April 20
from 1pm to 3.30pm

€120 per person, beverages excluded
€45 per child, beverages excluded

FLORIO RESTAURANT

Relax with our Brunch on Easter Monday

For some of us, Easter is about egg hunts and chocolate bunnies. For others it's a time of renewal and the celebration of life. At Florio, it's a bit of both.

This Easter Monday, we're setting the scene for a wonderfully laid-back lunch. Start with a mocktail or cocktail before you dine on Easter dishes, from seasonal roasts and vibrant salads to sweet treats.

Take in your surroundings and feel immersed in a conservatory brimming with life. Floor-to-ceiling windows facing the sea fill the room with natural light, nourishing towering areca palms. Surrounded by marble sculptures and botanical cushions with plant motifs, our elegant dining room is filled with the freshness of spring.

**Monday, 21 April
from 1pm to 3.30pm**

**€95 per person, beverages excluded
€35 per child, beverages excluded**





Cassata Siciliana Cooking Class

Book a bespoke cooking class and create a traditional Easter treat with our Pastry Chef. Cassata Siciliana is a round sponge cake filled with ricotta cheese or ice cream and topped with candied fruit. It is believed to have been invented in Palermo in the 10th century, and is traditionally eaten at Easter.

€90 per person
Available upon request

Easter Energy at Irene Forte Spa

Irene Forte Spa's Easter Energy is a relaxing experience. Following a Volcanic Hot Stone Massage, unwind in our relaxation area. Lounge on sunbeds as you sample fruit, handmade cookies and pralines prepared by our Pastry Chef.

From €180 per person, for two to four people





Hunting for Treasure

Designed for families with children aged from five to twelve, our three trails across Palermo are filled with clues and riddles to be solved.

From the cathedral to the historic district's Quattro Canti square, you will meet artisans in their studios, join a workshop and hone your artistic skills.

Wander around outdoor markets and through Porta Carini near Italy's largest theatre, Teatro Massimo, or stroll through Favorita, a 400-hectare nature reserve, and admire a 19th century Chinese Palace.

Subject to availability, advance booking is recommended

Guided visit of Palazzo Butera

Enjoy an exclusive guided visit inside Palazzo Butera, an eighteenth-century purchased by Massimo and Francesca Valsecchi in 2016 in the city centre of Palermo.

After a full refurbishment, Palazzo Butera has reopened its doors in 2021 to the public with the first complete installation of the collection. All the rooms of the building, restored and transformed into exhibition spaces, house works from the collection. Along the exhibition path you will encounter contemporary works of art, ancient paintings, monochrome porcelain, furniture and English objects from the era of the Industrial Revolution.

**Available from Tuesday to Sunday
from 10am to 8pm
(last entry 7pm)**



IGIEA TERRAZZA BAR *Dj Night e Groovy Friday*

Two unmissable evenings where music, signature cocktails, and the vibrant atmosphere of the Igiea Terrazza Bar come together to create unforgettable moments.

Every Thursday, let yourself be carried away by the pulsating rhythm of live music and the art of mixology.

Savor handcrafted cocktails created by our expert bartenders while the DJ set energizes the night. On Fridays, the Igiea Terrazza Bar transforms into a stage for Palermo's finest musical talents. From the smooth sounds of jazz to the melodies of alternative songwriters.

**Every Thursday and Friday
from 7pm**



A Special Mother's Day

For something special this Mother's Day, share a memorable Sunday afternoon with your mum at Villa Igiea. Spend time enjoying each other's company during a 60-minute facial for two at Irene Forte Spa. After your pampering treatment, designed to nourish and revitalise your skin, allow plenty of time to unwind in our Sicilian courtyard. Feel the light sea breeze as you take in the view from Igiea Terrazza Bar then replenish with some light refreshments. Choose from tea and cake or opt for a healthy fruit juice, either way, you'll both leave feeling utterly relaxed.

Sunday, 11 May
from 4pm
€395 (mother and daughter/son)





Palea Exhibition
by Jean Boghossian

Discover Jean Boghossian's captivating solo exhibition, *Palea*, at the Cloister of the Church of San Domenico. In collaboration with Fondazione Sebastiano Tusa, this exhibition invites guests to explore Palermo's rich heritage through the lens of contemporary art. A selection of these striking works will be displayed in Villa Igiea's Foyer.

From 15 February to 1 May 2025

Celebrating Picasso in Palermo

Hosted amidst the storied setting of Palazzo dei Normanni, Europe's oldest royal residence, comes an exhibition dedicated to Pablo Picasso, one of the greatest artists of the 20th century.

Organised by Fondazione Federico II and in collaboration with the Pablo Picasso Art Museum in Münster, this special exhibition explores the intrinsic connection between the artist's life and work and his continuous drive to reinvent himself.

The exhibit's 84 pieces, including ceramics, paintings, etchings, and aquatints, offer a unique insight into the autobiographical legacy of his art, and the complexities and contradictions this entails.

From 12 December to 4 May 2025





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