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Pisa is strategically located in the central part of Italy, at only 12 km from the Ligurian Sea, 20 km from the harbour of Livorno and the ferries heading to the Elba Island, Sardinia and Corsica, and 80 km from Florence.

This city is closely associated with the Leaning Tower, but it also preserves, along with the whole complex of Piazza dei Miracoli - UNESCO World Heritage Site - and its medieval centre, numerous masterpieces of architecture and medieval history.

The area around Pisa is also excellent for farm holidays, trekking, beaches and



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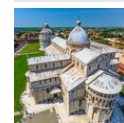
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THE CITY



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You say Pisa and you immediately think of the Leaning Tower, one of the most famous monuments in the world. But Pisa is much more than just its tower, it is also home to the extraordinary complex of buildings known as the Piazza dei Miracoli (Square of Miracles), with its magnificent cathedral and baptistery. Step away from the tower and you'll discover the old town with Renaissance palaces, medieval tower-houses, churches in Romanesque and Gothic style, the Botanic Gardens (one of the oldest in Europe, recently restored), and the River Arno, which you can admire by walking through old streets called Lungarni.

Pisa was the birthplace of Galileo Galilei and hosts an important university, founded in 1338, and the Scuola Normale Superiore, opened in 1813. As an Etruscan settlement and a Roman town, Pisa formed part of the Longobardo Kingdom, and then of the Carolingio Empire before becoming part of Italy after 1861. The medieval period coincided with the peak of Pisa's economic and political power. Pisa was one of the four Italian coastal republics until it was annexed to the Ducato of Tuscany in 1406.

Pisa is the starting point to discover the province, with its unspoilt and well-preserved landscape. Do not miss a visit to San Miniato (50

km), Volterra (65 km), San Gimignano (80 km) and Florence (105 km).

DO & SEE



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The boat service in Pisa will let you enjoy the architectural scenery of the Lungarni, or the natural beauty of the nearby San Rossore Natural Park, in which several important racecourses and dressage competitions take place.

Pisa celebrates traditional events such as the fascinating "Luminara" (a candlelight festival), the historical "Regata" (a boat race on the River Arno) and the "Gioco del Ponte" (an ancient contest on the Ponte di Mezzo). The three of them take place every year in June.

An alternative could be a festival of international sacred music called "Anima Mundi", taking place between September and October in the Cathedral and Monumental Cemetery.

Pisa Cathedral and Baptistery



Pisa Baptistery (Battistero di San Giovanni) shares grounds with Pisa Duomo (where the Leaning Tower is located). It took more than two centuries to complete. This amazing

marble Baptistery is the largest one in the whole of Italy, and dates back to the 12th century. Pay your visit in the early morning to experience the amazing acoustics.

The Cathedral is an incredible work of art with more than a thousands years of history, and its design influenced many other buildings in the whole country.

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Address: Piazza del Duomo, Pisa
Opening hours: 9:00-18:00
Phone: +39 050 83 50 11
Internet: www.opapisa.it
Email: info@opapisa.it

Via Aurelia (Aurelia Street to Rome)



This street played an important role in times of the ancient Roman Empire, to connect the cities of Pisa and Rome and to enable trouble-free and efficient movement of defensive forces and goods between them. Today, the drive along the Liguarian coast might not be the fastest anymore, due to heavy traffic at times, but it for sure is one of the most beautiful rides in Italy.

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Address: Via Aurelia, Pisa

The Leaning Tower



One of the most outstanding architectural structures of medieval Europe (partly due to human error during construction), the

Leaning Tower is today the most famous landmark of Pisa. It is the bell tower of the Cathedral whose construction began in 1173,

and continued for over two centuries. This miscalculated eight-story building is over 55 metres high and leans at an angle of 5 degrees. Without any doubts, this popular tourist attraction is a "must" when visiting the city. Don't forget the camera, since this is a perfect place to take some amusing photos.

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Opening hours: 9:00-18:00 (Open all year round)
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Botanical Garden and Museum



The Botanical Garden and Museum (Orto e Museo Botanico) was established in 1544 as the first university botanical garden in Europe, by the famous botanist Luca Ghini. The garden is divided into sections containing the botanical school, gardens, ponds, greenhouses and various buildings. Major collections include herb gardens and arboreta, as well as the old botany institute of late 16th century, with a façade ornamented with sea-shells.

Photo: s74/Shutterstock.com
Address: Via Luca Ghini 13, Pisa
Opening hours: 9:00-17:00 (from 1 October to 31 March) / 8.30-20.00 (from 1 April to 30 September)
Phone: +39 050 221 1310
Internet: www.sma.unipi.it/it/orto-e-museo-botanico
Email: ortomuseobot@unipi.it
More Info: Other address: Via Roma 54, Pisa

Camposanto



The Italian word "Camposanto" (Holy Yard) - which is a synonym of "cemetery" - was first used with reference to this Pisan building. According to the legend, it contained soil which was seen as miraculous due to its origins in the Holy Land. You will find this peaceful place with amazing frescoes, mosaics and statues on the same site as the Leaning Tower, the UNESCO World Heritage site Piazza del Duomo di Pisa.

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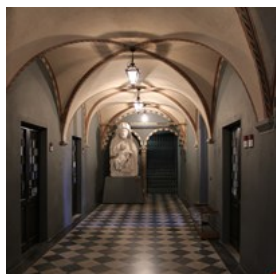
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Internet: www.opapisa.it

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Opera del Duomo Museum



The Museum of Cathedral Works (Museo dell'Opera del Duomo) opened in 1986 to showcase the art and sculptures of Pisa.

Today, its collection

includes works which previously adorned the buildings in the Piazza dei Miracoli. After the big three (the Leaning Tower, the Cathedral and the Baptistery), this is the fourth major landmark to fit into your time schedule. You will find this interesting museum behind the Leaning Tower.

