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## Caitlin Moran's Celebrity Watch

well as a media room and chic open-plan kitchen and dining room. Or Belforte, a historic house in the province of Siena, which has a rustic feel but has been fully renovated and includes an indoor spa. It is on the market for €1.195 million with Savills.

have been British. "They like the hassle-free aspect and the on-site facilities. They have a home when they are here and we look after it when they are not." Prices start from €78,000 for a share of a one-bedroom home.

Farther west, towards the city of Grosseto, is the resort of Terre Gialle.

International for  
€4.9 million

buyer is entitled to stay in the apartment for four weeks of the year.

Combining hi-tech and eco-friendly features with rustic beamed ceilings, the homes feel Tuscan yet have a modern look. They also have terraces that overlook a lake and Tuscan-style exteriors. Once the first seven homes have been sold,

much a property will rent for per week. Some large houses can get €10,000 to €20,000 a week. It gives people comfort and people love that Tuscany has that eternal appeal."

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## Get the look Tuscany style



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