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Siamo qui da secoli. Vi aspettiamo. Messaggio dal Paese più bello del mondo.

Il settore del turismo ha sofferto più di tutti della recente pandemia. I lockdown, le chiusure dei confini, il crollo del reddito disponibile, nel momento in cui scrivo potrebbero ispirare solo depressione. Ma stiamo invece parlando dell'Italia.

La meta preferita per secoli dai viaggiatori. Infinite volte sfidata da guerre, carestie, epidemie e infinite volte tornata ad essere **il Paese più desiderato al mondo**.

Dopo ogni notte ci sarà una alba, e a ben guardare i segni possono essere già colti anche oggi. L'analisi dei big data di internet mostra l'Italia come prima destinazione ricercata in milioni di interrogazioni online. L'offerta del nostro Paese è immensamente vasta per tesori naturali e culturali. Siamo il **Paese con il maggior numero di Siti**

UNESCO Patrimonio dell'Umanità. Se fossimo un museo saremmo il museo più grande del mondo. Se fossimo un ristorante quello con la cucina più apprezzata. Se fossimo una spiaggia quella meglio attrezzata al mondo.

Montagne, foreste e boschi, laghi, colline paesaggi unici contraddistinguono l'Italia. Ma tutto questo poi è reso unico dalla gente. Meglio, dalle genti. Per millenni la penisola fu meta di migrazioni e popoli del nord o del mare si installarono apportando nuove culture che andarono a creare l'Italia.

E adesso caro visitatore **ti aspettiamo orgogliosi della nostra Italia**, accoglienti, e decisi a offrirti una esperienza unica che nei secoli milioni di viaggiatori hanno ricercato. Dopo la pestilenza del Medio Evo arrivò il Rinascimento.

Where® è qui per svolgere la sua missione di guidare i viaggiatori alla scoperta dell'Italia, anche nel nuovo Rinascimento.

A presto!

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WELCOME TO ITALY



Now, we're ready to show you the most beautiful country in the world.

The recent pandemic has severely affected one of the linchpins of the global economy – the tourism industry. The current lockdown, closing of borders and drop in available revenue at the time of writing this editorial could be very depressing, but remember we're talking about Italy: a favourite destination of travelers for centuries. Throughout history, our country has been affected by war, famine and epidemics, and each time it has risen from the ashes to once again become **the most desirable tourist destination in the world**.

Every night is followed by a new dawn, and if you look carefully you will see some signs of this. An analysis of the Internet's Big Data sets shows that Italy is the first holiday destination in searches by millions of Internet users. Italy's wealth of natural and cultural treasures is unrivaled. Our country boasts **the highest number of UNESCO World**

Heritage Sites. If Italy were a museum, it would be the largest museum in the world, if it were a restaurant it would be notable for having the world's most-widely appreciated cuisine, and if Italy were a beach, it would be the best equipped in the world. Mountains, forests and woods, lakes, hills and unique landscapes are only some of Italy's most distinctive features. However, all of this is made even more unique by its people. For millennia, the peninsula was a destination for migrants, and people, from all corners of the earth, settled here bringing with them the different cultures that resulted in the creation of Italy.

So dear visitor, it is with pride that we have met the enormous challenge of the pandemic, and **are now, once again, waiting to show you our Italy**. We are here to welcome you with open arms to offer you a unique experience that millions of visitors have enjoyed for centuries. Remember the plague in the Middle Ages was followed by the Renaissance!

Where® is here to fulfill its mission of guiding travelers on a voyage to discover Italy, especially during this new Renaissance.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

The Publisher

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WHERE NOW | HOT DATES

MOZART UNDER THE STARS THURSDAY 6

The grand finale of the summer season of the renowned Santa Cecilia Academy

Orchestra and Chorus brings together these world-class musicians, along with celebrated soloists, in the evocative outdoor setting of the PDM's open-air Cavea. Maestro Carlo Rizzari takes the podium to direct an all-Mozart program.

The first half of the concert features four stunning vocalists performing Mozart's rarely heard *Nocturnes*. In the performance's second half, the *Sinfonia Concertante* and the *Sinfonia n. 36 "Linz"* fill Rome's night sky with the glorious melodies and harmonies that could only come from Mozart's pen.

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HOT DATES

The hottest month of the year also offers numerous unmissable concerts for music lovers of any persuasion.

ANNA NETREBKO AND YUSIF EYVAZOV

THURSDAY 6 AND SUNDAY 9

2000 years ago, Romans flocked to Circus Maximus to watch thrilling chariot races. Today, and this summer in particular, the venue has been transformed into an open-air concert hall for operas, symphonic performances, and other events. The most anticipated date on the calendar this month is a dual recital by two of the opera world's most celebrated stars, real-life couple soprano Anna Netrebko and tenor Yusif Eyvazov. The pair perform a homage to Rome, with music by Puccini, Verdi, Dvořák, Mascagni, and more. The concert will be accompanied by the Teatro dell'Opera di Roma Orchestra under the baton of Jader Bignamini. Lehar's operetta *The Merry Widow* and Rossini's iconic *The Barber of Seville*, both in concert version, are also on the program this month. [operaroma.it](#)



PINK FLOYD LEGEND

THURSDAY 27

You may have missed your chance to see Pink Floyd perform live by a couple of decades, but it's not too late to live your dream. Attending a concert by Pink Floyd Legend, the number one tribute band for the immortal progressive rock ensemble, is the next best thing. On occasion of the 50th anniversary of *Atom Heart Mother*, Pink Floyd's fifth studio album, they present all the original arrangements, sounds, lighting, and effects that have become legendary, as well as special guest appearance by Pink Floyd back-up singer, Durga McBroom. Don't miss nearly 40 years of rock history condensed into an unmissable two-hour show. [Auditorium PDM Cavea](#). [auditorium.com](#)



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Discovering Italian Landscape

The variety and beauty of its "landscape" is what makes Italy unique. This term is not always easily translatable but relates to the environment and the many ways in which man has transformed it, during its multi-faceted history. The result is a combination of nature and art that delights the eye and the heart.



Villa del Balbianello, Lake Como

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The Italian 'Lake district'

Over the past few years, due to the influx of Hollywood celebrities, Lake Como has become the most famous of all the lakes. An almost uninterrupted sequence of villas, each with its own landing stage, decorates the banks of this idyllic lakeside resort. However, Northern Italy also has two other famous lakes that attract visitors from far and wide: Lake Maggiore and Lake Garda. The former is more tranquil and shadier, while the latter, so vast that it looks like a still sea, is more vibrant and windier. Its expanse of water and the diversity of the countryside make the area a real outdoor recreation ground. Como, Maggiore and Garda combine to form one of the most enchanting splashes of scenery in Northern Italy. Garda, in particular, is renowned for its fabulous citrus fruits and DOP olive oil.

Mantua, the city of the Gonzagas

Though less well-known than Venice or Florence, Mantua, a charming city situated in Northern Italy on the banks of the River Mincio, is packed with art treasures. Governed by the Gonzaga family for four centuries, from circa 1300 to 1700, this Lombard city experienced its maximum period of splendour during the Renaissance, when its most famous masterpieces were executed. A renowned patron of the arts, Isabella d'Este, the Marchesa of Mantua and the wife of Federico Gonzaga, summoned

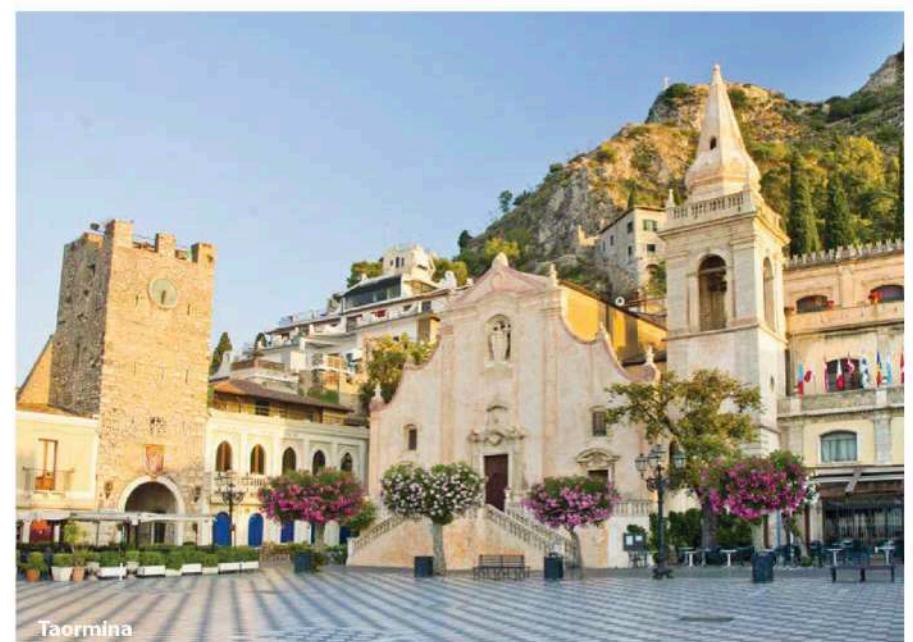
artists like Titian, Perugino, Leonardo da Vinci and Correggio to her court. Inspired by his mother's passion for collecting art, Federico II invited Raphael's pupil Giulio

Bologna, the university of Italy

Built in 1088, most historians agree that the University of Bologna is the oldest university in the world. Thanks to the continuous turnover of students from all over the world, from medieval times to the present day, this university has made Bologna a vibrant city from many aspects; cultural, creative, artistic and social. It is therefore not surprising that many people relate to the words of Giosuè Carducci, one of the most important Italian poets, who wrote in 1888: "I love Bologna; for the faults, the mistakes, the follies of my youth which I committed here, and which I cannot regret, but I love it more because it's beautiful." Must-visit sights include the historic centre with its porticos and towers, streets and markets, and main square with the enormous Basilica di San Petronio. Its hilly surroundings are also breathtaking.

Portofino, home to the 'piazzetta' and mysterious villas

With its narrow streets leading down to the sea, pastel-washed houses and crystal clear waters, Portofino is the ideal harbor. It is therefore no surprise that since ancient



Taormina



Tuscany



Matera

times, this beautiful coastal village has been a highly sought-after holiday destination. And, even now, with its 'piazzetta', Portofino is a reference point for international tourism. Although its hotels are astronomically priced, a drink by its yacht-filled harbor, or a stroll around its designer shops can be easily enjoyed on a day trip. There are many anecdotes about the town which was used as film set for the Antonioni/Wenders movie 'Beyond the Clouds'. One in particular concerns Villa Altachiara. Its first owner, Lord Carnarvon, who financed the expedition that led to the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb, is said to have brought the 'Curse of the Pharaoh' upon himself. He died shortly after the tomb was opened and his villa became a site of sinister, inexplicable happenings...

There's Siena, with its unmistakable square. There's San Gimignano with its sixteen towers and Pisa, whose one and only tower is unique throughout the world. Ultimately, there are Tuscany's cities and art, its man-made artifacts and its vestiges of history. Above all, there's the lyrical landscape with which Tuscany continues to enchant both Italians and foreigners. There are gently rolling hills, cypresses, sunflowers, narrow winding streets and stone houses scattered around the countryside. The Tuscan experience is bound to win over your heart. However, if you haven't had your fill of marvels, stop at San Galgano, the abbey with the sky for a roof! Ah, the wonders of Tuscany!

Tuscany, the Italy that everyone dreams about

There's Florence, boasting the magnificent works of Michelangelo and his marble statues.

Forte dei Marmi: the sea of Tuscany

In addition to being the birthplace of a queen (Paola Ruffo di Calabria, the Queen Consort of Belgium until 2013), Forte dei Marmi is the jet-set paradise of Versilia, on the coast of

» The very famous Chianti zone, renowned for its vineyards, verdant valleys, rows of cypresses, olive groves, towns and abbeys built on hilltops, is around half an hour by car from the centre of Florence.



Portofino

are the best in the world. Apropos of coffee, there's a tradition that sums up the city better than a thousand words: the Neapolitans call it "caffè appeso" and it involves buying a coffee for yourself, and then purchasing another one for someone else who doesn't have the money to pay for it.

Naples is the ideal starting point to explore the other beauties of Italy: the islands of the archipelago, Capri, Ischia and Procida, and the Amalfi Coast infused with the scent of lemons. There is also Pompeii, the city, buried by layers of volcanic ash during the eruption of Vesuvius two thousand years ago, and one of the most incredible archaeological sites in the world.

Matera, the hidden pearl of the South

When it became the European capital of culture in 2019, Matera has got the visibility it deserved. Matera was founded in the dark ages, and is one of the most intriguing places in Southern Italy, renowned, above all, for the uniqueness of its charming historic centre. Its so-called 'Sassi' (cave dwellings) are houses, churches and, now, even hotels, literally carved into the tufa stone. Lying one on top of the other, they overhang a gorge to create an incredible nativity-like scenario. Located just a few kilometers from the beaches of Puglia, the city is well worth a visit. In addition to the Sassi, it includes a Romanesque cathedral, the Convent of Sant'Agostino, the church of San Giovanni Battista and the Baroque church of San Francesco. Located off the beaten tourist track, Matera has often been used as a film set. In 2003, thanks to its arresting landscapes and timeless atmosphere, Mel Gibson chose Matera to re-create the biblical city of Jerusalem for his controversial blockbuster 'The Passion of Christ'.

The Kingdom of Baroque

Caltagirone, Militello, Catania, Modica, Noto, Palazzolo, Ragusa and Scicli: these are the names of Sicily's magical Baroque towns. Protected by UNESCO, and located in southeastern Sicily, they are sure to steal your heart and leave you awestruck. Although almost all of these towns existed during medieval times, they were razed to the ground by a devastating earthquake in 1693. However, this tragedy resulted in a miracle of beauty: architecture, urban planning and the ornamentation of buildings constitute the crowning achievement of one of the last periods of the flourishing Baroque movement in Europe. An absolute marvel!

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STROLLING THROUGH THE CITY



Venice

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With canals in the place of streets, and boats instead of cars, Venice, the city of a thousand bridges, spectacular facades, and breathtaking views, offers a dreamlike vision. This romantic city par excellence, has a wealth of historic and artistic treasures that would be difficult to find in any country other than Italy. To enjoy them to the fullest, climb to the top of St. Mark's bell tower, or the lesser known spiral staircase of Palazzo Contarini del Bovolo, and let your gaze wander over the lagoon.

Rome

Fifteen square kilometers and twenty-five thousand attractions: Rome's historic centre has been a UNESCO world heritage site since 1980. A symbol among symbols and the most widely photographed monument in the world, the Colosseum is considered one of the 7 wonders of the modern world. The memory of its performances – gladiators, wild animals and naval battles – re-enacted in the arena have always fueled the fantasy of history and film buffs. However, everyone is aware of what happened to the 100,000 cubic metres of shining white marble that



Rome

originally covered the Colosseum. They were 'recycled' to build several historic Roman buildings including the Basilica of St. Peter's and Palazzo Barberini.

