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# AREA AND SURROUNDINGS





# THE HOUSE







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# SHOPPING EXPERIENCE

*For a day of shopping we recommend*

## **Cantina Burlandi**

It is located on the square of the village Elmo, a fraction **Pianacce**. The winery sells products of Fattorie dei Cavalieri (Burlandi & Scalabrelli) including local wines such as: Rosso della Casa wine, a Rosso Toscano, an aged Sovana Superiore, a fruity white Vermentino but also grappa, olive oil, various sauces, appetizers, jams and delicious ready meals.

## **Azienda Agricola Ercolani**

The entrance to the farm is on the left of the Elmo-Montebuono road, immediately at the junction for Poderetto.

**You can find all kinds of products including** salami, ham, fresh sausages, lamb ribs for the grill (rosticciana), pork chops, porchetta (roast pork), cheese (pecorino cheese) and much more, you can also ask for it under vacuum to take home.

## **Shop of the village in Elmo**

It is located on the street of the village, is the red house to the right of the village bar. In the shop you can find all kinds of products: groceries, sausages, cheese, fresh milk and every day from 10 onwards fresh bread, sandwiches, baguette (whips), household items, and even linen.

## **Sovana**

A beautiful old town for shopping you can find: a grocery store, sausage factory, bakery, wine shop.... but also a pottery shop for souvenirs, writing tools, leather goods and jewelry. The shops close on Saturdays around half past seven. The small grocery store of Sovana (it is also open on Sunday morning - as well as the Coop of Pitigliano. But only in summer). You won't find the bank or the pharmacy, but there is a gas station and a garage.

**Attention:** if there are three or more buses in the parking lot, it means that the city is crowded!

# SHOPPING EXPERIENCE

## Pitigliano

The old town where you can find shops and restaurants is located after the hotel Guastini on the left through the entrance to the village. There are two parking spaces where you can park your car one in the square and another a little further. Once parked you can go to the central square where you can enjoy the best ice cream in the place. If you go straight on, beyond the downhill path passing the garage, you will find some houses at the bottom, on the right side there is a cooperative shop where you can buy wine and cheese (also vacuum for the return trip). If you prefer to buy basic necessities there is the Coop Supermarket that is located beyond the climb of the village, always continue uphill to the right along the road until you find on the left the Total ERG distributor, continue to the hospital on the right and until the next square of the Park.

Driving along the sloping driveway to the parking lot there is another supermarket Punto Sma, which is therefore located just behind the Coop. In the same area there is also a bar for sandwiches, ice cream, sweets and much more. On Saturday morning there is also the possibility to park at the Coop.

In the same area there is also the **Farm Ercolani** with typical products of the company, including freshly baked pork!

In front of the Agip gas station in the square there is a hardware store and a pharmacy while on the left in the direction of the hospital, there is the Francardi glasses and photo shop with glasses from Gucci to Armani, at the end of the season you can find discounts up to 50%. if you are looking for beautiful souvenirs, here you will also find both cheap and fashionable jewelry of a higher price range.

Every Wednesday morning in Pitigliano there is a food market that ends at 12:30. To reach the market: after the hairpin bend do not follow the road that goes to the left but you have to follow a straight road, steeply sloping past the cemetery this road leads straight to the edge of the market.

## Sorano

Around the square of Sorano you will find shops, a bar, a good baker, hidden near the stationery shop/ newspaper. Here you can buy the typical Ricotta Cake and also a selection of cookies including: the Ugly but Good (the name indicates that they are ugly but very good). High quality soft and sweet. If you prefer the crunchy variant: there is the bakery of Sorano, here there is also another delicacy: ricciarelli (delivery to this pastry shop arrives Tuesday or Saturday). In the historic center shops, wood and leather goods, ceramics... Antiques is located by Walter Montanini in Piazza Busatti... Friday morning: market in the square in the upper town, there is also the farm Ercolani with his truck! From this place also the pharmacy! Just left on the road leading to the square. in a new pavilion a footwear market with a wide choice of walking shoes and sports shoes brand. The store of the local cooperative: wine, salami, cheese, ricotta, grappa... right of the access road before entering Sorano, under the garage, in a rocky cave. Two banks (with ATM) on the market square, gas station/no card.

# BAR - PUBS – RESTAURANTS

## Farm

- **Locanda della Picciolana**, Tel. 0564-635349. Pension Restaurant with local specialties and pizza. From the road in the direction of **Grotte Cavalieri** descend steeply to the right

## S. Martino sul Fiora

- in the direction of Saturnia, you will find **La Terrazza**, a very good pizzeria with cheap prices. You can see the preparation of the pizza that you do in the restaurant, behind a glass plate, very nice to look at especially for children. Unfortunately it has no terrace.

