



Casa Mistral

Casa Mistral is a traditionally designed Portuguese luxury 4-bedroom villa + Study/bedroom, close to the sea, with amazing views to the Monchique mountains Set in over 5,500 sq metres of landscaped garden with private swimming pool, tennis court, "African" Jacuzzi house and shaded pergola seating areas.

Casa Mistral is situated just 2 km from the sea and the famous picturesque beaches of Marinha and Benagil.

Perfectly located between the resort towns of Carvoeiro and Armação de Pera, the historic central town of Lagoa and the famous pottery village of Porches, a few minutes' drive takes you to a host of local amenities and 12 major golf courses within easy driving distance from Casa Mistral some less than 10 minutes away.

Designed and built in 1992.has over 300 M² living area, double glazed windows and doors, the main lounge has a large built in log fire for the cooler winter evenings whilst large, colonial type ceiling fans provide additional summer cooling in all living and bedroom areas. Water is provided by the local mains water supply but Mistral also has its own borehole. The villa has been continuously updated and renovated such as kitchen and bathrooms.

To the left of the Lounge is the sunken, seated "conversation pit" which is set around the enclosed log fire. This area is distinguished by the Arabic pillars and arches around it that depict the Moorish history of the Algarve.

In the immediate Lounge area is seating which faces the 7ft cinema screen that will descend on command from a remote control with a TV/cinema projector housed within the Lounge furniture.

Beyond this the current Dining area has a central octagonal solid marble dining table set on a central oak bearer with matching dining chairs looking to the adjacent French windows with views of palms, the pool and the Monchique mountains beyond.

A further Lounge area has additional seating and wall mounted TV. This is adjacent to a self-contained Bar with tiled mural (see later Mural descriptions).

The first of the bedroom accommodation will be found in the "guest wing" which contained two large double bedrooms each with their own built in wardrobes and vanity alcoves.

These bedrooms share a large bathroom with bath, built in shower, wash hand basin unit, toilet and bidet.

Also on the Ground Floor is a double bedroom currently used as a study which was converted from the original garage. This was originally converted to enable the villa to be rented as a 4 bedroom let keeping the owner's suite as a separate locked unit. Any new owner has the opportunity to retain this or easily convert back to a garage unit.

Across the hallway from this room is another toilet and shower room which is used for anyone staying in that bedroom or for visitors to the house to use?

The Kitchen and Laundry room beyond underwent complete refurbishment in recent years. Built in units throughout with black solid marble worktop and central stainless steel hob ventilation give a pleasing appearance to what is a very practical working kitchen.

Sandwiched between the Kitchen and a Laundry is a separate walk-in Larder with (as you are in Portugal) the inevitable "Wine Cellar" wall as well as ample shelving for food storage.

Externally to the Kitchen is a 5m x 5m roofed barbeque with large double charcoal barbeque housed internally to the area. An 8 seater fibre glass, glass topped table provides ample summer eating facility, curtained by tall Banana Palms with fantastic views of the garden, pool and mountains beyond. A perfect way to dine and watch the setting sun!

Firstly another large Double Bedroom with built in wardrobes and vanity alcove but with a view from its windows across the palmed garden and pool to the valleys and mountains beyond.

This bedroom has its own dedicated bathroom and toilet containing bath with shower, basin unit, toilet and bidet.

The Master Bedroom is large with French windows to its own balcony again enjoying views to the garden, surrounding countryside and mountains beyond. Bird feeders on this balcony attract flocks of a very special local resident, the Tanzanian Lovebirds which have clearly escaped from a well-known local zoological attraction some years ago and now nest locally to Casa Mistral!

An archway from the Master Bedroom leads into the private Dressing Room with two walls of built in wardrobes and a vanity alcove. This room also has dedicated balcony through French windows from where there are distant sea views.

From the Dressing Room a door leads to a large and luxurious bathroom with built in circular tiled shower, steps up to a sunken corner bath, twin hand basins set in marble, toilet, bidet and the whole room (floor and walls) tiled in marble.

The Entrance and Garden

The entrance to Casa Mistral is through large, electrically operated entrance gates which open to a long, traditional calçada drive opening to a car parking area adjacent to the villa.

Trees are an important part of the garden with palms, fir and eucalyptus trees featuring in

both front and back gardens. The eucalyptuses are nearly 25 years old and some 30 metres in height making them local landmarks! The fir trees form a small forest at one side of the rear garden giving ample logs for use in the villa fire when trimmed.

The front garden has a lily covered pond with annual flowers in abundance and a host of resident frogs!

The rear garden features the 12 metre by 5 metre swimming pool which is heated and has only recently been completely retiled and renovated. At the end of the pool is the mural featured wall which behind houses the pool pump house and wood store.

Beyond the pool is the all-weather surface tennis court enclosed in its own netted area.

The garden is highlighted by palmed “islands” giving feature and character to the garden all set around extensive kikuyu grassed lawns.

However, everyone’s favourite garden feature seems to be one of the latest additions which is a 7metre by 5 metre African thatched Jacuzzi house which contains a large hot tub Jacuzzi and is surrounded by internal garden seated areas perfect for relaxation out of the hot summer sun. The “Africa House” is complete with ambience lighting and sound to play relaxing and mood music, as well as a large colonial fan in the vaulted roof. The Jacuzzi faces onto the poolside.

Probably the children’s favourite is the specifically built 6 metre, two decked Pirate ship, the Black Pearl, beached at the bottom of the Mistral land, beyond the fir forest.

Near the poolside is additionally an 8 metre curved pergola containing a full sized table tennis table enabling games to be played in the shade.

Security

Casa Mistral is a very secure and private property. The main entrance gates may only be accessed by internal TV monitored access unit or personal fob.

The entire property has an electronic security system directly connected to a central control system which is subject to immediate police or emergency service notification.

The entire property is surrounded by security fencing and where this opens to public land the fencing is of very high security nature.

Specifications

<i>BBQ</i>	<i>Borehole</i>
<i>Drive way</i>	<i>Electric entrance gate</i>
<i>Equipped kitchen</i>	<i>Fenced plot</i>
<i>Fitted wardrobes</i>	<i>Heated pool</i>
<i>Jacuzzi</i>	<i>Landscaped gardens</i>
<i>Living/dining room</i>	<i>Quiet Location</i>
<i>Satellite TV</i>	<i>Solar hot water</i>
<i>Storage / Utility room</i>	<i>Terrace</i>
<i>Wood burner</i>	