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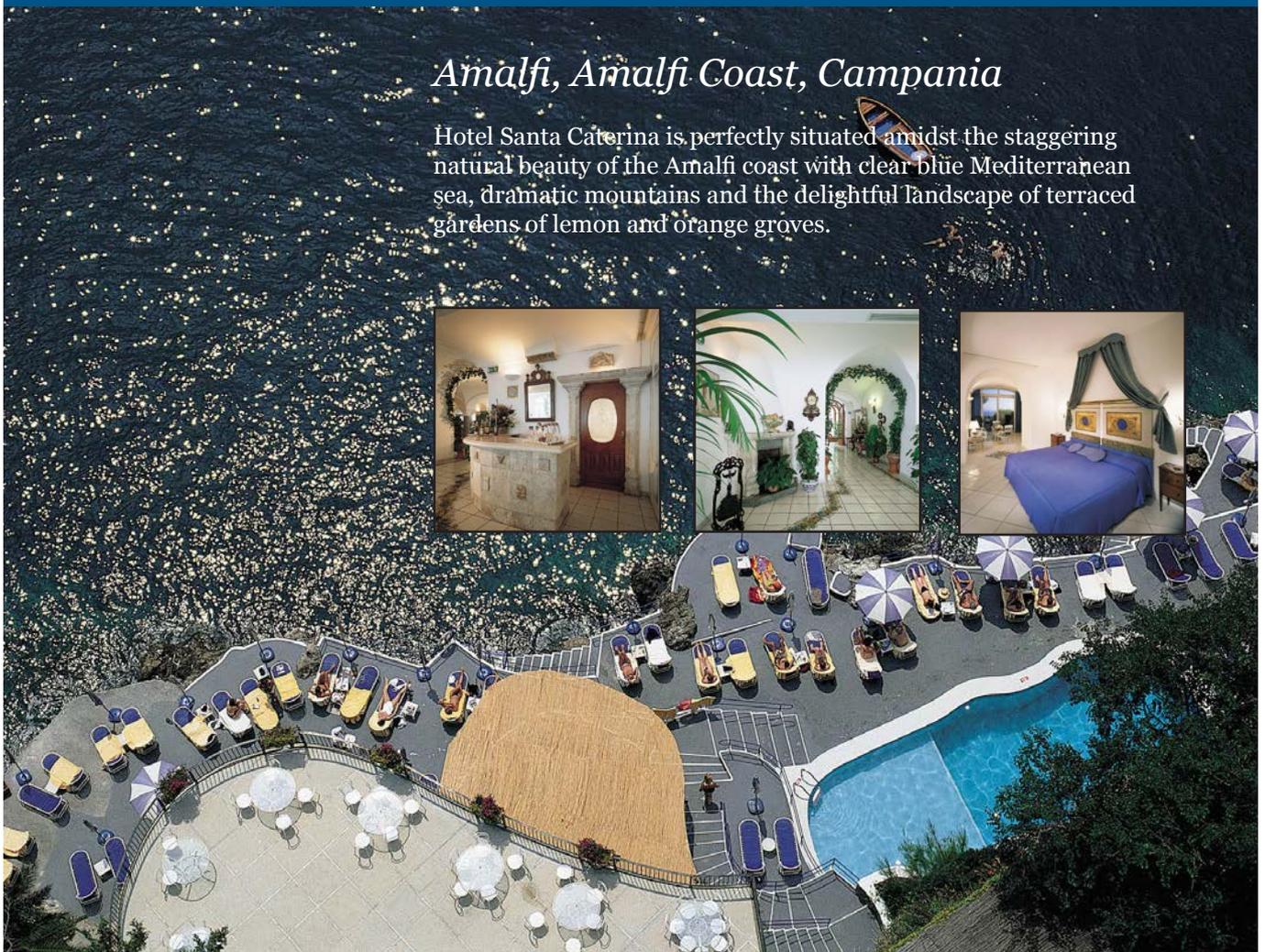
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Hotel Santa Caterina

Amalfi, Amalfi Coast, Campania

Hotel Santa Caterina is perfectly situated amidst the staggering natural beauty of the Amalfi coast with clear blue Mediterranean sea, dramatic mountains and the delightful landscape of terraced gardens of lemon and orange groves.



