

Brochure promoting luxury development on Sardinia Excerpt

Le Maree - your place in the sun

The exclusive apartments at Le Maree are unlike anything else, anywhere in the world.

You'll enjoy a spectacular location on Sardinia's breathtakingly beautiful Costa Smeralda. Everything has been specifically created by internationally famous architects and designers to reflect your passions - for outstanding quality, for space, for beauty, for a unique place apart.

Welcome to Le Maree - the ultimate environment in which to relax and enjoy your success.

Sardinia - the jewel of the Mediterranean

Sardinia is one of the most fabulous islands in the world.

An incredible climate, with temperatures in the summer months averaging 26 degrees, tempered only by the refreshing whisper of the Mistral. Breathtakingly blue skies and crystal clear, emerald green seas with virtually no rainfall to speak of. An island heavy with the aroma of myrtle, arbutus, rosemary and wild juniper.

The coastline is truly magnificent - craggy volcanic cliffs, glorious white sandy beaches, secret harbours, and world-class marinas and yacht clubs.

The island is famous for its traditional festivals which sit alongside major international events such as the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup, the Smeralda Offshore Powerboat Grand Prix and the Rally Internazionale della Costa Smeralda.

In the sixties, Prince Karim Agha Khan began developing the Costa Smeralda. His vision was to build around nature, rather than across it. The imagination of his architects complemented the majesty of the landscape.

The villas and hotels formed artistic statements in their own right, and became a magnet for the rich and famous from all over the world. The style avoided obvious opulence, making use of honest local materials - granite rocks, fine juniper timbers, cotto tiles and ceramics to develop a style which reflected the engaging charm of the island's rural architecture.

To preserve his legacy, only a small number of high quality developments are now being permitted. Le Maree is one of those specially selected few.

SPECIAL LINE: The Sardinian language is closer to Latin than it is to modern Italian.