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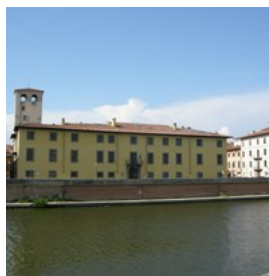
Address: Piazza del Duomo 23, Pisa

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Internet: www.opapisa.it

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National Museum of the Royal Palace



The Royal Palace was built, as commanded by the House of Medici, in the late 16th century, and became the National Museum in 1989. Today,

it hosts numerous works of art belonging to the courts of the city government, such as the Medici, Lorena and Savoia, as well as some private collections. The building still keeps the appearance of an aristocratic residence, with fittings and furniture from the 17th to 19th centuries.

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Address: Lungarno Antonio Pacinotti 46, Pisa

Opening hours: 9:00-14:00 (Monday to Saturday)

Phone: +39 050 92 65 73

Internet: www.polomusealetoscana.beniculturali.it/index.php?it/202/pisa-museo-nazionale-di-palazzo-reale

More Info: Closing days: Tuesday and Sunday

Knights' Square



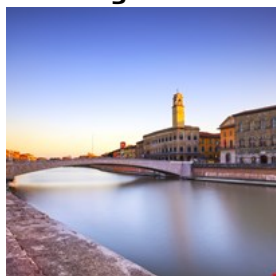
The beautiful Knights' Square was the political centre of the Pisan Republic. During the 16th century, it was radically transformed by Giorgio

Vasari and became the seat of the new military order of the Knights of St. Stephen. The square is dominated by the Palazzo della Carovana, whose façade is completely covered in graffiti and that, today, hosts the Scuola Normale Superiore, founded by Napoleon in 1810.

Photo: robertonencini/Shutterstock.com

Address: Piazza dei Cavalieri, Pisa

The Lungarnos



Lungarnos are quays that run along a river; Pisa's ones, with their beautiful palaces and romantic bridges over them, have been the heart and soul of

the city for centuries. Today, it is possible to walk along them to admire river Arno and its surroundings and, especially if the weather is good, to stop and eat an ice cream or get a drink in one of the several cafes along them.

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Address: River Arno, Pisa

Basilica of San Piero a Grado



Not far from the city centre lies this basilica, which is said to have been built upon the place where St. Peter landed on his way from the Aegean

Sea to Rome. If you walk in, you can admire medieval paintings and beautiful frescoes - both on the left and the right side of the church - dating to between 1200 to 1300, and around the location, where a small village has arisen, one can go for a walk and look for some local restaurants.

Photo: pisaphotography/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Vecchia di Marina 5, Pisa

Opening hours: 9:00-16:00

Phone: +39 050 96 00 65

Internet: www.sanpieroagrado.it

Email: info@sanpieroagrado.it

The Wine Road of the Pisan Hills



Take a tour along the roads of wine in the stunning area of Chianti, one of the most famous districts in Tuscany. You decide which vineyards to

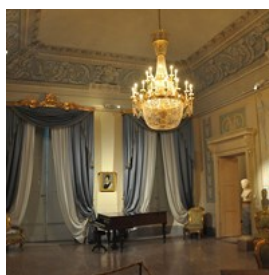
visit and make your stops wherever you like. It is also possible take a break from wine and local food tastings to visit the museums that you will find along the road, such as the one dedicated to the iconic Vespa. Either you feel like going by car or bike, the road is easy to follow since it is well marked by signs.

Photo: Samot/Shutterstock.com

Address: Chianti, Tuscany

Internet: www.stradadelvinocollinepisane.it

Palazzo Blu



Housed in a beautiful blue building dating back to the 14th century, this exquisite art museum contains masterpieces from the 14th century

until today. There is also a pleasant small cafeteria in the backyard.

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Address: Lungarno Gambacorti 9, Pisa

Opening hours: 10:00-19:00 (Tuesday to Sunday)

Phone: +39 050 220 46 50

Internet: www.palazzoblu.it

Email: info@palazzoblu.it

More Info: Closing day: Monday / Weekend opening: until 20:00

The Jewish Cemetery



Just outside Piazza Duomo lies one of the oldest Jewish cemeteries in Europe. The cemetery presents an extraordinary historical artistic

repertoire: from the parallelepiped burial mounds of Hebrew tradition dating from the 17th to 18th centuries to the Liberty styles dating back to the 19th and 20th centuries.

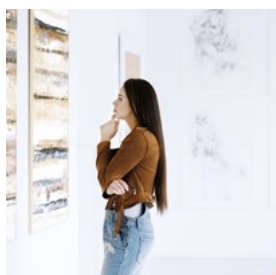
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Address: Largo Griffi Cocco 2, Pisa

Opening hours: 9:00-18:00 (Wednesday and Sunday)

Internet: www.pisaebraica.it

National Museum of San Matteo



Housed in a 13th century (former) Benedictine monastery, the National Museum of San Matteo contains works from the main religious buildings

of the city. Remarkable are the collections of 14th and 15th centuries: the Pisan sculpture and a collection of paintings consisting of nearly 200 works from the Tuscan school. The picture gallery keeps paintings by Italian and foreign artists dating back as far as the 18th century, ecclesiastical vestments and liturgical gold-works.

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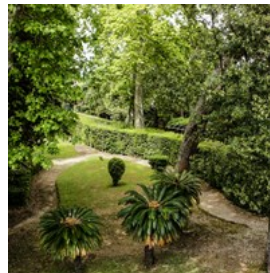
Opening hours: 8:30-19:00 (Tuesday to Saturday) /

08:30-13:00 (Sunday)

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More Info: Closing day: Monday

Giardino Scotto



During the hot summer months, this park is a popular place to relax in the shades of the trees. Students, locals and tourists come here for a

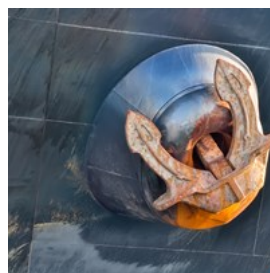
picnic, a stroll, to let their children play at the playground and even to discover some ancient sights.

