



## *Wedding Ceremony*

Whether your ceremony takes place in one of the two consecrated churches (available for Catholic ceremonies only), outdoors in the **Giardino di Olive** (the original terrace of the castle), indoors at the **Ristorante di Olive** or in the **Salone della Fortuna**, every corner of **Il Borgo di Olive** has its own special charm and has been refined down to the smallest detail. The passionate restoration has brought alive a romantic medieval beauty that is told in every stone, in every fresco, and in every planting.

### *Church of the Madonna delle Grazie*

The charming **Chiesa di Madonna delle Grazie** sits near the entrance of the *borgo*. Completely restored, it is intimate, welcoming and romantic. After the ceremony, take the ancient pedestrian walkway to the restaurant and castle terraces (just like in a Fellini movie), passing the ancient stone retaining walls and floral profusion of the *borgo*.  
**Capacity: 25 (Catholic ceremonies only)**

### *Church of Sant'Andrea Corsini*

The heart of life for the local community is the **Chiesa di Sant'Andrea Corsini**, the largest of the two churches. Commissioned by the Corsini family in the mid 17th century and built at the foot of the castle, the church has a single large central nave. The frescoes and paintings that decorate the church are attributed to artists such as Andrea Polinori Pa and Miro Alvi.  
**Capacity: 120 (Catholic ceremonies only)**

### *Priest Contact*

For information on religious ceremonies or to find out about having your Catholic ceremony at one of these churches, contact the parish priest, Don Piero Grassi, at [pierog20@libero.it](mailto:pierog20@libero.it) or 0744933003.

### *Giardino di Olive*

The original terrace of the *castello*, **Giardino di Olive** offers both breathtaking views of the countryside and the imposing presence of the *Castello di Sismano*.

The stunning views— especially at sunset—offer the perfect setting for a sumptuous buffet or a sit-down dinner or lunch. At the center of the terrace, with its small ancient fountain, is a perfect spot for cutting a cake. With the castle as a backdrop, a hand wrought iron arch provides an intimate setting under which many couples have said their vows. At night, the walls of the castle are strikingly lit, providing an atmosphere of romance and drama.

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**Capacity: 120 for seated dining**  
**200 for standing reception**

### *Terrazza della Poeta*

Outside **Sala di Camino** and just below the **Giardino di Olive** is the **Terrazza della Poeta**. Its name reflects the romance and poetry of the sunset views and the colors which change moment by moment—a place for timeless photos, or a welcoming aperitif for your guests.

**Capacity: 60 seated**  
**120 standing**

### *Salone della Fortuna*

The regal cardinal red that accents walls and lights of **Salone della Fortuna**, creates a brilliant contrast with the greys of the *borgo* stone and the soft colors of the surrounding landscape. A large fireplace, lit during the winter, makes this room a warm and welcoming space for the intimate moment of your ceremony. It has a small well-equipped bar for the convenience of our guests. After the ceremony, it is a short stroll down the *borgo* lane to **Ristorante di Olive** for the reception meal.

**Capacity: 30 seated**

### *Parking*

Extensive guest parking is available in the lower main lot at the base of the castle. There are stairs leading up to the *borgo* entrance. There is a smaller, upper-level parking lot available for the wedding party, disabled guests, and catering staff.

### *Wildflowers*

We are famous for draping **Il Borgo di Olive** in the elegant simplicity of wildflowers. Depending on the season, lavender, roses, daisies, olive branches, branches of the forest, precious laurel and other gifts of nature are our materials.

With our capable and artistic in-house staff, we can take care, not only of the *borgo*, but also of the church. Of course, you are welcome to choose your own florist for your occasion.

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### *Photographic locations*

The 11<sup>th</sup> century *Castello di Sismano* provides a spectacular backdrop for dramatic and memorable portraits. You can also ask for permission to access the private internal courtyard where you can take wonderful photos, especially in front of the ancient original doors .

We always invite your photographer to visit before the event so we can showcase not only the spaces where the ceremony will take place, but also the whole picturesque setting of *Il Borgo di Olive*.

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## *Dining & Reception*

**Il Borgo di Olive** provides both outdoor and indoor dining choices for your reception. In the warmer weather, you might consider a buffet or seated dinner in the garden terrace, **Giardino di Olive**, with its spectacular views. Or you could reserve the terrace for the ceremony and celebratory champagne and move inside to our restaurant for the meal. In cooler months, a ceremony in the **Salone della Fortuna** can be paired with a reception in our restaurant.

