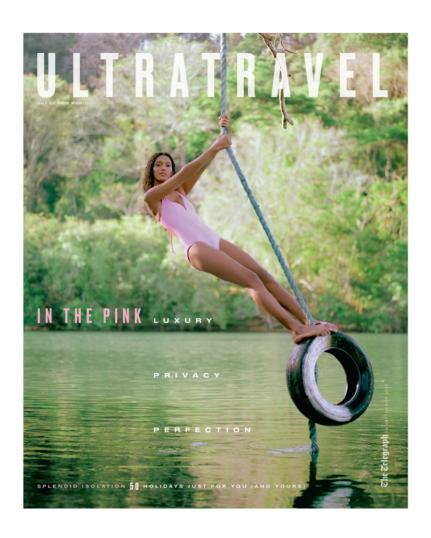
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You can feast on world-class Italian fare in a dining room straight out of Game of Thrones



CASTELLO DI UGENTO Puglia, Italy

This vast for tress at the southern tip of Italy's heel dates back to Norman times, and has been home to the noble d'Amore family since 1643. Its current proprietors and gracious hosts Massimo d'Amore and Diana Bianchi, the Marchese and Marchesa of Ugento, masterminded its €15 million, four-year restoration. The perfect blend of ancient architecture and cutting-edge interior design, the castle (left) has nine suites, professional-grade kitchens, grand entertaining rooms and an art-filled museum wing. It's now available on an exclusive-use basis and works well for a medium-sized gathering of $your favour ite\ people.\ After\ breakfast\ of\ locally\ sourced$ meats, cheeses and home-baked pastries in the cobbled $courty ard\ or\ kitchen\ gardens, you\ can\ head\ to\ the\ beach$ or shop for Pugliese ceramics and linens. Later, feast on world-class modern Italian fare in a dining room straight out of Game of Thrones, then party the night away beneath original 17th-century frescoes, with no concerns about disturbing the neighbours.

Sleeps 18 in nine bedrooms. From £7,725 per night, castellodiugento.com