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Address: Lungarno Leonardo Fibonacci 2, Pisa

Opening hours: 8:00-20:00 (Monday to Sunday)

Museum of Ancient Ships of Pisa



In 1998, during the works carried out in the area around Pisa San Rossore Station, the remains of the ancient port of Pisa were brought to light. At

a depth of circa 5 meters, an impressive series of 18 ship wrecks placed one on top of the other emerged, all dating back to the Roman Period, and now showcased at the Museum of Ancient Ships of Pisa (Cantiere delle Navi Antiche di Pisa).

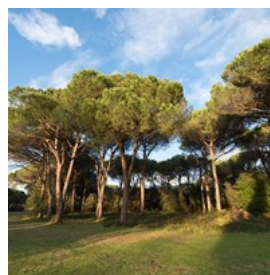
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Address: Lungarno Ranieri Simonelli, 16, Pisa

Phone: +39 055 552 04 07

Internet: www.navidipisa.it

San Rossore Natural Park and Estate



The Regional Park covers over 23,000 hectares situated along the coast from Viareggio to Livorno. At the Visitor Centre of Cascine

Vecchie, tourists can find booklets and brochures about San Rossore Park and Estate, a gorgeous

natural area where they can enjoy guided visits on foot, by bike, by coach and by train.

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Address: Tenuta di San Rossore, Loc. Cascine Vecchie, Pisa

Opening hours: 8:00-19:30 (Tuesday to Sunday)

Phone: +39 050 53 91 11

Internet: www.parcosanrossore.org

Email: parco@sanrossore.toscana.it

More Info: Closing day: Monday

Tuttomondo by Keith Haring



Tuttomondo Mural stands in fun contrast to the historical sights of the city. Bright colours and fun shapes cover a whole gable of a house just off

Piazza Vittorio Emanuele II. Stare at it long enough to see some of the not-so-obvious detail Keith Haring has painted into the work of art.

Photo: Pom'/Flickr.com (image cropped)

Address: Via Riccardo Zandonai, Pisa

Graphics Museum



The building alone is well worth a visit. In the 16th century, the Lanfranchi family built this palace leaning against a group of medieval structures

showing paintings dating to that era. Since 2007, Palazzo Lanfranchi became the Graphic Museum, inside which you can see collections of prints and drawings from the University of Pisa.

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Address: Palazzo Lanfranchi, Lungarno Galilei 9, Pisa

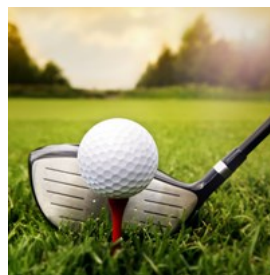
Opening hours: 9:00-19:00 (Monday to Sunday)

Phone: +39 050 221 60 60

Internet: www.museodellagrafica.unipi.it

Email: museodellagrafica@adm.unipi.it

Golf Club Tirrenia



This 9-hole golf course is located in beautiful green surroundings between Pisa and Livorno. The course, one of the oldest in Tuscany, is not too difficult, but the service is warm and friendly and the restaurant is well-reputed. There is also a small adjacent hotel.

Photo: Mikael Damkier/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via San Guido, Tirrenia

Phone: +39 050 375 18

Internet: www.golftirrenia.it

Email: info@golftirrenia.it

DINING



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In Pisa you can find typical meat-based and fish-based Tuscan cuisine. You should try the characteristic chickpea soup together with the so-called sciocco (unsalted) bread and the famous local olive oil. Home-made pasta is another must.

I Porci Comodi



This is one of the most popular places to taste true Tuscan flavours. I Porci Comodi carefully selects the best ingredients and offers a

list of delicious sandwiches, cold cuts and local wines and beers, which you can also easily take away.

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Address: Via l'Arancio 4, Pisa

Opening hours: 11:00-22:30

Phone: +39 392 98 93 706

Gusto al 129



Italy is known for its tasty pizzas and at Gusto al 129 you really understand why. Some people even say that this place serves the best

pizza in the whole of Italy. There you will find not only the most classic pizzas, but the owners are not afraid to experiment with new recipes - the main reason for their success - and to keep creating new pizzas, also inspired by the clients' tastes. For each pizza, you will be suggested the best beer to drink with it.

Photo: Denizo71/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Santa Bibbiana 10, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 620 31 17

Internet: www.gustoal129.it

Teste & Lische



Located in Marina di Pisa, right by the sea, this fine and romantic restaurant will please you with its brilliant cuisine mostly centring around fish.

Enjoy a wonderful sunset eating in one of the best places in the area, and try one of the delicious and creative plates of fresh fish, but not before a tasty aperitivo.

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Address: Piazza Gorgona 7, Marina di Pisa

Phone: +39 050 360 54

Internet: www.testeelische.it

Email: giovannipagan77@gmail.com

L'Ostellino



L'Ostellino is a real Tuscan "street food" restaurant that has rapidly become the first choice for both tourists and locals who want to

have a quick yet quality meal. Cold cuts, cheese and sandwiches with the best local ingredients, together with Tuscan wines, are the strong selling points of this awesome place.

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Address: Piazza Felice Cavallotti, Pisa

Namastè India San Bernardo



You will find out, perhaps surprisingly, that even in the heart of Italy there are excellent international restaurants. So, if you are hungry and

you feel tired of pasta, big steaks and pizza, Namastè India Ristorante offers authentic Indian food right in the city centre of Pisa. With more than 30 years in the business, this restaurant - very close to Palazzo Blu - will provide you with the best Indian flavours.

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Address: Via San Bernardo 34, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 406 04

Internet: www.namasteindiapisa.com

Email: info@namasteindiapisa.com

A Casa Mia



This is said to be one of the best restaurants of Pisa and never too busy due to its location outside the city centre (it's around 2 km from Piazza

dei Miracoli). The restaurant is located in an independent house with a garden, and you can eat in the dining room and, in summer time, in the garden.

The name literally means "At my place", since the owner has lived there since he was born, but also because he loves making people feel at home, offering an excellent food and wine selection.