## Sovana

- **La Tavernetta** pizzeria, trattoria: good pizzas, vegetable stew with egg for the freshest times, roast pork shank with baked rosemary potatoes. In the dining room inside there is a fireplace that warms up during the winter.
- **Taverna Etrusca**, refined restaurant very good with a nice large terrace and a kind of veranda for lunch.
- **Two bars**: one in front of the church by Roberto: **Bar Taverna Etrusca**: also small dishes, good ice cream while next to the square, immediately to the left, there is the bar **L'Antica Sovana**.
- From **Sovana to Sorano**. **Location Pian della Madonna 19: there is Pizzeria/Focacceria La Dogana** [www.agriristoroladogana.com](http://www.agriristoroladogana.com) **/la dogana/** - for our customers 10% on all courses. There are pizzas on the menu! - 200 m from Casa Le Coste!
- Between **Sovana and Sorana** on the connecting road: you will find the **farm Sovanella only** with reservation: 347-5024279. From Pitigliano continue towards Sovana at the junction for Sovana and Sorano turn right towards Sorano. After about 800 m you will find **Sovanella on the left**.

## Sorano

- **Talisman** Pizza and more... above Sorano, towards S.Quirico.
- **Fidalma** in the historic center, large hall suitable for weddings and always in the historic center **the Locanda dell'Arco** Brewery.
- Agriturismo **'Il Vecchio Fienile'**, Citerno Vecchio 13. Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday, dogs allowed Tel. 0564-638787. 0339-5794724.
- Restaurant **La vecchia Fonte**, refined Italian cuisine. Telephone 0564-619015 in **San Quirico**



# BAR - PUBS – RESTAURANTS

## Pitigliano

- **Il Tufo Allegro.** very small. restaurant hidden in the cellar in tuff stone. Excellent cuisine, Italian cuisine, closed on Tuesday.
- Al Duomo: **Osteria del Ceccottino**, good Tuscan cuisine.
- In **San Giovanni delle Contee** you will find Osteria delle Contee, *a good restaurant, in two rooms on the back, with a chef who also cooks to order. Very crowded on weekends,* closed on Tuesday. Via C.Bologna 10. Tel. 0564/638603.
- **Castell'Azzara, La Tana dell'Orso**, new restaurant, local cooks, Via Veneto 4. Tel. 0564/951547.
- **The Rigo** Tra Castell'Azzara and Selvena Restaurant closed on Saturday open on Sundays and holidays, with local dishes based on wild boar and mushrooms - and with fish dishes. High price range.

## Selvena

- **Osteria della Rocca.** Family run business with excellent local cuisine - if you're lucky grandma will cook, for example the fantastic ravioli with homemade butter and sage! Pizza also is tasty and huge. Closed on Wednesdays.

## Santa Flora

- **Trattoria Al Barilotto** in the Old Town, good grilled dishes - good rustic. Inexpensive
- Restaurant **Il Ritrovo del Ghiottoni**, good place with fish dishes.
- In **Castel del Piano**, a very good and cheap restaurant '**Da Venerio**' Piazza Rosa Tiberi G. Carducci, 18, 58033 Castel del Piano (GR) (corner via Dante Alighieri). Telephone 0564-955244.

## Trevignano

- Restaurant **Da Gianfranco**, Piazza Bourbon Del Monte, Tel. 0763-717042

## Acquapendente

- Restaurant/pizzeria: **La Ripa, Il Pugnalone** (historic restaurant).
- **Il Borgo. Trattoria Toscana**, Piazza N. Sauro 5. Tel. 0763-711220 (good local cuisine at reasonable prices).
- Farm: **Il Boschetto**, on the road that leaves the SS Cassia towards Proceno.
- **Restaurant Buonomore** - on Via Cassia towards S. Lorenzo Nuovo.

## Lake Bolsena

- **From Giggetto**, Loc.Montesenano - 01010 Gradoli (VT), Beautiful place directly on the lake, on the shore Riva Lago Gradoli ( in the direction of Capodimonte on the country road) tel. 3406743037 | 3406733821.Monday, day off.
- Very well located is also the Purgatory.From Lake Bolsena Continue towards Capodimonte.



# BAR - PUBS – RESTAURANTS

## On the Corso di **Bolsena**

- Piazza Dante Alighieri, a pavilion on a pier in the lake: **Trattoria Del Moro**.
- On the beach of San Lorenzo Nuovo: **Restaurant Filoni**.

