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ARGENTARIO GOLF & WELLNESS RESORT, AUTOGRAPH COLLECTION: TUSCANY'S GREEN HAVEN FOR LUXURY, SPORT AND SUSTAINABILITY

Tucked away in the rolling landscapes of southern Tuscany, where the Mediterranean light meets the verdant hills of Maremma, lies a sanctuary that is quietly redefining Italian luxury hospitality. The Argentario Golf & Wellness Resort, Autograph Collection is a statement of style, sustainability and sport — a place where nature, design and wellbeing merge seamlessly.

A Destination Where Nature and Design Converge

Located just a few minutes from the coastal village of Porto Ercole and only 90 minutes from Rome's Fiumicino International Airport, Argentario Golf & Wellness Resort enjoys a rare balance of remoteness and accessibility. The drive through Tuscany's lesser-known Maremma region is itself a prelude to discovery — a mosaic of vineyards, olive groves and saltwater lagoons untouched by mass tourism.

Set within a protected valley overlooking the Orbetello Lagoon and the glittering Tyrrhenian Sea, the resort's architecture mirrors the undulating landscape. Its design — sleek yet organic — respects the natural contours of the land while blending contemporary lines with the textures of wood, glass and stone. The result is a refined retreat in dialogue with its surroundings, where wild beauty meets cosmopolitan elegance.

Every element at Argentario tells a story of harmony: between man and nature, tradition and innovation. It is little wonder that in 2024 the resort became part of the Autograph Collection Hotels by Marriott International — a curated portfolio of more than 290 independent properties celebrated for their distinctive character and craftsmanship.



Italy's Only PGA National Golf Course

The heart of the estate is the Argentario Golf Club, home to Italy's only PGA National Golf Course. Set against a dramatic backdrop of Mediterranean macchia, ancient olive trees and sweeping sea views, the 18-hole championship course is both technically challenging and visually spectacular.

Designed by architect David Mezzacane and professional golfer Baldovino Dassù, with final shaping by Brian Jorgensen, the course opened in 2006 and soon became one of Europe's most respected golfing destinations. Certified by BioAgriCert for its eco-compatibility, Argentario has long been a pioneer of sustainable golf — practising integrated pest management, water conservation and natural landscaping long before these became industry buzzwords.

In June 2025, the resort hosted the Italian Open on the DP World Tour, marking a milestone not only for the venue but for Italian golf itself. It was the first ISO 20121-certified Italian Open, recognised for its commitment to sustainable event management. Previous tournaments, such as the Senior Italian Open (2022) and the Ladies Italian Open (2008), further solidify Argentario's standing among Europe's elite courses.

Beyond the fairways, the PGA Academy Italy — equipped with a TrackMan Ille simulator for real-time swing and ball analysis — attracts both professionals and enthusiasts keen to refine their game. Whether one is a seasoned player or a beginner, the experience is elevated by the serene natural theatre surrounding each hole: fallow deer grazing on the greens, the scent of rosemary on the breeze, and the shimmering horizon of the lagoon beyond.

A Lifestyle Defined by Wellness

Sport and wellbeing are inseparable at Argentario. The resort's Espace Wellness Centre spans more than 2,700 square metres, offering a holistic approach to fitness and rejuvenation. The facilities include a Technogym-equipped fitness centre, a bio-sauna, a Kneipp circuit, and a heated indoor pool flooded with natural light.

Outside, guests find two tennis courts, two padel courts, a small football pitch, a fitness station and panoramic jogging trails winding through the estate — all designed to encourage movement in tune with nature.

Central to Espace's philosophy is the Wellbeing Method, a tailor-made programme that combines food re-education, personalised fitness and exclusive spa treatments. Rather than offering quick fixes, Argentario's approach to wellness is sustainable, teaching guests how to achieve a balanced physical and mental state long after their stay has ended.

It is this emphasis on *awareness* — on reconnecting with the body and the land — that distinguishes the resort within Italy's competitive wellness landscape.

Culinary Excellence Rooted in the Land

Tuscany's essence is inseparable from its cuisine, and at Argentario, gastronomy becomes an extension of the region's natural abundance. The resort is home to two distinctive dining experiences: the Dama Dama Restaurant and the Club House Restaurant.

Following its 2025 restyling, Dama Dama — named after the fallow deer that roam freely across the estate — embodies sophisticated Tuscan dining with a contemporary edge. Its interiors, reimagined with anthracite-grey walls, sculptural textures, abstract artworks and a striking bronze deer sculpture, set the tone for a culinary journey that celebrates authenticity through innovation.