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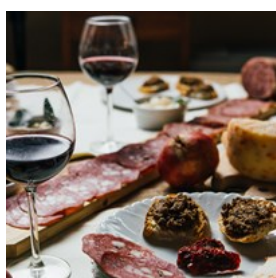
Address: Via Vicarese Calcesana 10, Ghezzano

Phone: +39 050 87 92 65

Internet: www.ristoranteacasamia.it

Email: ristoranteacasamia@alice.it

Ristorante da Mario



Ristorante da Mario serves typical Tuscan dishes such as vegetable soup, homemade pasta and fish - in a retro setting. It is located close

to Piazza dei Miracoli, which you can reach by walking in 10 minutes, and all of its major attractions.

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Address: Via Luigi Bianchi 19, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 55 13 49

Internet: www.ristorantedamario.it

Email: info@ristorantedamario.it

La Panacea



The name of this restaurant comes from Panacea, who was the goddess of remedy in Greek mythology.

Restaurant La Panacea might not be able, with its food, to heal sicknesses, but can easily take on hunger and thirst: they offer pizzas and pastas, as well as fresh fish, meat and home-made desserts.

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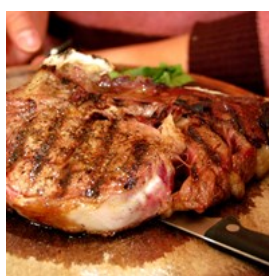
Address: Via Provinciale Calcesana 179, Ghezzano

Phone: +39 050 87 71 70

Internet: www.lapanacea.org

Email: info@lapanacea.org

Il Campano



Antica Trattoria Il Campano is situated in an ancient tower with brick walls and a mysterious yet inviting atmosphere.

It serves traditional cuisine, so you will find some excellent typical Tuscan food, such as the Ribollita (a bread and vegetable potage which has peasant origins) and the Fiorentina steak, and the wine cellar holds more than 400 different brands to complement your meal in the best way possible.

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Address: Via D. Cavalca 19, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 58 05 85

Internet: www.ilcampano.com

Email: info@ilcampano.com

Osteria San Paolo



Located in the centre of Pisa, in a quiet neighbourhood, this restaurant surprises you with its visionary flavours and regularly proposes

different dishes, by combining the best ingredients. Whether you prefer fish or meat, your visit will be memorable. Remember to try their home-made cake before you leave.

Photo: Andrey Bayda/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via San Paolo 16, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 50 11 94

Internet: www.osteriasanpaolo.com

Osteria dei Cavalieri



Located in a tower house dating to the 13th century and situated in the historical heart of Pisa, just a few minutes from the main attractions

such as the Duomo and the Botanical Garden, the restaurant Osteria dei Cavalieri makes you feel like you have travelled back in time. There you will enjoy a romantic atmosphere while feasting on traditional Tuscan dishes, which you can combine with a good wine from their huge selection.

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Address: Via San Frediano 16, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 58 08 58

Internet: www.osteriacavalieri.pisa.it

Email: info@osteriacavalieri.pisa.it

Ristoro La Bottega del Parco



La Bottega del Parco is a true meat restaurant with a stylish and trendy interior. They specialise in steaks, burgers and other meat dishes, but

you can also find pasta and fish on the menu. This is one of the few restaurants in the area offering Black Angus meat.

Photo: hlphoto/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via delle Colomabaie 1, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 50 37 44

Internet: www.ristorobottegadelparco.it

Mani'omio Cocktail Bar & Restaurant



At Mani'omio, with its international urban atmosphere, you can choose to sit in the vibrant bar, in the sober and quiet dining room, or

perhaps try both of them: start with an aperitivo at the counter, then enjoy a delicious dinner and, finally, meet other people back in the bar where live concerts, themed events and wine tastings take place regularly.

Photo: Nadya Lukic/Shutterstock.com

Address: Piazza Sant'Omobono 11, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 319 55 17

Internet: www.maniomio.it

Email: richieste@maniomio.com

CAFES



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In Italy, coffee is just as important as pasta. If you want to act like a local when ordering your coffee, there are some unwritten rules you should keep in mind.

- Cappuccino, Caffe latte or any other kind of coffee based on milk should only be drunk in the mornings.
- When you order an espresso, don't use the word espresso, which actually is just a technical phrase. Ask the barista for simply "un caffè".
- Last but not least, when ordering "un caffè" you don't sit down. Stand at the bar and have your coffee while standing.

Whether you feel like blending in or sitting down at a table, there are plenty of cafes to choose from in Pisa.

Salza



Salza, started in Turin in 1898, arrived in Pisa in 1927 and now represents the oldest and maybe the best cake shop in the city, offering a very good

choice of pastries, chocolate and ice cream. Try the soft Panforte (a typical Tuscan cake) and, if you want an original gift, you could even take home a Leaning Tower made of chocolate or

another delicious creation.

Photo: Nitr/Shutterstock.com
Address: Borgo Stretto 46, Pisa
Phone: +39 050 58 01 44
Internet: www.salzacatering.it

Filter Coffee Lab



Filter is definitely one of the coolest coffee shops in the city and will impress you with its international atmosphere and the quality of every dish and drink. Here you will find excellent coffee and all kinds of delicious food to have a full breakfast or a brunch: help yourself to awesome muffins, bagels and pancakes with fresh fruit to start your day with the right foot.

Photo: Ivana Lalicki/Shutterstock.com
Address: Via Santa Maria 57, Pisa
Opening hours: 7:30-18:00 (Monday to Friday) 8:30-15:30 (Sunday)
Phone: +39 339 72 31 871
Internet: www.filtercoffeelab.com
Email: filter.pisa@yahoo.com
More Info: Closed on Saturdays

Gelateria De' Coltelli



Italian gelato was invented in the 15th century, and is today famous all over the world. In Pisa, this is a great place to try it, as they use fresh fruit in the making of this popular ice cream.