Florence

How can one describe a city which originated in the Renaissance in just a few words? It's impossible! The only solution is to visit the Duomo or Santa Croce, the masterpieces housed in the Uffizi, the Ponte Vecchio or Piazza della Signoria, Michelangelo's "David" or Palazzo Pitti. It is really no surprise that the entire city is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Since there is not one centimeter that is not worthy visiting, we strongly suggest that you make time to lose yourself amidst its art and architecture, its history and its landscapes. There's just one thing that you need to remember: this is the place where Stendhal experienced what was later to become known as the Stendhal syndrome...



Florence

Turin

A Roman colony, the first capital of Italy and an industrial city. From its origins to the present time, Turin has had several different incarnations, each of which has left profound traces in its architecture and urban layout. Extending over a surface area of less than 150 square kilometers, crossed by the Po, the longest river in Italy, Turin is characterized by a checkerboard-like grid of streets that makes getting your bearings easy. One of the city's most distinctive architectural features is its 18km of porticos which house shops and cafés: its porticos and its elegant squares have given Turin the nickname of 'a drawing room' city.



Shades of Rose

Welcome to Italy! The Italy of taste, fashion, art and design, known as a gastronomic paradise for lovers of good food and wine. The latter, allied with the famous "Mediterranean diet" which since 2011 has been recognised by UNESCO as

part of the "Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity". In this country there are endless combinations of wine and food, since there are so many types of wine and just as many dishes in Italian cuisine.

BY CORNELIA G. HASSMÜLLER

Once upon a time there was a rose-coloured wine, which had to live out its existence in the shade, being considered the product of a "lesser Bacchus", as it was neither white nor red. All the noblest wine experts snubbed it, because they did not want to devote their attention to a product with an image of poor quality. Then the miracle happened; this "Cinderella" wine put on its best suit, with its many shades of pink, winning over the Prince. From that moment everything changed: rosé has come out of the shadows and has had a makeover, becoming a **protagonist of world oenology**.

But how is a still rosé wine produced? First and foremost, it is the product of the winegrower who has created it, the indissoluble reflection of **vine variety, territory and choices in the wine cellar**. Rosé is produced with **red-berried grapes** and is obtained with maceration of the must with the skins for a variable period of time, which is what defines

THE TERRITORIAL VARIETIES OF THE #ROSAUTOCTONO WINE



» This map shows the most representative designations of origin, which are grouped together in the newly established **Istituto del Vino Rosa Autoctono Italiano** "Rosautoctono", created to promote and showcase its identities and territorial varieties.

The boom in rosé wine began in Provence and its crowning achievement was a recent record at auction with the sale of a "Muse Miraval" magnum bottle, produced by the Chateau of the same name owned by Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt, for €2,600. Hats off!

Rosé is becoming a phenomenon in Italy too, because it fits in perfectly with our lifestyle: perfect for an aperitif with the sunset in our eyes, a romantic appointment where the colour pink is a good sign, a summer evening with friends... in short, an expression of vitality and the modern "dolce vita", with its colours, aromas and flavours.

Let's investigate the organoleptic profile of rosé to understand how it is that "good cheer, a carefree mood and the attraction of the summer season" combine ideally with our wine:

> **colour**: this immediately captivates us, as soon as it is poured into the glass, with its countless colour shades: from soft pink to claret, from cherry red to coral, even reaching an intense pink;

> **nose**: it expresses a bouquet that often gives off floral and fruity notes, at times mineral, balsamic and spicy;

> **taste**: this is fresh and balanced, slightly tannic and with an acidity similar to that of white wines.

With these characteristics rosé provides a **perfect combination with many dishes from the Italian tradition**, such as antipasti of fish, risottos and first courses, vegetarian dishes, white meats and fish main courses, but also savoury pies and pizza (without forgetting, however, that the perfect marriage must always be evaluated based on the ingredients of the dish concerned).

its more or less intense colour. It is not the result of a blending of red and white wine, a technique that is forbidden by law with the exception of sparkling rosé wines. Its alcohol content is often modest (between 12 and 13.5% alc.), its serving temperature is 10-14°C, and it should be **consumed when young**: we recommend uncorking the bottle within 4 years of harvesting.



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TOP 10

In Italy you can find some delightful and prized rosé wines in all 20 regions. This month Where® presents its selection of excellent rosé wines that you could try during your stay in Italy.

Lagrein Rosé 2018 – Cantina Tramin

lagrein 100%, 13% alc.
Alto Adige DOC (South Tyrol)
www.cantinatramin.it

Mea Rosa 2019 – Lunae

vermentino nero 100%, 13% alc.
Golfo dei Poeti IGT
www.cantinelunae.com

Poderi di Sopra 2018 – Valle Roncati

nebbiolo 100%, 13% alc.
Colline Novaresi DOC (Piedmont)
www.vignetivalleroncati.it

RosaMara 2018 – Costaripa

grappello gentile 50%, marzemino 30%,
sangiovese 10%, barbera 10%, 13% alc.
Valtènesi DOC (Lombardy)
www.costaripa.it



Obvius 2018 - Salcheto

Ròdon 2018 - Le Fraghe

corvina 80%, 12% alc.
Bardolino Chiaretto DOC (Veneto)
www.fraghe.it

Rosa-ae 2019 - Torre dei Beati

montepulciano 100%, 13.5% alc.
Cerasuolo d'Abruzzo DOC (Abruzzo)
www.torredebeati.it

Obvius 2018 - Salcheto

sangiovese 90%, canaiolo nero, mammolo,
merlot 10%, 12.5% alc.
Rosato di Toscana (Tuscany)
www.salcheto.it

Mjère 2019 - Michele Calò

negroamaro 90%, malvasia nera 10%, 12.5% alc.
Salento Rosato IGP (Puglia)
www.michelecalo.it

Costa d'Amalfi Rosato 2019 - Marisa Cuomo

piedirocco (locally known as per' e palummo)
50%, aglianico 50%, 13.5% alc.
Costa d'Amalfi DOC (Campania)
www.marisacuomo.com

Lumera 2019 - Donnafugata

nero d'avola, syrah, pinot nero, 12% alc.
Sicilia Rosato DOC (Sicily)
www.donnafugata.it



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Rome can be the destination of a lifetime, a beautiful backdrop to a holiday spent admiring great monuments, gorging on art and culture, and people-watching in atmospheric piazzas as the real life version of *La Dolce Vita* plays out in front of you. Some tourists, however, are left feeling underwhelmed by Rome's most popular sights. Visit the Trevi Fountain at the wrong time for example and prepare to be trampled by hundreds of sightseers jostling for a prime position to toss their coin into the water.

Avoid disappointment and arm yourself with the knowledge you need to make sure Rome lives up to its reputation as one of the world's most awe-inspiring cities.

> BE INDEPENDENT

You've probably already heard that Via del Corso is the place to go for shopping in Rome. It certainly attracts the masses and has the biggest brands (Zara, H&M, and Gap have flagship stores here) but is it the best choice?

If independent shops and artisanal boutiques are more your thing, head to the Monti neighborhood (pictured right) instead. The cobble streets and ivy-draped palazzos demand you shop at a gentle pace so take the time to visit as many of the eclectic stores as you please. From handmade jewelry to designer fashion, bohemian homeware to objects of design, and the best vintage shops in the city, you're guaranteed to pick up something unique.

> THINK AUTHENTIC

Shop where the Romans shop. Instead of perusing touristy stores around the city center

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that stock industrial limoncello and novelty-shaped pasta, explore some of Rome's old-school *mercati*.

For an alternative food shopping experience, head to the working class neighborhood of Testaccio (Metro B, Piramide). Inside the modern, purpose-built site are the same stalls that have been selling their produce and goods to locals for generations. Aside from fruit, vegetables, meat and cheese, you should also pick up lunch. Grab a mouth-watering *suppli* from Foodbox, a plate of fresh pasta at Le Mani in Pasta, or a sandwich filled with Roman specialties like artichokes, *alleso* beef, and even tripe at Mordi e Vai.

> AVOID THE CROWDS

Fail to plan your visit to the Vatican Museums and you could find a long queue waiting for you. Then, after spending hours in line, the museum is packed. It's the only way to see the Sistine Chapel but if lines and crowds aren't your thing then go to Galleria Borghese instead (pictured left). Entry is by advance ticket only, meaning

you'll need to reserve a spot online beforehand, but, as places are limited, you'll also have more room to enjoy the gallery itself. Appreciate Caravaggio's use of chiaroscuro and marvel at Bernini's talent for transforming a solid block of marble into soft, fluid human figures without your toes being trodden on by other visitors.

> GO FURTHER AFIELD

As the city of seven hills, Rome offers many spots to admire its stunning skyline and yet, many tourists head straight to the Vittorio Emanuele

Monument at Piazza Venezia. Fail to explore further afield however, and you'll miss out on some of Rome's best vistas. Head to Giardino degli Aranci for a stunning view of St. Peter's, enhanced further by the scent of oranges (pictured previous page top left). The most romantic view can be found atop Gianicolo Hill along with the 17th-century Fontana dell'Acqua Paola (pictured above). Arrive at sunset for an atmospheric end to the day.





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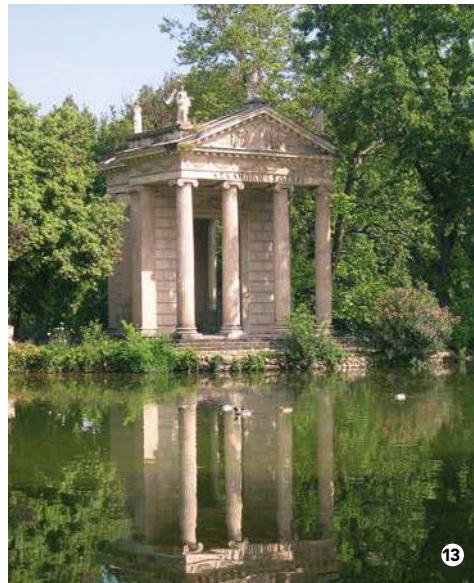
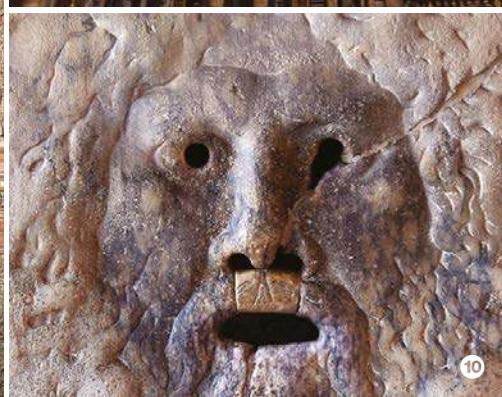
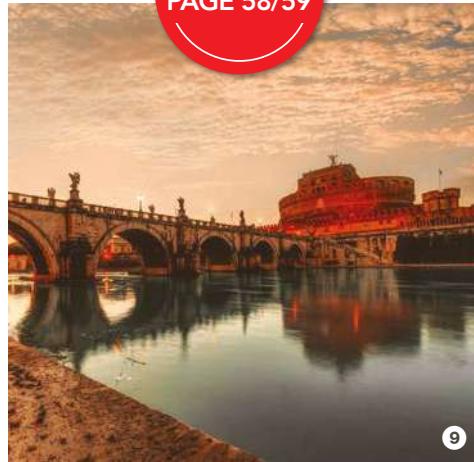
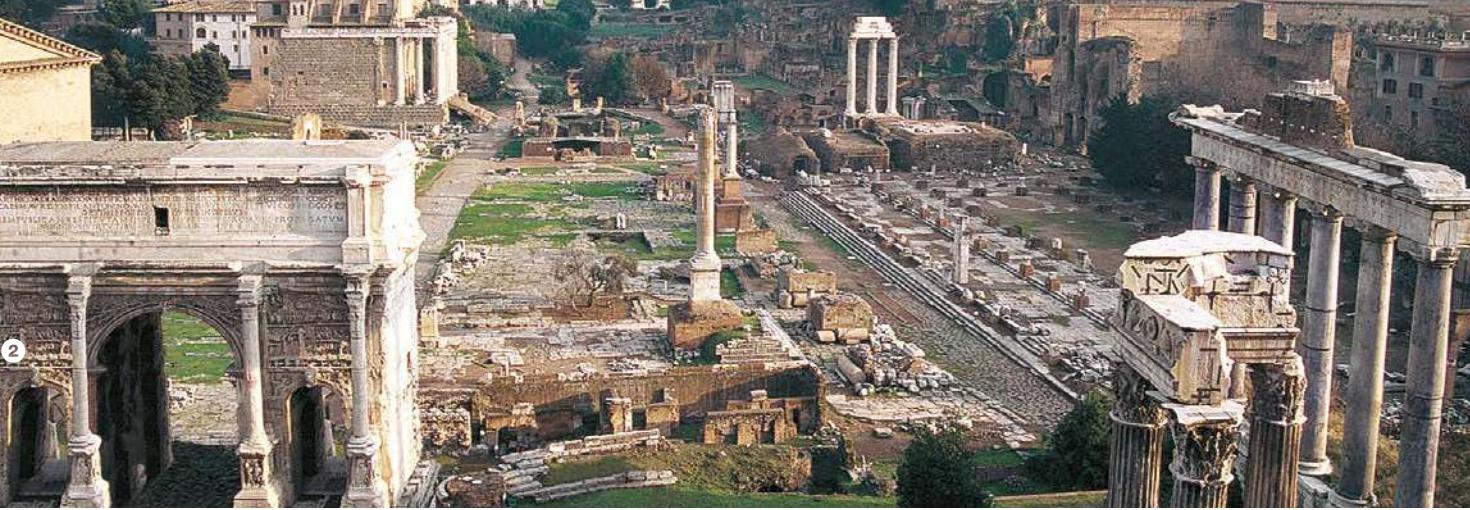
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Emperor Hadrian's mausoleum, transformed into a majestic fortress centuries later, now a museum. It is joined to the Vatican by the famous

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Map C2/3

MOUTH OF TRUTH ⑩

It is a marble mask which stands against the left wall of Santa Maria in Cosmedin church. As a lie-detector from another time, it attracts thousands of visitors who audaciously stick their hand in the mouth. According to legend, a liar who puts his hand in the mouth will have it bitten off. **Map D5**

CAPITOLINE HILL ⑪

One of the seven hills of Rome, boasting a piazza, designed by Michelangelo with a bronze copy of the equestrian statue of Marcus Aurelius in the middle. On the highest

summit of the Campidoglio is located the Basilica of Santa Maria in Ara Coeli, reachable by a steep staircase counting 124 steps. **Map D4**

PIAZZA DEL POPOLO ⑫

It is an enormous square architecturally superb and perfectly symmetrical, dominated by an Egyptian obelisk and enriched by important churches such as the church of Santa Maria del Popolo, which boasts masterpieces by Caravaggio and Pinturicchio.

Map D1

VILLA BORGHESE ⑬

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Word on the Street Food

By Emma Law

Pizza-by-the-slice joints have been popular in Rome for decades, their reasonably priced portions satisfying hungry stomachs without the need for a long and leisurely sit-down meal. But in recent years, the street food scene has exploded, welcoming newcomers who have raised the standard of food on offer and created modern takes on local specialities. Here are some of our favorite portable snacks and where to find them.

