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Capri's
Punta
Tragara



Punta Tragara

CAPRI'S MONUMENT
TO LUXURY,
HISTORY AND
ROMANCE

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Harmoniously perched high above the Tyrrhenian Sea overlooking the Faraglioni, Punta Tragara stands as an architectural testimony of an era marked by aristocratic opulence.

Walking into the grand entrance of this magnificent hotel with arguably the best views of Capri, it is difficult to describe to anyone who hasn't experienced Punta Tragara firsthand the emotion felt of lifting the veil of the historic lifestyle here once lived. Like traveling on a time machine to another dimension, another reality.

And then your eyes adjust to the blinding blue of the sea below and swiftly glide to "the" view of Capri's legendary trio of sea giants and the Marina Piccola Bay. It is actually surreal.

Punta Tragara captures and surprises you at every turn. Luxury and nature blend in naturally and organically to capture the essence of Capri.

As a frequent world traveler this is the ultimate definition of hedonism for me: sun, sea and nature conspiring in this corner of heaven on earth.

Sculpted out of the rock face no two rooms at Punta Tragara are the same and nature reigns supreme everywhere you look. This is a place of indescribable beauty, peace and serenity and just 15 minutes walk from Capri's Piazzetta.

The décor and furnishings at Punta Tragara are ravishingly stylish in an Italian Art Deco way, yet refreshingly down to earth and eclectic with sculptures, antique, archaeological artefacts and contemporary works of art, all meticulously placed throughout the hotel: classic and sophisticated - a perfect mix of antique chic and contemporary art. Can't wait to next summer.





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Punta Tragara's history is as rich as the blue in the Tyrrhenian Sea below. In Roman Times, Punta Tragara was chosen by Emperor Tiberio to be the setting of one of his spectacular villas which was known to boast the most panoramic views of the isle of Capri. In 1920 the Lombardy-born engineer Emilio Errico Vismara chose spectacular Punta Tragara as the perfect spot to build a villa, perched high above the sea with views of the Faraglioni rocks in the precipitous, jagged landscape of Capri. He asked the renowned French-Swiss architect Le Corbusier to draw up the plans to what was to be known as the "Stracasa" ("Super-house") because it was so much more than just a regular home. I was meant to be a "refuge born and carved out of the rocks where the body, the mind and the heart could find shelter". Just before WWII Vismara sold the Villa to the Marquis Raggio di Genova who threw the most outlandish and extravagant parties and concerts ever known in Capri.

During WWII Punta Tragara was the Head Quarters of the XV flight of the United States Air Force and it was here that Eisenhower met General Clark to decide on the strategy for the assault of Montecassino. Other WWII. Other eminent guests as such as Sir Winston Churchill stayed here during the war. When Count Goffredo Manfredi purchased the villa as a vacation home in 1968, and shortly thereafter converted it into the Punta Tragara in 1973, he infused the property, already steeped in character, with an elegance and the Italian charm that has endured till today. The construction of Punta Tragara brought the modern movement of architecture to this intimate Southern Italian resort destination. Punta Tragara's softly projecting curves and lightly colored stucco provide a natural and organic contrast to the jagged edges of the dramatic rocks of Capri.

"Punta Tragara is kind of an architectural bloom, an extension of the rock, an offspring of the island, a plant-like phenomenon."





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AT PUNTA TRAGARA



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Le Monzù:

A deformation of the French "Monsieur" - a Neapolitan name given to the chefs in the courts of aristocratic families between the 13th -19th centuries





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