



VENETO





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WHEN TO TRAVEL





The Veneto region has a Mediterranean climate with warm summers and fairly mild winters.

The best seasons are undoubtedly the spring and autumn months: from March to May and September and October.

During the summer months, the heat sometimes makes the Veneto climate uncomfortable, but in most cases it is acceptable.

The mountains of this region are different thing and a place for itself, where the skiing season lasts from December to March.

The best period to visit sea resort and the coast is from June to September.



ACCESS POINTS

How to reach Veneto



BY AIR

You can reach Veneto region by air using the airports of Venice, Verona and Treviso.

The Venice **Marco Polo Airport** is the largest in Veneto and represents the third Italian intercontinental gate, with direct scheduled connections to New York, Philadelphia, Atlanta, Dubai, Doha, Montreal, Toronto and Tokyo and all the main airports in Italy.

The **Valerio Catullo** airport of **Verona Villafranca** is connected daily with flights to other Italian cities. It also has very good connections with other European cities.

The **Treviso Airport** is just outside Treviso, 25 kilometers from Venice and 37 kilometers from Padua.

Depending on where you are coming from, airports of nearby regions such as **Milan, Bologna and Bergamo** can be very convenient option since they have very good connections with different Veneto destinations.



How to reach Veneto

BY TRAIN

Trenitalia and Italo high-speed trains connect the stations of Venice Santa Lucia, Venice Mestre, Verona Porta Nuova and Padova to all major Italian cities (Milan, Turin, Bologna, Florence, Rome, Naples).

Long-distance trains from Venice Santa Lucia reach destinations like Paris, Vienna, Munich and Geneva as well as the luxury trains of the Simplon Orient Express line.



BY CAR AND BUS

The most important highway in the region is A4 so called «Serenissima» which connects Turin and Trieste via Milan and Venice.

Another important highway is A13 which connects Bologna to Padua passing through Ferrara and Rovigo.

There are many bus companies operating across Veneto region but the most important ones are:

ATVO: is a public transport company operating in the metropolitan city of Venice and in some municipalities in the province of Treviso.

ATV: operates urban bus lines in the city of Verona covering a network of 263 kilometers. The suburban service extends to the provinces of Brescia, Trento, Mantua, Rovigo, Padua and Vicenza.



How to reach Veneto



BY SEA

Among the ports in Veneto we find:

The Port of Venice is in a position to act as the European gateway for many top cruises, and ferry connections to the main ports of the Adriatic harbours, like Pula, Rovinj and Umag, in Croatia, scheduled during certain seasons of the year.

Punta Sabbioni, from where it is easy to reach destinations like Venice, Burano, Murone, Torcello or Lido di Jesolo.

The Port of Chioggia is located between the islands of Pellestrina and Sottomarina: it is the southernmost access point to the Venice Lagoon.





VENETO FLAVORS



CASUNZIEI

These are crescent-shaped ravioli, prepared with hand-rolled egg pasta, and with a filling generally consisting of boiled potatoes and beetroot, seasoned with melted butter, smoked ricotta and poppy seeds. The "casunziei" are a dish that in the past was made at home with the products that the farm lands offered. For this reason the most ancient and original recipes are those of the "red casunziei", made with red beetroot, potatoes and yellow turnip and the "green casunziei" made with spinach, and above all with chives harvested in spring. It was a dish that used to be cooked on important occasions, such as Christmas or Easter or Sunday.

SARDE IN SAOR

Sardines in saor are a really tasty appetizer of Venetian cuisine, it is a terrine of fried sardines that are served with onions cooked with vinegar and caramelized, pine nuts and raisins. The saor is a method of preservation of sailors, in fact, in ancient times, when it was necessary to keep fish on ships for a long period of time, this particular preparation was used to keep the fried fish excellent for several days.



BACCALA ALLA VICENTINA

The cod alla vicentina is a symbolic dish of the city of Vicenza, a dish with an unmistakable flavor, appreciated all over the world. Stockfish is used to make the cod alla vicentina, or bacalà, as it is called in Veneto. It is a simple dish with an unmistakable flavor, which can also be served with some soft or grilled white Polenta.

