



## ROAD TRAVEL REPORT: ITALY



### KNOW BEFORE YOU GO...

- The safety record of public transportation generally is good.
- The country's motorization rate is among the highest in Europe.
- The road network is well developed in the northern section of the country and less well developed and maintained in the south.
- Metro systems are available only in Rome, Milan, Naples and Genoa. Rail systems are lacking in southern Italy except in Naples, Bari and some minor cities.
- Driving is not permitted in most historic city centers. Free street parking is generally available in newer areas of cities. Park-and-ride lots in outlying areas are often a good option.
- Many city streets are narrow, winding, and congested.
- Use heightened caution in mountainous areas.
- Rome is not pedestrian friendly. Traffic is heavy. Pedestrians are numerous. Sidewalks are narrow or may be lacking. Motorists may not stop for pedestrians in zebra crossings.
- The Emilia-Romagna region's road fatality rate is much higher than the national average for Italy.
- Funding for road improvement projects has increased sharply. Improvements include installation of additional street and traffic lights, paving of road shoulders, upgrading of heavily traveled sections of road, construction of more roundabouts and upgrading of large cities' ring roads and tunnels.
- The adoption of many EU-recommended driving regulations, along with stepped-up enforcement and road safety education programs has resulted in significant reduction in road fatalities and injuries in recent years.
- The fatality rate per 100 million vehicle kilometers in Italy is 2.1 compared to 1.0 in the US.



### ROAD REALITIES

#### DRIVER BEHAVIORS

- Driver compliance with the rules of the road is increasing. Compliance tends to decrease the further south you travel.
- Excessive speed, alcohol/drug use and driver fatigue, especially for long-distance drivers, contribute to road crashes.
- Even on narrow roads, drivers may drive irresponsibly, overtake at blind curves, drive on the wrong side of the road or ignore lane markings.
- Drivers may tailgate, ignore red lights, drive on the sidewalk, cut other drivers off, and zoom around each other, crisscrossing through wide intersections.
- Drivers may be impatient with tourists who slow down to look at sites.
- Compliance with seat belt requirements has increased over 30%.
- When a driver wishes to pass you, pull over slightly onto the shoulder.
- When passing another vehicle, flash your headlights indicating that you want driver to move right. With few exceptions, passing on the right is not permitted.
- On two-lane highways, where lanes are wider, drivers often attempt to pass from the same lane.



- Drivers of commercial and private vehicles may travel and pass other vehicles at very high speeds on Autostrade.
- Flashing headlights indicate drivers' intent to have the right of way.
- Motorcycles, motor scooters and mopeds are common. Their drivers often consider themselves exempt from driving regulations. Drivers may pass irresponsibly or drive on sidewalks to pass slower traffic. Use great caution if renting a motor scooter.
- The road fatality rate for drivers and passengers in motorized vehicles, cyclists and pedestrians is highest in Italy's Emilia-Romagna region. Non-residents account for about 25% of these fatalities.

#### GENERAL ROAD CONDITIONS

- There are over 300,000 km (185,500 miles) of roads, 6531.8 km (4,058.67 miles) of which are Autostrade or superhighways.
- Italy has a rugged coastline and many mountainous regions. The Alps separate much of the country is separated from the rest of Europe. The Apennines Mountains extend from Liguria down the central portion of Italy's east coast to Sicilia.
- Drivers going up narrow one-lane mountainous roads usually yield to a vehicle coming down. Back up until reaching a pull out and allow the other vehicle to pass.
- TYPES OF ROADS IN ITALY
  - Autostrades (toll expressways)
  - Superstrade (toll-free expressways)
  - Strade Stratali (main roads)
  - Strade Provinciali (secondary roads)
  - Strade Comunali (local roads)
- Autostrades:
  - U-turns are not legal.
  - Parking/stopping is permissible only in parking lanes or emergency parking areas.
  - 66% of autostrade have been resurfaced with "draining pavement"—a surface that quickens flow of water from the road surface, reduces noise and improves road safety.
  - Work upgrading lighting, ventilation, traffic monitoring and fire fighting systems in motorway tunnels began in 2005. Completion scheduled in 2009.
  - Roads are well maintained; traffic typically moves at rates of high speed. Signs are green.
- Most are toll roads. Many require tolls be paid in cash or by "Viacard" (obtainable from toll booths, gas stations and toccacconists, and Autogrills). All blue lanes, marked "Viacard", at toll stations accept Viacards or major credit cards.
- Toll lanes marked "Telepass" or "T" are for electronic pay-toll passes. Driving through without a "Telepass" results in a 50 euro fine and payment of the toll from the longest distance.
- Tolls tend to be high.
- Tolls are charged, except south of Naples.
- Tolls are not charged for the following stretches: Salerno-Reggio Calabria, Palermo-Catania, and Palermo-Mazara Del Vallo.
- Hitchhicking is not legal.
- Strade Comunali
  - Called white roads (*Strade bianche*) These roads are shown on some maps as white lines outlined in black. Maps indicate the poorest roads by a white line outlined with a broken black line.
  - Conditions vary from good to poor. Narrow rural roads. May be paved. Many are dirt or light colored gravel.
  - Travel is slow. These roads generally have little traffic.
  - Some have stone walls at the side, making it difficult for oncoming vehicles to pass. One driver may have to back up to wider section of road to allow the other driver to pass.
  - Can be muddy in winter and dusty in summer.
- Secondary roads are well maintained and are toll free. Shoulders may be unpaved.
- Some tunnels where mountains meet the sea lack lighting.
- "Y" intersections are frequent on highways. Know in advance which way to go; destinations may not be posted.
- Problems associated with road construction zones:
  - Guidelines for managing traffic flow or minimizing safety concerns in construction zones are often lacking.
  - Frequency and severity of road crashes is higher in work zones, especially in rural areas where average speeds are higher.
  - Motorway work areas may lack barriers to separate opposing traffic.
  - Roadside barriers may increase road risk in both rural and urban areas.



