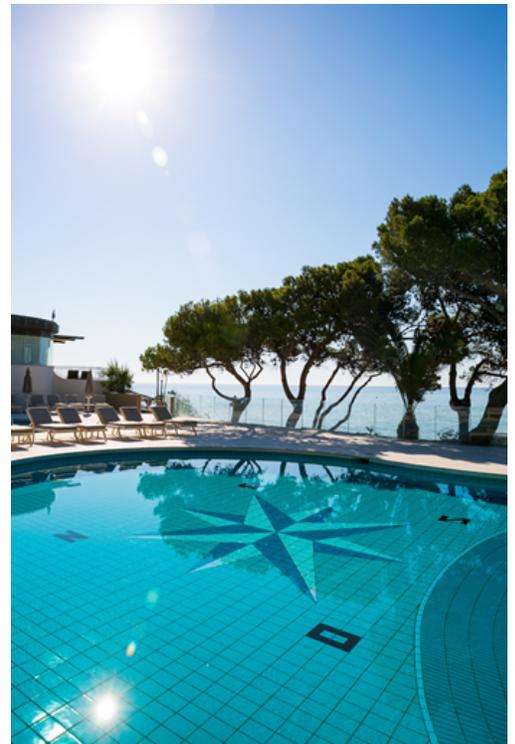




IL CASTELLO ACCEPTED INTO VIRTUOSO® Sardinian Five-Star Hotel at Forte Village Resort Now Part of Exclusive Luxury Travel Network

PULA, SARDINIA (June xx, 2017) – Il Castello, the recently renovated five-star hotel at Forte Village Resort, has been accepted into Virtuoso®’s exclusive portfolio of luxury travel partners, comprised of more than 1,700 preferred suppliers in 100 countries. According to Paolo Mancuso, Director of Projects & Business Development for Forte Village, inclusion in Virtuoso will open up new sales and marketing opportunities to the network’s more than 15,200 luxury travel advisors and their highly desirable clientele. Virtuoso agencies sell more than (U.S.) \$21.2 billion annually, making the network the most significant player in luxury travel.

“It is a truly an honor for Il Castello to be accepted into Virtuoso,” said Mancuso. “The reputation Virtuoso member advisors have for outstanding dedication to their clients is a perfect fit with our own bespoke approach to service. Now that we’re part of this renowned network, we look forward to offering Virtuoso advisors and their clients special amenities, values and experiences that surpass their expectations.”



Completely refurbished in 2016, 5-star Hotel Il Castello is an oasis of luxury, elegance and exclusive service just steps from one of the most stunning beaches in Sardinia. With spacious balconies and magnificent terraces, the 169 rooms, 8 suites and 41 luxury bungalows offer spectacular views of the sea, gardens and the mountains surrounding Forte Village Resort. The furnishings are a homage to colorful Sardinian crafts and ultra-contemporary design. Guests at Hotel Il Castello have exclusive use of a heated freshwater pool with stunning views of the Mediterranean and direct access to the beach.

Hotel Il Castello at Forte Village joins Virtuoso's collection of the finest luxury hotels, resorts, cruise lines, airlines, tour operators and other suppliers worldwide. These partners, which specialize in world-class client service and experiences, secure Virtuoso clients superior offerings, rare opportunities and exceptional value. These prestigious providers are able to market to Virtuoso clients via network vehicles and to Virtuoso agencies through multiple communications channels and events, including Virtuoso Travel Week, luxury travel's largest worldwide gathering. Hotel Il Castello at Forte Village's acceptance into Virtuoso gives it direct relationships with the world's leading leisure travel agencies in North and Latin America, the Caribbean, Europe, Asia-Pacific, Africa and the Middle East.

Il Castello guests who book through a Virtuoso travel advisor will receive the following complimentary amenities for stays this year:

- Upgrade on arrival, subject to availability
- Buffet breakfast daily for two
- \$100 USD equivalent food & beverage credit to be utilized during stay (not combinable, not valid on room rate, no cash value if not redeemed in full)
- A round of golf for up to two people, per room, including greens fees and cart rental, once during stay
- Spa access with use of Thalasso pools
- 20% discount on spa treatments exclusive to Virtuoso
- Early check-in/late check-out, subject to availability
- Wi-Fi

For more information about Il Castello at Forte Village Resort, call +39 070 921 8818 or visit www.fortevillageresort.com

About Forte Village

Nestled in a stunning natural setting on the southern tip of Sardinia, Forte Village Resort is an oasis of luxury unlike any other with an expansive selection of eight elegant hotels and nine villas spread across 120 park-like acres on the edge of a pristine Mediterranean beach. A collection of Michelin-starred chefs call it their second home and contribute to the offerings at the more than 30 restaurants and bars. Abundant in entertainment options, including an open air arena that hosts world class performances, the resort reinvents the concept of "family friendly" with out-of-this-world options that truly take it to the next level. In addition to a Children's Wonderland, a little world of happiness for younger guests with playmates like Thomas the Tank Engine™ and Barbie™, Leisureland offers teens a go-kart track, bowling lanes, and more. Academies for young and old, include cooking lessons led by celebrity chefs, a magic school, and a rich sports program, including a Chelsea soccer school. Adults will enjoy the Acquaforte Thalasso & Spa, an oasis of wellness and Sardinia's first medical spa offering state-of-the-art treatments and techniques. The resort just completed an extraordinary three-year total restyling project that touched every aspect of the resort at an investment of 40 million euros. For more information and reservations, please visit: www.fortevillageresort.com

About Virtuoso

Virtuoso® is the leading international travel agency network specializing in luxury and experiential travel. This by-invitation-only organization comprises over 800 travel agency partners with more than 15,200 elite travel advisors in over 45 countries



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throughout North America, Latin America, the Caribbean, Europe, Asia-Pacific, Africa and the Middle East. Drawing upon its preferred relationships with 1,700 of the world's best hotels and resorts, cruise lines, airlines, tour companies and premier destinations, the network provides its upscale clientele with exclusive amenities, rare experiences and privileged access. More than (U.S.) \$21.2 billion in annual travel sales makes Virtuoso a powerhouse in the luxury travel industry. For more information, visit www.virtuoso.com.

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