■ Pizza al Taglio

Unlike the personal pies flung out of ovens at traditional pizzerias, *pizza al taglio* is served by the slice, with portion size determined by each customer. Originally, toppings were kept simple (tomato and mozzarella or potato with rosemary) but modern pizza makers such as Gabriele Bonci (of **Pizzarium** and **Mercato Centrale**) have championed premium ingredients and creative flavor combinations to elevate this typically inexpensive snack into a gourmet offering. **Casa Manco** in Testaccio Market also does excellent contemporary pizza while **Forno Campo de' Fiori** and **Antico Forno Roscioli** are the places to go for traditional *pizza bianca* (seasoned with oil, salt) and *pizza rossa* (with red sauce).



■ Supplì

A popular appetizer in old-school pizzerias, the *supplì* is also a stalwart of the Roman street food scene thanks to its easy portability and, of course, utter deliciousness. These deep-fried rice balls come in numerous flavors, the classic being a meat-based ragù sauce. **I Supplì**, a casual takeaway spot in Trastevere, does some of the best time-honored recipes in town, while **Supplizio**, in the historic center, proposes modern versions inspired by pasta dishes such as *carbonara*, *cacio e pepe*, and *arrabbiata*.

■ Porchetta

Eaten throughout Italy but most closely associated with the town of Ariccia, just outside Rome, *porchetta* is commonly served in a panino or between slices of white pizza bread. A slow roasting process keeps the pork tender, helps produce crunchy, crispy crackling, and also ensures the aromatic seasonings—often garlic, rosemary, and fennel—permeate every bite. Enjoy this lip-smacking specialty at **Antica Norcineria al Civico 24** near the Pantheon.

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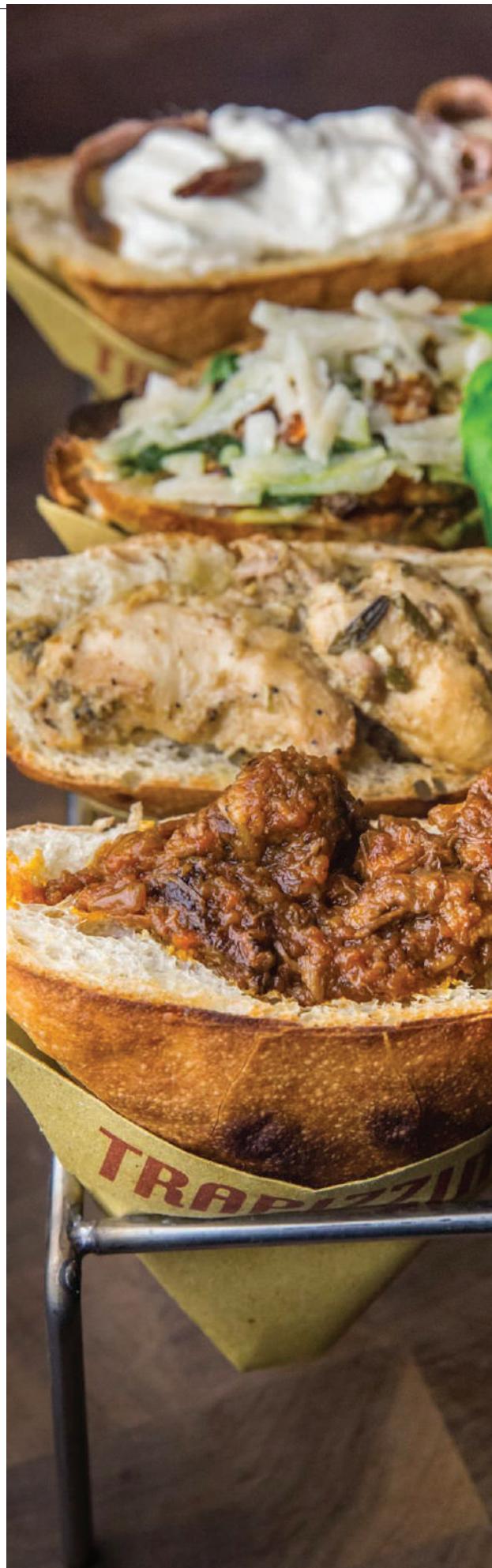
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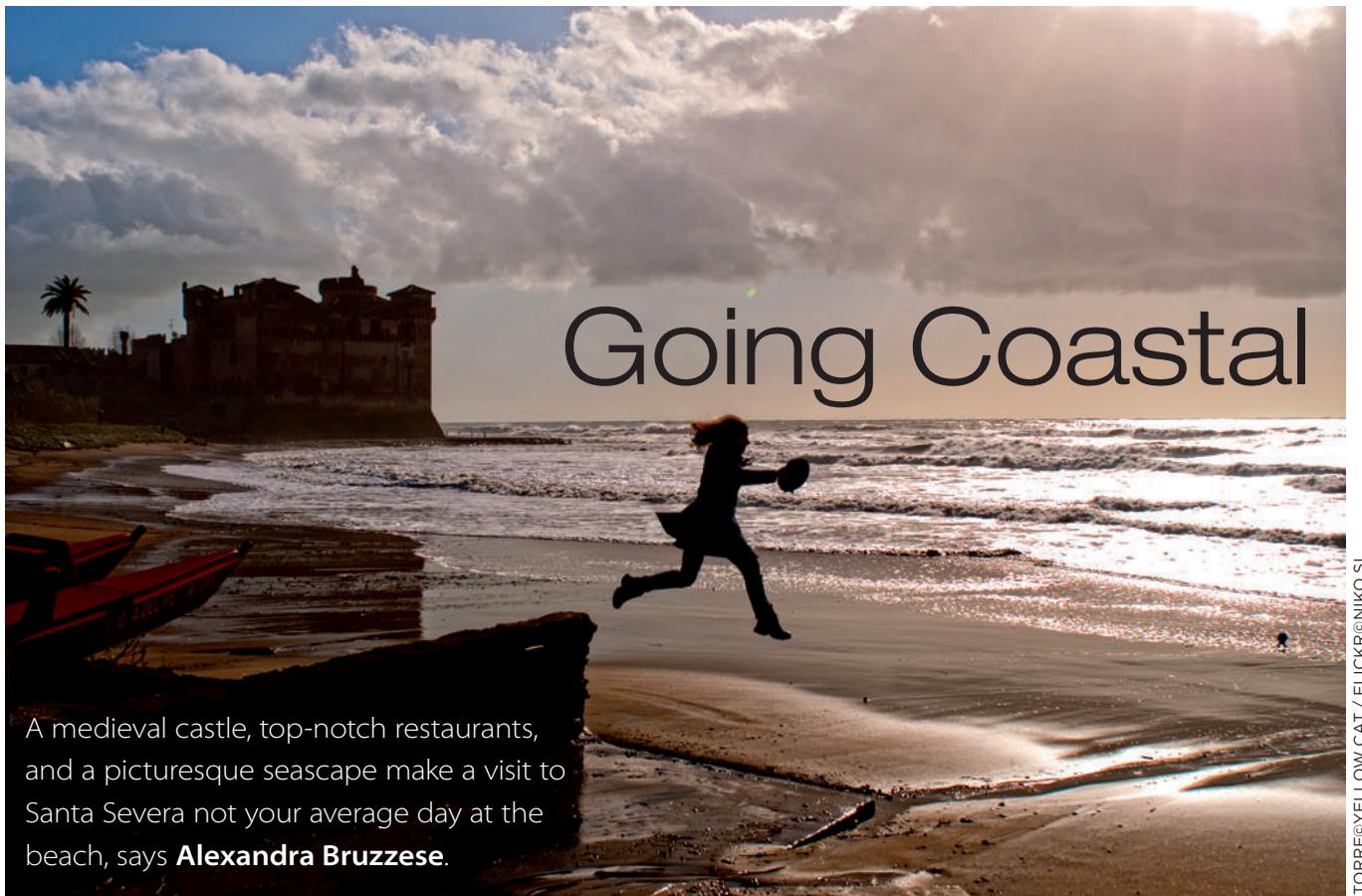
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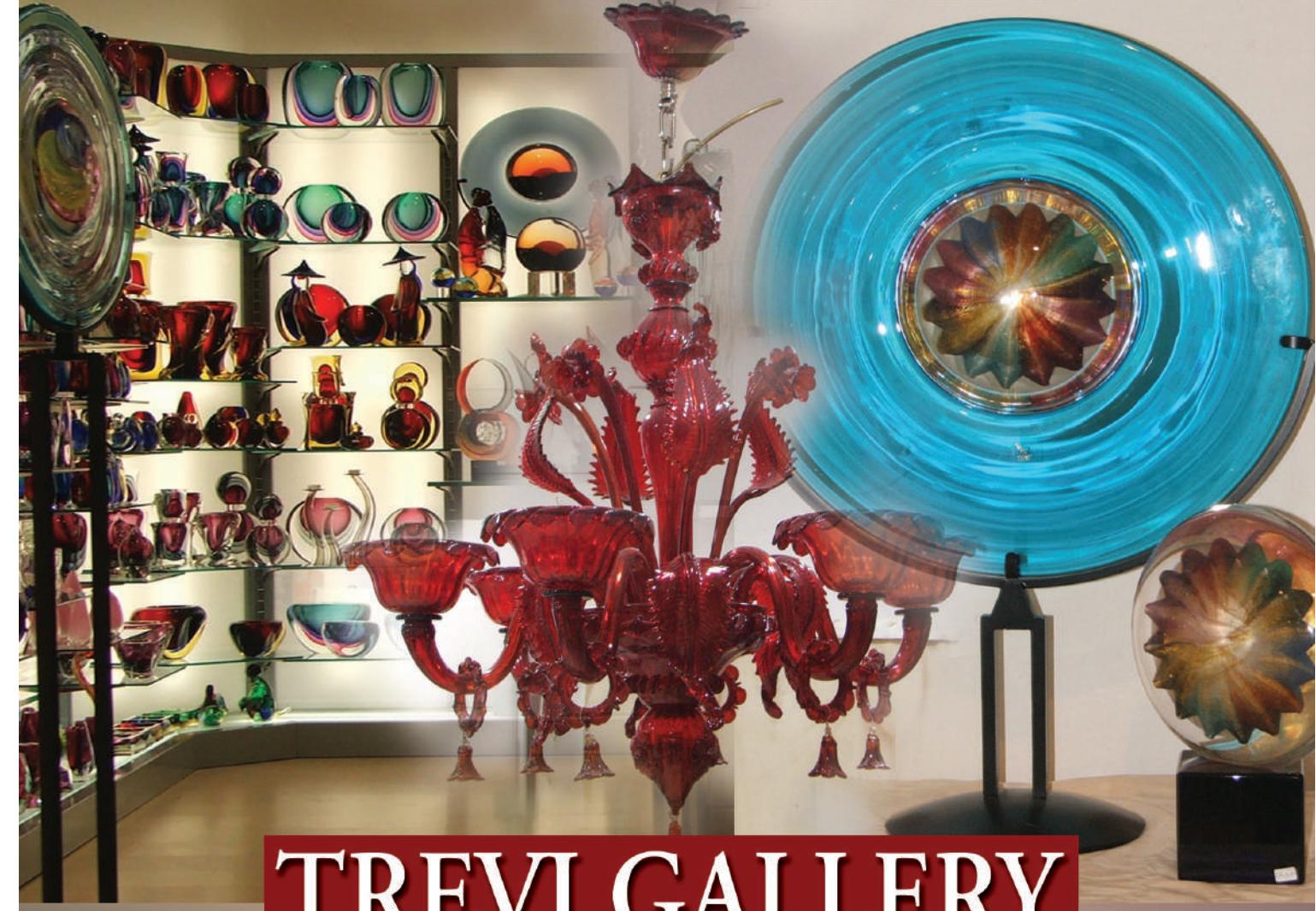
A medieval castle, top-notch restaurants, and a picturesque seascape make a visit to Santa Severa not your average day at the beach, says **Alexandra Bruzzese**.



The Amalfi Coast isn't the only place in Italy's South to spend a day seaside. Found a short train ride away from Rome, **Santa Severa** beach is the destination for locals (and in-the-know tourists) craving a city escape. Like much of the *bel paese*, Santa Severa possesses a rather rich history for a beach resort: it was first settled by the Etruscans and was home to the elusive community's Pyrgi port, once the most important trading center of the Tyrrhenian Sea. Eventually, the territory passed into the hands of the ancient Romans (ruins from the era are still visible today), and centuries later transformed into a bustling medieval town complete with a castle. From the 1400s to 1500s, this *castello* belonged to various noble families and served as the residence to popes including Gregory XIII and Sixtus V; it still looms over the shoreline today. Nowadays, Santa Severa and its surrounding beach are replete with hotels, restaurants, and spas. So why (besides the Castle of course) is Santa Severa a favorite coastal hangout? Firstly, it's hands down the easiest beach to reach with public transport, no car required. Catch a train toward Civitavecchia from Termini, Ostiense, or Trastevere station and get off at Santa Severa. From there, the shore is a quick 10-minute walk. Visitors can choose between *stabilimenti*, or private beaches with changing facilities, refreshments, umbrellas, and lounge chairs for an entrance fee of anywhere from 10-18 euro, or the *spiaggia libera*, a beach free of charge. If hunger strikes midday, head to restaurant **Isola del Pescatore** (Via Cartagine, 1), renowned for its excellent fish and seafood dishes. The view overlooking the coastline isn't too shabby either.

For those more interested in the region's intriguing past, a visit to the Castle is essential: it currently hosts five separate museums including the **Maritime and Ancient Navigation Museum**, which displays remains of Roman and Etruscan ships discovered not far from the coast. A cocktail bar, artisan-run shops, and more are on-site, and free, evening tours of the Castle run every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday of the month.

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Gaja Banchelli (Campo Marzio)

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KLK (Pantheon)

Silk, linen, and cotton scarves in bold colors and styles, silver jewelry at affordable prices, and stylish leather bags in a welcoming shop. All products made in Italy. Open daily, 10am-8pm. Via della Minerva, 6. Tel 066991721. Piazza Sant'Andrea della Valle, 4. Tel 0668802918. All credit cards accepted except Diner's. **Map D3**

LesLey (Veneto)

Designer bags and accessories from recent collections (worn in fashion shows and TV programs) at excellent prices. Chanel, Dior, Fendi, Balenciaga, Lanvin, YSL, Valentino, Versace, Stella McCartney, Jimmy Choo, and more. Open Mon-Fri, 10:30am-7pm. Via Lombardia, 38c. Tel 0642020265. **Map F2** Open Mon-Sat, 10am-7:30pm. Via Vittoria, 27 (Spanish Steps). Tel 066793646. **Map D/E2** Milan store: Via San Nicolao, 3a (corner Corso Magenta). Metro: Cadorna. Tel 0236527599. Credit cards accepted. lesleyshop.it

Pas Vu' (Navona)

Intimate atelier and boutique selling leather bags, accessories, and handmade jewelry. The creations feature contemporary design and are made with only the finest Italian leather. Collection includes shoppers, totes, hobos, and purses in tumbled, metallized, crinkled leather. Open Tue-Sun, 11am-7:30pm. Via del Pellegrino, 132. Tel 0668802840. Credit cards accepted. **Map C3/4** pasvuhandbags.com IG: [pasvu_bags](#)

Revolution Vintage (Pantheon)

A cozy boutique in the historic center selling luxury secondhand handbags and accessories at affordable prices. The boutique carries a wide selection of products from the world's most prestigious brands, including Chanel, Hermès, Louis Vuitton, Gucci, Fendi, Givenchy, Dolce & Gabbana, Stella McCartney, Prada, Miu Miu, and more. New and rare arrivals are added every day. Open daily, 10:30am-1:30pm and 4:30-7:30pm. Via della Scrofa, 69. Tel 06164162880. **Map D3**

BEAUTY – SALONS

H&B (Prati & Vatican)

Hair, nail, face, and body services using Aveda products in a modern salon. Ayurvedic massage, hair analysis, and holistic facials. Aveda products on sale. Open Mon-Sat, 9am-7pm. Piazza della

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MAP LOCATIONS

Note that the references at the end of each listing (Map A1; Map B5; etc) refer to the coordinates on the street map on pages 58/59.