- Warning signs may be lacking or poorly positioned.
- Temporary road markings may only partially cover previous markings.
- Facilities for pedestrian safety may be inadequate.
- International road signs are used. For examples: [www.ideamerge.com/motoeuropa/roadsigns/](http://www.ideamerge.com/motoeuropa/roadsigns/).
- Road signs include the following:
  - Attenzione or Avviso           Warning
  - Entrata                           Entrance
  - Incrocio                        Crossroads
  - Lavori in corso               Roadwork Ahead
  - Strada chiusa                 Road closed
  - Passaggio a Livello         Level Crossing
  - Rallentare                     Slow Down
  - Senso Vietata or Vietato l'accesso       No Entry
  - Vietato Ingresso Veicoli   No Entry for Vehicles
  - Sosta Autorizzata           Parking Prohibited
  - Sosta Vietata                 No Parking
  - Svolta or Curve              Bend
  - Uscita                         Exit
  - Tutte le Direzioni         All Directions
  - Tenere a Sinistra           Keep Left
  - Tenere a destra             Keep Right
- In northern Italy, be alert for ground fog, especially during winter. Lower visibility due to fog is responsible for many multi-car road crashes.
- Highway edges may have debris and deep puddles due to poor drainage. Deep puddles may be so deep they cause the car to hydroplane.
- Tunnels to other countries include:
  - Mont Blanc Tunnel, to France: Minimum speed, 50 km/h (31 mph); maximum speed, 70 km/h (44 mph). Tunnel has blue lights every 150 meters (492 feet), corresponding to the minimum distance allowed between vehicles. Also has emergency parking areas every 600 meters, SOS booths with fire extinguishers and phones every 100 meters and green safe shelters, indicated by flashing lights.
  - San Bernardo Tunnel, to Switzerland: Minimum speed, 40 km/h (25 mph); maximum speed, 80 km/h (50 mph). Observe traffic lights; stop for red lights. Minimum traveling distance is 100 meters (380 feet). Open all year.
  - St. Gotthard Tunnel, to Switzerland: Maximum speed is 80 km/h (50 mph). Minimum traveling distance is 150 meters (500 feet). A two-lane tunnel. Traffic is often heavy. Traffic jams are common.
  - Frejus Tunnel: Links Italy's Piedmont region with southeastern France.
  - Zernez (Switzerland)-Livigno (Italy) Tunnel: Also known as the Munt la Schera Tunnel. A one-lane tunnel. Direction of traffic flow changes about every 15 minutes. Tunnel is closed from 8:00 pm to 6:00 am. Open all year.
- Toll-free mountain passes are more difficult to negotiate than passes that charge a toll.
- Alpine passes may close due to poor road conditions. Contact ACI for current status.
- Alpine border passes to France include:
  - Piccolo San Bernardo, links Bourg St. Maurice and Aosta. Open June-October.
  - Moncenisio (Mont Cenis, links Lanslebourg and Susa). Open all year.
  - Monginevro, links Briancon and Cesane. Open all year.
  - Maddalena, links Larche and Vinadio. Open May-October.
- Tenda, links Nice and Cuneo. Open all year.
- Gran San Bernardo, links Martigny and Aosta. Open June-October.
- Simplon Pass (Sempione), links Brig and Domodossola. Open May-October.
- Maloia, links Splug and Chiavenna. Open all year.
- Bernina, links Pontresina, Poschiavo, and Tirano. Open June-October.
- Umbrail, links Santa Maria and Bormio. Open June-October.
- Alpine border passes to Austria include:
  - Brenner, links Innsbruck and Vipiteno. Open all year.
  - Reschen, links Landeck and Merano. Open all year.
  - Passo di Monte Croce, links Kotschach and Timau. Open June-October.

### URBAN TRAVEL

- Condition and maintenance of roads is fair.
- Drivers generally follow road rules and traffic lights, but tend to tailgate. Double parking is common.
- Avoid driving in cities as much as possible.



- In most cities’ historical centers, driving is often banned and legal parking is difficult to find. Free street parking is generally available in newer areas of the cities.
- Driving in cities of southern Italy may be difficult.
- Bus service is well developed. Most major cities offer a fixed fee fare card that allows you to use local transportation for a specified number of days.
- Many cities have websites. The address often follows the form [www.comune.cityname.it](http://www.comune.cityname.it), for example [www.comune.naples.it](http://www.comune.naples.it).
- Generally, parking is on the right side of the road.
- Parking is allowed in limited time parking zones (Blue Zones or *Zona Disco*) from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm and from 4:00-8:00 pm Monday through Saturday, except on holidays. Display a parking disc when parked in one of these zones.
- Parking discs can be obtained at tourist offices, motor club offices, and gas stations.
- In some cities, Green Zones (*Zona Verde*) are used in addition to Blue Zones. Parking is prohibited in Green Zones 8:00-9:30 am and from 2:30-4:00 pm on weekdays.

