
Description of the city

An astonishingly beautiful city even for Italian standards, Verona, sitting at the crossroads of the major north-south European traffic route, has always been the gateway to the German-speaking world and the Mediterranean respectively. One of the few places in the world to possess a huge historic city centre entirely preserved as an UNESCO heritage site, Verona enchants the visitor for its unique mix of ancient Roman and Christian medieval monuments and its elegant atmosphere. The city is one of the main hubs of Italy's huge agri-food industry, and hosts a major trade fair. It is also a popular place loved by visitors, especially from Germany, though in the last years increasingly suffering from overtourism. As it is so often the case with Italy, the inhabitants' sarcastic, can-do, near-anarchical attitude coexists with deeply-entrenched conservative views.

Arriving in Verona

By car: Verona lays at the crossroads of two of Italy's busiest motorways: A4 (west-east) and A22 (north-south). Arriving from west (Milan), east (Venice) and south, exit at Verona sud, while coming from the north (Austria) exit at Verona nord and reach the city centre using the T4-T9 expressway.

Note: motorways in Italy (green signs) are privately operated and subject to a toll, while expressways are free.

By plane: Verona-Villafranca international airport at 15 kms. A bus service ("Verona Airlink") to the main railway station runs every 20 minutes. **Tip:** if you download the TicketBus Verona app, you can buy Airlink and city service tickets. Multiple tickets purchases are also available.

By train: The main station is Verona Porta Nuova, served by a huge number of national and international (EuroCity, EC) trains.

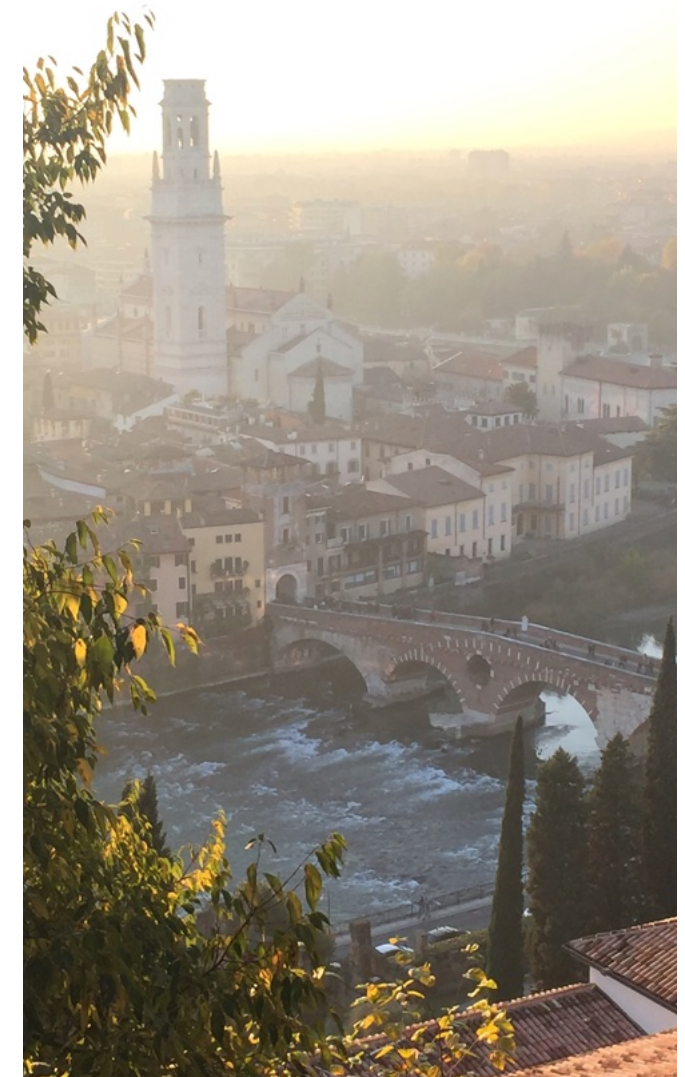
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Verona as a departure point

Verona is an ideal departure point to see many of Italy's most beautiful cities and towns. Vicenza, Padova, Mantova and Brescia - all UNESCO heritage sites - are all just a one hour train ride away, while it takes one hour and half to reach Milan and Venice, 2 hours for Florence, and 3 for Rome. The Milan-Venice route is served by three high-speed links and one regional train every hour. Bologna and Trento are also well connected. Instead, you need to take a bus to reach the beautiful shores of lake Garda: all buses depart from the platforms in front of the main railway station (Verona Porta Nuova).

Verona

A quick guide



The conference venue: the Polo Zanotto

Main entrance: Via San Francesco 22, Verona



History

The Polo Zanotto is a campus hosting all the humanities departments of the university. An ancient convent of Franciscans, it was bombed in 1944. The remains of the cloisters and the church have been partly rebuilt, and partly integrated with modern structures, creating a mix of old and new.



Practical info

The campus is located in the historical and popular area of Veronetta ("Little Verona"), nowadays home of the alternative scene of the city thanks to its many students. It can be easily reached by foot from the city centre by crossing the Ponte Navi ("Ships' Bridge"), with stunning views on the centre, the Roman Theatre, and the uphill St. Peter's Castle. The area is served by bus lines 11-12-13, all linking it to the city centre, the Arena, and the main railway station.

Catering info

The coffee breaks and the light lunch of Saturday 27th July will take place at the bar "La Voglia", Lungadige Porta Vittoria 27 (the busy road lined with trees skirting the river).



Gala dinner info

The gala dinner will take place at Osteria Sgarzarie, Corte Sgarzarie 14A. The perfectly preserved 14th-century small courtyard (pictured) hosted for centuries the wool factories of Verona, and is an oasis of peace just meters away from the hustle and bustle of one of the most crowded shopping meccas of the city.

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