Photo: RossHelen/Shutterstock.com
Address: Lungarno Pacinotti 23, Pisa
Opening hours: 11:30-20:30 (Sunday to Thursday)
11:30-22:30 (Friday and Saturday)
Phone: +39 345 48 11 903

Internet: www.decoltelli.it

Email: info@decoltelli.it

Caffè Letterario Volta Pagina



You have been sightseeing all day and are now looking for a nice, quiet place to sip a cup of tea, or maybe do an aperitivo in case it's almost dinner time - perhaps with a good book. Then, you would love the warm atmosphere of this literary cafe, situated in a street parallel to Lungarno Galilei, where the owners look after everything most passionately. Grab a book, choose a table and enjoy a drink or a good meal. Occasionally, this place hosts temporary art expositions.

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Address: Via San Martino 71-73, Pisa

Phone: +39 328 00 25 526

Vecchio Pasticceria Siciliana



The real taste of Sicily in the Pisan city centre. Enjoy a snack at this nice cafe: Sicilian cannoli (little tubes filled with Ricotta cheese) are a must, approved even by Sicilian natives, but you will also find other typical pastries that are worth tasting and, if the weather is very hot, you will surely enjoy refreshing yourself with a granita (a semi-frozen dessert that comes in different flavours).

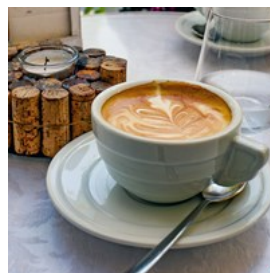
Photo: Alessio Orru/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Giuseppe Garibaldi 29, Pisa

Opening hours: 7:30-14:00 16:20:30

Phone: +39 050 97 01 46

Caffè dei Cavalieri



Thanks to their past experience in London, a young Italian couple was able to start their own one in Pisa. This coffee shop, very close to Knights Square, is house of creativity, and if you give it a try you will likely taste the highest quality coffee in the city. You can also ask for other hot drinks that you can nicely combine with some excellent pastries.

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Address: Via Corsica 8a, Pisa

Phone: +39 391 16 13 749

La Perla Café



La Perla Cafe has a perfect location right by the sea at the Pisa Marina. Guests come here to relax, listen to the chill-out music and to cool off with a couple of drinks away from the city bustle. Regular clients recommend the excellent cocktails, which they love to sip on while admiring the sunset.

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Address: Via P. Agostino da Montefeltro 3, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 351 24

BARS & NIGHTLIFE

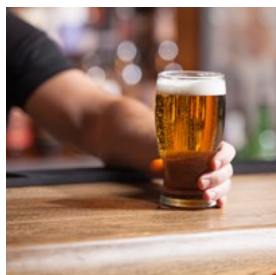


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Before going to dinner, don't miss the aperitivo bars (which are usually open from 18:30 to 21:30). The early-evening drink has become a must in Italy for both young and old people, and it's also an easy way to make new acquaintances.

The real place for nightlife is on the Versilian coast, just 10 km from the city, where the most famous discos are located (mostly in Viareggio and Forte dei Marmi). Pisa does, however, boast some decent places to listen to live music and dance.

Orzo Bruno



Even if Italy is mostly known for its fantastic wines, it offers great beers as well. In a relaxed atmosphere, at Orzo Bruno you can try some of the locally brewed brands in addition to the classics, together with an inviting selection of cold cuts and cheese.

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Address: Via delle Case Dipinte 6-8, Pisa
Phone: +39 050 57 88 02
Internet: www.orzobruno.it

Baribaldi



A wide choice of cocktails, Tuscan wines and other drinks await you at Baribaldi, a very popular place to hang out in the city centre. You will find it in Piazza Garibaldi (from which it took its name), one of the main Pisan squares, where you will love to sit and soak in the atmosphere.

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Address: Piazza Giuseppe Garibaldi 8, Pisa
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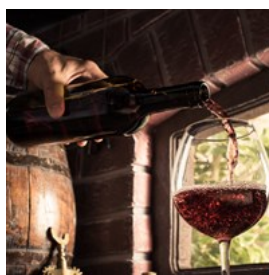
Sottobosco Libri & Café



If you like a good book to accompany your glass of wine, head to Underwood Books And Coffee (Sottobosco Libri & Cafe). In a hip setting with soothing piano music in the evenings, guests can revel in good strong coffee, great cocktails, Tuscan wines and delicious pastries. Jazz concerts take place every week.

Photo: JP WALLET/Shutterstock.com
Address: Piazza San Paolo all'Orto 3, Pisa
Phone: +39 050 314 20 84

Vicolo Divino



Enoteca Vicolo Divino is a genuine Italian wine bar, located in a quiet area a few minutes from the city centre. Even if it might seem rather small in size, it has a wide selection of great wines and snacks, and is a lovely place to go for an aperitivo.

Photo: Stokkete/Shutterstock.com
Address: Via Filippo Serafini 10, Pisa

Phone: +39 377 94 28 446
Internet: www.vicolodivino.it
Email: info@vicolodivino.it

Chupiteria Pisa



Known as "the world of shots" among youngsters, this is one of the coolest places to hang out in Pisa. Even though it looks rather small, it offers a

huge list of shots with infinite combinations, so wait for your turn to go to the counter, choose the ingredients for your shot by yourself or pick one from the proposed ones - sorted by nationalities or college departments - and make a toast. The night has just begun.

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Address: Lungarno Mediceo 59, Pisa
Opening hours: 21:00-3:00
Phone: +39 345 24 27 606
Internet: www.chupiteria.it

Sunset Café



This is a nice place on the beach in Tirrenia, highly recommended for its candlelit, romantic atmosphere. Guests here can sit on mats right by

the water, order excellent long drinks and enjoy beautiful sunsets.

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Address: Via Litoranea 40a, Marina di Pisa
Opening hours: Working hours are seasonal; open in spring and summer.
Phone: +39 345 08 73 007
Internet: www.sunsetcafe.it

Tree



Great coffee and cocktails are the focus at Tree, one of the best rock bars in the city centre. People who come here can enjoy a good drink, listen to music and feel at home in its warm and friendly atmosphere. This applies even if you choose a seat outside.