## **Marta**

- Good **Trattoria Ernesto** directly on the lake
- Restaurants **Girasole and Da Otello** (both high level)

## **Montefiascone**

- Good food in the Restaurants **Dante and Morin Casa**, both refined and the excellent **Pizzeria Ivaldo**.

## **Capodimonte**

- Trattoria/Pizzeria **Bisentina with** refined cuisine
- Restaurant **La Vela, and on the promenade La Barca, Riva Blu**

## **Tuscania**

- Un ottimo Ristorante **Kyathos, Via della Rocca, 31 - 01017 TUSCANIA (VT)** tel. +39 0761 776788 - +39 342 0060722, Monday closed.

## **Ischia Castro**

- **Restaurant Ranuccio 2** very good, refined.

# BAR - PUBS – RESTAURANTS

## Saturnia

- Trattoria **I due Cippi**, family-run business with Tuscan cuisine, beautiful summer terrace. Good grappa of the honey house - Piazza Vittorio Veneto - closed on Tuesday.
- **Bacchus and Ceres**, cozy wine bar with traditional Maremma dishes, Via Mazzini 4 - Tuesday day off.

## Scansano

- **Maria**, in Pereta. 10 km from Scansano, typical Tuscan cuisine
- **La Tana di Lupi**, 1 Km from Scansano: rural restaurant with local specialties and game.
- **The Grottone** in the historic center (historic center). An old cellar, enlarged, with large terrace and garden with fountain for children to play.

## Roccatederighi

- Typical Maremma **cuisine in** Da Nada, beautiful view, Via Trento13, Tel. +39 0564 569450 - Cell. + 39 334 849 7908;
- Quality fish and pizza dishes are available at La Conchiglia, **Via Roma 24**, 0564/567430

## Civiltà Marittima

- Tuscan cuisine, good wine list at **Locanda del Cassero**, Via del Cassero, 29/31.0564 90060 Tuesday Closed. Recommended reservation

## Sassofortino

- Restaurant/ Pizzeria **Da Momo** family run with a wide choice, V. Cavour 16, 0564 569701. Closed on Monday.

# EXCURSIONS





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## *Hiking guide*

- **The villages of the tuff in Val Fiora:** once you arrive in Sorano in the historic center on the left there is an information office or in Sovana you can find another information office for more information about this excursion. You can also buy travel guides in the bars located on the square of **Sovana**.
- **The Etruscan cave routes:** You will see them already from the road or you can also follow the directions on the guide. On the road there is a very nice path along the excavations with a view of Sorano. Park your car at Chiesa San Rocco on the left.
- Another beautiful landscape in the tuff you will find in front of the serpentines that climb to **Pitigliano**. (the parking lot is on the right). On Via Cava per Sovana you will find the picturesque ravine of San Sebastiano, very steep (not recommended for those suffering from vertigo) is located on the left of the road from Sovana towards Saturnia, after the tomb of the Siren (the slope path, to the Church of San Sebastiano). While in **S. Quirico** you can visit the rocky village of Vitona, with over 200 caves.
- **Art garden:** The sculpture garden of the Italians is located between Elmo and Montebuono on the mountain with a fantastic view of the sea. There are works by the artist Mario Mondani. If you want you can contact Mr. Burlandi in Elmo-Pianacce (see purchases: Cantina Burlandi) to make an appointment with the artist based on availability.
- **Monte Amiata:** The highest mountain in Tuscany, extinct volcano with 1738 m of altitude, offers beautiful hiking trails and the summit offers a wide panoramic view. There are many stands and bars, a winter sports area with ski lifts and hotels. At Easter there is often still snow.
- **Santa Fiora:** On the southern slopes of Mount Amiata, probably the most beautiful place in this region
- **Palazzo Sforza Cesarini:** a Renaissance palace. At the city park located you will find the Peschia of the 18th century; while La Fiora is in a park where there is a pond with swans.
- At the **Terme di Saturnia**, baths all year round in the hot sulphurous springs. There is a spa complex with a hotel. For those who prefer nature there is free admission, can go to the Paths to the Gorello Waterfall. Just past the village of Saturnia in the upper right is the sign 'Terme di Saturnia'. Take the road to the spa and go straight ahead, there is a gas station on the right, the road then turns left, always straight and at the end you will see the cars parked on the edge, large parking spaces on the top left and right, right there is the natural waterfall. It's an exciting adventure. Then at the restaurant the "Two Stones" of Saturnia.