RISI E BISI

Risi e bisi is a great classic of Italian cuisine that was originated in Veneto, but is so good that it has spread throughout Italy. An easy-to-make first course, made with rice and peas. A dish to be enjoyed especially in spring, when the peas are fresh as they are the basic ingredient of this delicious course. For the preparation of the dish, Vialone Nano rice is preferable, it swells during the cooking, absorbing the seasoning, resulting in a final dish halfway between risotto and soup: in fact, risi e bisi must not be too brothy or too dry, but soft and creamy. Adding some bacon will give even more flavor to the dish.





FEGATO ALLA VENEZIANA

Liver alla Veneziana is part of the many typical recipes of the Venetian gastronomic tradition. It is a very simple and very tasty recipe, with a long history: the strong and slightly bitter flavor of veal liver, blends perfectly with the sweetness of onions. The origins of this dish, called "figà àea Venessiana" in Veneto, date back to the time of the Romans who used to cook the liver together with figs to cover the slightly strong smell. Over time, the Venetians replaced figs with onions, and made this recipe one of the most popular in Venetian cuisine.



RISOTTO AL RADICCHIO TREVIGIANO

Risotto with radicchio is a typical first course of Venetian cuisine, loved and appreciated throughout Italy, it has become a winter classic, hearty, delicious, and it is very easy to prepare! Made with rice, Treviso red radicchio, very few other genuine ingredients, and a tasty cream based on butter and parmesan, that make the risotto with radicchio creamy and succulent! A unique delicacy!



RISOTTO AL NERO DI SEPPIA

This risotto cooked with cuttlefish ink highlights the treasures of Veneto waters. The rice is cooked in fish stock and squid ink to give it its fantastic color, before pieces of squid are added along with wine. The Venetian island of Burano is home to restaurants which specialize in this dish. If you are a seafood lover, this dish has to be on the menu while visiting Veneto.



CARPACCIO

Although the term “carpaccio” is often used to refer to any thinly sliced raw meat or fish, the original dish is quite specific and refers to thinly sliced beef with a sauce made from mayo, mustard, cream and tomato. It was invented in Harry’s Bar in Venice for the Italian countess, Amalia Nani Mocenigo who asked for a dish of uncooked meat for health reasons. In any case, the legendary owner of Harry’s, Giuseppe Cipriani, invented the somewhat vampiric dish, then finding that raw beef was not the tastiest thing in the world, added the sauce. Cipriani took the name from a famous Venetian Painter, Vittore Carpaccio, who had an exhibit on in Venice at the time.

PANDORO

This classic Christmas cake Pandoro is inevitably found on the Italian tables during the holidays. Light and fluffy like a brioche, it has a mild flavor, scented with vanilla. The shape is that of a truncated pyramid, with an 8-pointed star base. It is Verona's cake by excellence. The main ingredients of Pandoro are: flour, sugar, eggs, butter and yeast. Its preparation is quite demanding: it must rise for more than 10 hours and requires 6-7 rounds of dough...making this "homemade" quite difficult, which is why most people simply buy it. Often, the Pandoro comes with a bag of powdered sugar that can be sprinkled on the cake at the outset, for sweet-lovers.

TIRAMISU'

It is one of Italy's most popular desserts. The word Tiramisù literally means "pick me up". Tiramisu is an elegant and rich layered Italian dessert, made with delicate ladyfinger cookies, espresso or instant espresso, mascarpone cheese, eggs, sugar, and cocoa powder. The delicate flavor of layers of mascarpone cheese, is contrasted with the darkly robust presence of espresso coffee, and sharpness of cocoa powder. It is a real and wonderful Italian delicacy!



WINE, SPRITZ, CHEESE AND COLD CUTS

To satisfy your appetite a good meal can start with some **Venetian liver patè** with a tagliere of typical cured meats, for example **Soppressa** or **Horse Salami** and of course some the famous cheese like **Asiago**, **Montasio** or **Provolone Valpadana**.

Veneto region is a land of prized wines: wine experts can't not appreciate **Amarone della Valpolicella**, an Italian DOCG denomination dry red wine produced exclusively in the Valpolicella area, in the province of Verona, **Soave Superiore**, a DOCG white wine of the Verona area, **Prosecco di Conegliano-Valdobbiabene**, a DOCG white wine produced on the hills of Treviso, or **Bardolino Superiore**, a red wine typical of Lake Garda.

Probably the most popular aperitivo drink in Italy is actually from Veneto region. The famous **Spritz**. It is a must have everywhere in Italy but especially in Veneto.