STORE HOURS, ETC.

In general, stores in the historic center are open Monday through Saturday from 9:30/10am to 8pm, and Sunday afternoon, with a lot of flexibility. Less central neighborhoods take a lunch break, roughly from 1-4pm. It's a good idea to call ahead before any visit. Most establishments welcome major credit cards.

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Average price per person for dinner excluding beverages: €: under €25 • €€: €25-40 • €€€: €40-80 • €€€€: €80 & up

center, specializes in top quality and ultra-light customizable wigs and hair extensions. Well-certified professional hairstylists offer the latest styling and coloring techniques. Open Tue-Sat, 9am-7pm. Corso Vittorio Emanuele II, 131. Tel 0668801682. Also: Via Nazionale, 249. Tel 064882885. Major credit cards accepted. **Map D3** trottawigs.com

BEAUTY – SPAS, WELLNESS, MASSAGE

Argiletum Spa (Monti)

Luxurious wellness center that offers massage packages, facials, and entrance to its spa, which includes a hydromassage, sauna, and Turkish bath. Massage options range from sports, anti-cellulite, or Shiatsu to foot reflexology. Offers free herbal tea with every massage and aperitivo for an extra cost. For a meal before or after treatment, visit



A Passage to India

In 2011, Rosita Paola began traveling throughout India where she came into contact with weavers, artisans, and designers, attended fashion week in Mumbai, and gained first-hand knowledge in the art of loom weaving. In the course of these travels, she was moved by the beauty and grace of the women weavers she met, and was inspired to bring their exquisite fabrics to Italy to create a new and sustainable fashion brand. And thus **Rosita Stoffe** was born. The sophisticated and elegant collections include handmade fabrics, textiles, and saris made by women in the most decentralized villages of India, offering employment to the inhabitants of rural areas that allows them to study and support their families. Fabrics include embroidered linens, silk and wool blends, silk saris and stoles, hand printed pashminas, and much more. Open by appointment only.

> Via Vespiagnani, 3. Buzzer no. 6.

Tel 3475190764. www.rositastoffe.com

SHOPPING

the attached restaurant, Humus Bistrot. Open daily, 9am–9pm. Via della Madonna dei Monti, 109. Tel 068805491. Cel 3488077168. **Map F4** casaargileto.it

KamiSpa (Veneto)

Authentic Oriental spa with 15+ body therapies inspired by different cultures: Japan, China, Indonesia, Thailand, and India. From muscle treatment to pampering sessions, scrubs, body wraps, and reflexology. Treatments from €50. Via degli Avignonesi, 11/12. Tel 0642010039. **Map E2** kamispa.com

RYoga (Barberini)

State-of-the-art and environmentally conscious yoga studio offering over 50 lessons per week in 20 different traditions including Ashtanga, Warm Yin, Hot Yoga, Hatha, Restorative, Kundalini, Iyengar, Vinyasa, prenatal, and more, plus Pilates and core classes. Tranquil lounging areas, tearoom, and Ayurvedic counseling available. Via Durazzo, 24n. Tel 0637500513. Via Servio Tullio, 20/22. Tel 0642814343. Via dei Fienaroli, 27/28. Tel 065806498. **Map F/G2** ryoga.com

CLOTHING

Banchetti Sport (Campo Marzio)

A historic family-owned sportswear store that has been in business since 1918. Find winter and summer apparel and accessories from the store's own brand along with well-known designers such as Canada Goose, Woolrich, Colmar, Save the Duck, and more.



Piazza Navona, 84 - Tel 066874476 - www.italianhandicraft.it

This shop is located in Piazza Navona and specializes in gifts, home furnishings, and handmade objects. Merchandise ranges from classics – such as Capodimonte chinaware, artistic china, Murano glassware, and table games – to a more modern style, including articles from famous design companies like Alessi, Bialetti, and Giannini. All items are exclusively Made in Italy, the world-renowned stamp of careful manufacturing and extreme attention to detail. Open daily, 10am–8pm. Tax-free shopping for non-EU residents. Worldwide shipping available. Special prices for WHERE readers.

Open Mon–Sat, 10:30am–7:30pm; Sun, 11am–7pm. Closed Mon morning. Via Campo Marzio, 38. Tel 066871420. All credit cards accepted. **Map D2/3** banchettisport.net

Boggi (Popolo)

Impeccable men's fashion in the elegant Italian tradition. Find dark formal suits to brightly colored swim trunks and everything in between. Overcoats, smart tweed jackets, gorgeous silk ties, rich leather shoes and belts, sportswear, and much more. Via del Babuino, 20. Tel 0632651256. **Map D/E1/2** boggi.it

Lungarella 121 (Trastevere)

Chic boutique whose racks include stylish garments from London, Paris, and Rome. A wide range of shoes produced in the artisanal tradition are also available. Open Mon–Thurs, 10am–8pm; Fri–Sat, 10am–12am; Sun, 11am–8pm. Via della Lungarella, 121/123. Tel 065898876. **Map D5** lungarella121.com

Rinascente (Tritone/Salaria)

Large, up-scale department store stocking an ample selection of men's, women's, and children's fashions. Wide array of cosmetics, accessories, and housewares. Tax refunds available. Flagship store: Open Mon–Sun, 10am–10pm. Via del Tritone, 61/Via dei Due Macelli, 23. **Map E2** Store: Open Mon–Fri, 9:30am–9pm; Sat, 9:30am–9:30pm; Sun, 10am–9pm. Piazza Fiume. Tel 068841231. **Map G1** Credit cards accepted. rinascente.it

Silly Closet Room (Navona)

Small Parisienne-style boutique selling garments, accessories, and jewelry by all-Italian brands. Opened and run by two young friends who are passionate about bringing independent Italian designers to the shoppers of Rome. All credit cards accepted. Open Mon, 3:30–7:30pm; Tue–Sat, 10:30am–7:30pm. Via della Scrofa, 111. Tel 069441358. Instagram @sillyclosetroom **Map D3**

Suite76 (Spagna)

Sophisticated boutique just around the corner from the Spanish Steps, stocking a dizzying array of clothing and accessories for her. Pieces come in a variety of forms, colors, and styles, by some of the most respected Italian brands, and are all proudly Made in Italy. Open every day, 11am–7:30pm. Via Bocca di Leone, 43a. Tel 3669641337. All credit cards accepted. Tax-free shopping available for non-EU residents. **Map E2** suite76.it

CONCEPT STORES

Chez Dédé (Campo de' Fiori)

Everyday accessories are made luxurious at this chic, French-Italian boutique. Shop exclusive scarves, bags, toiletry kits, candles, perfumes, stationery, T-shirts, and more, assisted by the kind and attentive staff. Open Mon, 12noon–7:30pm; Tues–Sat, 10:30am–7:30pm. Closed Sundays. Via di Monserrato, 35. Tel 0683772934. All credit cards accepted except Diners. **Map C3** chezdede.com

EYEWEAR

Monocle (Pantheon)

Original and sophisticated eyewear by Thom Browne, Kuboraum, Mykita, Ahlem, Linda Farrow, Matsuda, Dita Eyewear, 8000 Eyewear, Rick Owens, Meo Fuscioni Parfum, Jacques Marie Mage. Via di Campo Marzio, 13. Tel 066833668. **Map D3** monocle.it

Ottica Efrati (Spagna)

Luxurious Italian and international designer eyewear: Armani, Prada, Gucci, Chanel, Cartier, Bulgari, Alain Mikli, Dior, Thom Browne, Michael Kors, Oliver Peoples, Dita, Dita von Teese, Miu Miu, Gentle Monster, Thierry Lasry, Ic! Berlin, Chopard, and Tom Ford. WHERE readers: 10% discount. Piazza di Spagna, 91. Tel 066795361. Via del Corso, 161. Tel 066792263. Via Frattina, 63. Tel 066781461. Credit cards accepted. **Map D/E2** David Marc Store: Via del Corso, 62. Tel 063235102. **Map E2/3**

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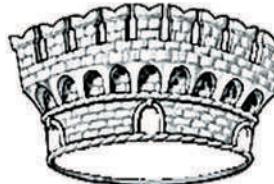
Casa del Tessuto (Esquilino)

Designer fabrics, cashmere, men's fabrics (Ermenegildo Zegna), fabrics for wedding dresses, pure Italian silks, drapery fabrics, household linens, direct import of English fabric "Liberty". Итальянские ткани. Dolce e Gabbana, Roberto Cavalli, Etro, Giorgio Armani, Prada, and Gucci. Via dello Statuto, 64/66. Tel 064872813. Tax-free services. Credit cards accepted. **Map G3** casadeltezzuto.com

FOOD & WINE

Enoteca DiVini Italiani (Veneto)

Well-stocked wine shop offering the most important Italian labels. Friendly and helpful service. Open Mon–Fri, 11am–1pm and 2:30–



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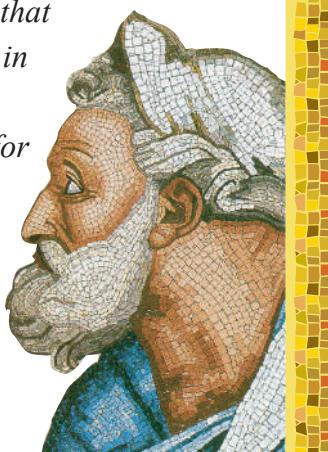
At Savelli's "Arte e Tradizione" we offer art and handicrafts, precious and innovative souvenirs, religious articles, stamps, jewels, coins, books and more. The charm of tradition and the newest production co-exist in the multitude of items that Savelli Enterprise is able to propose to its clients. Thanks to experience that started in 1898 and is still continuing with passion in the St. Peter's area. Particular attention is given to mosaic art, with the production of original articles for purchase. In the "Savelli Gallery", you can visit a precious collection of mosaics, dating back to the 18th and 19th centuries. Savelli's "Colonnato" is also a comfortable and convenient refreshment point, offering typical local dishes and bar service.

- **Galleria Savelli Religious Articles** Piazza Pio XII, 1/2 - Roma
- **Savelli Arte e Tradizione Mosaic Art Gallery** Via Paolo VI, 27/29 - Roma
- **Savelli Gift Religious & Gift Shop** Via della Conciliazione, 47 - Roma
- **Museo Mosaici Minuti Romani** Largo Alicorni, 27 - Roma
- **Il Colonnato Restaurant Self Service** Piazza Sant'Uffizio, 6 - Roma



www.savellireligious.com

The Savelli Stores have the largest selection of religious articles and souvenirs to be found in Rome



[email: info@savellireligious.com](mailto:info@savellireligious.com)

8pm; Sat 4-8pm. Via Ludovisi, 33. Tel 068276303.
Map E/F2

Leonidas (Navona)

Belgian chocolates in different flavors and forms: cream, praline, ganache, caramel, nougat, coffee, liqueur, marzipan, truffle, and much more. Made with the best ingredients from around the world. Also sugar-free chocolates, marzipan, chocolate figurines, and personalized gift packages. Via dei Redentoristi, 16. Tel 0668192245. **Map D3**

SHOP
where the locals shop, on Viale Europa (EUR) or Via Cola di Rienzo (Prati).

GIFTS & COLLECTABLES

3Dino (Campo de' Fiori)

Playful shop composed entirely of innovative three-dimensional wooden puzzles. Whimsical pieces include laser-cut puzzles that also serve as striking design objects, like a globe of the world, wall sculptures, and mechanical clocks. Don't miss their line of eco-sustainable solar energy-powered pieces. Open every day, 10am-7:30pm. Via del Pellegrino, 128. Tel 3298763796. **Map C3** 3dino.eu

L'Artigianato (Navona)

Many gift ideas, from pottery to porcelain, Venetian masks to Bialetti coffee makers, and more. All products Made in Italy. Tax refunds and international shipping available. Open daily, 10am-1:30pm and 3-8pm. Piazza Navona, 84. Tel 066874476. **Map D3**

Glassy Venezia (Esquiline)

Boutique dedicated to authentic Murano glass works. Look for items for the home, including wine glasses, candle holders, and vases; a vast jewelry selection of bracelets, necklaces, earrings and rings; and unique pieces depicting the masterpieces of artists like Klimt, Van Gogh, and Monet. Open daily, 9:30am-10:30pm. Via Principe Amedeo, 7. Tel 064870875. Major credit cards accepted. **Map G3**

Make In Roma (Navona/Pantheon)

Reproductions of ancient Roman and Etruscan jewelry, urns, vases, sculptures, busts, armor, weapons, and hand-painted glass. Each piece is handcrafted from natural materials using ancient techniques. 5% discount for WHERE readers. Piazza Madama, 1. Tel 0668192514 or 3383332023. Also: Piazza della Rotonda, 69a. Tel 066790483. Visa and MC accepted. **Map D3** make-in.it

Original Murano Glass (Trevi)

A myriad of brilliant colors and flowing crystal forms at competitive prices. Also carries Ferrari products. World-wide shipping with UPS and FedEx. Open daily, 9:30am-8pm. Via del Lavatore, 33 and 87/b. Tel 066789860. Credit cards accepted. **Map E3** muranoglass@virgilio.it

Savelli (Vatican)

Founded in 1898, this family-run shop sells religious articles, souvenirs, mosaics, marble, porcelain, and ceramic objects in a welcoming, courteous, organized atmosphere. Open daily, 9am-6:30pm. Via Paolo VI, 27/29. Piazza Pio XII, 1/2. Tel 0668307017. V, MC, AE, D, and JCB accepted. **Map B3**

Trevi Gallery (Trevi)

Murano glass in traditional, classic, and modern designs, as well as jewelry and signed artwork. Official purveyor of Ferrari and Ducati products. World-wide shipping with UPS and FedEx. Tax refunds available. Open daily, 9:30am-8pm. Via delle Muratte, 15. Tel 0669200725. **Map E3** trevigallery.it; info@trevigallery.it

FASHION OUTLETS & MALLS

Castel Romano Designer Outlet (Pontina)

Over 200 brands with the best designer labels, with price reductions from 30% to 70% all year round. Wide range of high fashion, sportswear, accessories, home furnishings, and cosmetics. Via Ponte di Piscina Cupa, 64. Tel 065050050. **Off Map** mcarthurgle.com/castelromano

Centro Commerciale Aura (Aurelio)

A brand-new shopping mall has opened its doors right in the heart of the city, just a ten minute walk from the Vatican. Features 60 big-name shops, 15 restaurants, and a gym. Viale di Valle Aurelia, 30. Tel 0639751750. Metro A: Valle Aurelia. **Off Map (See A2)** centrocommercialeaura.it



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Via della Scrofa, 69 - Tel 06164162880

Find them on Instagram and Facebook.