# EXCURSIONS

- **Bolsena**, on Lake Bolsena (the largest Italian lake of volcanic origin: 114 square kilometers and 146 meters deep) there are beautiful coves with sandy beach, with black-silver lava sand, the old town with the castle offers a magnificent view. Visit the village market every Tuesday morning, on the edge of the old town.
- **On Bisentina Island** in the Lake (privately owned by the Princess of the Dragon) there is an Italian Garden with a lush native and exotic flora. Departure from the port of Bolsena.
- **Civita di Bagnoregio** "the city that dies", 10 km from Bolsena, medieval city.
- **Viterbo**, beautiful for shopping on the street of the "Corso". Fashion of all styles and price ranges. Also here you can find a thermal bath: Thermal complex and large thermal pools.
- **In Bagnaia**, 5 km east of Viterbo, Renaissance garden: "Villa Lante".
- **In Bomarzo**. 15 km east of Viterbo. Uscita Attigliano. There is the "park of monsters». The garden of the stone monsters was the Garden of the pleasures of Count Orsini of the sixteenth century.
- **In Caprarola**, 19 km southeast of Viterbo de Villa Farnese: a palace that dominates the city. the garden is a masterpiece of Italian garden art.
- **Park of Monte Rufeno. Natural park near Trevinano - people here meet in summer for a barbecue, pleasant environment.**
- **Orvieto**, historic center in a fantastic location, with a magnificent Cathedral.
- **Scansano**: market every Friday morning.
- **Grosseto**, about an hour by road, every Thursday there is the large market (until noon) near the city walls: Piazza del Mercato. Park at the city walls.
- **Rome**, about 2 hours driving. Highly recommended parking under the park of Villa Borghese in the city center, guarded. Then you can take a bus or taxi to the city center. (City map at the last gas station before Rome.) Or by car to Orvieto. to the train station parking and train to Rome (about 1 hour, see p. 14 for departure times). There are also daily buses from Bolsena to Rome and Siena.
- **Tarocchl Garden**, the sculpture garden of Niki de Saint Phallen, southeast of Capalbio.
- **Siena** after about 1.30 hour, park your car before entering the city gates, free of charge. Or by car to the city center, for example in the multi-storey car park "Il Campo", convenient parking near the historic center. The city is wonderful to visit.
- **Monte Oliveto**. On the way to Siena a trip to Monte Oliveto Maggiore. Visit the monastery and the beautiful church then Restaurant "**La Torre Monte Oliveto**". You sit wonderfully on a large terrace, enjoy good food and then walk through the forest to the monastery. Tuesday the restaurant is closed! Telephone 0577-707022.

# PARTIES - FESTIVALS - MARKETS

- **In Sorano:** in June there is usually a week of festivals open while towards the end of June do not miss the **Magnet Festival**. The Ham Festival usually from mid-August to the end of August. There is a market in the streets and in the fairgrounds both at lunch and dinner time the village men serve with long aprons, barbecue, gnocchi, tortelli... and local dishes are offered. Appetizers and dishes but also red wine and from a white barrel you also taste beer.
- **Market exhibition** in mid-August. Arts and crafts, jewelry and antiques, many typical products. Every second Sunday of the month: Antiques Exhibition in the historic center.
- **San Quirico di Sorano** in August: Pogo **Festival**, last week of August, The Beer **Festival** instead falls a weekend in early August.
- **San Giovanni delle Contee: Spring** Festival with music and typical products - in May.
- **Montebuono** 1 May: Feast of the **Madonna del Cerro** - Village festival and religious festival.
- **Pitigliano: Le Cantinette**: Between the end of August and the middle of September the Cantinette are open on weekends. In the city the glasses are distributed at the entrance of the old town, in the cellars you can taste several red wines and food is served to accompany the wine. At the end of the old town on a small square tables and distribution of the delights of the city: Bruschette, Sausages and beans, grilled... and wine, all accompanied by the music of an elderly accordionist.
- **Market of Pitigliano. Market Square, September 29.**
- **Manciano:** Strawberry Festival, Marliana, last Sunday of May.
- **Montepulciano:** 1st May: Feast of the Madonna del Cerro.
- **S. Fiora**, International Festival of classical music, concerts and master classes: from July to September.

Generally in **August** there are many festivals both in Elmo that Castell'Ottieri, Montevitozzo, Sovana etc... ; In **September** there are the village and religious festivals in Sovana, Montorio and Montebuono. Other announcements and tickets for concerts, theater and opera performances in the open air, the castle of **Sorano and Pitigliano** but also the outdoor cinema in Pitigliano for information you can go to the tourist offices at the entrance of the historic center of Sorano and Pitigliano.



