

LA TORRE DEL SARACINO RESTAURANT

VICO EQUENSE (NA) - ITALY



Credits

Category: Hotels&Restaurant
Client: Torre del Saracino
Location: Vico Equense (NA) - Italy
Architect: Sabrina Masala
Photographer: Raffaele Maglione
Type of work: Exterior Lighting
Lighting Design: Filippo Cannata
Lighting Design team: D. Panarese
Completed: 2010

In the enchanting scenery of the Gulf of Naples, a few steps from Capri, Positano, Pompeii and others among the most famous Italian tourist places, Vico Equense is set like a diamond in a beautiful bay of Sorrento. Inside, Marina di Equa with the historic Saracen Tower of Capo Rivo, watchtower of the defensive system of the place, provides more than a few occasions of wonder. The signs of the local colours and textures, the blue-gray of the sea, the stones of the beach, the weaving of the ancient walls, these are the elements on which we focalised in giving form to our intervention. In the attempt to re-establish a dialogue with nature mortified by the building speculation, we tried with good results to recreate those scenes so rich in detail in a particular installation that recalls the specific colours of the area and enhances the typically Mediterranean tones and nuances. The red colour of a light which is warm like the sun of the South reduces its intensity and turns into the blue which merge with the colours of the sky and the sea and then, at night, covers the tower with a silver veil representing a breath or a caress given by the quiet and gentle moon. The light guides the viewer into a dimension of synesthetic enjoyment which gives body and colour to the flavour of the dishes, and makes possible an experience of "immersion" in a state of complete comfort and total satisfaction.