



## Palazzo di Varignana Clinches Prestigious Condé Nast Johansens Award for Excellence 2024

- Renowned for its opulent accommodations and world-class amenities, Palazzo di Varignana won the award for 'Best for Weddings, Parties, and Celebrations'
- Recognised by the judges for its architectural masterpiece and commitment to providing an unparalleled experience, Palazzo di Varignana stood out as a distinguished venue for exceptional events, grand celebrations, and dream weddings
- Palazzo di Varignana transcends traditional hospitality with 150 rooms, a 4000sqm tranquil spa, six opulent villas, and extensive wellness and sports facilities
- Guests can enjoy unique experiences including supercar drives, go-karting, vintage car tours, and more, making it a premier destination for international travellers seeking an authentic Italian lifestyle
- **Media assets can be downloaded here: <https://bit.ly/PdV>**

**Bologna, Italy, Monday 12 February 2024** — Palazzo di Varignana, a luxury Italian resort based in the Bolognese hills, is delighted to announce its triumphant victory in the 'Best for Weddings, Parties, and Celebrations' category at the renowned Condé Nast Johansens Awards for Excellence 2024.

This esteemed accolade recognises Palazzo di Varignana as a distinguished venue for hosting exceptional events, grand celebrations, and dream weddings. The prestigious ceremony took place at the Kimpton Fitzroy London Hotel, London and the award is a testament to the resort's commitment to providing an unparalleled experience for its guests.

Palazzo di Varignana is nestled on a hill with 150 exquisitely designed rooms across seven complexes, is a masterpiece of architectural integration. The resort boasts a 4000sq metres boutique spa facility with seven outdoor pools, wellness courses, bars, restaurants, and 12 meeting rooms accommodating up to 280 people. The luxurious estate also features a collection of six opulent villas, each capable of accommodating 8 to 12 people.

One of the highlights is the ornamental garden which is a proud member of the 'Grandi Giardini Italiani' network. Additionally, the Amphitheatre on the Lake is a marvel of natural engineering and can host events for up to 250 people, creating a captivating setting for memorable occasions.

The resort offers an array of high-end dining options, including the Treno Reale Carrozza restaurant, Il Grifone fine dining restaurant, Aurevo pool restaurant, Ginkgo restaurant, Trattoria Le Marzoline, and a Lounge Bar with a panoramic terrace.

Palazzo di Varignana goes beyond traditional hospitality with its extensive wellness and sports facilities which offers bespoke nutrition programmes, through its renowned in-house Scientific Director, Dr. Annamaria Acquaviva, indoor pools, jacuzzi, saunas, exclusive wellness rooms, and a fitness room open 24 hours. In addition to this, guests can expect access to squash, tennis, paddle, basketball courts, a golf practice area, and more.



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Guests can also explore the resort's farm, Agrivar, which produces extra virgin olive oil, wines, and jams, making for unique corporate gifts. The Winery is an ideal space for tastings and events, accommodating up to 30 people, all within the stunning setting of the Bolognese hills.

Palazzo di Varignana is not just a resort; it's an immersive experience with a variety of offerings, which may include experiences with supercars on a nearby circuit, owing to its location amongst Italy's motor valley, both indoor and outdoor go-karting, Vintage car and Vespa moped tours, truffle hunting, regatta galas, horse riding immersion and even hot air balloon experiences. In 2023, the resort hosted over 90 events, 10% of those coming from international clients, and 36 weddings, making the venue a perfect hotspot for all occasions.

**Vittorio Morelli, General Manager of Palazzo di Varignana, said:** *"This award recognises the excellence of our resort as a premier destination for international travellers. It reflects our commitment to offering an authentic Italian lifestyle for discerning global customers that has been ingrained in our hospitality philosophy over the years. It's a vindication of our ability to cater for almost any need and that we are open and ready to turn every occasion into an unforgettable experience."*

For more information, please visit: [www.palazzodivarignana.com](http://www.palazzodivarignana.com)

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*Note to Editors: High-resolution images, detailed itineraries, and additional information are available upon request.*

### **About Palazzo di Varignana**

Nestled in the enchanting Bolognese hills, Palazzo di Varignana stands as a captivating luxury retreat. The heart of the resort, Palazzo Bentivoglio, is a historic country castle with four traditional towers dating back to 1705, has been meticulously renovated while preserving its captivating history.

Surrounded by a contemporary stone village, the main building harmoniously blends with the natural landscape across 30 hectares. The property features 150 rooms, multiple restaurants, event spaces, and cutting-edge conference facilities. The resort also boasts the acclaimed Varsana SPA spanning over 4,000 m<sup>2</sup>, sports fields, and outdoor paths.

Beyond the resort, a visionary restoration project has revitalized the surrounding area, converting ancient farmhouses into six luxury villas. The resort's agricultural company spans 650 hectares, producing high-quality, locally sourced products. Notably, the dedication to restoring ancient olive tree varieties across 200 hectares has led to the production of globally recognized extra virgin olive oil.

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## Notable Events Nearby in 2024:

### **14 February 2024**

- Ensemble Symphony Orchestra - discovering Morricone
- [Event Link](#)

### **3 March 2024**

- Bologna Marathon
- [Event Link](#)

### **21 March - 24 March**

- Cosmoprof (hair and beauty fair)
- [Event Link](#)

### **19-21 April 2024**

- 6 Hours of Imola
- [Event Link](#)

### **28 April 2024**

- Levante | Opera Futura Live nei Teatri
- [Event Link](#)

### **9-10 May 2024**

- Béjart Ballet Lausanne
- [Event Link](#)

### **16 May 2024 - 19 May 2024**

- Formula 1 GP Emilia Romagna 2024
- [Event Link](#)

### **31 May - 02 June**

- Gran Premio d'Italia (Moto GP) - Autodromo Internazionale del Mugello
- [Event Link](#)

### **02 June 2024**

- Granfondo Dieci Colli 2024 (Cycling)
- [Event Link](#)

### **13 June 2024 - 15 June 2024**

- We Make Future - International Fair and Festival on Technological and Digital Innovation
- [Event Link](#)

### **22 June 2024 - 30 June 2024**

- Il Cinema Ritrovato 2024 (Outdoor Cinema)
- [Event Link](#)

### **30 June 2024**

- Tour de France 2024: Cesenatico - Bologna

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#### **5-7 July**

- European Le Mans Series (ELMS)
- [Event Link](#)

#### **10 July**

- Giro d'Italia Women
- [Event Link](#)

#### **2 to 7 September 2024**

- Appenninica MTB Stage Race
- [Event Link](#)

#### **8-10 September 2024**

- Imola Mostra Scambio
- [Event Link](#)

#### **09-15 September 2024**

- Davis Cup (Tennis)
- [Event Link](#)

#### **27-29 September 2024**

- Concorso d'Eleganza
- [Event Link](#)

#### **October 2024**

- Bologna Montana Bike Festival
- [Event Link](#)

#### **16 to 20 October 2024**

- Ferrari World Finals
- [Event Link](#)

#### **24 October**

- Mortadella Days (celebration of the Bologna sausage)
- [Event Link](#)

#### **24 October 2024 - 27 October 2024**

- Auto e Moto d'epoca (Classic Cars and Motorcycles)
- [Event Link](#)

#### **Over October and November**

- Bologna jazz festival
- [Event Link](#)

#### **04 December 2024 - 06 December 2024**

- Bologna Tech Week 2024
- [Event Link](#)

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