HIGHLIGHTS

VENICE



Venice doesn't really need an introduction. **This city is the capital** of the region. The city of water attracts millions of visitors each year. This is a place that needs to be seen at least once in a lifetime. Put aside a minimum of two days to explore the sides of Venice that interest you the most – its museums, churches, labyrinthine streets, layered history.

Venice actually lies on 117 small islands that are connected by a series of bridges and separated by a network of canals.

During the Middle Ages and the Italian Renaissance, Venice was an extremely powerful stronghold and served as a major financial and military center. Furthermore, it was a place that saw great cultural and artistic development and was renowned worldwide.

Do not miss St. Mark's Square with stunning Basilica as the central masterpiece, Canal Grande, Rialto Bridge, Bridge of Sighs, and just get lost in the streets of this breathtaking city.



MURANO, BURANO AND TORCELLO

Murano is the largest island of the Venetian Lagoon. Murano began the traditional art of molding the crystal in the 8th century. Murano is famous for the sales of blown glass and for the Glass Museum, the Church of San Donato, the basilica of Saints Maria and the furnaces where it is possible to see how blown glass is born.

The island of **Burano** is actually a small archipelago of 5 islands connected through bridges. Burano is famous for the handcrafted lace making, even today we can see the ladies sit at their front doors of their colorful houses, to weave the most impressive lace provided in unusual and beautiful ways.

Torcello's main attraction is the **Cathedral of the Assumption** (639), founded with Byzantine works of the 11th and 12th centuries, includes several mosaics. Another attraction of the island is **the church of Santa Fosca** of the 11th and 12th centuries, is surrounded by a portico in the shape of a Greek cross, and a museum with based in two palaces of the 14th century.



PADOVA

The historical centre of Padua boasts a wealth of medieval, renaissance and modern architecture; here a fascinating mix of historic and new, of centuries-old traditions and metropolitan rhythms creates a unique atmosphere. Must see here are : **Scrovegni Chapel**, which contains a great fresco cycle by Giotto, **Basilica of St. Anthony**, **Palazzo della Ragione**, **Orto Botanico di Padova (Botanic Garden of Pauda)**.

VICENZA

A city to live in its every detail, to discover street by street, to admire from the very first moment. Vicenza became UNESCO's World Heritage site in 1994, thanks to Andrea Palladio's art history, its perfect integration of architectonic works with urban spaces, thus making it a model and significant reference for all of modern and contemporary Europe. In the 1500s, the grand Palladio made himself known to the entire world by leaving a vast legacy to Vicenza that included the **Palladian Basilica**, **Palazzo Chiericati**, and the **Teatro Olimpico**.



VERONA

Thanks to its geographic location, it was an important urban center founded by the Romans in the First Century B.C. Significant traces still remain today of its prodigious past, including the **Arena of the Roman Theatre**, the **Gavi Arch at Porta Borsari**, and the **archaeological site at Porta Leoni**. Invaded and occupied for a significant length of time by the Barbarians, the city lived its maximum splendor under the Scaliger Dynasty (13th-14th Centuries).



GARDA

Garda Town is situated on a magnificent bay surrounded by lush green hills. Being located halfway up the eastern shore, makes it simply perfect for exploring the mountainous northern shores of the lake, as well as the southern lake towns. The incredible **Madonna della Corona** is not far away either. A short drive away is **Gardaland**, a paradise for children, and Italy's biggest theme park. When in Garda, it is easy to reach other breathtaking destinations such as Peschiera del Garda, Lazise, Bardolino, Torre del Benaco, Baia delle Sirene, Torri del Benaco and Malcesine.





DOLOMITI BELLUNESI NATIONAL PARK

- Sport, Ski and Nature in the Dolomites -

The Dolomites constitute the eastern part of the Alpine Mountain Range, and they are part of the UNESCO World Heritage List.

Between Alto Adige and the Veneto, the silhouettes of the Three Peaks of Lavaredo stand out – along with Monte Cristallo, they hover over the “Pearl of the Dolomites,” that is **Cortina d’Ampezzo**, and the near Valleys of **Comelico** and **Cadore**.

It has always been a top destination for mountain and nature enthusiasts, as well as those in search of winter sport activity and, fun. At the base of the **National Park of the Bellunesi Dolomites**, the imposing **Marmolada**, **Monte Civetta**, and **Pale di San Martino** rise, with the nearby hub of **Agordo**, an international destination for Alpine skiing.