| CITY            | CONDITIONS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | USEFUL INFORMATION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| <b>ASSISI</b>   | City is almost completely closed off to traffic except for dropping and retrieving luggage at hotels.<br>Crowded with tourists from Easter to June. Winter is least crowded.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Free parking on the northern edge of town.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>BOLOGNA</b>  | The historical center is a <i>zona a traffico limitato</i> (controlled access area). Only vehicles with permits are allowed. There are many small, irregular streets. City has a four-lane ring road.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Most sights are within easy walking distance. City buses are available and go to most points of interest. Connections for inner-city train travel are readily available. Taxis: 051-534-141. Aeroporto Guglielmo Marconi International Airport, 4 miles north of city. (Phone: 051-647-9615) There is regular bus service to the Bologna train station.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>FLORENCE</b> | Traffic is heaviest during July and August. It is usually heavy near the Piazza dell’ Unit train station. Be alert for moped drivers.<br>Only major intersections have lights. Most streets are one-way and unmarked.<br>City center’s streets are not adequate for pedestrian traffic and animal-drawn vehicles. A maze of one-way streets and pedestrian zones makes driving extremely difficult.<br>All vehicles, except taxis, mopeds, motor scooters are banned from the city center from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm on weekdays.<br>Avoid Cascine Park after dark. | A walking town. Parking is available in lots outside the historical section. City is fairly flat. Rental bicycles, mopeds and scooters are available. The city provides some bicycles free for a day’s use.<br>Buses connect suburbs and outlying areas with the historic district. Train station is central point for catching buses.<br>Bus stations: Lazzi station has connections to other European nations and SITA station provides service to Siena, Arezzo, Castellina, and other towns in Tuscany.<br>Taxis are available but expensive. Phone Radio Taxi at 4242, 4798, or 4390.<br>Pisa’s Galileo Galilei International Airport, 60 miles from the city in Tuscany. A shuttle train provides regular service from airport to Santa Maria Novella train station.<br>A small airport, the Aeroporto Amerigo Vespucci, is 3.1 miles northwest of the city. |



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| <p><b>MILAN</b></p>  | <p>The “old city” is located within Milan’s first two ring roads. The “old city’s” roads are fairly compact.</p> <p>Central car parks (parking lots) are plentiful, especially near metro stations.</p> <p>24-hour emergency medical care is available at the Ospedale Maggiore Policlinico, Via Francesco Sforza 35 near the Piazza Duomo. Phone 02.551.0809.</p> <p>24-hour pharmacies: the Stazione Centrale Phone: 02.669.0935 and the Carlo Erba Phone 02.8646.4832.</p> <p>For a police emergency, phone 113.<br/>For general questions, phone 02.62.261.</p> <p>For more information contact Azienda di Promozione Turistica del Milanese (Phone: 02-7252-4301) or the Stazione Centrale. (Phone: 02-7252-4360).</p> | <p>Many streets radiate out from the central Piazza Duomo. Three concentric ring roads surround most of city. A fourth ring road, the Tangenzianale, surrounds suburbs and industrial parks and links to main autostradas in the region.</p> <p>Trams, buses, and metro provide efficient public transport. Duomo or Stazione Centrale metro stations information offices provide free public transport information and maps.</p> <p>Taxis cannot be hailed. Go to a taxi rank (near metro stations and piazzas) or phone 02.6767, 02.5353 or 02.8585.</p> <p>Rental cars are available at airports and Stazione Centrale.</p> <p>Stazione Centrale, the main train station, is northeast of city center on the Piazza Duca d’Aosta. Two metro lines, the MM2 and MM3, meet on this piazza. They provide rapid access to other parts of the city. Stazione Centrale provides info on National Railways. Phone: 1478-88-088, toll-free anywhere in Italy.</p> <p>Malpensa International Airport, 50 km (miles) northeast of city; is the city’s main airport.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Buses and Malpensa Express train provide transport into Stazione Centrale.</li> </ul> <p>Linate airport is 7 km (miles) from city center.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Airport buses provide transport to Stazione Centrale, and local buses, to Piazza San Babila in city center.</li> </ul> |
| <p><b>NAPLES</b></p> | <p>Driving is not recommended.</p> <p>Traffic jams are a serious problem.</p> <p>Drivers may drive recklessly.</p> <p>Some sections have very steep hills.</p> <p>Use public transport into Naples.</p> <p>Buses are often overcrowded, except during evenings and on weekends. Trams and subway are safer and less crowded.</p> <p>Getting around by taxi takes the least time. Fares are expensive. Licensed taxis have a taxi number and city crest on the door. Use only licensed taxis with meters.</p> <p>Taxis are difficult to hail but can be called or picked up at taxi ranks (waiting areas).</p>                                                                                                               | <p>Major roads in the Naples area: the Autostrade del Sole (A1 running north to Rome and Milan), the A4 (goes south to Reggio de Calabria and Salerno), the A16 (goes northeast to Bari), and the A30 (goes around northeastern Naples). All of these roads have interchanges with the Tangenziale di Napoli, Naples’ ring road.</p> <p>It is advisable to stay on the Ischia or Sorrento Peninsula and use public transport into Naples.</p> <p>Public transportation is provided by bus, tram, train, metro, taxi and ferry/hydrofoil services.</p> <p>Tickets for the buses, subway and funiculars are interchangeable. Funiculars transport people up and down Naples’ steep hills.</p> <p>Train service to other areas of the country is excellent.</p> <p>Capodichino Airport, 5 miles northeast of city center. It is southern Italy’s largest airport. Website: <a href="http://www.portal.gesac.it/portal/page/portal/internet">www.portal.gesac.it/portal/page/portal/internet</a>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Public transportation options are plentiful.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |



