Casa Elisa

(Front door entrance and mailing address)

Via Dante Alighieri, #41

San Quirico d'Orcia,

Provincia Siena

53027 Italy

Casa Elisa Phone Number:

+39 0577 89 7051

Back Door Entrance: Via Delle Oliviere, #20

Owners: Lisa and Morrow Fisher +1 727-385-4142

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Emergency Phone Numbers:

(English Spoken)

Maurizio: Home: 0577 898 031

Cell: 338 509 1926

Lia: 347 320 5878

Arianna: 340 780 7763

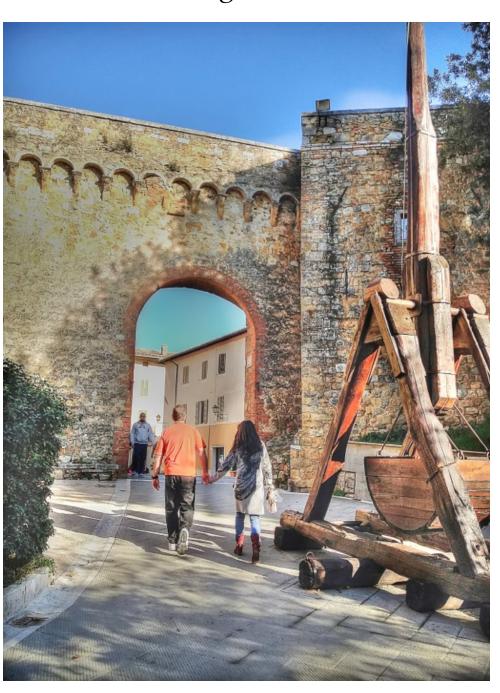
Joel: 342 136 8366

For further information /appliance manuals:

www.visitcasaelisa.com

If traveling to Casa Elisa from Rome without GPS, follow signs to highway (autostrada) and take the A1 in the direction of Firenze. At the Chianciano Therme/Chiusi exit, follow signs to Montalcino or Pienza. Eventually you will see signs to San Quirico d'Orcia.

The main town gate is Porta Nuova



The back entrance to our house is through Porta Nuova. You turn left and follow the wall a few hundred feet. The house is on the right where you will see this door.



Keys

Some doors may need jiggling to get the keys to work.

This will soon be fixed. To get into the back door,

(Via Delle Oliviere, #20) use the dark blue key.

This is only used in the bottom lock. The top lock is not used. All internal house doors leading to/from the courtyard should be unlocked. A spare set of keys are in the copper pot hanging from the AC unit in the outside hallway. Never feel a need to lock the doors going into the courtyard from the house - it is perfectly safe.

The aqua color key will open the outside and

front entrance door from Via Dante Alighieri. (#41)



This door is usually left open in the morning for mail.

Once closed, it can be a challenge to get in,
but with a good amount of jiggling, it will open.

The pink key will then open the tiny doorway leading into the kitchen. (Pull door towards you as you turn the key.)

Please make sure to use the light labeled Casa Elisa in the hallway.

My grumpy upstairs neighbor will not be pleased if you use her light. Previous guests have told me she has said they should not be using this door. Fact is, it is my door as well, and she can kiss my, well, she can kiss me!!

Please don't let her intimidate you she is not a very pleasant person.

Wifi

In main house, connect your WiFi device to 'Telecom Italia'.

Enter this case sensitive code:

juxTXdlW0LfaAryRBXJQmkHK

(After the letter 'W' is a zero, not the letter 'O'.

It is the only number in the code.)

Initially connect your WiFi device in the upstairs main livingroom to 'Telecom Italia". Both bedrooms are equipped with a Netgear WiFi extender.

(The extender is a small 3x4 inch white plug).

Once the extender is plugged in and lit up, connect your WiFi device to 'Netgear'.

Though you may have a great signal, it is only extending the Telecom Italia signal from the main house. If the Telecom Italia modem is not connected to the internet, though the Netgear may give you a great signal, you will not be online. If for some reason internet is not working when you arrive, there are many local hotspots, including Trattoria Osenna and the Birrificio - both on Via Dante Alighieri.

Gas

Both the kitchen range and the house heat run on gas.

There are two switches you need to ensure are turned on to use the gas. The first switch is outside in the courtyard by the door leading into the house.

Right under the brown wooden heater cover, is a switch.

The bottom of this switch should be pushed in to turn the gas on.



The second switch is under the kitchen sink this is a copper switch with yellow levers.
When the lever handles are positioned in the 3 and 9
position, gas will flow freely to the range.



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Restaurants

The 1st three, you MUST visit. All are amazing, listed in the GPS under 'Favorites' - 15 min. from San Quirico.

