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A RENAISSANCE VILLA 30 MILES FROM ROME

Those who fancy holidaying in a former seat of a prince of the papal state, in the Sabine Hills above Rome, should contact Lady Arabella Lennox-Boyd. Her Renaissance villa and childhood home is available to rent from May to October. Affording magnificent views from the summit of the medieval village of Oliveto, Palazzo Parisi is surrounded by 7.5 acres of productive olive groves and, thanks to Arabella's penchant for landscape design (for which she has won awards), a predictably enchanting garden with three secret shady areas for relaxation, an infinity swimming pool and extensive lawns leading to a former family chapel. The accommodation includes seven huge bedrooms (to sleep ten adults and four children), six bathrooms, a billiard room (with a library of English books), a day room, a salotto decorated with 18th-century frescoes, ancient labyrinthine wine cellars and a 21m-long loggia for dining alfresco. The villa, which is perfect for family gatherings or a large house party, has a resident Italian cook, two maids and a gardener whose services are included in the rent - which, depending on the season, ranges from some £6,000 to £8,000 a week. Visit www.palazzoparisi.com, or call 020 7931 9995