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| <p><b>NAPLES<br/>(CONTINUED)</b></p> | <p>Taxi drivers may drive recklessly, try to overcharge passengers, and take circuitous routes. Be ready to negotiate fare. Traffic congestion generally means fares will be high.</p> <p>Increased police presence has decreased crime rates, but exercise extra caution.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Taxis are available in the taxi rank outside the Arrivals Concourse.</li> <li>o Facilities for disabled travelers are well developed. For more information phone 848-888-777.</li> </ul> <p>Flight information, phone: 848-888-777. From a cell phone or from abroad, phone: (+39) 081-7517451.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <p><b>ROME</b></p>                   | <p>Driving is not recommended.</p> <p>Drivers may pull out or stop in front of you with no warning.</p> <p>Streets in the older sections are narrow and winding, making navigation difficult.</p> <p>Congestion is a problem. Many streets are inadequate for heavy traffic.</p> <p>Be careful where narrow streets lead to squares (<i>piazzas</i>). Motorists tend to accelerate rapidly in piazzas. Pedestrians often dart across these broad stretches of road.</p> <p>While pedestrian zones exist, Rome is not pedestrian-friendly. Traffic is heavy, pedestrians are numerous and sidewalks are often narrow or lacking. Use caution even in zebra crossings.</p> <p>Pedestrians tend to jaywalk or walk in groups on narrow roads.</p> <p>Pedestrian-only zones include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Tridente area, pedestrian-only from 10 am to 9 pm every day.</li> <li>o Via del Corso—links Piazza del Popolo and Piazza Venezia.</li> <li>o Street from near the Colosseum to Piazza Venezia is pedestrian-only on Sundays.</li> <li>o The Appian Way from the city wall to the catacombs is pedestrian-only on Sundays. Walking on this road on other days is risky, as it is very narrow.</li> </ul> <p>In pedestrian-only zones, be alert for electric buses, police and government cars and some taxis.</p> <p>A <i>Zona Tutelato</i> sign means parking is banned from 7:30 am to 6:30 pm.</p> | <p>Bus system is very good; operated by <i>Azienda Tramvie e Autobus del Commune di Roma</i> (ATAC), Via Volturno 65. Phone: 06 46951. Bus and tram stops are called <i>Fermantas</i>. A yellow sign indicates bus routes and numbers. Bus routes maps are often out of date. Bus service runs from 6:00 am to 12:00 pm.</p> <p>A few night buses run from midnight to dawn on main routes. Night buses have the letter “N” in front of their bus number.</p> <p>Buses are often crowded during rush hour. Buy ticket before boarding; tickets are not sold on buses.</p> <p>Taxis are expensive. Taxis are generally called rather than hailed or picked up at taxi stands. Phone: 06/6645, 06/3570 or 06/4994.</p> <p>Taxis are metered. Make sure the driver starts the meter when departing. Check to see if the meter is set on daytime or night.</p> <p>Metro is the fastest public transportation. Subway stops are indicated by a large red letter M.</p> <p>There are no parking meters. Parking permits or scratch cards allow parking in spaces between blue lines. Park in outlying parking lots and use public transportation to city center.</p> <p>When taking a taxi from Rome’s airport, agree upon fare prior to boarding.</p> <p>Traffic lights in central Rome turn to amber flashing lights after midnight. Take care when crossing major intersections.</p> <p>Rental bikes are available. Be alert and exercise caution when riding. An 18.5 mile bike lane runs from central Rome, along the Tiber to Rome’s industrial suburb, <i>Castel Jubileo</i>. Cyclists may ride anywhere, even in pedestrian-only zones.</p> <p>Leonardo da Vinci International Airport (also known as Fiumicino International Airport) is in Fiumicino, 34 km (21 miles) from Rome’s.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Bus and taxi transport is readily available.</li> </ul> |



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| <p><b>ROME<br/>(CONTINUED)</b></p> | <p>Efforts to reduce traffic congestion and air pollution:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Access to the Tridente (the historic city center), Trastevere and San Lorenzo District. Drivers must purchase permits to access restricted regions. Day passes are € 20.00.</li> <li>○ Entry into restricted areas is monitored electronically. Fines for entering without a permit are high.</li> <li>○ Some types of vehicles are banned in some areas of the city. Any car lacking a catalytic converter is banned.</li> </ul> <p>Public transport is available from Park-and-ride lots near the city's Ring Road.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Taxis are generally white. Avoid using unmetered taxis as drivers are often dishonest. Taxi fares are expensive.</li> <li>○ Leonardo Express trains provide non-stop service to Rome every 30 minutes. Regional trains run every 15 minutes; have stops at all stations between the airport and city center.</li> <li>○ Rental cars are available.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <p><b>VENICE:</b></p>              | <p>Venice is an archipelago of 118 islands, lying 2.5 miles from the mainland. The Ponte della Libertá Bridge links the city with the main land city of Mestre.</p> <p>Cars are not permitted in the city. Transportation within the city is limited to nautical vehicles. Even fire and ambulance service is supplied via water vehicles.</p> <p>Finding parking on the mainland is very difficult. Options include car parks in the Piazzale Roma or on the island of Tronchetto. In peak tourist season, the less expensive San Giulano car park in Mestre is open. Then take public transportation to Venice.</p> <p>The city's canals are spanned by 400 bridges, all of which have stairs.</p> <p>The Grand Canal, Venice's "main street," is crossed by only three bridges.</p> <p>It is hard to find specific addresses. Street signs and numbers are often difficult to read due to age. Several districts (sestiere) have streets with the same name. Each location has a popular and an official address (Even postmen need both). Have your destination marked on a map and get detailed instructions. The locally sold Falk map of Venice is best.</p> | <p>Azienda Consorziale Transporti Venezia (ACTV) operates an extensive network of water buses (vaporetti). Purchase tickets ahead of time at landing stations or newsstands. Tickets are transferable to ACTV buses which run from the Piazzale Roma to the airport, and Mestre.</p> <p>Public ferries (traghetti) transport across the Grand Canal.</p> <p>Some water buses (an accelerato) stop frequently; others (diretto) make limited stops. Water buses are often crowded in summer.</p> <p>Water taxis are expensive. Fares are regulated on official taxis (those with a black registration number on a yellow background). Avoid unregistered water taxis, as fares are much higher. Call for a taxi or pick one up at a taxi stand.</p> <p>"Land" taxis run only between mainland and airport. Call for a taxi; hailing one is difficult. Avoid unlicensed or unmetered taxis.</p> <p>Gondolas are available at the railway station, the Rialto, Piazzale Roma, and St. Mark's Square.</p> <p>Rental cars are available. For lowest fees, rent from the U.S.</p> <p>Map terms: <i>fondamenta</i>=broad street running along a canal; <i>calle</i>=a narrow street along a canal. <i>salizzata ruga</i>, or <i>calle larga</i>=paved road; <i>rio terra</i>=filled canal now used as a walkway; <i>campo</i>=underground passage way.</p> |



### RURAL TRAVEL

- Rural roads generally are well maintained and in good condition.
- Roads generally are narrow and often lack guardrails.
- Roads near the shores of the Italian lakes, Maggiore, Lugano and Como, are often winding and slow.
- Traffic mix includes vehicles moving at widely ranging travel speeds.
- Roadside assistance is excellent on toll roads but limited on secondary roads.
- Speed limits vary greatly in different areas.

