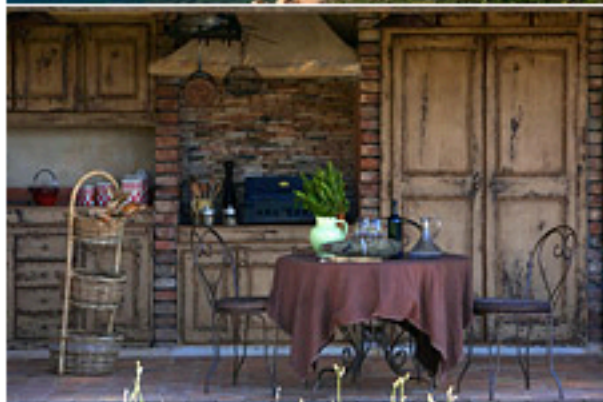
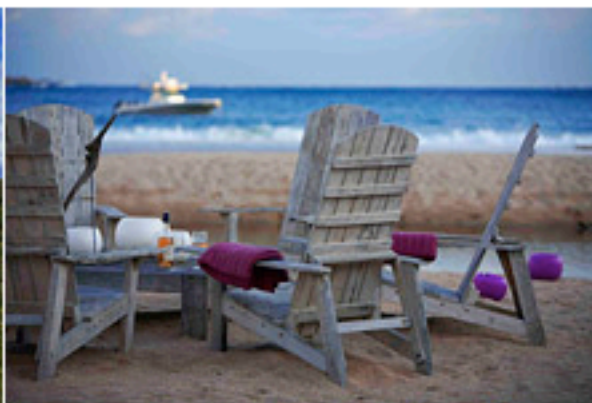


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## Corsica's Best-Kept Secret



On the stunningly beautiful Mediterranean island of Corsica, Domaine de Murtoli lies hidden on 5,000 acres of mountains, forests, and olive groves edging six miles of secret coves and glorious white beaches. Dotted with a dozen shepherds' stone cottages and a few patrician homes dating back to the sixteenth century, the property has been turned into a rustically chic small resort by local **Paul Canarelli**, who a decade ago inherited much of the land and its then ramshackle buildings from his grandfather (who begged him not to change a thing and always keep it in the family). Guests now stay in beautifully restored individual cottages of various sizes that sleep from two to thirteen guests. All have private pools cut into the rocky landscape and boast stylishly austere interiors of beamed ceilings, fireplaces, and traditional Corsican furniture such as wrought-iron beds and headboards.

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Each morning, a delicious breakfast of eggs and fresh fruit is brought to each guest's cottage. For dining elsewhere on the property, a beach restaurant serves excellent bouillabaisse at lunchtime and a candlelit grotto dining room features Corsican cuisine, like roast lamb with local herbs, in the evening. Activities at Domaine Murtoli range from lazy days on the beach to diving, horseback riding, fishing, cooking lessons, and outdoor massages under a raffia canopy. Golf can also be arranged on a top-notch course nearby. An on-site manager makes sure everything about your stay runs smoothly and is available to do marketing, deliver morning newspapers, and make bread runs to a local bakery.

Rates at Murtoli start at €2,200 a week for a cottage for two in June and September, €3,000 in July, and €4,400 in August; [murtoli.com](http://murtoli.com).

—*Richard Alleman*

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