Chef Emiliano Lombardelli curates menus inspired by the Maremma's seasons, sourcing ingredients from nearby producers and the resort's own organic vegetable garden, which yields everything from aubergines and courgettes to aromatic herbs and melons. Each plate is a balance of artistry and integrity — refined without losing its roots.

Next door, the Club House Restaurant offers a more relaxed setting overlooking the greens, where guests can enjoy healthy yet indulgent dishes such as seafood pasta, Tuscan salads and farm-to-table classics. Both venues are complemented by the Dragonfly Bar, a playful yet elegant space featuring design pieces by Marcel Wanders and a counter illuminated like dragonfly wings — perfect for a cocktail at sunset or a quiet glass of Maremma wine.









Living the Argentario Lifestyle

Accommodation at Argentario Golf & Wellness Resort is defined by individuality and design.

At the top of the experience are the seven uniquely appointed suites, each distinct in style — from minimalist to classic, and from Oriental-inspired to boldly eclectic. These sanctuaries, complete with private terraces and panoramic vistas, are designed for those who value privacy without compromise.

For families and groups seeking even greater seclusion, the resort's independent villas — available for both rental and sale through Argentario Golf Villas — represent the pinnacle of Tuscan living. Perched on the hills overlooking the golf course and lagoon, these residences feature private gardens, terraces with hot tubs, and access to all hotel services. They also present a rare investment opportunity in one of Italy's most exclusive yet under-the-radar coastal regions.



A Gateway to Tuscany's Hidden Treasures

What makes Argentario exceptional is not only what lies within its 77 hectares, but also what surrounds it. The resort sits at the crossroads of Tuscany's Silver Coast (Costa d'Argento) — a region still largely undiscovered by mainstream tourism yet rich in natural and cultural treasures.

Within minutes, guests can reach pristine beaches, such as La Feniglia and Giannella, or sail to the islands of Giglio and Giannutri, whose crystal-clear waters are part of a marine reserve. The nearby Orbetello Lagoon, with its pink flamingos

and mirrored sunsets, is a paradise for birdwatchers and photographers alike.

The Duna Feniglia Nature Reserve offers kilometres of shaded trails through pine forests leading directly to the sea, while the Maremma Natural Park showcases wild boars, deer and an unspoilt Mediterranean landscape.

For culture seekers, day trips to Rome, Florence or Siena are easily arranged, as are excursions to charming hilltop villages such as Pitigliano, Magliano, Sovana and Manciano. This proximity to art cities, combined with the tranquillity of the Tuscan countryside, gives Argentario a unique duality — cosmopolitan yet secluded, vibrant yet peaceful.

A Legacy of Sustainability

Long before sustainability became a hallmark of luxury hospitality, Argentario Golf & Wellness Resort had already woven it into its identity. Since its opening in 2008, the property has introduced more than 300,000 new plants, restoring native vegetation and creating habitats that encouraged the return of local wildlife — including fallow deer, hares and migratory birds.

The resort's philosophy is rooted in respect and awareness: an invitation for guests, staff and the community to observe and coexist with the ecosystem that sustains them. This ethos extends across every aspect of the property — from organic cuisine and energy-efficient architecture to electric mobility and biodiversity protection.

All buildings have been designed to integrate naturally with the valley's morphology, using orientation and large windows to maximise natural light and reduce energy consumption. The resort also offers six electric vehicle charging points and encourages guests to explore the area on electric bikes by Pirelli or by golf cart — ensuring that movement within the estate remains quiet and sustainable.

The golf course, meanwhile, exemplifies how luxury sport can coexist with environmental stewardship. Argentario participates in the Italian Golf Federation's "Committed to Green" programme, adopting responsible land management and pesticide reduction practices. In 2024, the resort created small islands on its lakes to serve as safe nesting sites for birds — a simple yet powerful gesture that reflects its ongoing dedication to local biodiversity.

Argentario Golf & Wellness Resort represents a new vision for luxury travel in Italy — one that values meaning as much as material comfort. Guests come here not only to relax but to reconnect: with nature, with sport, with the pleasures of genuine Italian living.

The combination of refined design, world-class facilities and environmental integrity positions Argentario as a model for the future of hospitality. It demonstrates that sustainability need not be a sacrifice, but rather an enhancement of experience — a source of beauty, authenticity and purpose.

As dawn breaks over the Tuscan hills, the first rays of sunlight sweep across the greens, illuminating dew drops on the fairways and the silhouette of a deer at the edge of the woods. It is in these moments that the resort's philosophy reveals itself most clearly: luxury that listens to the land.

For those who seek a destination where elegance meets ethics, and where every experience is shaped by nature's rhythm, Argentario Golf & Wellness Resort, Autograph Collection, is — quite simply — the place to be in Italy.

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