### PEDESTRIAN TRAVEL

- Most road crashes involving pedestrians occur in urban areas, but the most severe occur in rural areas.
- Pedestrians have right of way at zebra crossings, but use caution when crossing.
- Use caution when crossing streets. Be especially alert for approaching motor scooters.

### NIGHT TRAVEL

- Avoid driving at night in southern Italy.
- Use caution when traveling at night on highways, as there are more robbery attempts at night.

### SEASONAL TRAVEL

- Tourism is highest during July and August.
- In summer, road crashes increase on weekends. Roads from major cities to beaches and mountains are crowded, especially in August.
- In northern Italy, fog often causes poor visibility, especially in winter. Each year, fog is responsible for numerous multiple-car road crashes. Weather condition severity varies greatly with altitude.
- The northern Alpine region of Italy has harsh winters with rain and snow, while summers are mild.
- The Northern Italian Plain or Po region has fairly cold, snowy winters but warm, mild summers. Torino, Milano, and Venice can be very cold and damp. Most of the rainfall in this region occurs in the spring and summer months.
- Fatalities due to floods and landslides are highest in northern Italy's Alpine regions. In southern Italy, fatalities due to landslides are most frequent in the Campania region in autumn.

- The Adriatic region has cold winters. Sometimes the *bora*, an icy, northeasterly wind, blows across the region. Apennine zone in this climatic region has similar weather conditions, but the average rainfall is heavy except during the summer.
- In the Ligurian-Tyrrhenian region, the weather is moderated by the Tyrrhenian Sea. The rainfall is usually heavy in this region.
- In the Mediterranean region (all of southern Italy), rain is more frequent in the winter. In the summer, a hot wind (*sirocco*) sometimes blows in from Africa.
- Main holidays include Jan. 1, Jan. 6, Easter Monday (variable date), April 25, May 1, Aug. 1, Nov. 8, Dec. 25-26. Traffic tends to be very congested in main cities. Holiday parades are common. Check routes.

### POLICE ENFORCEMENT

- Police use radar and mobile, laser or fixed cameras to enforce speed limits. Locations of cameras are indicated by road signs.
- There has been increased enforcement of speed limits in many black spots areas (high road crash sites).
- Autostrade and superstrade have automatic monitoring systems to detect speeding and hazardous driving. The "Tutor" automatic system monitors a driver's average speed over a long section of the highway.
  - Police may staff toll stations. The time stamp on your ticket allows them to calculate the driver's average speed and fine those who were speeding.
- Fines for speeding and other driving offenses are very high. Drivers must pay 25 percent of the fine on-the-spot. Get an official receipt. Rental companies can charge driver's credit card for any traffic fines incurred in the rental vehicle.
- Police have the power to revoke a license.
- Novice drivers receive double points for any traffic law infringement.
- Serious violations of driving regulations may result in imprisonment.
- Drink driving carries the highest sanction of all driving offenses. License can be suspended for 15 days to 3 months. Re-testing is required to get license back.
- Enforcement of drink driving laws focuses on high-risk roads. Police use breathalyzers to enforce drink driving laws. When equipment is not available, driver may be



charged on the basis of behavior/coordination. Enforcement focuses on high-risk roads.

- Seat belt laws are strictly enforced.
- Police conduct roadside vehicle inspections.



## ROAD REGULATIONS

- The Highway Code follows the Geneva Convention.
- Traffic moves on the right.
- Minimum driving ages are as follows:
  - Motor vehicles—18 years
  - Mopeds—14 years
  - Motorcycles up to 125 cc—16 years
  - Motorcycles up to 350 cc—20 years
- An international driving permit (IDP) is required. Drivers must be aged 18 years to obtain an IDP. A valid driver's license, two passport-sized photographs are required. IDPs are available through AAA. Phone 1-800-222-4357 or visit [www.aaa.com](http://www.aaa.com).
- ACI will issue an IDP equivalent upon presentation of a valid U.S. or Canadian driver's license.
- Seat belts are required for both front and back seat passengers.
- Children under 10 years must ride in the back seat.
  - Children under 3 years of age must be secured in an approved child restraint seat in the back seat.
- Children 3-12 years must be in a child safety harness.
- Speed limits vary by road type

| ROAD TYPE                     | SPEED LIMIT                                             |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Built-up areas                | 50 km/h (31 mph)                                        |
| Two-lane roads                | 90 km/h (56 mph);<br>80 km/h (50 mph)<br>when raining   |
| Four-lane roads (superstrade) | 110 km/h (68 mph);<br>90 km/h (56 mph)<br>when raining  |
| Motorways (autostrade)        | 130 km/h (81 mph);<br>110 km/h (68 mph)<br>when raining |

- The speed limit on highways is reduced from 81 mph to 68 mph from the Thursday before Easter to the following Wednesday, on all national holidays falling midweek, from December 20 to January 7 and from the second Saturday in July to the first Sunday of December.
- The legal blood alcohol limit is 0.05 mg/ml. Limit is aggressively enforced.
- Insurance requirements:
  - Non-EU country visitors must either carry international green card insurance (15-, 30-, or 45-day insurance, purchased prior to travel) or have an equivalent international insurance certificate.
- When visiting Italy for more than 45 days, a regular Italian insurance policy is required.
- Vehicle requirements:
  - A red warning triangle (obtain at the border) and an orange or yellow reflective jacket, conforming to European Standard En471.
  - When driving someone else's vehicle, you must have the owner's written permission.
  - A first aid kit and fire extinguisher are recommended.
- Carrying, importing, or exporting spare fuel cans is illegal.
- On three-lane roads, the middle lane is reserved for passing.
- Running lights or low beams are required at all times when driving outside urban areas.
- Fog lights may be used only when visibility is poor.