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Address: Via San Francesco 90, Pisa

La Borsa

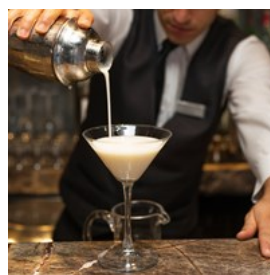


La Borsa is one of the most fashionable places for young people, and university students in particular. The tables outside are always

packed and there is an international atmosphere. For many years it has been one of the local's favourite hangout spots, with excellent aperitivos and buffet food.

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Address: Piazza Vittorio Emanuele II 1, Pisa
Phone: +39 050 50 06 97
Email: contact@laborsa.it

Bar Mocambo



Enjoy the warm and cosy setting, with lots of books and comfortable chairs at Bar Mocambo. The owner of this bar often comes out to chat with the

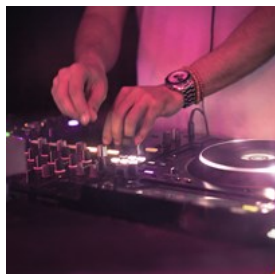
guests while they are sipping on delicious cocktails and eating the free nibbles that are served with the drinks.

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Address: Via San Bernardo 29, Pisa

Phone: +39 339 31 08 164

Bazeel



This is a well-known gathering place in Pisa, smack in the heart of the city. They have breakfast, lunch, snacks, amazing Italian coffee and, if you

want to go dancing or just hang out for a drink, you should not miss the "Baz-Nights", on which themed parties with live music or DJ sets take place every week.

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Address: Lungarno Pacinotti 1, Pisa

Phone: +39 340 28 81 113

Internet: www.bazeel.it

Borderline Club



Borderline Club offers live music several times a week: on Mondays there is a "jam session" (which means that anyone can turn up and play), on

Thursdays there are concerts with Italian and international groups, and on Fridays and Saturdays the place specialises in disco rock.

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Address: Via Giuseppe Vernaccini 7, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 58 05 77

Internet: www.borderlineclubpisa.it

Boccaccio Club



Boccaccio Club is a trendy disco with five different dance floors in Calcinaia, outside Pisa. Refresh yourself with a glamorous cocktail in one

of the six different rooms you can choose from depending on your musical tastes: you can decide to step inside a disco with pop hits, house music, or even hip hop and reggaeton.

Photo: astarot/Shutterstock.com

Address: Centro Torretta White, Via Del Tiglio 143, Calcinaia

Phone: +39 058 729 71 25

Internet: www.boccaccio.it

Email: info@boccaccio.it

SHOPPING



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The area around the Tower is packed with tacky souvenir shops. Ignore those and walk to Corso Italia and Borgo Stretto, the two main shopping streets in Pisa, where you will find any kind of Italian fashion shops. The cheapest brands are in Corso Italia and the most elegant boutiques lie in the medieval Borgo Stretto. Two other streets, Via Mercanti and Via dei Rigattieri, boast many excellent shops and all around the city centre you will see dealers who sell old books and paintings.

If you are, even vaguely, passionate about antique trade, don't miss the Antique and Handicraft Fair, which takes place every second weekend of the month in Via Santa Maria, Piazza Felice Cavallotti, Via dei Mille, Via Corsica, Piazza dei Cavalieri and Via Ulisse Dini (not in July and August, though).

Another must-see is the Mercato delle Vettovaglie, a fruit and food market on the square of the same name, with a centenary history, opened from Monday to Friday.

Antique and craft fair



If you are interested in antiques and old furniture, many fairs are held in Via Santa Maria, Piazza Felice Cavallotti, Via dei Mille, Via Corsica, Piazza dei Cavalieri and Via Ulisse Dini - so basically all around the city centre - every second weekend of the month (except August and July). More than 100 artisans take part in these highly recommended events, and animate the historic centre with their stands and works of art

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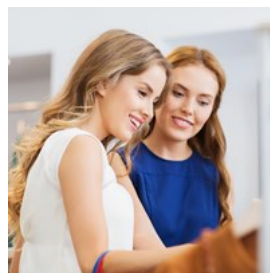
Fruit and Food Market



The Fruit and Food Market (Mercato delle Vettovaglie) opens from Monday to Friday in Piazza delle Vettovaglie, a 16th century square, and is over a hundred years old. It is very popular amongst locals, who do their daily shopping there, so walk through it to see and experience the everyday life of Pisa.

Photo: Goran Bogicevic/Shutterstock.com
Address: Piazza delle Vettovaglie, Pisa

Valenti



This fashion boutique opened in the 1970s and, through the years, more outlets have opened in the city, each of them with their own style and character. With brands like Valentino, Balenciaga, Dior, Burberry, Dolce&Gabbana, Jimmy Choo, Givenchy, Gucci, Moncler, Prada and Steve Madden, it is still very popular among shopaholics in Pisa.

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Address: Borgo Stretto 28, Pisa
Phone: +39 050 97 02 68
Internet: www.valentipisa.it
Email: valentistore@valentipisa.com
More Info: Men & Woman Accessories: Borgo Stretto 28 / Men Clothing: Borgo Stretto 41 / Accessories: Borgo Stretto 51 / Women Clothing & Accessories: Borgo Stretto 42 / Shoes: Via Guglielmo Oberdan 6

Enoteca Bacchus

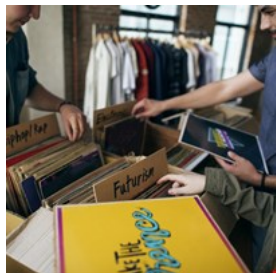


Enoteca Bacchus, a family-run shop which specialises in high quality wines, rums and whiskies, is the perfect place if you wish to buy some drinkable souvenirs to bring home with you, or some very special gifts. The shelves here are filled with different sorts of wines and liquors, both by local and international brands.

The family who runs this wine shop also opened a restaurant, located in Via Aurelia Sud 8, with both indoor and garden seating available.

