

TRAVELWEEKLY.COM.AU – Bendega Rato

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The screenshot shows the Travel Weekly website interface. At the top left is the 'tw' logo with 'TRAVEL WEEKLY' underneath. To the right is a dark banner with an orange heart icon and the text 'Earn. Travel. Live. More.' followed by the 'TravelManagers' logo and tagline 'All individuals as you are'. Below this is a navigation bar with a search icon and links for NEWS, EVENTS, TW EVENTS, JOBS, AGENT ZONE, DISCOVER, ABOUT TW, ALOHA, SUBMIT A STORY, THE NIBBLER, and a LOGIN button with a user icon. The main content area features a large image of a villa entrance with a wooden door and lush greenery. A blue 'HOTELS' tag is overlaid on the image. Below the image, the text reads: 'VILLA REVIEW: VILLA BENDEGA RATO, REPRESENTED BY WWW.ELITEHAVENS.COM'. To the left of this text is a date stamp '16 SEP 2019' and a small Facebook icon. To the right of the main image is a vertical stack of two promotional banners. The top banner is for 'Best Mobile Travel Advisor Network 2019' featuring a large orange trophy icon and the 'TravelManagers' logo. The bottom banner is for 'MTA MOBILE TRAVEL AGENTS' with the tagline 'The mobile travel business that works for you...' and a list of benefits: 'No ticket issue fees', 'Use the GDS you know', and 'Free 24/7 emergency helpdesk'.

Villa Review: Villa Bendega Rato, represented by www.elitehavens.com

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MOVE OVER HOTELS – IN BALI, IT’S ALL ABOUT THE VILLA STAY NOWADAYS. IN PART THREE, WE REVIEW A CLASSIC VILLA-STYLE PROPERTY IN THE HEART OF BALI’S EQUIVALENT OF BYRON BAY: VILLA BENDEGA RATO.

First impression

A subtle entrance lays off a laneway that can be easily missed but for a beautiful wooden antique double door that oozes style and character – typical for this area of Bali.

Upon entering, guests are immediately greeted with a view of the pool, sunbeds and umbrellas that shriek, “Guess what guys, you’re on holiday – time to chill out!”.

The furniture and styling fuses modern Balinese with a touch of Nick Scali-esque design. Everything is super-sharp in its appointment and quality.



Location

Oh Canggu! For those that don't know, Canggu is a fusion of Byron Bay, Surry Hills, Fitzroy, and Margaret River all rolled into Bali's topical setting.

If your clients are regularly Bali bound and have never been before, you simply must amend their travel plans away from Seminyak, Kuta and Nusa Dua to take in some genuine Balinese spirit, great food and cut-price designer shopping... without the crowds of bogans.

Villa Bendega Rato lies in the centre of Canggu – just a few minutes away from the main drag known as Batu Belong. The street is lined with great cafés, restaurants, bars, boutiques, and a pot of gold for surfers awaits at the end in the form of Old Man's and Tugu Rights.

The rooms

This a classic family villa, self-contained with three rooms overlooking the pool as a central feature.



The rooms all feature sumptuous double beds that are as comfy as they are huge. During the late afternoon, the villa staff turn down the beds and drop the fly nets well before the mossies come out to play.

All rooms also include ensuite bathrooms that are bigger than most Sydney units, as well as their own balconies overlooking the modest gardens and elongated pool.



Drinking and dining

As is often the case with villa stays, Bendega Rato comes with its own in-house chef who will cook and prepare meals for your guests.

Grocery shopping is done on your behalf at a small charge on top of the actual cost, as per the receipts. However, with so many eateries within metres of your villa door, temptation can get the better of you.

Billy Ho, The Slow and FishBone Local are highly recommended for fine dining, Deus, The Lawn and Old Man's can't be looked past for casual food or cocktails, while breakfast is a must at Zin Café, Superfood the Organic Café.

Villa features

With a 18-metre long pool, all the common areas in the villa evolve around water pursuits. Shriill screams of kids playing and bombing are commonplace.



For guests with young ones, the villa is well-stocked with plastic cutlery, plates and glasses, so little mishaps aren't an issue. If there is a spill, then the villa staff appear from the shadows with a smile and a mop to alleviate any concerns.

There is an integrated sound system that connects to your favourite music streaming service, WiFi throughout and a media room for movie nights. Meanwhile, the Elite Haven concierge team will organise any other requests such as transfers, dinner bookings and tours.



Verdict: 9/10

Everything in the villa is top notch from a quality perspective and for a very happy family holiday, Bendega Rato is nigh on impossible to beat.

The location is second to none and quite frankly puts the cherry on top of a very delicious cake... all that remains is for you to gorge upon it.

For more information on Villa Bendega Rato and rates, click [here](#) or visit www.elitehavens.com.

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