- High beams are prohibited in urban areas, but may be used in rural areas. Switch to low beams for approaching vehicles or when driving in a tunnel.
- Use of the horn is prohibited in built-up areas, except in extreme emergency. At night, flash lights instead.
- Outside built-up areas, the horn must be used to signal intent to pass.
- Passing on the right is permitted on multiple-lane roads. On two-lanes roads, pass on the right only when the driver ahead signals a left turn and moves to the center of the road.
- Right of way rules are as follows:
  - Yield to vehicles coming from your right at intersections.
  - Always yield to streetcars and trains.
  - If a stop or yield sign is at an intersection, yield to traffic coming from the left or right.
- Parking is permitted on the right side of roads, except on *Autostrade* or where vehicle is not clearly visible to oncoming traffic.
- Using a hand-held cell phone while driving is prohibited.
- Trucks over 7,500 kgs (75 quintali) are not allowed on Italian roads, including motorways, on Sundays (and on Saturdays from June 24 to September 9) from 7:00 am to 12:00 midnight.
- It is illegal to rent, lend, pawn, sell or give away any temporarily imported vehicle.
- When a temporarily imported vehicle is driven by anyone other than the owner, driver must have certified authorization from owner.
- When your vehicle breaks downs:
  - Pull onto the shoulder if possible.
  - Place a warning triangle at least 30 meters (99 feet) behind the vehicle.
  - Persons getting out of vehicle onto the road surface to attempt repairs must wear a reflective vest that meets EU requirements (vests have a CE mark). Otherwise, wait a safe distance from the road. Wait in the vehicle only if there is no safe waiting area.
- Insurance claims subsequent to a road crash:
  - Obtain a European Claim Form prior to departure.
  - All parties involved should sign the form. Do not sign if you do not understand content.
  - Get names and addresses of any witnesses.
  - Record details of crash; take a picture of scene.



## ROAD WATCH

### SOME DANGEROUS SECTIONS OF ROAD

| ROAD                                                                   | CONDITIONS                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>SORRENTO-POSITANO-AMALFI-SALERNO ROAD</b>                           | Road passes along the sheer coastal cliffs of the Amalfi region. Road is extremely narrow and winding with many steep uphill and downhill sections. Some sections are so narrow two vehicles have difficulty passing each other. |
| <b>ROADS ALONG THE SHORES ITALIAN LAKES: MAGGIORE, LUGANO AND COMO</b> | Twisty, slow roads.                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>PO VALLEY</b>                                                       | Frequent and sometimes very dense fog. Terrain is very flat.                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>MOTORWAY SYSTEM NEAR GENOVA</b>                                     | The A7, A10 and A12 meet near the city. Traffic is often congested, especially during rush hour. Traffic mix includes many heavy trucks. Congestion is worse in summer along the Liguria coast.                                  |
| <b>A1</b>                                                              | Landslides may occur on the section in Tuscany and the Naples-Canosa section. Embankments are monitored for needed maintenance.                                                                                                  |



**SOME DANGEROUS SECTIONS OF ROAD**

| ROAD                                   | CONDITIONS                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>ROADS THROUGH CENTER OF RAPALLO</b> | Main roads are often congested due to traffic from the A12 traveling to Santa Margherita Ligure seafront.                                                                                       |
| <b>MOTORWAY SYSTEM NEAR GENOVA</b>     | The A7, A10 and A12 meet near the city. Traffic is often congested, especially during rush hour. Traffic mix includes many heavy trucks. Congestion is worse in summer along the Liguria coast. |

**SOME SAFER SECTIONS OF ROAD**

| ROAD                            | CONDITIONS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>ROME'S ORBITAL RING ROAD</b> | Expansion to 6 lanes is almost complete. Also known as the Autostrada del Grande Raccordo Anulare.                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>A1</b>                       | Improvements in the Scandicci junction are completed. Modena – Bologna, a 32 km section, was upgraded to 4 lanes with an emergency lane. Traffic volume is high; road mix includes many buses and heavy trucks.                                                           |
| <b>A4</b>                       | Expansion of the section from Milan East to Bergamo to 4 lanes plus an emergency lane, is nearing completion. Road is heavily traveled. Road mix includes many buses and large trucks. Project included upgrading local roads and building cycle paths and parking areas. |
| <b>A8</b>                       | Links Milan and L'aghi. Road was expanded to 8 lanes from Milan-Lainate and 6 lanes from Lainate-Gallarate to reduce congestion and improve access to Malpensa International Airport.                                                                                     |

**SOME SECTIONS OF ROAD UNDER CONSTRUCTION**

| ROAD       | CONDITIONS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| <b>A7</b>  | The Bolzaneto interchange on the Genoa-Serravalle section is being upgraded. Work on the nearby Brasile Tunnel is completed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>A9</b>  | Road is one of the most heavily traveled in the Lombardy region; provides access to northern Europe. Traffic is heavy; road risk is high. The Lainate-Como Grandate section is being expanded to 6 lanes. Scheduled completion, 2009.                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>A14</b> | Road provides access to central and northern Europe. Heavily traveled; traffic is growing by over 4% annually, much higher than country's average increase. Traffic is heaviest in summer, especially from Rimini South to Riccione. Traffic mix includes many buses and large trucks. Traffic jams and travel delays are common. Adding a 3rd lane and emergency lane to the 171 km section from Rimini North to Pedaso. Scheduled completion, 2010. |