Photo: Delpixel/Shutterstock.com
Address: Via Pietro Mascagni 1, Pisa
Phone: +39 050 50 05 60
Internet: www.bacchusenoteca.com

Sanantonio 42



If you feel that a more "underground", alternative style suits you better, then you will prefer this cool shop rather than average high street boutiques. Sanantonio 42 is a heaven for vintage lovers: you will find not only street-wear clothing, but also a wide range of vinyls (with soul, r&b, rap and rock music), skateboards, DJ accessories and products for graffiti.

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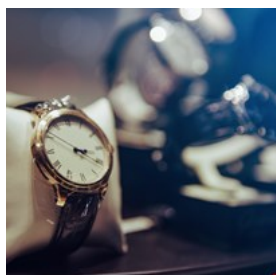
Address: Via San Paolo 1, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 442 61

Internet: www.sanantonio42.it

Email: info@sanantonio42.it

Sergio Capone



In the medieval street of Borgo Stretto, full of exclusive boutiques, you will find Sergio Capone, a luxury watch shop and the only official Rolex dealer in Pisa. Feast your eyes on a wide range of elegant watches, sparkling jewels and precious stones, carefully selected by Sergio Capone since 1987.

Photo: Creative Lab/Shutterstock.com

Address: Borgo Stretto 6, Pisa

Opening hours: 16:00-20:00 (Monday) 9:45-13:00

16:00-20:00 (Tuesday to Saturday)

Phone: +39 050 971 14 08

Internet: www.sergiocapone.com

Email: info@sergiocapone.com

More Info: Closed on Sundays

DEI Fashion Store



Along the Borgo Stretto, DEI Group has several different shops for both men and women who are looking for elegant clothes, but still with the sense of fashion. The stores Dei Uomo, Dei Donna, Il Cavallo Uomo and Il Cavallo Donna are house of brands like Dries Van Noten, Ralph Lauren, Woolrich, Sun 68, Golden Goose and Marsèll.

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Address: Borgo Stretto 56, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 54 04 04

Internet: www.deifashionstore.it

More Info: Il Cavallo Men: Borgo Stretto 13 / Il Cavallo

Women: Borgo Stretto 16 / Dei Men: Borgo Stretto 50 / Dei

Women: Borgo Stretto 56

laFeltrinelli Librerie



When you are in need of new literature, pay a visit to laFeltrinelli Librerie. Here you find a wide selection of books, films, music and other paraphernalia.

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Address: Corso Italia 50, Pisa

Phone: +39 199 151 173

Internet: www.lafeltrinelli.it

BB Maison



Every woman who loves the feeling of finding a perfect accessory, a colourful pair of shoes, or a unique outfit, has to pay a visit to the small boutique BB Maison, right in the city centre.

Everything in here is carefully chosen and hand-picked by the owners, and then beautifully displayed to give the shop a sense of luxury and uniqueness.

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Address: Borgo Stretto 20, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 54 25 66

Bon Bon



If you need some sugar after all shopping and sightseeing, then you should head to Bon Bon, just off Borgo Stretto.

Here you can revel in chocolates and both local and international sweets - the only problem here is making a decision as to which kind to purchase.

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Address: Via San Francesco 107, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 54 24 06

TOURIST INFORMATION



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Galileo Galilei International Airport



Pisa International Airport "Galilei" is located only 1 km from Pisa Central Railway Station and from the town centre. - Just outside the Passenger

Terminal, you will find the new high-speed, automatic "People Mover" service, which will take you directly to Pisa Central Station with departures everyday, every 5-8 minutes, from 6:00 to 24:00.

- Outside the Passenger Terminal, you will find as well an the P6 Area, for buses. Tickets can be bought at the Info Point, in the Arrivals Terminal.

- You may also be interested in renting a car. In this case, there is a dedicated Terminal easily reachable by a 5-minute walk or by a free shuttle that you can take just outside the Passenger Terminal (on the arrivals side).

- A taxi service is provided 24/24, with departures in front of the airport (on the arrivals side). Taxi fares are likely to change, but you might want to check the prices at this link: www.cotapi.it

- Also, the two companies PBA (www.pbapisa.it) and Limousine Oritour (www.limousineoritour.it) provide a classy and comfortable luxury transfer service.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Piazzale D'Ascanio 1, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 84 91 11

Internet: www.pisa-airport.com

More Info: www.pisaairport.net

Passport / Visa



Italy can be visited visa-free for up to 90 days by citizens from Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Malaysia, Israel,

UAE and most countries in America. If you are not sure whether or not you need to apply for a visa, we recommend you to contact the embassy or consulate in your country. In order to enter the Schengen zone, international (non-Schengen) travelers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip. Citizens from Schengen countries can travel without a passport, but they must bring with them a valid ID during their stay.

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Best Time to Visit



Tuscany, like the whole of Italy, generally has a temperate climate, with differences depending on individual geographical areas. As Pisa is situated

just a few km from the Tyrrhenian Sea, you can enjoy both milder summers and winters.

The best months to visit Pisa are April, May, June, September and October, with very pleasant sunny days. The summer months (July and August) can be very hot and that would make you vacation less enjoyable.

June is the month when this city is especially worth a visit, as the three main traditional events - the Luminara, the Regata and the Gioco del Ponte - take place during that time.

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Public Transport



Pisa is a small city, hence the best way to see it is on foot. The company which operates Pisa's local transport system is CPT (Compagnia Pisana Trasporti) and its information office is in Piazza Sant'Antonio.

- The new LAM service divides the bus network into two main lines (LAM red and LAM green, that stop at the most "popular" spots in the city centre) and guarantees departures every 10 minutes. You can purchase bus tickets, which you will then validate on board, at the Central Railway Station, in Via Cesare Battisti 53, or directly on board (at a higher price, though).

- Local, interregional, Intercity and Eurostar trains stop at Pisa Central Railway Station, connecting Pisa to the main Tuscan and Italian destinations. Train tickets are sold at the ticket office, but for short tracks - up to 20 km - also at the newsagent's. Self-service ticket machines can also be found in the station.

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Address: Piazza Sant'Antonio, Pisa

Internet: www.pisa.cttnord.it

Taxi



Pisa's main taxi company is Radio Taxi Pisa. You can also find cabs near the most important tourist sites.