Porta di Roma (Bufalotta)

Spacious shopping mall bursting with fashion, beauty, sportswear, children's, and jewelry shops, including Pandora, Imaginarium, Sephora, Swarovski, Calvin Klein Jeans, MAC, Nike, Michael Kors, the Disney Store, O Bag, Liu-Jo, Apple Store, the Lego Store (the only one in Rome) and hundreds more. Open daily, 10am-10pm. Via Alberto Lionello, 201. Tel 0687074217. **Off Map** galleriportadioroma.it

HOME & FURNISHINGS

Christofle (Spagna)

Historic French silversmith producing high quality silver objects for the home. Time-honored expertise meets the latest trends. Tea services, silverware, design objects, and more. Open Mon-Sat, 10am-7pm. Via Bocca di Leone, 72. Tel 0669940904. Credit cards accepted. **Map E2** christofle.com

Container 16 Emporio Libreria (Navona)

Eclectic home store with a vast array of objects, utensils, and books for the kitchen, as well as an unusual array of one-of-a-kind design and home décor pieces from around the world. Also selling everything you need for a well-laid table or a well-stocked bar. Open Tue-Fri, 10:30am-7:30pm; Mon, 3-7:30pm. Closed Sun. Via della Scrofa, 16. Tel 063236363. Major credit cards accepted. **Map D3** container16.it

SHOPPING

C.U.C.I.N.A. (Spagna)

Vast kitchen store offering a wealth of cooking instruments, small appliances, pots and pans, linens, gadgets, tables settings, utensils, storage containers, and gourmet oils and vinegars. The high quality of the products on offer is matched only by the ingenuity and creativity of the design. Open Tue–Sat, 10am–7:30pm; Sun, Mon, 11:30am–7:30pm. Via Mario de Fiori, 65. Tel 066791275. All credit cards accepted. **Map E2** cucinastore.com

Mobilnovo (Veneto)

Prestigious furnishings and the expert advice of architects and interior designers. B&B Italia, Flou, Kartell, and Zanotta. Worldwide shipping and installation. Via Sicilia, 267. Open Mon–Sat, 9:30am–2pm and 3:30–8pm; Fri, 9:30am–1:30pm and 3:30–8pm. Closed Mon morning. **Map F/G1** Also: Via Anastasio II, 103. Open Mon–Sat, 9am–1pm and 4–8pm. **Off Map** Via G. Ferrari, 7. **Map C1** mobilnovo.it

JEWELRY

Ansuini (Navona)

Founded in Rome, this historic jewelry house creates exquisite adornments encrusted with precious and semi-precious stones, opals, pearls, coral, and more. Designs range from classic and traditional to daring and innovative, and include a bridal collection, a men's collection, and a formal collection. Open Mon, 3:30–7:15pm; Tue–Sat, 10am–7:15pm. Corso Vittorio Emanuele II, 151. Tel 0668806909. **Map D3** ansuini.it

Angela Caputi Giuggiù (Navona)

Combining contemporary and classical styles, this jewelry brand comes from the imagination and skill of Angela Caputi, a Florentine artisan who has been creating fashionable costume jewelry by hand since 1975, and now has shops around Europe. Each piece is still created by hand with synthetic resins in bold, sophisticated designs. Open Tue–Sun, 10:30am–1:30pm and 2:30–7:30pm. Via delle Carozze, 67. Tel 0687165157. **Map D/E2** angelacaputi.com

Nicotra di San Giacomo (Navona)

This thoroughly unique jewelry line takes the Renaissance gold-working technique of weaving precious metals with threads of silk, and combines it with modern, innovative designs. The result is a plethora of bracelets, rings, necklaces, earrings (and even shoes!), that can be identified as both

Putting the Jewel in Jewelry

If you're searching for a jewelry store owned by a family of goldsmiths that designs most of their products, look no further than **Menichini Gioiellieri**.

Founded in 1865, this boutique has been handed down through the generations, with each owner passionate about the craft and dedicated to creating high-quality and stylish jewelry, including rings, brooches, and bracelets. They hand-design each item, selecting the best pieces and adding carefully chosen jewels to create an innovative and fashionable

piece. Ettore, the current owner, is also a specialist when it comes to working with precious stones. In addition, Menichini also sells luxury men's and women's watches, stocking brands from Breitling to Gucci to Zenith, in both classic and contemporary styles. **-CC**
>Piazza di Spagna, 1. Tel 066791403.
menichinigioiellieri.it



jewel and garment. Each piece is one-of-a-kind and crafted by hand. Via del Governo Vecchio, 128. Tel 0668210407. **Map C/D3** ndsg.it

LEATHER

Il Bisonte (Spagna/Navona)

This historic Florentine leather goods boutique offers handcrafted purses, travel bags, briefcases, wallets, agendas, belts, and other accessories made with time-honored traditions. The brand's signature material is a vegetable-tanned cowhide that improves with age. Open Mon–Sat, 10am–7pm; Sun, 11am–6:30pm. Via Borgognona, 13. Tel 0668808097. **Map E2** Via dei Coronari, 105a/106. Tel 066834092. **Map C/D3** Major credit cards accepted. ilbisonte.com

Carlo Cecchini (Trastevere)

High-quality leather creations in a vast range of designs conceived for a varied crowd of all ages. Selling bags, shoes, and accessories crafted in the old Italian leather-making traditions, in classic, simple styles. Via della Lungaretta, 65/65a. Tel 065809877. Piazza G. T. Arquati, 122. Tel 065898876. **Map C4**

PASSION SHOPPING

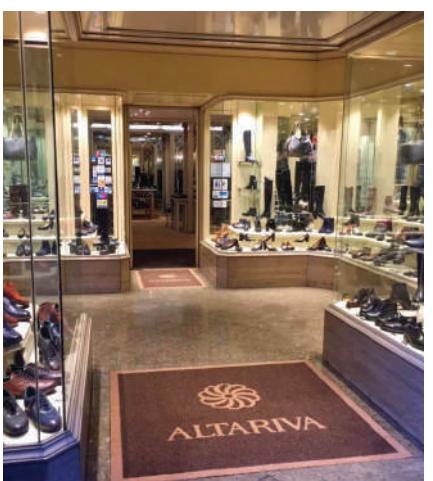
Culti House Roma (Spagna)

This small, charming boutique characterized by maple wood furniture was designed to stimulate the senses with a mix of perfume, design, and art. The space showcases all the Culti brand's collections of home fragrances, including diffusers, sprays, candles, and scented sachets, as well as their new cosmetics lines for personal care. Open daily, 10:30am–2pm and 3–7:30pm. Via Vittoria, 61. Tel 0645493442. **Map E2** culti.com

SHOES

Altariva (Spagna/Trevi)

Since 1976, this boutique has been selling the finest Made in Italy and international footwear and leather goods. The staff helps clients discover an array of fashionable brands and handmade items. Excellent price/quality ratio and impeccable service. Open Mon–Sat, 10:30am–7:30pm; Sun, 10am–1:30pm and 2:30–7pm. Via del Tritone, 31/32/33. Tel 0686984609. 5% discount for Union Pay cardholders on all non-sale priced items. **Map E3** altarivashoes.it



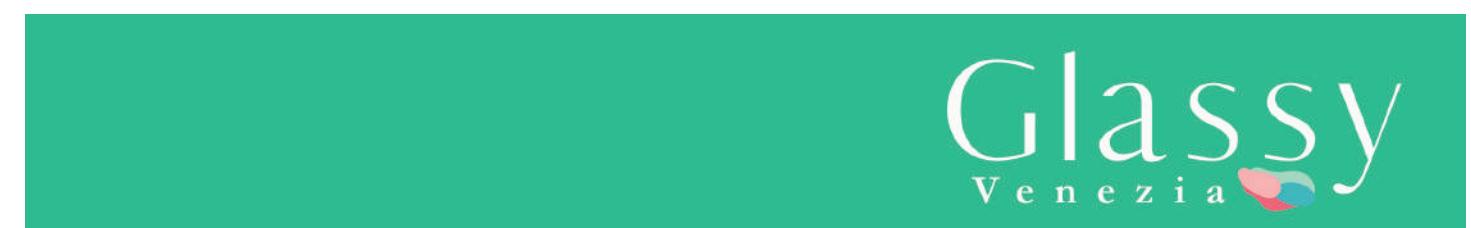
Petrocchi (Navona)

Numerous styles of elegant and classy handmade shoes, both made-to-measure and ready-to-wear, in the finest leather. Vicolo Sugarelli, 2. Tel 066876289. Open Mon–Fri, 8am–5:30pm; Sat 9am–1pm. Open by appointment Sun, in the evening, and after closing hours. All credit cards accepted. **Map C3** calzoleriapetrocchi.it

STATIONERY

Antica Cartotecnica (Pantheon)

Antique and modern pens, leather bags, planners, address books, desk accessories, pencils, greeting cards, antique stationery, world maps, and typewriters from the '40s. Brands include Mont-Blanc, Piquadro, Omas, Caran d'Ache, Aurora, Filofax, and more. Piazza dei Caprettari, 61. Tel 066875671/066877093. **Map D3**



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The Gold of Naples

The Roman location of the iconic Neapolitan pizzeria Salvatore di Matteo proves that Naples and Rome are closer than ever.

Federico Schiaffino reports.

If you know anything about Italian pizza, you know that it originated in Naples. Although Rome has its own version of the iconic pie (thin-crusted and crunchy), the Neapolitan version, with its thick, chewy crust and excessive mozzarella cheese, is still considered to be the only truly authentic Italian pizza. For those lucky enough to seek out Neapolitan pizza in the city itself, there's no better place than Salvatore di Matteo, widely recognized one of the finest pizzerias in Naples (and therefore the world).

We're happy to report that Salvatore Di Matteo, the unsurpassed master of the Neapolitan art of pizza making, has just inaugurated a new location in Italy's capital city. The restaurant, **Salvatore Di Matteo – Le Gourmet**, spans three floors and almost 800 square meters in the heart of the Prati neighborhood. The menu is naturally dedicated to the purest Neapolitan traditions, with classic pizzas prepared just as they would be down south, topped with superb ingredients from around Italy, and updated with a touch of gourmet whimsy. This is what makes Di Matteo's pizzas unique and impossible to imitate. Many were created with true connoisseurs in mind, invented as a result of meetings with Michelin-starred chefs from the region of Campania, such as Pasquale Palamaro and Gennarino Esposito. The list of more inventive pizzas include one with yellow Piennolo tomatoes (DOP) and 'nduja sausage from Spilinga; a fried pizza stuffed with provolone from Monaco; a version with Piennolo tomatoes, smoked provola from Agerola, and fresh basil; the famous Faccia Gialla, with Vesuvian yellow tomatoes, buffalo's milk mozzarella (DOP), basil, extra virgin olive oil, and Sorrento lemon zest; or the equally famous Campania Felix, a margherita pizza with buffalo's milk mozzarella and double tomato sauce. Fried appetizers are a must: *arancini*, fried pasta, and potato croquettes. The décor is reminiscent of Naples and its quaint alleyways, and the large open kitchen and display case full of ingredients mean you know exactly what you are getting.

> **Via Vittoria Colonna, 32. Tel 0686766621.**
salvatoredimatteolegourmet.com

HAUTE CUISINE

Assaje – Hotel Aldrovandi Villa Borghese (Parioli)

Gourmet restaurant located inside a luxe hotel. The talented chefs concoct masterpieces of Mediterranean cuisine with top-notch ingredients and technical precision. Menu highlights include seared sea scallops with purple potatoes, asparagus, and beetroot; ravioli with squid, potatoes, creamed tomatoes, and smoked provolone; and oxtail tortelli with broccoli, pears, and Castelmagno fondue. Via Ulisse Aldrovandi, 15. Tel 063216126. (€€€€) Off Map [aldrovandi.com](#)

The Flair Rooftop Restaurant – Hotel Sina Bernini Bristol (Barberini)

Located on the top floor of the 5-star hotel, The Flair is a brand-new, ultra-panoramic restaurant led by the young expert chef Alessandro Caputo who crafts high Mediterranean cuisine with superior ingredients, impeccable technique, and creativity. The design is contemporary and the enormous windows offer sweeping views of the entire city. Extensive wine list and high-class service. Open Mon–Sat, 7–11pm. Piazza Barberini, 23. Tel 0642010469. (€€€) Map [F2](#)

Harry's Bar (Veneto)

An elegant restaurant and bar with live music nightly and exclusive outdoor dining. Try steamed lobster salad; smoked provolone and champagne risotto; turbot with artichokes; or lamb cutlets with spinach, walnuts, and mint. Standout desserts include apple puff pastry with vanilla and cinnamon ice-cream. Bar: Open 11am–2am. Restaurant: Open 12:30–2:45pm and 7:30pm–1am. Credit cards accepted. Via V. Veneto, 150. Tel 06484643. [harrysbar.it](#) (€€/€€€) Map [F2](#)

Imago-Hassler Panoramic Restaurant (Spagna)

Top chef Andrea Antonini offers a creative menu atop the Spanish Steps, featuring a magnificent view of the entire Roman horizon. Try the Fassona tartare with anchovies and chicory, riso with asparagus and scampi prawns, tagliolini with rabbit, cedar and nori seaweed, octopus with lettuce and burrata cheese, lamb with potatoes and caprino cheese, and ricotta millefeuille with cubeba pepper and apricot. Open daily, 7–10:30pm. Piazza Trinità dei Monti, 6. Tel 06699340. Credit cards accepted. (€€€) Map [E2](#) [imagorestaurant.com](#)

Le Jardin de Russie (Spagna)

Offers classic Italian dining at its best. Tantalizing Mediterranean dishes made from only the freshest ingredients are created by Chef Nazzareno Menghini, with the exceptional contribution of top chef Fulvio Pierangelini. Via del Babuino, 9. Tel 063288870. Credit cards accepted. (€€€) Map [D1/2](#)

MadelTerraneo (Trevi)

Glorious rooftop bar/restaurant atop Rinascente department store with sweeping views of the city. The menu features creative pan-Mediterranean cuisine by Michelin-starred chef, Riccardo Di Giacinto, gourmet desserts, and a vast selection of wines, sparkling wines, and cocktails. Via del Tritone, 61. Second entrance: Via Due Macelli, 23. Tel 066992284. (€€) Map [E3](#) [madeiterraneo.com](#)

Minerva Roof Garden (Pantheon)