SOME SECTIONS OF ROAD UNDER CONSTRUCTION

| ROAD                                              | CONDITIONS                                                                                                                                              |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| A1                                                | Motorway links Milan and Naples. Many sections between Florence North and Florence South are being upgraded.                                            |
| A1                                                | Traffic is often heavy on the section linking Rome North with the Rome Orbital Road. A third lane and emergency lane is being added from km 4 to km 23. |
| MOTORWAYS IN LIGURIA AND ALONG THE ADRIATIC COAST | Ridges and viaducts above the motorways are undergoing repairs.                                                                                         |



ROAD RECOMMENDATIONS

TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

BUSES

- The safety record of public transportation is generally good.
- All urban areas have good public transport systems.
- Bus service between larger cities is extensive. Service to smaller communities is infrequent.
- The main operators are SITA, Autostradale, and Lazzi.

TAXIS

- Taxis are available in all cities.
- Taxi drivers frequently do not obey speed limits and other traffic laws.
- Supplemental charges for extra services may be added to basic service. Taxi drivers must post these charges in Italian, English, French, and German.

RENTAL CARS

- Rental cars are available in most cities and resorts. Many agencies have offices at airports. Info is available at hotels.
- Generally, small local firms offer cheaper rates, but cars can only be booked locally.
- Drivers must have a current, full driver’s license (valid for at least a year) and an IDP. Points on a driver’s license may disqualify potential renters.

- Purchasing the Collision Damage Waiver (CDW) is recommended. Otherwise, driver is responsible for all damages if a road crash occurs.
- Minimum age to rent—varies with rental agencies and type of vehicle. Young driver surcharge may apply.
- Maximum age to rent—75 with some companies.
- Few rental vehicles have an automatic transmission. Fees are higher for automatics.
- Determine if vehicle requires gasoline or diesel. Ask for assistance if you get the wrong fuel. Do not start vehicle, as doing so quickly damages the engine.
- Drop-off fees apply for one-way rental, unless the vehicle is dropped at a different office in the same city.
- Most Italian vehicles are equipped with fog lights. Use only when driving in foggy areas.

MOTORCYCLES & BICYCLES

- Bicycles are popular in some provinces. Long distance cycling is challenging as 75% of the country is hilly.
- A driving license or motorcycle driving license is required to operate a motorcycle over 49 cc.
- Helmets are required when riding a motorcycle.
- Headlights of motorcycles and motor scooters must be lit at all times on all roads.



## TRAIN TRAVEL

- There is extensive rail service, especially between major cities and tourist centers.
- Fast trains (Rapido) provide service between major cities. Slower trains operate on regional routes.
- Fares are inexpensive when purchased ahead of time. Train stations are often crowded and ticket lines are generally long. Strikes may halt service any time.

## CRIME & SECURITY

- There is a moderate violent crime rate. Tourists are sometimes victims.
- Petty crime is a problem, especially in larger cities. Do not carry a purse or wallet. Leave extra cash, credit cards and personal documents in a hotel safe. Carry passport photocopies and other records that may be required.
- Organized crime is a problem throughout the country, but is more common in the south.
- When driving, keep doors locked, windows closed and valuables out of sight. Thefts have been reported from occupied vehicles waiting in traffic. Thefts have also occurred at gas stations.

- Petty thieves may use motor scooters while robbing motorists stopped in traffic or pedestrians. Some victims have suffered a broken collarbone or arm when resisting these thieves.
- Watch out for groups of children who may try to distract you while others of their group rob you.
- Do not accept food or drinks from strangers. Criminals may use food or drink containing drugs to incapacitate victims who are then robbed and sometimes assaulted. Incidents are common in tourist centers and near the Termini train station.
- A scam practiced on the Rome-Naples highway: One thief punctures the tire of a rental or out-of-town car. An accomplice encourages the driver to pull over. When the driver stops, one thief helps change the tire while the other takes the driver's belongings.
- Thieves may impersonate police officers. Ask to see the officer's identification card; impersonators seldom carry forged documents.
- ATM related crimes are increasing. Use ATMs inside banks/businesses. Do not use an ATM if the card reader is not flush with its face.
- Hitchhiking is not recommended, especially for women travelling alone.



## EMERGENCY INFORMATION

### TOURIST ASSISTANCE

- Roadside assistance is excellent on toll roads, but is limited on secondary roads. For roadside assistance, dial 116. Report license plate number, location and make of car. They will notify the nearest Automobile Club Italiano (ACI) unit. Service is free, except for parts, if breakdown occurs inside Rome's Outer Ring Road.
- There are emergency phones every 2 km along motorways. Phones have two buttons—one for breakdown services and one for medical emergencies. Choose button needed and wait for it to light up. If lit, dispatch personnel know your exact location. Wait by phone for help. Light flashes for medical emergencies, to make it easier to find you at night or in fog.
- National emergency numbers: all emergencies—phone 112; police (polizia)—phone 113; fire—phone 115;

ambulance—phone 118; ACI road service (toll free)—phone 116.

- Police have special highway units located at intervals of 100 km of the *Autostrade*. *Società Autostrade* teams assist police following a crash.
- ACI's Phone Assistance Center in Rome supplies motorists with information on weather and road conditions, lodging and other tourist or motoring services. Phone: 4212 (area code: 06). Staff speaks English.
- Sources of tourist information:
  - In the US, contact the Italian Government Tourist Board. Phone: 212-245-5618. Website: [www.italiantourism.com](http://www.italiantourism.com).