## WINERIES - CANTEENS - WINE SHOPS

- **Scansano**, The Morellino of Scansano. a wine of character with a fruity aroma of sour cherries, to be purchased at the winery Sellari Franceschini in the district of Gaggiola, Via Marconi 63 or in the Locanda Fosso dei Mulini.
- **Enoteca Scansanese** in Via XX Settembre, 15, 58054 Scansano GR, Italy Tel. 056 450 7263. Wine tasting, snacks and appetizers. A nice typical restaurant with great service.
- in **Montalcino**, the 'Brunello di Montalcino' in "Talenti, Podere Pia di Conte" on the main road under Sant'Angelo in Colle "Poggione" in Sant'Angelo, Al "Col d'Orcia" near the train station, or from "Agostino Pieri", you can find this company with five kilometers inland from Orcia.
- In **Montepulciano**, here the Vino Nobile di Montepulciano, you can find it at "Poliziano" or "Contucci" in Piazza Grande or at "Boscarelli", a winery between Cervignano and Acquaviva.

# WINE TASTING

- **Tasting** 5 € per person - wine tasting + bruschetta, crostini and other products of the company.
- **Snack** € 10 per person - tasting of red wines and other local specialties, products of the company.
- **Villa Corona:** a winery in the hills around Pitigliano Corano, where excellent wines are produced. You can taste wine and Tuscan specialties, with registration! And a 10% discount for our customers! Wine Vines: in Villa Corano, Loc. Koran, 58017 Pitigliano -GR- Tel: 0039.0564.614464 Mobile: 0039.349 5016047.
- **Fattoria Grotte:** a farm with sheep farming, vineyards and olive groves. They make their own production of cheese and different types of grappa. **Farm of the Knights** Loc. Grotte dei Cavalieri, 58010 Sovana-GR Tel. 0039.0564.615935 Cell: 0039.3478899273. For both is required telephone reservation, no later than the day before.
- **Fattoria Aldobrandesca, Antinori Agricola** - one of the most renowned wineries in Italy, if not Europe. Top quality wines for a great purchase of all wines. Loc.Scansanaccio, Sovana aldobrandesca@antinori.it Tel. 0564 615907
- **Scansano: Enoteca Scansanese** in Via 20 settembre 15. Tasting of Tuscan wines, specialties and appetizers of all kinds. A nice typical place with great service!



# VISIT THE MOST BEAUTIFUL PLACES





# BATHING ESTABLISHMENTS - SWIMMING POOL - SEA - RIVERS

## Establishments:

- **Lake of Bolsena.** The best route to reach the establishments is to go towards Sorano, San Quirico, Gradoli, then turn right towards Capodimonte to the lake. When you arrive at the restaurant: From Giggetto turn left on the paved road, you reach the path along the shore with small bathing bays lined with reeds. Between Restaurant Da Giggetto and the next bar, Purgatorio there is a beautiful, large bay with shade under the big trees, in front there is a bar with terrace. Also suitable for small children.
- For dog lovers: dogs are not allowed on the beach in this bathing bay. Further on towards Capodimonte there are larger wild beaches where you can swim with your dog.

## Swimming pool :

- You will find a swimming pool with a beautiful view of Castell'**Ottieri in Montorio Sorano at the Hotel/ Restaurant La Botte.** Open: from 15 June to 15 September. The closest swimming pool to Pitigliano.

## Sea: It's about 1 hour drive.

- There are two ways:
  - First option: The road to Pitigliano, Manciano, in Albinia. Direction Porto Ercole, then briefly on the freeway towards Grosseto and immediately again towards **Porto Ercole, Porto S. Stefano.** After the campsites there is ample parking. Short walk through the pine forest to the long open beach with dunes.
  - Second option: Drive north from Albinia towards Grosseto to the beach of the Maremma National Park: Marina di Albarese. There is a large shaded car park (guarded and for a fee), stands with ice cream and drinks and a 15 km natural wood beach. The landscape is very suggestive. In the summer months admission is subject to a fee. Parking tickets must be purchased in advance on the outskirts of Albarese at the Visitor Center of Albarese. In case of overcrowding, the parking lot will be Closed. ( other tickets are issued only at the exit of the car from the parking, so the waits can reach up to an hour or more) Dogs are not allowed on the beach here!

# BATHING ESTABLISHMENTS - SWIMMING POOL - SEA - RIVERS

**River (Fiora)**, suitable for dog lovers: From Sovana follow the road towards Saturnia to the winding towers of a gravel plant.

- Directions: From Elmo, coming from the direction Montebuono, turn left towards Poderetto, continue to follow the road to the valley, at the stop of Elmo, you enter the road to Saturnia, and then turn right in front of the dirt road you will find the parking lot for the river bathing area, you can also take a little dirt track and then park on the left. If you cross the gravel road on the bridge, you will see on the right the natural bathing area, the mixture of rock and clay slabs, sometimes more sometimes less, but a whirling waterfall of water. Quite quiet depending on the season, it is the cleanest point where the extraction of drinking water takes place. In spring, the waterfall swells into the mountains and floods the surrounding area. With dogs you can swim in the lower part. In the colder seasons you can walk pleasantly even on Fiora, and collect stones.