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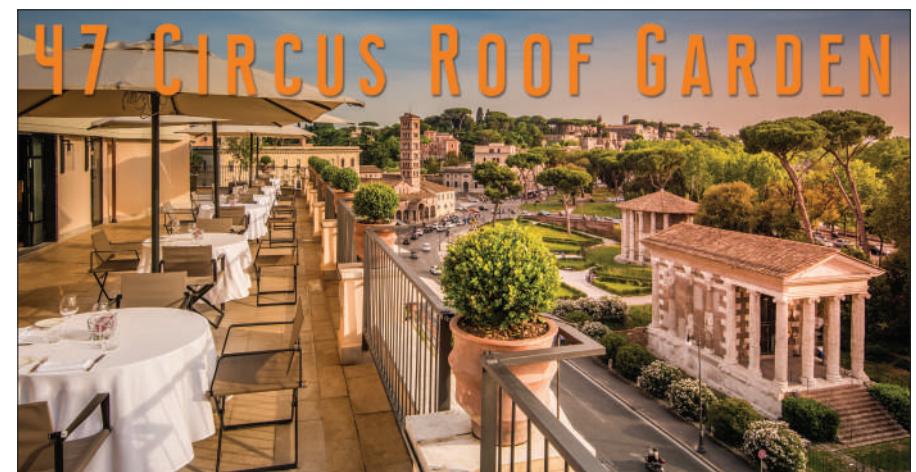
rooftop terrace of the Grand Hotel de la Minerve. Order a decadent six-course tasting menu, or choose a visually stunning dish off the à la carte menu. Open daily, 7:30–11pm. Piazza della Minerva, 69. Tel 06695201. (€€€€) Map [D3](#) [minervaroofgarden.it](#)

Mirabelle (Veneto)

Rooftop restaurant where Chef Stefano Marzetti serves Mediterranean flavors with a touch of imagination. Try beer-glazed wild salmon with chili pepper sponge, sweet gorgonzola, and peanuts. Via di Porta Pinciana, 14. Tel 06421689. Credit cards accepted. (€€€€) Off Map [E2](#)

La Pergola (Trionfale)

World-renowned chef Heinz Beck offers exquisite Italian cuisine at Rome's only 3-Michelin-starred restaurant, boasting panoramic views of the whole city. Teutonic precision married to Mediterranean flavors makes for an exceptional dining experience. Try spaghetti cacio e pepe with white shrimp marinated in lime; lamb with mushrooms and Jerusalem artichokes; or lobster with radicchio and crunchy lentils. For dessert, coconut variation with banana and lime. Open for dinner Tue–Sat. Reservations essential. Via A. Cadlolo, 101. Tel 0635091. (€€€€) Off Map [F2](#)



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Sapori del Lord Byron (Parioli)

In an elegant yet contemporary ambience, the chef offers seasonal menus to ensure freshness and quality, matched with diligent service. Sapori offers all the ingredients for a sensational meal. Open for lunch and dinner. Via G. de Notaris, 5. Tel 063220404. Credit cards accepted. (€€€) [Off Map](#)

RESTAURANTS BY AREA

APPIA ANTICA

Hostaria Antica Roma (Italian)

Notable restaurant in an evocative, historic setting along the Ancient Appian Way in the shadow of the Mausoleum of Cecilia Metella. The menu offers historic ancient recipes like Columella-style gilt-head bream, traditional Roman dishes such as bucatini all'amatriciana and rigatoni cacio e pepe, grilled meats, fresh fish, a large selection of fine wines and liqueurs, and house-made desserts. Outdoor dining in warm weather. Open Tue–Sun, 12:15–2:45pm and 7:30–10:45pm. Via Appia Antica, 176. Tel 065132888. All credit cards accepted. (€€€) [Off Map](#)

A Place in History

In business since 1916, **Il Falchetto** is an elegant yet intimate restaurant that has been recognized by the city of Rome with the prestigious title of Historic Small Business. The menu is paradoxically traditional and diverse at the same time, serving Roman classics—such as *fiori di zucca*, *cacio e pepe* with *tonnarelli* pasta, and *trippa alla romana*—alongside more creative dishes and recipes borrowed from the cuisines of other cultures. Their wine cellar is full to bursting with meticulously selected vintages designed to be paired with each dish on the menu. Tempting dessert offerings include pistachio tiramisù and homemade chocolate cake.

>[Via Montecatini, 12. Tel 066791160. ristoranteilfalchetto.it](#)

–C. Chan



CAMPO DE' FIORI & JEWISH GHETTO

Il Giardino Romano (Jewish Roman)

This cozy restaurant offers traditional Roman-Jewish recipes like fried artichokes, fried salt cod, amatriciana, cacio e pepe, oxtail stew, lamb scottadito, and many more. Open Thu–Tue, 12noon–3pm and 7–11pm. Via Portico d'Ottavia, 18. Tel 0668809661. (€/€€) [Map C5](#) [ilgiardinoromano.it](#)

Giggetto al Portico (Jewish Roman)

Tucked behind the Portico d'Ottavia, this friendly spot serves hearty Jewish-Roman cuisine including deep-fried artichokes, baccalà, and stuffed zucchini flowers. Closed Mon. Via del Portico d'Ottavia, 21a. Tel 066861105. Credit cards and travelers' cheques accepted. (€€) [Map D4](#) [giggettoalportico.com](#)

Pierluigi (Italian)

In a lovely piazza, sample excellent fresh seafood, arriving daily from the Lazio coast, as well as creative pasta dishes, perfectly prepared vegetables, and sinful desserts. Excellent wine list. Open Tues–Sun, 12noon–3pm and 7pm–12midnight. Piazza de' Ricci, 144. Tel 0668868717. (€€€) [Map C3](#) [pierluigi.it](#)

La Reginella (Jewish Roman)

Elegant restaurant dedicated to the rediscovery of the ancient Jewish-Roman culinary tradition, revisiting classic dishes with a modern and gourmet twist. Thin-crusted Roman-style pizza also on offer. Open daily, 11am–11:30pm. Via del Portico d'Ottavia, 61/65. Tel 0668801607. All credit cards accepted. (€€) [Map D4](#) [lareginella.it](#)

La Taverna del Ghetto (Jewish Roman)

Welcoming restaurant offering the best of Judaeo-Roman cuisine, such as *carciofi alla giudia*; stuffed Roman zucchini; fried salt cod filet; fettuccine with braised meat; a kosher version of carbonara; salt cod with cherry tomatoes, raisins, and pine nuts; veggie burgers; and Kosher meat kebabs. Wide selection of Italian and Israeli wines. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Via del Portico d'Ottavia, 8. Tel 0668809771.

[Map C5](#) [latavernadelghetto.com](#)

Open daily, 8am–2am. Via dei Cerchi, 79. Tel 0631078932. All credit cards accepted. (€€) [Map E5](#) [circoroma.it](#)

Parole in Libertà Bistrot (Bistro)

This restaurant brings its unique "gastro-philosophy" to the Roman dining scene. Inspired by the Futurist movement, the dishes are meant to be eaten with the hands or with the help of a focaccia specially designed to enhance the flavors. Restaurant: open daily, 7pm–12midnight; bar: open daily, 5:30pm–12midnight. Via Luigi Petroselli, 47. Tel 066787816. (€€) [Map E4](#) [paroleinlibertabistrot.com](#)

CIRCUS MAXIMUS & AVENTINE

47 Circus Roof Garden (Italian)

Rooftop oasis offering seafood, vegetable, pasta, and meat dishes made with local, quality ingredients. The winter menu includes cocoa fettuccine cooked in mushroom broth, with venison ragout and fossa cheese; tortello with Genovese beef, parsnip and "Del Monaco" provolone; and sea bass fillet in salt crust with potatoes, artichokes and saffron sauce. Open Mon–Sun, 12noon–12midnight. Via Luigi Petroselli, 47. Tel 066787816. (€€) [Map E4](#)

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Caffè Propaganda (Bistro & Café)

Charming and sophisticated bar, bistro, and café decorated in turn-of-the-century Parisian style. In addition to the atmosphere, the excellent wine list, expert bartenders, delectable desserts, and tempting light dishes are the biggest draws. Open Tue–Sun, 12noon–2am. Via Claudia 15. Tel 0694534255. [Map F5](#) [caffepropaganda.it](#)

Sitar (Indian)

Authentic North Indian dishes like paneer tikka and chicken curry as well as tawa prantha cuisine. Fixed veg (€15) or non-veg (€18) menus at lunch. Open Tue–Sun 12noon–3pm



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AQVI Pool (Italian/Mediterranean)

A trendy spot to spend your leisure time in Rome, this sunlit and spacious area emerged in the greenery of a private Mediterranean garden awaits guests for a relaxing lunch in shade, a refreshing swim, or a delicious cocktail. AQVI's boasts a wide range of Italian specialties and international classics, all prepared with local, seasonal ingredients of the highest quality. Open daily, 6:30am–11:30pm. AQVI bar: 10am–1am. Viale del Pattinaggio, 100. Tel 3336230822. (€€/€€€) **Off Map** aqvirestaurantrome.com

MONTI, NAZIONALE, TERMINI & REPUBBLICA

Amodei Bistrot Wine Bar (Italian)

This bistrot and wine bar offers a wide array of tempting Italian dishes, such as eggplant parmesan, lasagna, beef straccetti marinated in red wine, and meatballs in tomato sauce to be enjoyed in their cozy dining room. They also offer unmissable Roman-style pizza, DOP cured meats and cheese, goose meat salami, carpaccio meats, Fassona beef tartare and other delicacies. Open daily, 10am–12midnight. Via Principe Amedeo, 7b. Tel 064823138. All credit cards accepted. (€€) **Map G3** bottegaamodei.it

Centro (Mediterranean)

Modern restaurant combining exemplary ingredients, an exceptional kitchen team, and a wait staff that strives to make their guests feel right at home. Dishes range from traditional to innovative and include fettuccella pasta with porcini mushrooms, paccheri all'americana, spaghetti with butter and anchovies, Danish beef filet, salmon burger, slow-cooked rack of lamb, and many more. Open all day. Via Cavour, 61. Tel 0648913935. (€€/€€€) **Map G3** centrorestaurant.it

Diana's Place (Italian)

A warm, inviting restaurant passionate about Italian gastronomy and quality ingredients, serving original dishes and reinterpreted classics, while still maintaining a sense of tradition. Their wine cellar has over a thousand carefully selected labels. Open Mon–Sat, 10am–12midnight; Sun, 5pm–12midnight. Via Volturno, 54. Tel 0687818000. (€€) **Map G2** dianasplace.it

Indian Affairs (Indian)

Serving cuisine from all over India with a selection of traditional dishes like tandoori chicken, prawn vindaloo, and aloo gobi in an elegant setting. Open daily, 11:30am–3:30pm and 6:30–11:30pm. Via Palermo, 6b. Tel 0645437655. Credit cards accepted. (€€) **Map F3** ristoranteindianaffairs.com

Krishna 13 (Indian)

Try the tandoori specialties, curries, kerala paratha, samosas, and more at this authentic and inviting Indian restaurant. Tripadvisor's Certificate of Excellence 2010–2015. Open daily, 11am–4pm and 7–11:30pm. Via Foscolo, 13. Tel 067005267. (€€) **Map F3/4** krishna13ristorante.com

Maestro (Bistro)

This charming and trendy bistro located directly across from the Teatro dell'Opera is the ideal place for a meal at any time of day, considering they are open non-stop from early morning to late night. Dine on tempting dishes from the Italian repertoire like gnocchi with pumpkin, or international classics such burgers or steak. Ample wine and cocktail list. Open daily, 8:30am–12midnight. Via del Viminale, 23. Tel 064823693. (€€) **Map F/G3**

Molino Bakery Bar & Cucina (Mediterranean)

Modern New York-style restaurant and bakery serving every meal of the day, from breakfast to lunch, teatime, aperitivo, and dinner. Offerings include fried appetizers, burgers, Roman and Mediterranean pasta dishes, meat dishes, seafood, and original and inventive pizzas (made in an open kitchen). Open 7am–12midnight (kitchen closes at 11pm). Via Merulana, 281. Tel 0648905295. (€€) **Map F/G3/4** molinorama.it

Il Palchetto (Café-Bistrot)

Il Palchetto is a café-bistro located across from the Opera House in the Esquiline district offering an informal atmosphere and a tasty menu featuring delicious, homemade dishes. They are open all day, serving breakfast, lunch, aperitivo, and dinner with courteous and attentive service. Via del Viminale, 48. Tel 0687560857. **Map F/G3** ilpalchetto.it

NAVONA & PANTHEON

4 Fiumi (Italian)

Situated inside stunning Piazza Navona and serving Mediterranean cuisine from pasta to fish to meat. Outdoor seating in front of Bernini's iconic fountain of the Four Rivers. Open daily, 11am–11pm. Pza Navona, 37. Tel 066864028. Credit cards accepted. (€€/€€€) **Map D3** ristorante-4fiumi.com

The Abbey Theatre (Irish)

Irish beers on tap: Guinness, Harp, and Kilkenny plus bottled beer, and a long list of Irish whiskeys. Open for lunch and dinner. Fast menu: burger, fries, and a beer for €10. Cowboy menu: 250g steak, fries, salad, and beer for €16. Open Sun–Thu, 11am–2am; Fri–Sat, until 3am. Via del Governo Vecchio, 51/53. Tel 066861341. (€€) **Map C/D3** abbey-rome.com

Antica Trattoria da Luigi (Italian)

Typical Roman and Mediterranean dishes such as octopus carpaccio, fettuccine alla Luigi (shellfish, tomato, and arugula), and baked turbot with potatoes. Open for lunch and dinner. Closed Mon. Piazza Sforza Cesarini, 23/24. Tel 066865946/0668805463. Credit cards accepted. (€€) **Map C3**

Bistrot Pasquino (Italian)

Cozy, quaint restaurant serving pizza, pasta, mixed cheese platters, and much more. Spark your appetite with a bruschetta with various toppings, charcuterie board, or a salads, then continue with a plate of classic Roman pasta like carbonara or cacio e pepe. Specializes in wine and cocktails. Open every day, 7am–2am. Via del Governo Vecchio, 79. Tel 0668808124. (€€) **Map D3** bistrotwinebarpasquino.com

Capranica Enoteca & Taverna (Italian)

Elegant restaurant with a refined menu featuring truffle gnocchi, homemade pasta with porcini mushrooms, charcuterie, swordfish, grilled meats,

and pizza. The wine bar boasts over 1000 labels, distilled liquors, and Italian draught beers. Buffet menu at lunch. Open Tue–Sun, 11am–2am. Piazza Capranica, 104. Tel 066790860. Cel 3357581781. Credit cards accepted. (€€) **Map D/E3**

Casa Coppelle (Italian/French)

Mediterranean cuisine with French influence promises an unforgettable sensorial experience. This exquisite restaurant perfectly blends the best of the world's two most beautiful cities: Roman classicism and Parisian style. The tea menu takes center stage each afternoon with select teas and a dessert menu designed to match the best traditional English and French tea rooms. Open every day, 12noon–3:30pm and 7–11:30pm. Tea Room: 3:30–6pm. Piazza delle Coppelle, 49. Tel 0668891707. All credits cards accepted. (€€€) **Map D3** casacoppelle.com



Il Falchetto (Italian)

Serving customers since 1916 just steps from bustling Via del Corso in the heart of the city, with charming indoor and outdoor seating. The well-stocked wine list allows for perfect pairing with classic Roman pasta dishes like cacio e pepe and carbonara as well as fish and meat secondi. Open daily, 12noon–11pm. Via dei Montecatini, 12. Tel 066791160/066798590. (€€) **Map E3** ristoranteilfalchetto.it

Fortunato al Pantheon (Roman)

Elegant restaurant serving traditional Roman cuisine with a glorious view of the Pantheon. Wide array of fresh seafood, pasta, and meat dishes. Menu highlights include tonnarelli cacio e pepe, rigatoni all'americana, and Roman-style steak. For dessert try the tiramisù with mascarpone and wild berries. Open Mon–Sat, 12:30–4pm and 6:45–11:30pm. Via del Pantheon, 55. Tel 066792788. All credit cards accepted. (€€€) **Map D3** ristorantefortunato.it

Jazz Café (Italian/Pizzeria)

Italian restaurant serving a variety of handcrafted wood-oven-made pizza, as well as classics of the Roman tradition such as seafood salad and tonnarelli alla gricia. Cozy interior and lively

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Although the restaurant's interior has been recently renovated, with modern yet cozy touches like black and white floors, iron accents, and chic lighting fixtures, the cuisine is strictly traditional. The menu follows the time-honored gastronomic calendar that has been adhered to by Roman osterias for over a century, and the recipes shun culinary trends in favor of tried-and-tested in-

gredients and techniques. The stalwarts of typical Roman cuisine, from tonnarelli cacio e pepe, tossed in the pan right at your table, to coda alla vaccinara, a rich oxtail stew, can all be found here. Other highlights available daily include spaghetti alla Felice (with aromatic herbs and salted ricotta cheese), roast lamb with potatoes, and gnocchi. Dishes that vary according to the day of the week in the old Roman tradition include pasta with beans and pork rind (Tuesday), gnocchi in a sauce of pork spareribs (Thursday), soup with broccoli and ray fish (Friday), and tripe (Saturday). Save room for a rich and creamy dessert of tiramisù. The wine list is extensive and the service is friendly and informal. Book early.