**Ristorante Il Borgo di Olive** offers two large dining rooms:

**Sala di Olive** is a large sunlit room with delicate hand painted images of the native olive trees which give **Il Borgo di Olive** its name. One section of the room is slightly raised – a perfect place to seat a wedding party or special guests, or it can be used as a more intimate space for a smaller event. Two large French doors open directly to the **Giardino di Olive** with its magnificent panoramic vistas, making the possibility of an integrated space for larger parties. It is also connected by a set of steps to **Sala di Camino** and the kitchen.  
**Capacity: 60**

**Sala di Camino** is a large room in the taverna style with deep green walls and hand painted medallions and murals that evoke the stories of the hunts and hunting clubs for which the region is famous. A huge open fireplace stands ready to roast game. An extra-large *forno legno* (wood burning oven) bakes foccica, bread, pizza, and roasts game or special cuts of lamb and beef. The original wine presses from the castle's cantina form the bar and an early Roman stone becomes a tasting table in the wine room. **Sala di Camino** is connected to **Sala di Olive** by a set of steps.  
**Capacity: 70**

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**Capacity: 30 seated**

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### *Catering*

Our large, fully equipped kitchen is set up for catering with a dishwashing area, and an adjoining room with substantial space for prep, refrigeration and storage. The kitchen has a separate entrance with easy access and parking and also includes a staff bathroom with shower. You can use your own caterer, or we would be delighted to give you some suggestions.

## *Pre- and post-wedding parties and smaller events*

### *Enoteca Kabilie*

Located inside the *borgo* along the pedestrian promenade **Enoteca Kabilie**, our wine bar, features authentic artifacts found in the cellar of the castle and skillfully restored and repurposed. Here, as in all spaces in the *borgo*, you will find colorful medieval naïve style paintings and designs reproduced on the furniture and walls by Meg Roberts' mastery.

At **Enoteca Kabilie**, you can organize a tasting of Umbrian wines from local wineries or an evening of pizza or antipasto with local craft beers and wine. Both beautiful and casual, it is a perfect place to hold a more intimate party. For a larger event, reserve **Enoteca Kabilie** to greet your guests as they arrive, during the day before the wedding or, perhaps, for a bachelor party!

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## *Lodging your important guests*

### *Our suites and cottages*

At the foot of the castle along the internal promenade of the Borgo, our 11 suites and our cottage apartments (**Casa Verde** and **Casa Gialla**) sit like gems set on a crown. Built over 600 years ago for the workers of the castle, these spaces were used as lodging, shops, stables, and sheds. The suites are located in two buildings across the lane from each other, allowing your guests to be centrally located. Each suite is a relaxing and private space with modern amenities and an atmosphere that reflects the intimate life of the ancient *borgo*.

No suite is alike, with each restored to preserve its own peculiarities—several have sitting rooms and fireplaces, some are on two levels. Each suite is painted in a color inspired by Giotto's medieval frescos and features a larger-than-life portrait inspired by master paintings of medieval women. All of the decorative painting was done by Meg Roberts. Our website has pictures and descriptions of each of our suites and cottages under **STAY WITH US**.

### *The pool*

Hidden behind handmade iron gates, is our fan-shaped swimming pool, lounge area, and bar, surrounded by olive trees and jasmine and protected by a dense and brilliant laurel hedge. The pool is an intimate place to relax immediately after arriving at the *borgo* or to refresh with an aperitif with a few intimate friends.

The pool can be for your exclusive use, if you have reserved all of our 11 suites. Otherwise, your guests who stay at **Il Borgo di Olive** are invited to share it with our other guests at no additional cost.

### *For children of all ages*

At **Il Borgo di Olive**, children can explore safely—of course with adult supervision at all times. The railings on the panoramic terraces are also designed for safety and the swimming pool, where children often like to spend their time, is completely fenced and access is controlled.

For those holding an event at **Il Borgo di Olive**, upon request, a room inside **Enoteca Kabilie** can be dedicated to children, turning it into a setting where it is possible to have a babysitting service and also entertainment for your little ones.

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### *Overflow housing options*

We have access to several beautiful local B&Bs that sleep between 8 to 14 people. There are also wonderful hotels in the neighboring area that we can recommend.

### *Exploring Umbria*

There are more things to do in Umbria than any visitor will have time to experience! Your guests can check out our website under **EXPLORE UMBRIA** for some suggestions.

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