## *Other information:*

- Nature park tours, guided hikes: also in this pavilion. Latitude south of Torre Collelungo Sandy beaches, steep cliffs!
- Other in Sorano. Canino in Montalto di Castro, continue on the provincial road **Marina di Montalto**, wide long and lively beach. On the beach there are also some street vendors. But there are restaurants, old pizzeria with a lot of variety of pizza also to take away.
- From Montalto to Tuscania immediately after the small village sign Le Murelle, turn right on the natural open beach. Fine seafood restaurant right there: Le Murelle, you can sit at the tables directly by the sea in the evening. In front of the restaurant there is a well-kept area with umbrellas and sun loungers. Tel. 0766/802828 or 380/3424684 - [www.lemurelle.it](http://www.lemurelle.it)

# SPA - THERMAL BATHS - SULPHUROUS

## Thermal baths, hot springs and sulphurous:

- The nearest is Saturnia but you will also find near **Acquapendente: I Bagni San Filippo**
- **In Sorano** the old sulphurous springs were discovered and enlarged, up to Saden and Kuren. Sorano - opened since the end of 2006: the Terme di Sorano. Around the ancient Terme di Filetta there is a small and elegant spa village and there are 2 thermal pools, thermal showers, massages, and you can also make wonderful walks in the woods around the Terme. It is located between Sorano and Pitigliano, if you are in the upper part of Sorano in the upper part of town continue towards Pitigliano. If you are in Pitigliano in the lower town, head towards Sorano - you will see the parking and the sign: Terme di Sorano.



# SPORT

- **Bike rental:** At the junction between Sorano and Elmo. Follow the curve that goes up to Elmo from the provincial road Sorano - Sovana. Idea Trips for rental also of Minibus with driver for families - groups to the railway station. In Montebuono - at Elmo in via Provinciale, tel.335 76 15 602 Mr. Biaggi. In Santa Fiora, "Ceccarelli", Via degli Olmi 12. Tel. 97 81 90. Or Abbadia San Salvatore. Bike and Bike". Via Adua. Tel. 77 64 89.
- **For a nice ride:** One option is the farm Plan' della Madonna at the intersection of the provincial road Sorano-Sovana, Departure from Pitigliano. The farmer Letidio Stefani offers guided horseback rides along the ancient Etruscan paths through the countryside. Also: Riding Anxiety near the Castagneto Valley.
- **Tennis : In Pitigliano** the courts are right in front of the COOP (\* for information on how to get to the COOP see the shopping page). There you can directly ask for the playing time. Another Possibility: to Acquapendente. Request the "tennis court" in the village.
- **Golf:** There are golf courses at the Terme di Saturnia, north of Grosseto in Gavorrano: Il Pelagone in Punta Ala, also north of Grosseto and Tarquinia: Marina Velica.

# IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

## Hospital:

Pitigliano, upper town, same direction Supermarket: "hospital"

## Doctor:

In Pitigliano above the parking lot after the city gate. Bastion Street 2, **Dr. Stefano Paoli** (surgeon: doctor and dentist! ) Very nice young doctor. Studio Tel. 0564-617025, casa Tel. 0564-614244.

## Dr. Laudani:

The studio is next to the **Elmo** bar *in the* direction of Pianacce, open on Tuesday morning office hours, otherwise you can contact the number: 0564-633094. Mobile phone: 03333065389

## Veterinarian: Dott. Napes

his surgery is between Sorano and San Valentino, Podere **Tollena**.

Drive from Sorano towards Castell'Azzara, after about 4 km turn right towards Onano, after a few meters there is an iron gate always on the right, the entrance of Podere Tollena. It is advisable to contact the office to know the opening and closing times Tel. 0330/731476 or 0564/633686.