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nightlife. Try the homemade tiramisù for dessert. Open every day, 11am–12midnight. Via Giuseppe Zanardelli, 12. Tel 0668210119. (€€) **Map D3** jazzcaferoma.com

Ristorante Da Navona (Italian)

Inviting restaurant with a large outdoor seating area with views of Piazza Navona. Stop in for a glass of wine or to sample the traditional Italian dishes on the menu. The kitchen also offers many classic Roman dishes and pizzas with a variety that is capable of satisfying any palate. Open every day, 10am–1am. Piazza Navona, 67. Tel 0668806827. (€€) **Map D3** ristorantepizzerianavona.com

Ristorante Pizzeria Pasquino (Pizzeria)

Enjoy outdoor seating with a picturesque view and a slice of handmade pizza, or explore the wide array of quality seafood, meat, or pasta dishes, including tonnarelli with salt cod or Jewish-style artichokes. Dessert menu changes daily. Open every day, 11am–12midnight. Piazza di Pasquino, 1. Tel 066893043. (€€) **Map C3** ristorantepizzeriapasquino.com

Ristorante Tucci dal 1952 (Italian)

In the spectacular setting of Piazza Navona, this elegant, historic restaurant has been offering diners traditional Italian cuisine for over half a century. Specialties include linguine with lobster, tagliolini with porcini mushrooms and truffle, and beef tenderloin. Ample outdoor seating with views of Bernini's Fountain of the Four Rivers. Open daily,

9am–1am. Piazza Navona, 94. Tel 066861547. **Map D3** (€€€) ristorantetucciroma.it

Su Da Francesco (Italian)

This elegant restaurant on the upper floor of a 17th-century building offers a true epicurean experience, with skillfully crafted dishes made with high-quality ingredients and a vast array of French and Italian wines, designed to be paired. Open daily, 7pm–12:30am. Via del Corallo, 3. Tel 0687725655. All credit cards accepted. (€€€) **Map C/D3** dafrancesco.it/da-francesco-su

PARIOLI & FLAMINIO

Al Ceppo (Regional)

Excellent regional cuisine from Le Marche served in an elegant, refined atmosphere. Try specialties like padellotto di mare (seafood casserole), stuffed rabbit with new potatoes, olive ascolane, paccheri cacio e pepe with zucchini flowers and fava beans, or fresh tagliolini with white truffles. Via Panama, 2. Tel 068551379. (€€€) **Off Map** ristorantealceppo.it

Duke's (International)

American-style restaurant that skillfully combines Mediterranean and more exotic flavors to create innovative dishes made with quality ingredients from all over the world, such as Argentine angus, Pacific Ahi tuna, and foie gras from Dordogne. The wine list is Californian and the service is friendly and easy-going. Open Tue–Sun, 6:30pm–12midnight; bar until 2am (10pm Sun). Viale Parioli,

200. Tel 0680662455. All credit cards accepted. (€€€) **Off Map** dukes.it

QUIRINAL & TREVI FOUNTAIN

Osteria Bacco (Italian)

This charming, modern restaurant features an innovative menu with classic Italian recipes reinterpreted with a modern twist. Both fish and meat are included in the tasty offerings, and high quality and freshness are the restaurant's most vital ingredients. The wine cellar stocks more than 140 Italian labels, and outdoor dining is available in good weather. Open every day, 10am–12midnight. Via Santa Maria in Via, 15. Tel 0669208028. All credit cards accepted. (€€) **Map E3**

Rinaldi al Quirinale (Italian)

This elegant restaurant offers the best of surf and turf. Their specialties include dishes made with such exquisite ingredients as white and black truffles, porcini mushrooms, lobster, and oysters. 3500+ wine labels. Quick and friendly service. Open daily, 12noon–3pm and 7–11:30pm. Via Parma, 11a. Tel 0647825171. Credit cards accepted. (€€€) **Map D3** rinaldialquirinale.com

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IL VINETO

○ Via Vittorio Veneto, 6. Tel 06486617.

In the famous setting of Via Veneto, arguably the most glamorous street in Rome's historic center, this restaurant offers a warm and welcoming environment that is also the quintessence of elegance. The menu offers all the best-loved recipes of the delicious Roman tradition. Absolute unmissable first courses include the classic Roman pastas *cacio e pepe* and *carbonara*, and among its undisputed merits is the vast selection of seafood on offer, arriving fresh every day. Add to this an wide array of tasty and refined appetizers and flavorful and novel second courses and side dishes. The dessert list is full of tempting treats and the wine cellar is stocked with a plethora of labels to pair with any dish. The staff are friendly and helpful, and the service is quick and thorough, with the goal of satisfying each guest's request. Since the kitchen doesn't close in the afternoon, you can stop in for a bite at nearly any time of day. Both à la carte and fixed menu options are available. Free Wi-Fi. Open every day, 10am–1am. All credit cards accepted.



MOLINO BAKERY BAR & CUCINA

○ Via Merulana, 281. Tel 0648905295. molinoroma.it

The name Molino (Italian for "mill") emphasizes the founding principle of this charming restaurant, immersed in the shadow of the Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore: first and foremost, the authenticity of the ingredients, particularly when it comes to the pastries and bread. In fact, Molino is a multi-functional space, with a gastronomic offering tailored to the different needs of the day, from breakfast to lunch, teatime, aperitivo, and lastly to dinner. The warm and luminous dining room is dominated by a large welcoming counter that includes a coffee bar, and through the windows of the open kitchen, diners can view a pizza-making area, which produces classic as well as gourmet pies. Other tempting offerings include *supplì* (fried rice balls), burgers, meatballs, pasta dishes of the Roman and Mediterranean traditions, meat-based entrées (a specialty is the breaded chicken flavored with herbs), and seafood (don't miss the grilled salmon or the tuna with balsamic vinegar). Each dish is simple but exquisite, in terms of quality, seasonality, and freshness, always with a meticulous selection of ingredients. Open daily.



LE MANI IN PASTA

○ Via dei Genovesi, 37. Tel 065816017. lemaniinpasta.net

Tucked amid the winding paths of the lively neighborhood of Trastevere, this welcoming restaurant takes pride in its outstanding Italian cuisine. The place is popular with locals, thanks to the traditional Roman dishes, made with only the freshest, in-season ingredients, and the professionalism of the staff, boasting more than 30 years' experience. The talented chef spoils his guests with the highest quality fruits, vegetables, meats, fish, and other local ingredients. For a first course, try the linguine with lobster or the delectable homemade ravioli. For a heartier second course, a particular specialty is the baked turbot with sea bass and potatoes, or choose from a long list of meat and seafood dishes. When it's time for dessert, tempt your taste buds with a classic tiramisù or a more daring *semifreddo al gorgonzola*. Reservations are a must as this buzzing little restaurant fills up quickly. Open daily, 12:30–3pm and 7:30–11:30pm. All credit cards accepted except Diner's.



VITTI IN LUCINA

○ Piazza S. Lorenzo in Lucina, 33. Tel 066876304. caffetteriavittiroma.it

This pleasant outdoor location in picturesque Piazza San Lorenzo in Lucina is the perfect spot for enjoying a delicious gelato or a homemade pastry while watching Rome's most fashionable people stroll by. Your gluttonous dreams can come true thanks to the professionalism of Onorio Vitti, who holds fast to his century-old family tradition of sublime pastry making. The delicious cakes and desserts are prepared according to recipes handed down through generations of the Vitti family; try the famous Sacher Torte, Sicilian cannoli, cassata, chocolate rolls, and much more. Or simply enjoy a coffee or a tea in one of the most elegant squares in Rome. Besides being a *gelateria* and *pasticceria*, Vitti is also a restaurant, offering a select menu of delicious homemade pastas and Roman specialties, with a small but well-chosen wine cellar. All credit cards accepted. Open daily, 6am–11pm.



4 FIUMI

○ Piazza Navona, 37. Tel 066864028. ristorante-4fiumi.it

Located in Piazza Navona, arguably the most beautiful square in Rome and perhaps the world, 4 Fiumi offers diners the chance to enjoy traditional Italian cuisine while gazing at breathtaking masterpieces of baroque art. With dozens of tables both inside and out, 4 Fiumi is the ideal venue for a large celebration, a business lunch, or an intimate dinner, and with the combination of top-notch cuisine and the open-air museum that is Piazza Navona, any meal here is guaranteed to be unforgettable. The menu is Mediterranean, serving fresh fish, select cuts of meat, classic pasta dishes, seafood antipasti and other tempting appetizers, homemade desserts, and, of course, seemingly endless varieties of Roman-style pizza. Every dish is made with strictly fresh ingredients. The ample wine list features only the finest national labels. Open daily, 11am–11pm.



IL GIARDINO ROMANO

○ Via del Portico d'Ottavia, 18. Tel 0668809661. ilgiardinoromano.it

Located in the heart of the Jewish ghetto, this charming restaurant is a garden abundant with fresh, authentic flavors. Try Roman classics like Jewish-style fried artichokes, barbecued and grilled meats, fried salt cod, pasta *cacio e pepe*, oxtail stew, *trippa alla romana*, and lamb *scottadito*. Or try something more unusual like vegetarian lasagne or artichoke carpaccio. The pasta is always homemade and delicious, and the meat and fish are as fresh as can be. Or try one of their delectable Roman pizzas. End with the heavenly crème caramel or crème brûlée. On request, the kitchen will also prepare Egyptian specialties. The ample wine list makes choosing a chore at this lovely and original restaurant. For a romantic, candlelit dinner, request to be seated in the quaint and intimate garden. Open every day except Wed, 12noon–3:30pm and 7–11:30pm.

DINING

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Roma Sparita, an authentic Trastevere establishment, is lively and welcoming, serving great Roman dishes. Try their Jewish-style artichokes, fried cod and zucchini flowers, *bucatini all'amatriciana*, or pasta with oxtail sauce. Second courses include tripe *alla romana* and an exceptional *tagliata* steak served on a layer of arugula with raw artichokes or porcini mushrooms. The pizzas are made in the wood-burning oven and homemade desserts include apple pie served warm with vanilla ice cream. Well-stocked wine cellar. It's the perfect place to discover the flavors of the past, with a backdrop of the church of Santa Cecilia in Trastevere.

> Piazza S. Cecilia, 24. Tel 065800757. romasparita.com



from traditional Roman cuisine, as well as more unusual options like cavatelli with n'duja, mezze maniche with guanciale and chestnuts, grilled salmon in a saffron and leek sauce; and tuna steak with balsamic vinegar and Tropea onions in a sweet-and-sour sauce. Open daily, 11:30am–11:30pm. Via dei Maroniti, 29. Tel 0694894627. (€€) **Map E3** sacroprofano11.it

SPANISH STEPS

Antica Osteria Croce

Warm, inviting restaurant serving the classic recipes of the traditional Roman cuisine. Choose from pasta, pizza, pinsa, meat, or fish dishes, each prepared with fresh, local ingredients. The ample wine cellar favors local labels from the Castelli Romani region. Cocktails, tea, and hot chocolate also available. 10% discount for WHERE Rome readers. Free WiFi. Open every day, 10:30am–11:30pm. Via della Croce, 38. Tel 066780355. (€€/€€€) **Map E2**

Il Gabriello (Italian)

Traditional cuisine and seafood specialties in a cozy and intimate setting. Highlights of the menu include octopus salad with potatoes; raw crustaceans and white fish tartare; paccheri with calamari and artichokes; and tuna steak with poppy seeds. Vast wine list. Open Mon–Sat, 7pm–12:30am. Via Vittoria, 51. Tel 0669940810. Credit cards accepted. (€€/€€€) **Map D2** ilgabriello.com

Il Margutta RistorArte (Vegetarian)

The restaurant prides itself on its use of strictly organic products, and its state-of-the-art ovens are said to preserve the nutritional integrity of ingredients. Wide range of à la carte dishes and a buffet guarantee that even the pickiest of omnivores will be satisfied. Via Margutta, 118. Tel 0632650577. (€€/€€€) **Map D2** ilmargutta.bio

Pompi (Gelateria)

Historic gelateria famous throughout the city and beyond for producing the finest tiramisù in Rome. Several locations around the city, each one offering comfort, elegance, and excellent service in addition to delectable ice cream and desserts. Open every day, 10am–10:30pm. (Cola di Rienzo location open from 8am.) Via della Croce, 82. Tel 0669941752. Also: Via Cola di Rienzo, 313. Tel 0639737088. Also: Via Santa Maria in Via, 17. Tel 066780002. All credit cards accepted including Alipay and WeChat Pay. **Map D/E2** barpompi.it

Sugo D'Oro (Italian/Roman)

Elegant restaurant serving traditional Roman and Italian cuisine made with fresh ingredients. Also offers rich flavors of the Mediterranean. Enjoy homemade delicacies such as the lobster linguine, spaghetti all'amatriciana, mixed fried seafood (shrimp and calamari), but perhaps their most important specialty is their selection of pizzas. Open every day, 11am–12midnight. Via di Propaganda, 22. Tel 066791230. (€€) **Map E3** sugodoro.com

Trinità de Monti (Italian)

Located at the top of the Spanish Steps, this elegant restaurant serves traditional Italian cuisine and seasonal specials. Also offers after-dinner cocktail, accompanied by live music and panoramic views of the city. Candlelit dinners make it an ideal date spot. Available to book for private events. Piazza Trinità dei Monti, 15. Tel 0669921135. (€€€) **Map E2** ristorantepiazzadispagna.com

