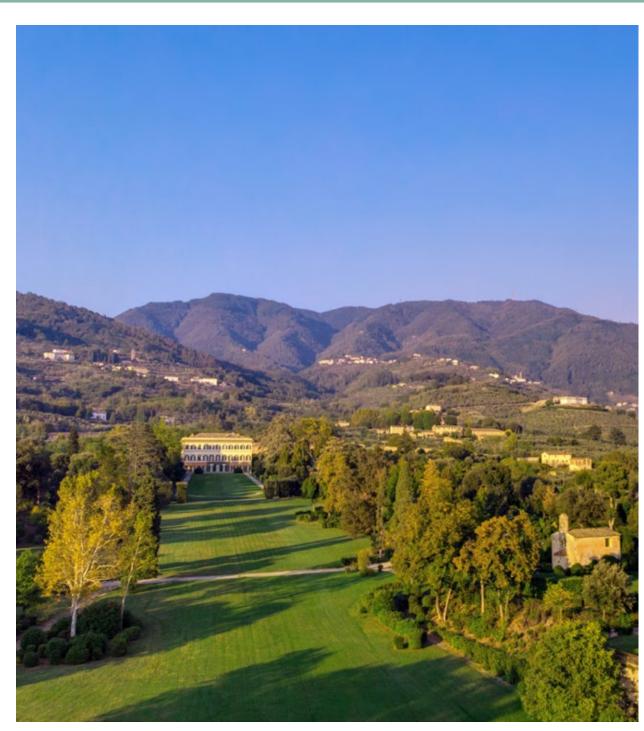
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Villa Reale in Marlia

The Villa is considered to be one of the most important historic residences in Italy. In the 19th century, the Villa was home to **Elisa Bonaparte Baciocchi**, Napoleon's sister and Princess of Lucca. Only 8km from the historic centre of Lucca, the property extends over 16 hectares and features numerous gardens, botanic rarities and impressive architecture – a striking array of points of interest.

In 2015, the new owners launched a significant programme of restoration works. Having fallen in love with the location, they took on the challenge of bringing Villa Reale in Marlia back to its former glory. A visit to the park will surprise and delight – a multitude of paths and gardens offer a huge range of picturesque viewpoints. Allow at least 1 or 2 hours for your visit to make the most of your time here and discover the gems inside the Park.



Visitor Map





The Architecture

A variety of buildings from a range of eras are located across the estate. The majestic Villa Reale and the adjacent Clock House dominate the upper part of the park, and the central area features the Chapel of St. Francis Xavier, who was the protector of missionaries. Towards the south end of the park, you can visit the nymphaeum of Pan's Grotto and the oldest building on the estate, the Bishop's Villa.



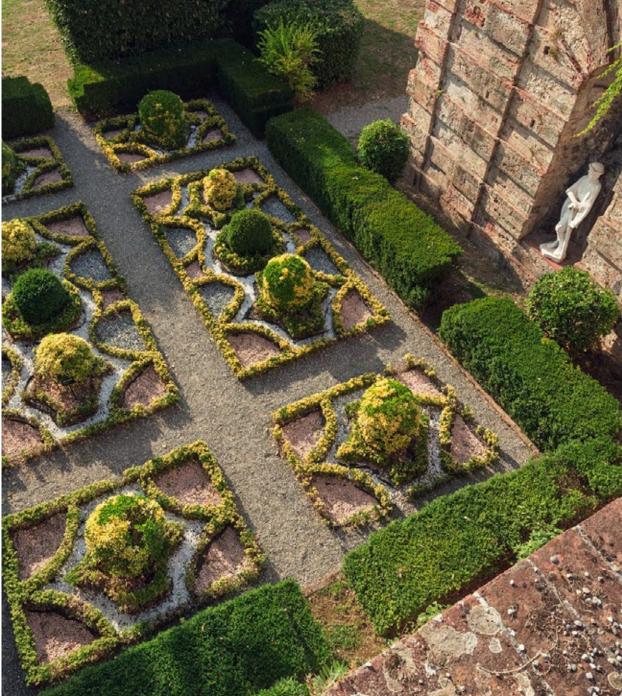


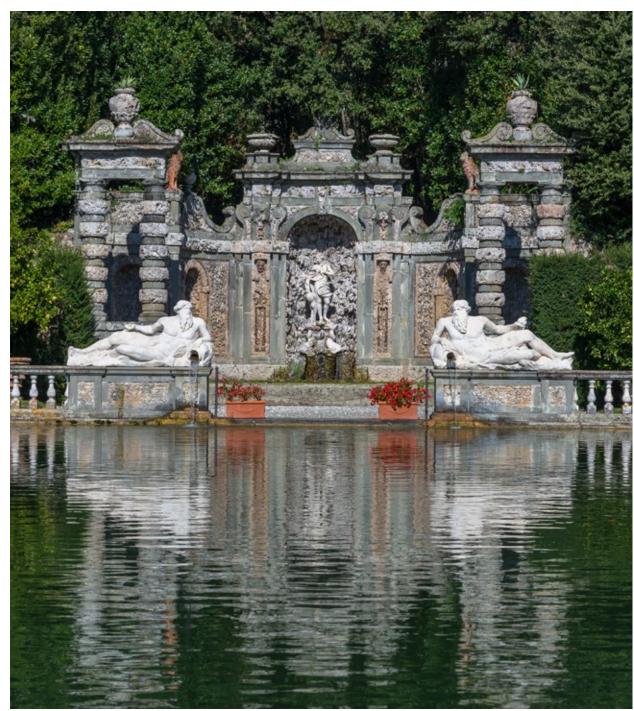
The Gardens

The park is unusual for its number of gardens and styles. Following the route around the park, you can admire the **Italian Garden** of the Bishop's Villa, the **Spanish Garden** with its visible Spanish-Moorish influences, and the famous **Lemon Garden** with over 200 potted citrus plants. At the end of the route, enjoy the spectacle of the **Green Theatre**, where Paganini entertained Elisa Baciocchi on summer evenings.