**Dr. Claudio Fratangeli.** in Acquapendente (**VT**), 79. Località le Grazie. Telephone: 0763-733032

**Dr. Gian Lorenzo d'Alterio**, 01010 Farnese (VT), Via della Circonvallazione, Tel: 0761-43121.

# TRAIN TIMETABLES

Here are the departure times of the trains to/from Orvieto and Rome. (Rome Termini station)

**\*Opening hours are October 2022**

Train	Departure	Arrival	Duration		Train	Departure	Arrival	Duration				
	<b>ROME</b>	<b>ORVIETO</b>				<b>ORVIETO</b>	<b>ROME</b>					
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Regionale Veloce	7:28	9:21	1:53		Intercity Notte	05:00	06:00	01:00				
Regional	7:28	8:43	1:15		Intercity	05:20	06:15	00:55				
Regionale Veloce	9:00	10:48	1:48		Intercity Notte	05:48	06:48	01:00				
Regional	9:00	10:14	1:14		Regionale Veloce	05:54	07:13	01:19				
Intercity	10:30	11:43	1:13		Intercity Notte	06:04	06:58	00:54				
Regional	13:00	14:49	1:49		Regionale Veloce	06:57	08:21	01:24				
Regionale Veloce	13:00	14:20	1:20		Intercity	07:31	08:26	00:55				
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Regional	15:09	16:56	1:47		Regionale Veloce	11:20	12:48	01:28		ORVIETO	ROME	
Intercity	15:40	16:43	1:03		Regionale Veloce	13:25	14:46	01:21	Intercity	19:29	20:42	01:13
Regionale Veloce	17:12	18:28	1:16		Intercity	14:10	15:30	01:20	Regionale Veloce	19:38	21:25	01:47
Intercity	18:16	19:21	1:05		Regionale Veloce	15:25	16:56	01:31	Regionale Veloce	21:25	22:56	01:31
Euronight	19:04	19:57	0:53		Regionale Veloce	17:25	18:50	01:25	Regionale Veloce	23:25	00:45	01:20



## WHAT TO PAY ATTENTION TO

- The standard is very high but certainly not automatically expect the same standard from your holiday home. You are in Tuscany! And sometimes it's not all that perfect since you chose a country house. The furniture is rural and the supplies recall the rurality of the place (the bathroom, the kitchen, the dishes...) Cooking and enjoying good food here is more important than cleaning but the houses are obviously clean and tidy. In the Italian style.
- Tuscany also means: lush nature. Although the windows have mosquito nets, unfortunately they do not close the house tightly. There are also sometimes spiders, ants, centipedes, crows, bedbugs (avoid contact!), there are scorpions (please do not panic, they are harmless like spiders). Just grab a broom and shovel and put them in front of the door.
- There are scented candles or sprays that you can use to ward off insects and mosquitoes. Dog owners should definitely think about tick repellent! Ticks love dogs in Tuscany!
- There may also be snakes or worms and even vipers in the woods. To be safe for both adults and children, when walking in the wild woods, in the undergrowth use stronger shoes, sports shoes or trekking. In the river Fiora there is also a water snake spends a lot of time in the water, where it catches fish and amphibians, which it then devours once it reaches the mainland. The females are much bigger than the males, but neither is to be feared, as it is a harmless and not poisonous animal.

*All information in this brochure has been carefully studied, however we do not assume any responsibility for the correctness of the information.*

# DISCOUNT CARD 2023

*You will receive a discount in the following shops and restaurants upon presentation of this brochure or Discount Card*

## **Elmo di Sorano**

- Simona Minimarket: 5% discount on all purchases - Via di Centro 31

## **Pitigliano**

- School Books and Toys Gio: 8% - Via Marcori 5

## **Corano**

- Cellar Villa Corano: 10%

## **Poderetto**

- Fattoria Andreino Ercolani: 5% - Poderetto 3% Restaurant La Locanda della Picciolana: 15% - Poderetto 20%

## **Sovana**

- Fattoria Aldobrandesca.Loc.Scansanaccio, renowned winery: 10% for all wines,
- Letidio Stefani equestrian centre: 15% - Pian della Madonna, Pizzeria/Focacceria
- La Dogana: 10 % - In the same way Pian della Madonna

## **Sorano**

- Mario Sunnini shoes market: 8% - Via G.Garibaldi 11

## **Capodimonte**

- Boat rental La Bussola: 10 % - Lakeside promenade

## **Piansano**

- Outlet (knitwear) Bassoon: 7% off factory prices - Via S. Lucia 192

# WHAT TO BRING WITH YOU

- Candles in case of power failure (for thunderstorms, short-term power outages) - Be careful not to leave them on if you leave the house!
- A socket of southern Europe, not available in all homes (at ADAC and in specialized stores - or on the market in Italy)
- Definitely a warm jacket. It can always be cold at night. It is advisable to take with you both in the spring, especially at Easter, and for the autumn more sweaters, long pants, heavy socks and a scarf to play it safe and protect you from the wind!

