

Hotel Desenzano, the manager makes cycling tourists feel at home

Modern facility, elegant ambience, family atmosphere and a bike hotel equipped with all the comforts, this is what has made the hotel in Desenzano sul Garda, in the Province of Brescia, a second home for many tourists who have relied on the hospitality of the Caccamo-Tonoli family for more than 30 years.

Can you stay in a luxury hotel and feel at home at the same time? At Desenzano sul Garda yes, you can. "Whether guests are here for a relaxing holiday or a business meeting, you always have to offer them something new and assist them with everything they need," says the owner of the Hotel Desenzano in Desenzano sul Garda, in the province of Brescia, a second home for many Italian and foreign tourists for over 30 years. Situated in a quiet area, a five-minute walk from the old town of Desenzano del Garda and the train station, the 4-star hotel is a modern facility with 40 rooms where the elegant setting is a backdrop for the family atmosphere that you sense in every corner of the hotel.



The Hotel is entirely family-run which is the key feature of their hospitality. Owned by the Caccamo family for more than 30 years. "Our mamma can do everything," Elena smiles. "From the kitchen to the reception of guests, from the accounts to running the housekeeping, she supervises all activities. I alternate between reception and the kitchen, where I take care of the menu together with chef Gabriele. My brother Giuseppe is our point of reference for everything related to logistics, technical maintenance and the organisation of conferences."



Two generations united by the ability to welcome every type of tourist, investing continuously in the Hotel and adapting to changes, as Elena explains: "We started as a hotel for conference tourism but over time we have expanded the service to overnight stays with breakfast and all-inclusive packages for foreign tourist groups (British especially)." Business tourism has proved to be the

Hotel's speciality. "In the 1990s we hosted conferences every day because there were very few hotels that specialised in this type of hospitality," Elena points out. We created four multifunctional conference rooms, modular and equipped with sophisticated technological equipment and efficient soundproofing."

And the investments have driven innovation at the Hotel Desenzano: "In 2007 we enlarged the swimming pool area to include a sundeck, we created a new dining room and renovated the breakfast room with an extensive opening veranda as well as all the Hall. In 2010 we renewed the decor of almost all the bedrooms and two years ago we set up a free gym complete with the latest equipment. This year, finally, we modernised 12 superior bedrooms. A hotel with all the comforts, then, where attention to the needs of the customer and knowledge of the local area make all the difference, and this is real added value for tourists who want to enjoy a unique experience on Lake Garda. "We can organise every aspect of the day, recommending itineraries of any kind - cultural, gastronomic and artistic," says Elena. "We can offer activities from the Lake to the hills and the mountains and we are one of the first bike hotels of Basso Garda to have obtained the endorsement of the Province of Brescia." The hotel has a covered, enclosed area, with video surveillance, in which guest cyclists can store their bikes. "We also have the necessary equipment for both routine maintenance and extraordinary work on bikes, with an area equipped for cleaning, degreasing and lubricating the bikes," Elena concludes. "We also offer rental services and we are of course happy to suggest cycling tourist routes of various levels of difficulty."

