

LECALETTE

Cefalù

THE GOLDEN AUTUMN OF SICILY STILL HAS THE SCENT OF THE SEA AND INVITES YOU TO DISCOVER YOURSELF, ALONG WITH THE TASTE AND CULTURE OF THE 'JEWEL BOX' ISLAND OF THE MEDITERRANEAN.

AT LE CALETTE IN CEFALÙ, BEAUTY HAS NO SEASON AND COMES IN NEW FORMS OF HOSPITALITY, IN ONE OF THE MOST INTIMATE AND SCENIC CORNERS OF SICILY.

The exclusive 5-star Le Calette, immersed in the fascinating Sicilian coastline at the gates of Cefalù, offers its guests new ideas for experiencing the area at any time of the year.



Le Calette, Cefalù, OCTOBER 2023 – The anticipation of autumn is nothing less than a new beginning in Sicily, the island that never sleeps. In fact, it is preparing to leave behind major tourism and make way for explorers and more curious travellers who wish to appreciate the beauty of the Mediterranean even and especially out of season, when the temperature becomes milder and more pleasant.

Le Calette, a small jewel of great hospitality that has been managed for over five decades by the Cacciola-Miccichè family, set in the captivating beauty of the Cefalù coastline, **announces an autumn of taste and desire for *bien vivre***, through authentic experiences dedicated to **nature, wellness and gastronomy**, and an **intriguing novelty** to make the coast of northern Sicily an **all-seasons destination** for the most attentive and curious tourists.

Sicily is not static, but slowly changes its appearance, to take on warmer tones, to smell of grape must, roasted chestnuts and citrus fruits. Local communities resume their typical autumn occupations of **pressing olives, and harvesting grapes and typical forest products**. Right behind Cefalù is one of the most beautiful natural theatres: that of the **Madonie Park**, a UNESCO Geopark, which represents a unique habitat to be discovered. **Castelbuono, Pollina, the age-old forests and ash groves**, from which the precious manna is extracted, constitute destinations to reconnect with nature and culture which is still unknown to most people.

A NEW CORNER OF PARADISE: THE NEW LOTUS CABANAS

The year 2023 is about evolution and change. This is why **Le Calette is expanding its space** with the creation of a new corner in this enchanting paradise, consisting of **9 rooms facing the sea: the new Lotus Cabanas**.

A new type of room, distinguished by the **intimacy of a private garden with its own jacuzzi** and the tranquillity of the nature in which it is immersed, in the heart of the Hotel's Mediterranean park.

A design inspired by Mediterranean architecture, with elements of olive wood and hazelnut and grey shades, in harmony with the external environment.

This is a further step forward to make Le Calette's hospitality even more attractive and to meet the needs of all those guests who wish to enjoy the wonderful natural surroundings in total privacy.

The new Lotus Cabanas have been bookable since 1 September 2023.

DISCOVERING AN INEDITED SICILY WITH LE CALETTE

There is a Sicily hidden from most and destined for more attentive tourism, moved by the desire to **discover the area in an authentic and original way**. The experiences created by Le Calette fully express the sense of hospitality and the desire to connect guests with the destination Cefalù, its surroundings and all of Sicily.

Lovers of **nature, photography or trekking** will be able to immerse themselves in the paths of the **Madonie and Nebrodi parks** with a nature guide to **admire the spectacular foliage** against a backdrop of red, yellow and brown, or to experience the thrill of **participating in mushroom picking** and savouring them in a tasting menu designed by chef Dario Pandolfo, or to **watch the milking of the animals and the production of ricotta and pasta filata**. Finally, to materially transmit the 'codes' of the island's culture, it will be possible to discover **the art of Sicilian pastry-making with intriguing courses held by the pastry chef of Le Calette** during which the most iconic traditional sweets will be prepared: from cannoli to Bronte pistachio ice cream, from cassata to almond paste.

Among the other events enlivening the island this season, **Castelbuono** will host the **Funghi Fest from 20 to 22 October 2023**, an extraordinary and rich itinerary among fragrances, smells, flavours and colours that takes place in various areas of the town. From **27 to 29 October**, instead, it will be the turn of the **Festa dei Sapori Madoniti d'Autunno** (Festival of Autumn Madonian Flavours), a fixed appointment in **Petralia Sottana's** calendar of events that aims to valorise local gastronomy by promoting the territory and culture of the Madonie.

WELLNESS & SPA

The **scenic Spa**, inspired by the atmospheres and colours of the Mediterranean, combined with the **iconic swimming pool** and the favourable climate that Sicily enjoys all year round, will allow guests to savour every moment of escape throughout the season until December. **Reconnecting with yourself while admiring the horizon and the 'Rocca' of Cefalù, with the sights of the Tyrrhenian Sea and the Aeolian Islands**, will become a truly special experience.

A GASTRONOMIC PROPOSAL KEEPING PACE WITH THE SEASONS

After last season's important successes, **Dario Pandolfo, a young chef from Milazzo** – who formerly worked at St. Hubertus in San Cassiano and Geranium in Copenhagen – **has been reconfirmed at the helm of Cala Luna**, the fine dining restaurant of Le Calette, set on a large lawn under the stars of Cefalù during the summer season and housed in an elegant and panoramic dining room during the cooler months. The gourmet gastronomic proposal is designed to adapt its menu to every period of the year, proposing **a new menu based on traditional seasonal products** and paired with the most suitable wines, **selected from the great Sicilian 'wine library' and beyond**.

ABOUT LE CALETTE

For over fifty years, Le Calette has been internationally recognised as one of the most exclusive examples of hospitality in Sicily. Nestled in one of the most evocative and scenic corners of the island's northern coastline – just outside the historic centre of Cefalù, a UNESCO site – and surrounded by 2 hectares of botanical park, the complex follows with its Mediterranean architecture the folds and inlets of the Caldura bay, insinuating itself into the small 'coves' from which it takes its name. With a proposal of suites and rooms, divided into two complexes – **the 5-star 'Le Calette N°5' and the 4-star 'Le Calette Bay'** – and of **private villas**, Le Calette offers panoramic terraces and quiet Mediterranean gardens overlooking the sea in which to laze on relaxing days, and a wide range of restaurants, bars, beach clubs and wellness areas for extraordinarily unique stays.

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