LE COLLINE DEL PROSECCO



In the north of the province of Treviso, there are gently sloping hills that have been cultivated with vineyards for centuries. The magical atmospheres of these lands invite you to indulge in wandering through cities of art, agricultural villages and the pleasures of good food. To keep you company, there will always be the scent of a special wine. These hills are home of the most famous bubbles in the world, those of **Prosecco**, and since 2019 they have been included in the UNESCO World Heritage Site. The “**Strada del Prosecco and Vini dei Colli Conegliano-Valdobbiadene**” will take you to discover ancient castles, aristocratic villas, hermitages and abbeys.

BASSANO DEL GRAPPA



Bassano has a tasty gastronomic tradition: you cannot leave without having tasted asparagus, cod and grappa. In the central square of **Monte Vecchio** there are the imposing **Palazzo del Monte di Pietà** and the **Dal Corno Bonato house**, in **Piazza della Libertà**, the neoclassical **Church of San Giovanni**. The fifteenth-century **Loggia del Comune** is also wonderful. The real pearl of Bassano, however, is the famous bridge, designed by Palladio.

DELTA DEL PO'



The Po River Delta is a large protected area of wetlands between the flow of Po di Goro and the Adige river.

Sporting activities in the Po Delta Park are remarkable and all linked to forms of "slow tourism". By bike, by boat, by canoe or simply walking, we can make excursions and get to know the protected areas of the Park. From a simple bike ride on the banks of the six branches of the Po to an excursion by boat or canoe for the more sporty, to birdwatching. The Po Delta is a land rich in biodiversity also from a gastronomic point of view. Certainly represented by the fishery products ranging from blue fish (anchovies, mackerel, sardines) to the famous mussels grown in the lagoons (mussels, clams and pink oysters) to fish reared in the valley (sea bass, sea bream, mullet). Another excellence of the territory that in some way has also determined its history is the cultivation of rice.

PALLADIAN VILLAS

The Palladian Villas are part of the complex of Venetian villas, stately homes built in the 15th century in the territories of the Republic of Venice. These residences built by Andrea Palladio are considered precious art, and they have been included in the Unesco list as a World Heritage Site.

Some of most important ones to mention are:

Villa La Rotonda - Vicenza, the most famous one, wanted by Almerico Capra.

Villa Angarano – Bassano del Grappa, a majestic and royal villa, whose construction was commissioned from Giacomo Angarano to his friend Andrea Palladio.

And others such as are **Villa Chiericati** – Grumolo delle Abbadesse, **Villa Godi Valmarana** - Lugo di Vicenza, which also hosts a paleontological museum with numerous fossils, **Villa Thiene** – Quinto Vicentino, **Villa Trissino** - Cricoli, **Villa Saraceno** - Agugliaro, **Villa Valmarana** -Vigardolo.





TOURS

Venezia: La Serenissima



Day 1 - Venezia

Arrival in Venice in the morning. Vaporetto tour from Tronchetto in Piazza San Marco, meeting with the guide and visit of St. Mark's Square, Basilica, Campanile, Tower dell'Orologio and the Bridge of Sighs. In the afternoon walk through the streets and squares of Venice, up to the Rialto district, the commercial center of the city. Boat tour to Tronchetto. Transfer to the hotel, dinner and overnight.

Day 2 - The Islands of the Lagoon

After breakfast, departure by motorboat for the excursion to the islands of the Lagoon. Arrival in Murano, worldwide known for its glassmaking, and a visit to an authentic glass factory, where the glass masters will make you admire the different glass crafting techniques. Lunch in a restaurant. Continue to Burano, an island famous for its lace making. In the evening, return to the hotel, dinner and overnight.

Day 3 - Chioggia

Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to Chioggia. Meeting with the guide, guided tour of the city. The town, located between the Venetian Lagoon and the delta of river Po', is full of streets, canals and bridges. Visit of the historic center with the Canal Vena, which is crossed by nine bridges. The visit will end with one stroll through the folkloristic and the local fish market. Free lunch, departure for the return.