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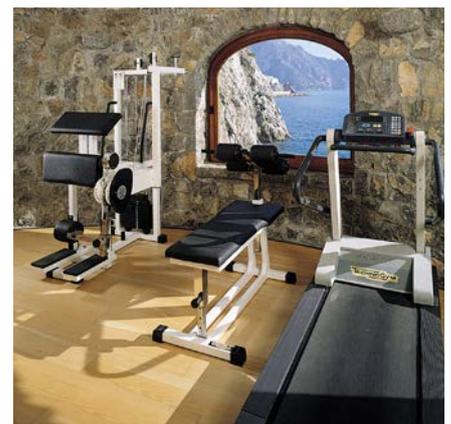
Perched above the sea in the middle of an extensive estate, the Santa Caterina reaches beyond ones' expectations. On entering the light and tastefully decorated reception hall with very pretty original floor tiles from nearby Vietri, one is immediately drawn beyond here through even more stunning living areas to the big glass doors opening onto a large terrace and the most phenomenal view of the Mediterranean and the Amalfi coast. Cleverly and thoughtfully designed, Hotel Santa Caterina is the perfect example of a subtle play between exterior and interior, between the lush greenery of the terraced gardens and the sophisticated décor of the rooms.

Hotel Santa Caterina has remained in the same family for four generations and is the ideal combination of professionalism and an extremely friendly ambience. In 1880, Giuseppe Gambardella constructed the original building and Crescenzo Gambardella, his son, redesigned the property in 1904, constructing the original six guestrooms. Today, Crescenzo's daughters and their children still manage the daily operations of the hotel. Throughout the hotel there are stunning floor tiles, exquisite furnishings, views of the sea and dappled light giving onto a plant or maybe a climbing bougainvillea subtly positioned in a bathroom or bedroom. All the decoration is subtle and tasteful and each of the bedrooms and suites are individually furnished with original antiques, hand-painted ceramic tile floors or colourful ceramics from Vietri, and sea view bathrooms. The Suites are stunning – in particular Romeo and Juliet, (an intimate two-storey chalet perched on the cliff above the sea), The Amalfi Folly immersed in the citrus grove and Casa dell Arancio (House of the Orange). All are absolutely delightful with divine bathrooms and sea views – heavenly for honeymooners.

The terraced gardens are rich in lemon and orange groves and lead down to the swimming pool, artistically set into the



side of the rocks down at sea level. Here, guests can enjoy relaxing in the sun and gazing along the coast with the fabulous choice of whether to swim in the pool or the sea! There are boats to take one out on a trip along the coast as well as a fitness centre and the open air Restaurant Al Mare for those who prefer to dine at sea level. Throughout the lush gardens there are enchanting spots where one can sit with a glass of wine and in the evenings the long dining room with white vaulted ceilings and walls strewn with



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bougainvillea is a truly stunning setting for dinner. The Mediterranean cuisine of both restaurants at Hotel Santa Caterina is renowned worldwide combining traditional with creative.

Nearby there are numerous places to explore such as Amalfi, Ravello and Positano but most guests find it hard to leave the serenity, romance and charming atmosphere of the exceptionally beautiful and professional Santa Caterina.

Information

The Service

Bed & Breakfast, Beach Club facilities
Supplements for Half and Full Board

The Accommodation

- 62 Rooms comprising:
- 40 Standard and Deluxe rooms
 - 13 Junior Suites and Suites in the main building
 - 9 additional rooms comprising garden Suites and Deluxe rooms in the Villa Santa Caterina annex

All rooms have:

- Direct phone, voice mail
- PC outlet, ISDN line
- Air-conditioning, heating
- Safety box
- Mini-bar
- Satellite TV, movie channels
- Balcony or terrace

General

- Private beach, Salt water pool,
- Spa, Fitness centre
- Boutique
- Restaurants Al Mare & Restaurant Santa Caterina
- Private Boat Charter (sailing boats, wooden boats, speed boats-with or without captain)
- Scooter hire
- Massage
- Baby sitting

Transport

- Airport in Naples 1hr 20 minutes
- Private transfers available through the hotel to Ravello, Salerno, Naples, Positano, Sorrento and Rome

Local Interest

Amalfi, Ravello, Positano, Naples, Capri, Minori, Paestum, Pompei