VyTA Enoteca Regionale del Lazio (Regional)

Stunning, modern restaurant serving seasonal Roman and Lazio dishes made with local ingredients. The highly detailed menu is an added bonus for those dining with dietary restrictions and includes authentic Roman creations like tonnarelli cacio e pepe, rigatoni carbonara, and gnocchi. Bistro: Open 9am–11am. Restaurant: Open 12:30–3:30pm and 6:30–11:30pm. Via Frattina, 94. Tel 0687716018. **Map E2**

TESTACCIO, TRASTEVERE & MONTEVERDE

Checchino dal 1887 (Roman)

This legendary restaurant takes 'poor' ingredients such as offal and makes them lighter on the palate without compromising Roman tradition. Long wine and grappa list. Open Tue–Sat, 12:30–3pm and 8pm–12midnight and Sun 8pm–12mid. Via di Monte Testaccio, 30. Tel 065743816. Credit cards accepted. (€€€) **Map D6** checcino-dal-1887.com

Checco er Carettiere (Roman)

Inspired by tradition, but with a penchant for seafood. Try amatriciana, Roman-style veal cutlets, or suckling lamb. Ample wine list, excellent service, and traditional atmosphere. Garden dining in summer. Open daily. Via Benedetta, 10. Tel 065800985. (€€€) **Map C4**

Da Teo (Roman)

Traditional dining in a gorgeous piazza. Roman-style

artichokes, spaghetti with lobster, fresh pasta with riccioli sauce, and grilled swordfish with capers and tomato. Relaxed and efficient service. Book ahead. Piazza dei Ponziani, 7a. Tel 065818355. (€€) **Map D4** trattoriadateo.it

Dar Poeta (Pizza)

If you like your pizza chewy, head to Dar Poeta (paying homage to popular Roman poet G.G. Belli). You'll probably have to wait in line eying up the lucky ones who already have their food, but the "Bufala" with mozzarella, cherry tomatoes and basil is worth the build up. Open daily Vicolo del Bologna, 45. Tel 065880516 (€) **Map C5** darpoeta.com

Felice a Testaccio (Roman)

This family-run Testaccio institution has proudly been preparing traditional Roman cuisine since 1936. They serve classic Roman pasta favorites, as well as many meat dishes (particularly offal), and plenty of homemade desserts. The wine cellar stocks more than 200 Italian and international labels. Open daily, 12:30–3pm and 7:30pm–12midnight. Via Mastro Giorgio, 29. Tel 065746800. (€€/€€€) Credit cards accepted. **Map D6** feliceatestaccio.it

Gelateria Tony (Gelateria)

Newly renovated and enlarged, this historic gelateria in the Monteverde neighborhood is a favorite with locals, who have been enjoying their decadent concoctions for over fifty years. Famous for creamy vanilla gelato topped with fresh strawberries and gelato "spaghetti" smothered with nutella, whipped cream, and a myriad of toppings. Open Tue–Sun, 8:30am–9pm. Viale dei Colli Portuensi, 335. Tel 0658201002. **Off Map** gelateriatony.it

Ivo a Trastevere (Pizza)

A favorite among locals and celebrities. The pizza is thin and crunchy, and the menu includes sweet pizza with nutella. Via San Francesco a Ripa, 158. Tel 065817082. (€€/€€€) **Map D5**

Le Mani in Pasta (Italian)

Traditional Roman and Italian fare made with fresh, seasonal ingredients and served in a cozy yet buzzing atmosphere. Pair the chef's creations with a bottle from the vast wine list. Open Tue–Sun, 12:30–3pm and 7:30–11:30pm. Via dei Genovesi, 37. Tel 065816017. All credit cards accepted except Diner's. (€€) **Map D5** lemaniinpasta.com

Osteria Pucci (Italian)

A modern, airy restaurant with an ample garden for outdoor dining. Sample cold cuts

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○ Bir & Fud

Wash down a fresh-from-the oven Neapolitan-style pizza with one (or more!) of this bar's superb microbrews, ranging from pale ales to earthy dark beers. Insider tip: make a reservation in advance, as regulars flock here all week long. [Via Benedetta, 23.](#)

○ Ma Che Siete Venuti a Fa'

Known for its incredible selection of hard-to-find beers, this pub is a popular stop for the locals of the trendy Trastevere neighborhood. Although there's not much sitting room, it's the perfect place to take in a Roma-Lazio soccer game. [Via Benedetta, 25.](#)

○ La Birreria di Eataly

Found within Italian food superstore Eataly, this spot stocks a staggering 400 artisanal beers hailing from Italy and other corners of the world. They also produce five of their own craft beers at their on-site brewery. Best of all, La Birreria also dishes out homemade pizza.

[Piazzale 12 Ottobre 1492.](#)

○ Queen Makeda Grand Pub

Craft beer meets international fusion cuisine at this hip pub-restaurant on the Aventine Hill. A vast selection of artisanal brews and Thai and Mexican food keep company with excellent burgers.

[Via di San Saba, 11.](#)

○ Brasserie 4:20

This bar's passion for *birra* is clear not only in their drink selection (over 30 artisanal Italian brews on tap) but their food as well: all of Brasserie's dishes incorporate beer into the recipe, whether it's in their bread dough or burgers. [Via Portuense, 82.](#)

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Roma Sparita (Roman)

This restaurant, with a cozy interior and lively outdoor space, is famed for its creamy tagliolini cacio e pepe, served in a bowl made of cheese. Other highlights: oxtails in tomato sauce and pizza. Open Tue–Sat, 12:30–2:30pm and 7:30–11:30pm. Sun lunch only. Piazza S. Cecilia, 24. Tel 065800757. Credit cards accepted. (€/€€) [Map D5](#)

TRIDENT

Antica Norcineria Al Civico 24 (Food Market)

This gourmet Italian food shop and delicatessen features products that originate from the famed town of Norcia in Umbria, a village that is renowned for, above all, its sausages and cured meats. Also serves tastings of cured meats and cheeses. Open daily, 10am–9pm. Via della Scrofa, 24. Tel 0668192695. All credit cards accepted. (€€) [Map D3](#) [anticanorcineria.com](#)

Babette (Italian)

Exquisite restaurant on secluded, leafy Via Margutta with a menu that is updated as the seasons change with innovative, original recipes. The delightful inner courtyard offers shaded tables for romantic candlelit meals, and rotating works by young contemporary artists hang on the walls inside. Open Tue–Thu, 12:30–3pm and 7–10:30pm; Fri, Sat, 12:30–3pm and 7–11pm; Sun, 12:30–3pm and 7–10pm. Via Margutta, 1d. Tel 063211559. [Map D1/2](#) [babetteristorante.it](#)

Osteria Margutta (Italian)

Creative dishes like tonnarelli Margutta, penne in vodka and salmon sauce, pork with chestnuts, or tuna fillet with radicchio, with a private art collection as a backdrop. 100+ wine labels. Open Mon–Sat, 12:30pm–3pm and 7:30pm–12midnight. Via Margutta, 82. Tel 06321025. V, MC, and JCB accepted. (€€/€€€) [Map D2](#) [osteriamargutta.it](#)

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Sicilia in bocca (Regional)

In this elegant restaurant located near the Vatican area, you can taste scrumptious Sicilian specialties like warm octopus salad, maccaroncelli alla Norma, spaghetti with sea urchins, linguine with shrimp and cherry tomatoes and eggplant parmesan, with cannoli or cassata for dessert. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Via Faà di Bruno, 26. Tel 0637358400. All credit cards accepted. (€€/€€€) Map B1 siciliainbocca.com

Taki (Japanese)

Tasting menus—sushi or sashimi in Moriawase style—as well as an à la carte menu, in a minimalist style. Offers unique dishes like gohanmono, oshizushi, or grilled meats with Asian sauces. Open daily, 12:30–3:15pm for lunch; 4–7pm for tea; 7:30pm–12:15am for dinner. Via Marianna Dionigi, 56. Tel 063201750. Credit cards accepted. (€€/€€€) Map D2 taki.it

VENETO & PORTA PIA

Bottega Italia (Italian)

Large space with themed stations dedicated to every aspect of Italian cuisine: pizza, pasta, street food, grilled and cured meats, pastries, gelato, smoothies, wine, craft beer, and espresso. Graze for your favorite foods, or enjoy a full meal. All produce and ingredients held to high standards of freshness and quality. Open daily, 7am–2am. Via V. Veneto, 15/23. Tel 0642390752. (€€) Map E/F2 bottegaitaliaroma.it

Eleonora D'Arborea (Regional)

Elegant restaurant offering the traditional flavors of Sardinia. Choose from their wide selection of fresh seafood courses and don't miss the seadas (traditional Sardinian pastries) for dessert. Pair your meal with a bottle from their Tuscany-heavy wine cellar. Open Tue–Sun, 12:30–3:30pm and 7:30–11:30pm. Corso Trieste, 23. Tel 0644250943. Map H1

Piccolo Abruzzo (Regional)

This cozy restaurant, seating only 45 people, specializes in the hearty cuisine from the region of Abruzzo. The traditional furnishings, exposed brick walls, and warm colors make this a welcoming establishment, and each dish is prepared with love according to ancient recipes. Open Tue–Sun for lunch and dinner. Closed Mon. Via Sicilia, 237. Tel 0642802016. (€€) Map F2 piccolobrizzo.it

Il Vineto (Italian)

In the famous setting of Via Veneto, arguably the most glamorous street in Rome's historic center, this elegant restaurant offers a warm and welcoming environment. The menu offers all the classic dishes of the delicious Roman tradition. Among its undisputed merits is the vast selection of seafood on offer, arriving fresh every day, not to mention an array of tasty and refined appetizers and flavorful and novel pasta dishes. Open every day, 11am–12midnight. Via Vittorio Veneto, 6. Tel 06486617. All credit cards accepted. (€€/€€€) Map F2

Viva (Seafood)

Bright and charming seafood restaurant taking diners on a culinary journey through the tastes and traditions of the Mediterranean. Their specialty is raw fish, but the generous menus also features classic Roman pasta dishes and a small selection of meat entrées. The wine cellar stocks over 300 national labels, from both small and large producers. Open Mon–Sat, 12noon–3pm and 6–11pm. Via Sicilia, 47. Tel 066786115. (€€/€€€) Map F2 ristoranteviva.com

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Antica Norcineria al Civico 24

Via della Scrofa, 24 – Tel 0668192695 – anticanorcineria.com

This delightful oasis of Italian delicacies, located on one of Rome's most historic streets, Via della Scrofa—just a few steps from famous Piazza Navona—boasts an ancient culinary tradition just waiting to be discovered. Here you can explore authentic flavors of Norcia through tastings and an excellent glass of red or white wine. You can also purchase the tempting delicacies to enjoy later. Choose from a variety of fresh and seasonal products, including, in particular, goodies from Norcia, a small medieval town in Umbria famous for its sausage and cured meats, as well as Italian specialties like Parmigiano Reggiano cheese, Corallina salami, and wine from Barolo, Chianti, and Brunello di Montalcino. Antica Norcineria constantly stocks its shelves with the precious flavors and rich aromas that tell the story of its territory and delicious history. Open daily, 10am–9pm. All credit cards accepted.

Antica Trattoria Da Luigi

Piazza Sforza Cesarini, 23/24 – Tel 066865946/0668805463
trattoriadaluigi.com

In Piazza Sforza Cesarini (near the austere palazzo that once belonged to the Borgia family), Restaurant Da Luigi is constantly put to the test by lovers of Roman cuisine, and passes with flying colors thanks to their successful Mediterranean and seafood variations. Many famous faces at the tables set up on the piazza fight for the first spot in line to enjoy the house specialties such as the excellent octopus carpaccio, spaghetti with clams, baked turbot with potatoes, and traditional Roman dishes like tripe, lamb, and ossobuco. Desserts are classic and tempting (tiramisù, *panna cotta*, and wild strawberries with ice cream) and the service is truly exemplary for its efficiency and kindness, notwithstanding the fact that the place is always full. This is a restaurant where you will come and return willingly. Open Tue–Sun, 12noon–12 midnight. Closed Mon. All credit cards accepted.



Piccolo Abruzzo

Via Sicilia, 237 – Tel 0642820176 – piccoloabruzzo.it

Entrusted to the care and enthusiasm of Massimiliano and Domenica, restaurant Piccolo Abruzzo welcomes guests in a warm and inviting setting just steps from Via Veneto. The décor is charmingly rustic, with details like exposed brick ceiling vaults, and the menu favors authentic local specialties of the Roman-Abruzzese cuisine, prepared with quality, local ingredients. The menu features classic recipes devoted to the tradition of the Abruzzo region, with highlights that include prosciutto from L'Aquila; *bombolotti* pasta with broccoli sausage; risotto with saffron and truffle; *schiaffoni* pasta all'amatriciana, *abbacchio allo scottadito* (lamb chops), grilled sausage and scamorza cheese, grilled lamb kebabs (listed among the top 10 Roman restaurants to try this Abruzzo specialty), beef tagliata with porcini mushrooms, and, it goes without saying, exquisite homemade desserts such as blackberry tart and tiramisù. The ample wine cellar stocks a respectable selection and the service is courteous and friendly. Open Mon–Sat. All credit cards accepted. Reservations recommended.



Papa Rex

Via Aurelia, 87 (St. Peter's/Vatican) – Tel 06634998 – paparex.it

Located just a few steps from the dome of St. Peter's Basilica and the Vatican, Papa Rex has been serving delicious cuisine since 1991. The restaurant boasts four themed rooms, each decorated in the classic Roman style, that are ideal for any occasion, whether it be a casual dinner or a formal celebration. The gastronomic philosophy of Papa Rex exudes respect for traditional local recipes, so you can be sure you are getting the real thing when you order famous Roman dishes like *carbonara*, *amatriciana*, *saltimbocca alla romana*, or stewed artichokes, not to mention the plethora of meat and seafood options. Pair your meal with a bottle of local red or white from Papa Rex's ample wine cellar. Finish your meal with a classic dessert like tiramisù or lemon sorbet. Papa Rex keeps traditional Italian and Roman cuisine at the center of their specialties, while using the highest quality ingredients from the countryside around Rome. All credit cards accepted. Open every day, 12noon–11pm.



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PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

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AIRPORT TRANSFERS

To Fiumicino and Ciampino Airport (by train and coach)

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CAR RENTALS

Avis (Fiumicino)—Tel 0665011531/06419941

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Most banks have 24-hour ATM (Bancomat) machines. Opening hours vary, but most operate Mon-Fri, 8:30am-1:30 pm and 2:45-4:30pm. Closed on public holidays. **Map E5**

MAILING SERVICES

Postal System

Stamps (francobolli) can be bought at any post office. Red mailboxes can be found on the walls of buildings. Central post office in Piazza San Silvestro. **Map E3**

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DIRECTORIES

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Pre-paid SIM cards can be used with unlocked, compatible phones. Networks: TIM, Vodafone, 3, and Wind.

INTERNET

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Open Mon-Fri, 8:30am-8:30pm; Sat, 8:30am-6pm. Piazza Firenze, 255. €3/hr. **Map D3**

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