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Embraced by Sicily

Few destinations can charm guests like Sicily does. A land that has always been a metaphor of family warmth, nature and generosity. In Cefalù, one hour from Palermo, a small gem of great hospitality has made this its exclusive signature since 1969.

A family legacy in “the head” of the Tyrrhenian Sea

Since its foundation in Magna Graecia in the fifth century BC, Cefalù has always harboured a unique sense of its place as its name means “the head”. It is a place which was naturally destined to have a leading role in history as well as in modern hospitality. Located on the northern coast of the island, between a crystal-clear sea and an imposing promontory, it is a perfect synthesis of Sicilian history and beauty.

In this charming scenery a family “love affair” began in the 60s when Engineer Santino Cacciola fell in love with this wild corner of the coast and envisioned a retreat dedicated to relaxation and nature. Le Calette grew gently under his daughter Francesca and her husband, Angelo Micciché – an esteemed architect – who created an intimate and stylish “house” open to friends and guests from all over the world. Nowadays, their daughter Gaia, in charge of Marketing and PR, is adding a fresh and energetic touch to the project.

A Mediterranean home

Le Calette is inspired by Mediterranean architecture and it is bathed in natural light and sea breeze. Each corner bears witness to the deep and vital love that the Cacciola-Micciché family has been bringing to this place for more than 50 years.

Design inspired by nature

Designed in harmony with the environment, Le Calette is a tangible metaphor of a vision guided by beauty. Surrounded by two hectares of botanical Mediterranean gardens, the architecture of the complex spans from a central structure recalling antique Saracen towers, where ample welcoming and convivial spaces open onto the horizon, and follows the bends and inlets of the Caldura Bay meandering into the “calette” (small coves) which give it its name.

A warm and cosy home feeling

Stylish touches

The design of the rooms and suites is inspired by the countless souls of the island of Sicily and its history. It is a mixture of memories and influences: Greek and Roman, Arab and Norman, Suevian and Angevin, Aragonese and Bourbon.

54 rooms and suites offer beautiful views of the surrounding nature and the bay. The interior design enhances the simplicity of Sicilian beauty with the refined use of locally inspired tones and materials: Ragusan stone, natural wood floors and furniture, plus textiles with strong tactile and graphic inspiration, and playful shades to contrast with natural colours and the range of blues.

Immersed in nature

Sunbathing & Beach Life

Le Calette's private beaches – three of them inside its park – offer its guests unique and unforgettable moments in the crystal-clear waters of the Mediterranean Sea.

Caletta Selvaggia, carved out of the rocks of the cliff and speckled with prickly pear plants, is a secluded natural haven, ideal for lovers of privacy and nature.

Calette Reef Club is a beach club annexed to the seaside restaurant with king-sized sun beds and the lively Reef Bar, perfect for lovers of comfort and relaxation.

Caletta Presidiana is on the slopes of the Rocca, near the impressive Cefalù lighthouse overlooking the tourist harbour.

Paradiso Sands, in the centre of the gulf of Cefalù, boasts a splendid landscape and comfortable furniture suitable for families, as well as for those looking to get a glimpse at life in town.

A cornucopia of unique flavours

Enjoying Sicily at the table

Historically migrations, departures and returns, and diversity have created in the island a fascinating kaleidoscope of flavours and dishes that exalt joy and conviviality. Each gastronomic proposal finds its own place and space thanks to the restaurants on the property.

A modern gastronomic heaven

Cala Luna, for charming fine dining, sprawls out, in the summer, on a huge lawn under the stars of Cefalù, with an open kitchen and a view of the sea, the cliffs of the Caldura Bay and of the iconic Rocca. On cooler days it is hosted in the elegant panoramic dining room Rizz'i Mari.

Recommended by the MICHELIN Guide, Cala Luna is overseen by Chef Dario Pandolfo, a fine and modern interpreter of gastronomy. He presents a vibrant and locally inspired cuisine, reimagined through a contemporary lens, entirely devoted to showcasing the rich gastronomic heritage of the region, while respecting seasonality and sourcing.

Calette Reef, run by chef Giovanni Coglitore, provides a laid-back alternative: casual, ideal for entertaining and convivial moments, with modern gastronomic offerings inspired by legendary Sicilian street food, traditional regional dishes and also international classics served in the grand hotels of the world.

Fine dining

Lively and contemporary, chef Dario Pandolfo's proposal is based on the huge gastronomic patrimony of the territory.
Nature is his inspiration. He accurately selects his raw materials sourcing responsibly from local farmers, breeders, and fishermen who prioritize seasonal and regional produce.
A natural cuisine, full of tastes and colours which, with simplicity and great technique, manages to valorise each ingredient, from the simplest to the most refined, considering everything at the same level.

Lose your gaze in beauty

Wellness & Spa

An intimate Spa, hosted in the ancient wine cellar of Le Calette, is inspired by Mediterranean materials and atmospheres. It features an advanced Thalaxoterm system, sauna, Turkish bath and dedicated areas for relaxation, massages, and body treatments.

In the summer season, the Gazebo of the witch Circe – situated like a seagull's nest on top of a rock on the sea – is the most sought-after and gratifying corner for an irresistible treatment.

Stop time

Fitness

Between the land, the sea and the mountains, sport lovers can have it all at Le Calette, starting with indoor activities in the submarine gym – with natural light coming through the bottom of the pool – equipped with state-of-the-art Technogym machines manned by qualified personal trainers. More strenuous activities like biking, kayaking, stand-up paddleboarding, snorkelling and diving are a stone's throw away from the resort.

The Madonie Park, a UNESCO Geopark just behind Cefalù, is a natural treasure chest for open-air activities like hiking on the vast network of well-equipped paths, birdwatching for rare species or exploring the forest on horseback or on a mountain bike. "Dive" into forest bathing or discover a rare species of spruce, the Abies Nebrodensis, which only grows here.

Reconnect with yourself

Services

Swimming Pool & Jacuzzi
Pool Bar & Reef Bar
Personal Trainer
Spa & Beauty
Yoga & Gym
Restaurants
4 Beaches
Tender
WI-FI
Parking
Laundry
Babysitting
Shuttle Service
Airport Transfer
E-Bikes, Kayaks, SUPs
Meeting & Event Rooms
Concierge & Experiences

Let yourself be embraced by the charm of Le Calette