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO BE KNOWN AND RESPECTED

- Tap water is drinking water. (This does not apply to all beach resorts.) Water may not come, but most homes have an emergency water pump to provide extra water. Attention to water consumption especially during the summer months.
- If possible, do not leave several electrical devices or radiators in operation at the same time. Most homes have only 3 KW/h, but some have a 0.5 kW/h fuse. So once used always turn off appliances. In Italy, waste is not collected in every house, but it is necessary to dispose of it in bins for separate collection. Put the garbage in plastic bags according to the directions of the separate collection (garbage cans are placed on the municipal road) and throw them sealed in garbage bins placed outside the main gate on the municipal road. You can put the larger pieces next to it and they will be picked up. Glass containers are available in the village of Elmo or in car parks.
- Watch out for sewer pipes. Do not throw sanitary napkins or toilet paper or other items in the toilet! Especially if they're old houses. Otherwise the toilets freeze and the sewer water comes out. To unlock the lock you need the intervention of the bathroom technician and takes care of the clogged toilet with additional costs to your charge.
- If you are travelling longer and you are out of the apartment for a longer or shorter time, we ask you to close the umbrella and bring sun loungers and seat cushions covered in fabric.
- Energy costs are significantly higher in Italy. You should consider this when considering additional costs in colder periods and use central heating sparingly and carefully otherwise the additional costs will be high.
- The owner of the house is happy if you take the hose and water the plants in hot times. The fruits of the garden are available to be chosen and enjoyed.
- The house with pool, requires maximum attention and supervision of children for their safety and you must be careful that your children do not throw stones or soil or leaves in the pool, even for your own interest. Otherwise the pump may overload and stop working. And also in this case it may be necessary the technical intervention to get the pool back in operation, so we ask the favor to be careful not to change the settings. Do not set the fountains to the highest level so that the pool does not overflow!
- When changing the pool water please do not turn off the pump. If you turn off the pool can make the water come out like a lake, and then the water turns green. and it takes three or four days to drain the pool to clean it and fill it with new water. Until you complete the filling cycle you will remain without pool! (unfortunately experience).

*That's all about information. But don't forget, no matter how careful you are: holidays are also adventures as Bettina Grabs says.*



# TAKE YOUR PETS WITH YOU : ADVICE AND INFORMATION

- Your pet needs a European pet passport with a valid rabies vaccination to enter the country. the minimum 30 days and must not be more than 12 months. Identification by microchip or tattoo is also required. It's mandatory to wear a leash and muzzle. This is an Italian law on pets, so you must comply with all the laws in force in Italy on animals.
- Dogs are generally not allowed in restaurants (by law), you should always ask before going to the chosen restaurant if there are seats outside or if sometimes the property of the restaurant accepts it. Please always ask in advance before you go.
- Exceptions made, always upon request to all restaurants. If you leave your pet at home, it always leaves a window to give air to the rooms. If you leave it in the car, leave a window slightly open to give air to the animal and make sure the car is in a shady place, this solution is definitely more comfortable for the animal.
- You need to be aware of the possibilities to bring your pet with us - even the caterers (if you ask them to leave the car briefly when we visit the restaurant) - is generally very accommodating. Unfortunately this solution is the result of an agreement with the restaurant and the fact remains that in Italy pets are not allowed in the restaurant. Too bad, but it is a reality that we need to know!
- Pets are generally allowed on free beaches and officially must be kept on a leash. The laws of individual municipalities have the authority to decide whether in August, dogs may not be allowed on free beaches. For example there is a beach for dogs in Marina di Grosseto, between Le Marze and Fuori Rotta. A little further away in Piombino there is a seaside area Baratti, in the seaside area Loc. Perelli. near Livorno, the beach of Felciaio near the Rotonde dell'Ardenza and the municipal beach of Ardenza, near Cecina and Castagneto Carducci.
- Inland it will not be safe for the dog there are many stray cats running free, stray dogs, sheep (beware: ticks) and sometimes especially at night there are wild boar - and other free animals.
- NEW. If you are planning a tour without your pets, you can request a home dog sitter/trainer (for more information contact us)

## OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- It happens that we are told by the owners of the house that the dogs are obviously on the sofa or on the armchair or even in bed where you sleep, or that they bathe in the shower or in the bath, or that they leave their needs in the garden. This is not allowed and the owner must pay attention to the respect of the environments.
- **Warning:** Failure to comply with this rule will be charged to the owner. Please think of the families and dog owners who come after you. Some houses in fact no longer allow pets this is due to the bad experiences detected by the owners of houses and then become holiday homes "without dogs".
- **A tip:** your friend is sometimes allowed to sit on the sofa of his own home, and therefore, in our absence does, there is no need to teach him not to do it in other homes. That is why at night it is advisable to always cover all seats with magazines, books or anything else so that you are not at all tempted to sit on sofas or beds.

*Thank you and enjoy your stay!*



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<https://www.visittuscany.com/it>

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<https://www.viaggiando-italia.it>