The Water Features

Another unique element of the park is the presence of water in many forms. The Camellia Walkway is flanked by an artificial **stream** which runs into the **Lake**, while a little further on the striking 1920s **Swimming Pool** offers another distinctive view. The Lemon Garden features a historic fish pond, from which you can glimpse the Green Theatre fountain. The Water Theatre is particularly lively, with its unique architectural forms and waterfalls.





The Interiors of Villa Reale

For the first time in history, Villa Reale has opened **Princess Elisa's private rooms** to the public, displaying their refined empire-style interiors. All the pieces of furniture have been carefully restored, along with marble statues, rugs, doors, with an attention to detail which will astound and delight.

Opening hours: from March to October, every day from 10:30am until 5:30pm.

Only 25 people at a time may enter the Villa.

Extra cost to visit the Villa interior: €5 per person.







The Café

This 1920s pavilion has found a new purpose as Café Villa Reale, where visitors can relax with a drink or snack in the shade in a stunning natural setting.

A perfect spot to take a break during your visit to the Villa and Park. The Café is open all day.





Useful Information for Tours

Strategic location: 8 km from Lucca - 27km from Montecatini Terme - 30km from Pisa - 34km from Torre del Lago Puccini - 77km from Florence -87km from Cinque Terre

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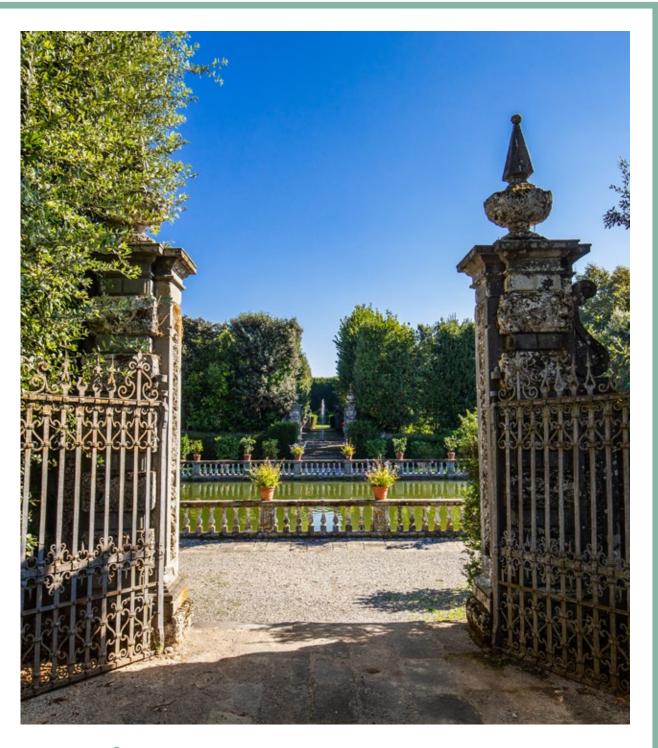
- Visit duration: usually 2 hours (with the possibility to stay longer)
- **Restaurants** with capacity for more than 40 people in the immediate vicinity

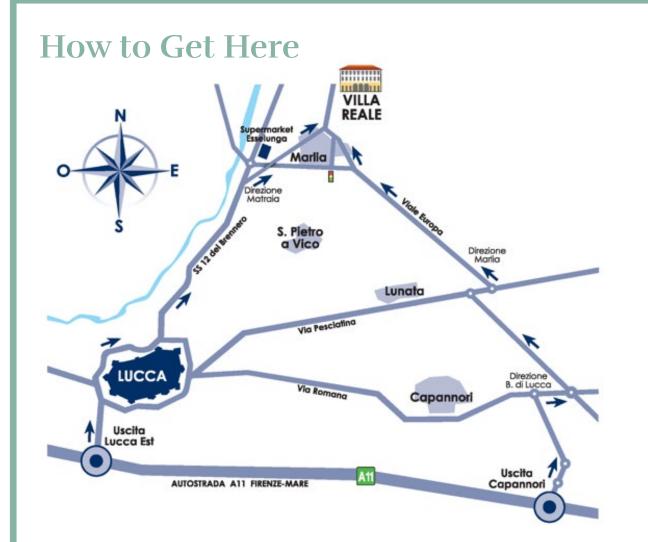
Payment in advance is possible via bank transfer, or on location in cash or by card

We provide information **brochures**, and inside the Park there are information panels in 4 languages. We also suggest downloading our **app** onto your smartphone.

Tour guide service is excluded.

If you would like a guided tour, please contact the main association of qualified **Tour Guides** in Lucca.





Opening Hours

March – October Every day from 10am until 6pm

> November – February By prior appointment only

Last entrance 5pm (to visit the park) Last entrance 4:30pm (to visit the park and the Villa) The Villa closes at 5:30pm to allow visitors to exit the park by 6pm

Dogs welcome!

You may bring a picnic with you to the park.

Prices

	PARK	VILLA	CLOCK	€ costs
FULL (Adults)	\checkmark			10€
	\checkmark	\checkmark		15€
	\checkmark		\checkmark	15€
	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	18€
REDUCED Children between 14 and 17 People over 65	\checkmark			7€
	\checkmark	\checkmark		12€
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	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	15€
FREE (Children under 14, Group guide, Group driver, Disabled people)	\checkmark		\checkmark	FREE ENTRY



























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