La Porta



This will be the most amazing view you have ever had at a restaurant. http://www.osterialaporta.it/en/
Daria is the owner, and she speaks English. Tell her Morrow from San Quirico, the American, sent you. You should make a reservation - and make that for the outside balcony along the rail. You MUST ask for that. Dinner at sunset in this setting is breathtaking!

Reservations: rist.laporta@libero.it
Please cc me on any email to her---so I can follow up!

13 Gobbi



This is where owner Aldo will mix your pasta in the pecorino cheese wheel. A Must!

<u>ristorante13gobbi@montefollonico.it</u>

Make a reservation!!

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Al Vecchio Forno.



The best restaurant in the area by far.

Roberto is the owner, he will take care of you!

He speaks no English —

but mention my name and he will take care of you.

You will see signs to his restaurant

as you walk around our town.

http://www.tripadvisor.com/Restaurant Review-g668217d969237-Reviews-Trattoria Al Vecchio Forno-San Quirico d Orcia Tuscany.html

Osteria Del Cardinale



Another really good restaurant in our town is close to the large church on Dante Alighieri, the Collegiata. (San Quirico has two large churches - one in the main square, Church of the Madonna, the other farther down Via Dante Alighieri, The Collegiata.)

Trattoria Osenna



The busiest restaurant in town – has decent food, great prices and just off the main square on Via Dante Alighieri. Owner Luca and blonde wife, Sabina, know us well. They will give you the "locals" prices - as well as discounts on the wine you can buy at his wine store a hundred yards past his restaurant on the left - called Enoteca Osenna. There will be a motorcycle in the entrance, and the guy who works there is Federico. Make sure you tell them all you know me – that will get you a discount.

They also ship wine worldwide.

For what we call sfuza wine, grab the 5 liter glass jug from Casa Elisa's kitchen and walk down Dante Alighieri ... past Trattoria Osenna



Just past this church, and to the left,
where the blue car
is parked in front of the big white doors
is the cantina that sells the wine.
Give them the jug and
they will fill it with decent table wine.

The cost for the 5 liters should be under 10 Euros. You can then pour this into the decanter in the kitchen and enjoy!!

The small towns to visit locally are:

Bagno Vignoni

Pienza

Montepulciano

Montalcino

All of these are under 20 minutes away.

Bagno Vignoni has a great history.
It's where Prince Charlemagne brought his troops to rest and recuperate after battle in the thermal baths throughout the town. Close to the parking lot are thermal streams that pour over the mountainside - creating waterfalls, spectacular views, etc.



Leading up to this town is the Adler Resort. This is a destination you MUST visit...

Sit on the veranda overlooking the valley and have a spritz. (A quintessentially Tuscan drink).

It is absolutely fantastic!

If Angela is serving you (she speaks English), tell her Morrow and Lisa send their love!!

The best spritz in San Quirico is made by Inis, a little old lady whom we adore - along with the rest of her family: daughter Laura, her husband Alessio and the cutest daughter in the world, Daphne.



The Casa Elisa front entrance door is on the right, #41. Inis is farther down on the right, you can see a pink bicycle by the outside tables.

These people do not speak English and are fantastic people - as well as is their store.

It is great to browse ... but best to order some cheese and a
few spritzes, then sit outside and watch people go by!

Make sure you tell them you are our friends!

In the main square, Plaza Della Liberta, is Valerias the place to have coffee every morning.

Picnic.

Marked as a 'Favorite' in the GPS, you should do this!

Views are amazing - and you will be

sitting in an olive grove.

There is a picnic basket in the kitchen over the oven.



The Abbey, so named in the GPS, is also wonderful to visit. It has chanting monks, great frescoes and awesome views. This link may provide info on chanting times.

http://www.monteolivetomaggiore.it/lang1

Cooking Classes

lorenza@agriturismoilrigo.com

My good friend Lorenza in San Quirico will provide a memorable experience. It's a great price, she speaks English and is a fantastic cook. When you email her with dates, please cc me so I can follow up.

Speeding Cameras

Also in your travels, please keep in mind every small town and highway is equipped with speeding cameras. All cameras are clearly marked, as well as having warning signs leading up to them. If speeding, you WILL get a ticket. This is what the roadside sign and camera look like.



Final Thoughts

During your stay in San Quirico and Casa Elisa, we implore you to behave in a civilized, respectful manner.

Previous visitors of ours were not completely embraced by the town folk.



Bad things can happen when you are not completely embraced.

Should you have any questions, or comments, please feel free to contact me anytime!!!

Have a great time!!

Morrow