In Italy, contact the central tourist office in Rome. Ente Nazionale Italiano per il Turismo (ENIT), Via Margher



2, Rome 00185, Italy. Phone: 39-6-49711.

Fax: 39-6-4463379.

- In Rome, visit a tourist office, They are marked by red and orange or yellow and black signs, which say, *COMUNE DI ROMA-PUNTI DI INFORMAZIONE TURISTICA*.
- Most Italian towns, train stations and airports in major cities have a provincial or local tourist office. English is usually only spoken at offices in larger towns or tourist areas.
- Provincial tourist offices are known as EPTs (*Ente Provinciale per il Turismo*) or APTs (*Azienda di Promozione Turistica*/Tourist Promotion Department). Local offices usually are known as AASTs (*Azienda Autonoma di Soggiorno e Turismo*).
- Work stoppages and strikes are common in the transport sector. Most are short-term and are pre-announced. Reconfirming international and domestic flight reservations is recommended. Website with information on strikes: [www.infrastrutturetrasporti.it](http://www.infrastrutturetrasporti.it).
- “Drive Alive’s” website ([www.drive-alive.co.uk/route\\_planner.php](http://www.drive-alive.co.uk/route_planner.php)) has a route planner for many European countries, including Italy. Provides route information and downloadable city maps with hotel locations.
- When staying in the country more than 8 business days, tourists must obtain a permit to stay (*permesso di soggiorno*) within 8 days of arrival. Obtain permit applications from a national post office (*Poste Italiane*). Return application to location designated.
- Gasoline is very expensive. Most stations carry unleaded (*benzina senza piombo*) and diesel fuel (*gasolio*). Many stations close 12:30-3:00 p.m. and on holidays and Sundays (except on motorways). Even when closed, many stations have a service pump that accepts bank notes operating. Stations on autostrade are 24-hour. Many gas stations do not accept credit cards for fuel.
- Spare parts are readily available for popular makes of cars. ACI office can give information on nearest spare parts supplier.

#### DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

- All major cities except Naples are near a major earthquake fault line.
- There active volcanoes on Italy’s Stromboli and Vulcano islands. Mt. Etna on the island of Sicily, has been active

since 2000. Mt. Vesuvius is currently inactive.

#### MEDICAL CARE

- Medical facilities are available, but may be limited outside urban areas.
- Public hospitals provide free emergency services to EU citizens, but some lack medical standards equivalent to US hospitals. The hospitals are often understaffed. The staff seldom speaks English. An itemized bill is seldom provided, as required by most U.S. insurance companies.
- Private hospital staff may or may not speak English.
- Obtaining insurance that covers care in a private Italian hospital or clinic is recommended.
- Doctors and hospitals often expect immediate cash payment for medical services.
- Hospitals in Rome that have English-speaking doctors on staff include the following:
  - *Salvator Mundi* International Hospital, Viale delle Mura Gianicolense 67. Phone: 06/88961.
  - Medical *assistenza* is available 24-hours a day at the International Medical Center, Via Giovanni Amendola 7. Phone: 06/4882371.
  - Rome American Hospital, located at Via Emilio Longoni 69. Phone: 06/22551.
- For a translator to help you understand doctor’s instructions or to assist with medical issues, phone *Associazione Volontari Ospedalieri (AVO)*. Phone: 055-425-0126 or 055-234-4567 Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm and Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00 am to noon.
- US Consulate can provide a list of English-speaking doctors, dentists, and specialists.
- When in Rome, a medical service called *MEDI-CALL* will arrange for a qualified doctor to make a house call. Phone: 06/8840113. *MEDI-CALL* is located at Studio Medico, Via Salaria 300, Palazzina C, interno 5. Website: [www.olgiata.com/medi-call](http://www.olgiata.com/medi-call).
- Equivalents of American medicines are available in most pharmacies. Bringing an adequate supply of required medications is recommended.
- Larger towns and cities generally have a 24-hour pharmacy.
- For information on pharmacies in Florence, phone 110.



### EMBASSY INFORMATION

- The Embassy of Italy, 3000 Whitehaven St NW, Washington, DC 20008. Phone: 202-612-4400. Fax: 202-518-2154. Website: [www.italyemb.org](http://www.italyemb.org). There are Italian Consulates General in Boston, Chicago, Detroit, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, Newark, New Orleans, New York, Philadelphia and San Francisco, all accessible via the embassy's website.
- The US Embassy, Via Vittorio Veneto 119/A, 00187 Rome, Italy. Phone: 39-06-46741. Fax: 39-06-4674-2217. Website: <http://italy.usembassy.gov>.
- US Consulates
  - Florence, Lungarno Amerigo Vespucci 38. Phone: 39-055-266-951; consular fax: 39-055-215-550). Passport and Consular services are available.
  - Milan, Via Principe Amedeo 2/10. Phone: 39-02-290-351; fax: 39-02-290-35-273.

- Naples, Piazza della Repubblica, Phone: 39-081-583-8111; consular fax: 39-081-583-8275.
- US Consular Agents
  - Genoa, Via Dante 2. Phone: 39-010-584-492; fax: 39-010-553-3033.
  - Palermo, Via Vaccarini 1. Phone: 39-091-305-857; fax: 39-091-625-6026.
  - Trieste, Via Roma 15. Phone: 39-040-660-177; fax: 39-040-631-240.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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### LANGUAGE TIPS

***Please slow down.***  
 Per favore, rallenti.

***Does this taxi (this car) have seat belts?***  
 Questo taxi (questa auto) ha le cinture di sicurezza?

***Please stop. I need to get out now.***  
 Per favore, si fermi. Devo scendere.

***Let me off at the next stop.***  
 Devo scendere alla prossima fermata.

***Call for help!***  
 Richiesta di aiuto!

Is it safe to travel by road at night?  
 Viaggiare in auto di notte è sicuro?

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