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Discover Villa Della Pergola And Its Gardens During The Summer

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Villa della Pergola and its gardens at Alassio (Italy) on the Ponente Ligurian were created at the end of the Nineteenth century: they belonged to wealthy British families, like the Scottish General William Montagu Scott Mc Murdo and the Hanbury family, and have been one of the most glamorous location on the Riviera in the Twentieth century.

The Garden of Villa della Pergola is one of the rare examples of the English garden in Italy and has been careful restoration by the landscaper Paolo Pejrone who has skilfully brought together typical Mediterranean vegetation and exotic and rare flora from further afield.

The grounds cover an area of 22,000 square metres and are home to **important botanical collections** such as over 28 varieties of **wisteria** and a unique collection for Europe of **more than 400 varieties of agapanthus**.

The Gardens are opened for guided tours that can be booked on Saturdays and Sundays starting € at 9.30 am, 11.30 am, 3 pm and 5 pm. During the week visits can be arranged for groups only.

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The tours will run through to the end of October giving visitors the chance to admire the splendid flowering of the Mediterranean maquis and the exotic species that have been introduced to give the garden its unique appearance. During the summer visitors can be delighted by the bloom of **Lotus, Water lilies, Hydrangeas, Solanum, Bigonias, Lantanas, Plumbago, Hibiscus**, and the **Mediterranean scrub reaches its best brightness**.



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The Retreat

Set in lovely gardens, **Villa della Pergola**, **Villino della Pergola** and **Casa del Sole** are all elegant masterpieces of architecture that date from the end of the nineteenth century. These include the **charming retreat** where guests staying from March to October can feel completely at home in any of its **twelve suites**, each different from the other, and each dedicated to characters who have stayed at Villa della Pergola or who have been part of the aristocratic British colony that took up residence at Alassio.

The building have a quite unique history that is in fact intimately bound up with this English community that chose to stay on this coast in the years between 1800 and 1900 as one of their favourite wintering holiday spots.



VILLA PERGOLA

The two villas (that is the Villa and the Villino della Pergola), that were **lovingly restored** by the architect Ettore Mocchetti, replicate the English Victorian residences to be found in India and in Malaysia with studiously selected furnishings and an elegant collection of Victorian and Edwardian watercolours and paintings that reflect the good taste of the *fin de siècle*.

In a secluded corner of the luxuriant garden stands the Casa del Sole, which owes its name to its fortunate position which ensures it is constantly flooded by natural light. The Casa del Sole was the preferred setting for the relaxing afternoon teas for the Dalrymple family and later for the Hanburys, both previous owners of Villa della Pergola.

The Restaurant

NOVE is the refurbished Restaurant of Villa della Pergola, it is open all year round and run by Chef Giorgio Servetto.