Padua, Verona, and the Venetian Villas



Day 1 - Padua

Departure for Veneto, arrival in Padua in the afternoon, meeting with the guide, visit of the city. Starting with the Basilica of Sant'Antonio, continuing with the basilica of Santa Giustina, the Scrovegni Chapel, a true Giotto's masterpiece, (entrance subjected to a fee payment) located in Eremitani square where you can also admire the homonymous church that displays masterpieces by Mantegna. Transfer to the hotel, dinner and overnight.

Day 2 - Venetian Villas

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the Riviera del Brenta. In the afternoon, boarding on a boat, and visit with a guide of the famous Venetian Villas areas : here the ancient Venetian noble families built their homes. On board of motor ships, you will have the chance to retrace this sumptuous route by visiting the magnificent Villas. Visit of the splendid Villa Widmann. Disembark at Malcontenta. Transfer to the hotel, dinner and overnight.

Day 3 - Verona

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to Verona, meeting with the guide, visit of the historic center of the city of Romeo and Juliet: the famous Piazza delle Erbe, Piazza dei Signori, the house of Romeo and Juliet, and the exteriors of the famous Arena. Afternoon departure for return.





EXPERIENCES

Our ideas



SAN TROVASO SQUERO

Squero (building, construction site in Venetian dialect) is most famous gondola building site where gondolas and other typical boats of the Venetian lagoon tradition are built and repaired. You will have an amazing opportunity to visit this famous place and learn a lot about Venetian maritime tradition.

THE PROSECCO HILLS

20km of hills where the cultivation of wines give life to the production of prosecco, in one unique scenario in the world. A path full of tastes that will end with the visit of one cellar and wine tasting.

THE MINIATURE VENICE - CHIOGGIA

Walking through Chioggia you will have the impression of being in a kind of smaller version of Venice. You can enjoy the elegance and charm that convey the Venetian-style palaces while you overlook the canals populated by famous "Bragozzi", typical Chioggia boats with colorful sails.



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THE EUGANEAN HILLS

The Euganean Hills Regional Park is full of villas, castles, abbeys and monuments immersed in the green Venetian plain, unique territory both from an artistic point of view and the naturalistic one, which also inspired the famous poet Ugo Foscolo.

THE ISLAND OF GIUDECCA

Less famous than the other islands in the Venetian lagoon, but absolutely not to be missed. Giudecca island is a bit bohemian neighborhood rich in ancient Palladian churches, factories converted into luxury buildings and shops of craftsmen.

THE SIGURTÀ GARDEN PARK

Beautiful park that hosts countless naturalistic and historical attractions located a few kilometers from Verona. It won the award for most beautiful garden in Italy in 2013 and in Europe in 2015. In March and April it is also possible admire the most important blooming of tulips of Southern Europe.



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WHERE TO STAY



LIDO DI JESOLO

The best option for both of your groups of adults and students, is an accommodation in the area of Lido di Jesolo, it is very economic, and offers a wide choice of many hotels. From here it is very easy to reach main destinations like Venice, Burano and Murano.

VERONA SURROUNDINGS

Verona surroundings offer a great choice of accommodation at very inexpensive rates. Also it can be a good starting point for your «star Tours».

VENEZIA SURROUNDINGS and MESTRE

Mestre is very close to Venice, and well connected to it, prices are very good if you are looking for something very affordable. Locations we would suggest in the larger area of Venice are Conegliano, San Donà Di Piave, Noventa di Piave, Oderzo and San Fior.





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About us



For 35 years we have provided excellent services, customizing each proposal, thus ensuring the full success of your trips in Italy and in the rest of Europe.

The spirit of the company is to offer our partners complete services for the creation of tourist packages, offering tailor made proposals, with hotels contracted and selected according to our quality standards.

Over the years the style of travel has changed and for this reason we evolve following the market demand, studying new destinations, tours for small and large groups, with always new contents and services.

OUR PROJECTS IN ITALY:

Cultural and artistic tourism - participation in events, fairs, congresses, meetings, exhibitions or the discovery of local cultures and traditions

Food and wine tourism - discover the taste of the territory, wine tasting, guided tour of the production and active participation through Cooking Classes

Religious tourism - routes through the main places of worship in Italy and Europe

Seaside tourism and senior citizens - summer weeks for groups of adults on the Italian coast and for groups of seniors: entertainment and beach services.

School tourism - attention to safety and quality of service at competitive prices. We offer workshops, cultural and / or technical visits to certain companies as part of the educational tour.

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