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House- information for new guests-

The house/ equipment

Welcome to the "Donkey Hill"!

Here you will find all additional important information about the house / equipment of the Podere Colle All` Asino, in order to optimize your planning.

Rooms

Number of rooms

The house has:

- 4 bedrooms (rooms "Giallo", "Rosso" and "Arancia", each approx. 23 m2, room "Rosa" approx. 15 m2)
- 1 large double room / mattress dorm (approx. 50 m2)
- 1 room designed as a "multifunctional room" (approx. 22 m2) on the first floor, which can be used both as a sixth bedroom and as a relaxation room.
- There is also 1 further mattress dormitory in the "turret" in the former barn, see below.

Floor plan for better planning see link on our homepage

Use of the rooms

The Podere Colle All'Asino is a self-catering establishment. If possible, please bring your own set of pillows, blankets and bed linen (or sleeping bag)!

Beds and sleeping places

- Two bedrooms ("Giallo", and "Arancia") have each 2 beds placed side by side $(1.00 \times 2.00 \text{ m})$ and 2 additional, stacked mattresses $(0.90 \times 2.00 \text{ m})$ for use for children, so they have 2-4 sleeping places.
- The "Rosso" room has 2 beds (1.00 \times 2.00 m) next to each other and 1 additional mattress (1.20 \times 2.00 m) for use by a child, so this room has 2-3 sleeping places





- The room "Rosa" (2-3 sleeping places) has 1 bed 1.40×2.00 m and 1 bed 0.90×2.00 m for a child.
- In the multifunctional room "Library" there is 1 sofa bed, which can be pulled out as a bed if required $(1.40 \times 2.00 \text{ m}; 1-2 \text{ sleeping places})$.
- Our large room / dormitory "Grande" has 1 bed 1.40 \times 2.00 m, 2 beds 1.20 \times 2.00 m and as well as 2 stacked mattresses 1.00 \times 2.00 m (= 5-8 sleeping places).
- Please according to the room you want to use bring your own sheets (1.0 x 2.0 m or 1.4 x 2.0 m)! These then are pulled over our existing duvet covers.

Maximum number of people

- The 6 bedrooms plus the mattress store in the former barn (see below) offer space for <u>7 individuals or 7 couples</u> who want to use one bedroom alone.
- The Podere Colle All' Asino is suitable for a maximum of <u>6 families with</u> children.
- When using all sleeping places (2 people also on the wider mattresses) there is a maximum number of sleeping places for 28 persons.
- However, it is also possible to set up tents outdoors.

Overview:

The house has a maximum of 24 sleeping places on 19 mattresses:

- 2 rooms ("Giallo" and "Arancia"): max. 4 people / 2 adults + 2 children
- 2 rooms ("Rosso" and "Rosa"): max. 3 people / 2 adults + 1 child
- 1 room "library": max. 2 people
- Mattress dorm / "Grande": max. 8 people

In the former barn there are also 4 sleeping places on 2 mattresses:

- Mattress dorm former barn: max. 4 people

Total number of possible overnight guests in the house and former barn: 28 people





Duvets and pillows, bed linen and sheets:

There are 2 duvet covers per room and 2 lighter summer blankets; 2 larger and 2 smaller pillows (room "Rosa" correspondingly less pillows and blankets, room "Grande" corresponding more).

Bed linen and sheets are not included in the price; please bring your own bed linen an sheets to cover (or own pillows and own sleeping bag)!

Use of bed linen on site (according to the arrangement)

If you arrive by public transport or in exceptional cases (according to the arrangement), you can have sheets and bedclothes by us. Then $15 \, \epsilon$ per set / person will be charged for the washing.

Info for larger groups: In total, sheets, bed linen, pillows and duvets are available in the house and in the mattress store in the former barn for a maximum of 15 people.

<u>Kitchen</u>

Glasses, cutlery, plates, pots, etc. are sufficiently available, even for larger groups.

We have a "Bodum" coffee maker and various Italian espresso machines for the stove, as well as a milk frother.

If you want to drink filter coffee, please bring your own equipment (filter and paper filter)!

In the kitchen there is a modern gas stove with electric oven and a wood stove for cooking and heating in cold days. There is a "toaster" for both stoves twhich can be placed on the hot plates.

There is no dishwasher!

Perhaps ,while communal rinsing ,the view through the window into the Tuscan countryside compenses this?!





Kitchen towels are not available, please bring your own!

When using the tea towels on site, we charge € 10 extra per person (together with a set of towels, see below).

Dining room

The table in the dining room has space for about 12 people. If you are more people, you can "add" an additional table. Additional chairs are available in the seminar room if required.

Seminar room

There are around 20 stackable chairs in the seminar room for events with seats. For pottery courses there is an additional sink to clean equipment etc.

<u>Bathrooms</u>

The two bathrooms on the first floor are equipped with a shower, the large bathroom with a shower and a bathtub.

On the ground floor is another toilet.

In addition, there is the outdoor solar bath with bathtub for summer use!

Towels are not available, please bring your own!

When using the towels on site we charge $10 \in extra$ per person (2 towels per person, together with a set of tea towels, see above)





Washing

We do not have a washing machine!

Washing is possible in the public laundromat in La Rosa near Peccioli For hand washing on site, please bring your own travel detergent.

TV / Sat / Internet:

The "donkey hill" has **neither television**, **computer or fixed Internet connection**. Alternatively, we look at the stars at night or in winter in the fireplace!

However, the mobile phone reception/internet reception via mobile data is very good.

In winter

The house can be quite cold in winter, which can be very uncomfortable especially on arrival.

On cold days the **kitchen** (suitable for 6-8 people) can be heated only by a **wood** stove and / or the open fireplace.

This last one is very suitable for the transitional period.

The kitchen, despite proper heating and a plexiglass wall (which closes the kitchen to the normally open staircase), is only to be heated with a rather low maximum temperature of 16-19 degrees (!), depending on the heating mode and duration.

On the other hand, it quickly becomes warm at the open fireplace, directly by the fire.





The dining room has a large wood stove, which is sufficient for the room. It can take some time until the walls get warm.

If the house has cooled down on arrival, it can take longer for the walls in the kitchen and dining room to warm up!

Heating material is calculated separately! (4,50 € / box 50x40x40 cm)

Only the small bathroom can be heated by a small electric oven, it is also equipped with a small wood stove (for particularly cold days).

The bedrooms and our large seminar room can not be heated!

If you bring your own electric ovens (not for continuous operation), the corresponding electricity costs will be charged separately!

From about mid-November to the end of March, the stay on the "donkey hill" so becomes rather something for die-hard and individualists! Then the "Donkey Hill" is also unsuitable for children. Apart from the heated rooms, the rest of the house is cooled down.

Nevertheless, there may be warm days in this time as soon as the sun shows. Very impressive are the often beautiful impressions and nature experiences in this time, both for early risers as well as for night owls!

The former barn...

... serves as a warehouse and workshop. In the middle section above, there is a small mattress camp, which can only be reached with a ladder.

Here are two 1.40 m mattresses (2-4 sleeping places). The night here is cheaper than in the house and is ideal for young people.





Barbecue / hearth

On our sun terrace, we have a large grill bowl, in conjunction with a three-legged grill grid support (not to be used because of fire danger in mid-June to mid-September); in the courtyard under the pergola, there is a large barbecue.

Firewood is charged separately $(4,50 \in / box 50 \times 40 \times 40 cm)$, see above. Please get charcoal yourself!