Photo: ArrivalGuides

Address: Via di Capiteta 6, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 54 16 00

Internet: www.cotapi.it

Post



Stamps can be bought at the tobacconists that either carry the blue and white "Tabacchi" sign, or are simply marked "T". If you need to visit a post office, you find the main one in the city centre, in Piazza Vittorio Emanuele II.

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Address: Piazza Vittorio Emanuele II 7-9, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 51 95 14

Internet: www.poste.it

Email: servizio.clienti@posteitaliane.it

Pharmacy



Chemists in Pisa are usually open from Monday to Friday from 8:30 to 12:30 and from 15:30 to 19:30 and have different opening hours during nights and weekends. You will find several "Farmacie Comunali" around the city, but only Farmacia Comunale 5 - at Via Niccolini 7a, close to the main attractions - offers a 24/7 service.

Other Farmacie Comunali:

- 1: Via Pardi 3 /

farma1@farmaciecomunalipisa.it

- 2: Via XXIV Maggio 63 /

farma2@farmaciecomunalipisa.it

- 3: Via Battelli 17 /

farma3@farmaciecomunalipisa.it

- 4: Piazzale Donatello 16 /

farma4@farmaciecomunalipisa.it

- 6: Piazzale D'Ascanio 1 /

farma6@farmaciecomunalipisa.it

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Address: Via Niccolini 7a, Pisa

Phone: +39 050 56 02 58

Internet: www.farmaciecomunalipisa.it

Email: farma5@farmaciecomunalipisa.it

Telephone



Country code: +39 Area code: 05 (also dialled in Pisa) If you call Italy from abroad, you must always dial zero in the area code (do not omit it as is the general practice when making international telephone calls), e.g. "+39 05 + the number".

Photo: Jardson Almeida

Electricity

220/240V



Photo: Stirling Tschan

Population

90,500

Currency

1 Euro = 100 cents

Opening hours

Shops in Pisa are usually open between 9:00-12:30 and 15:30-19:30 (closed on Sundays).

Newspapers

La Nazione

Il Tirreno

Corriere della Sera

La Repubblica

La Stampa

Il Sole24ore

Emergency numbers

Carabinieri: 112

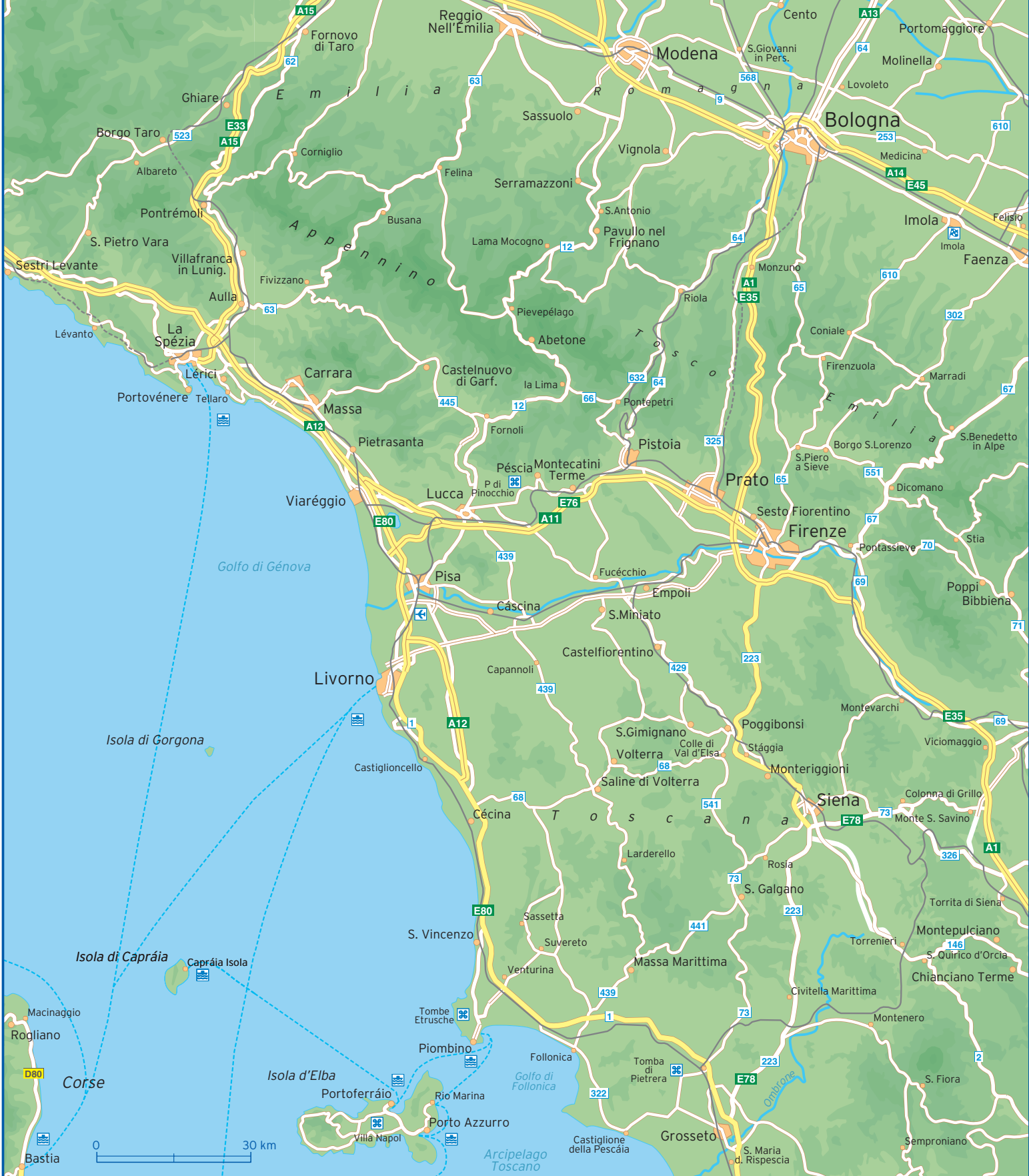
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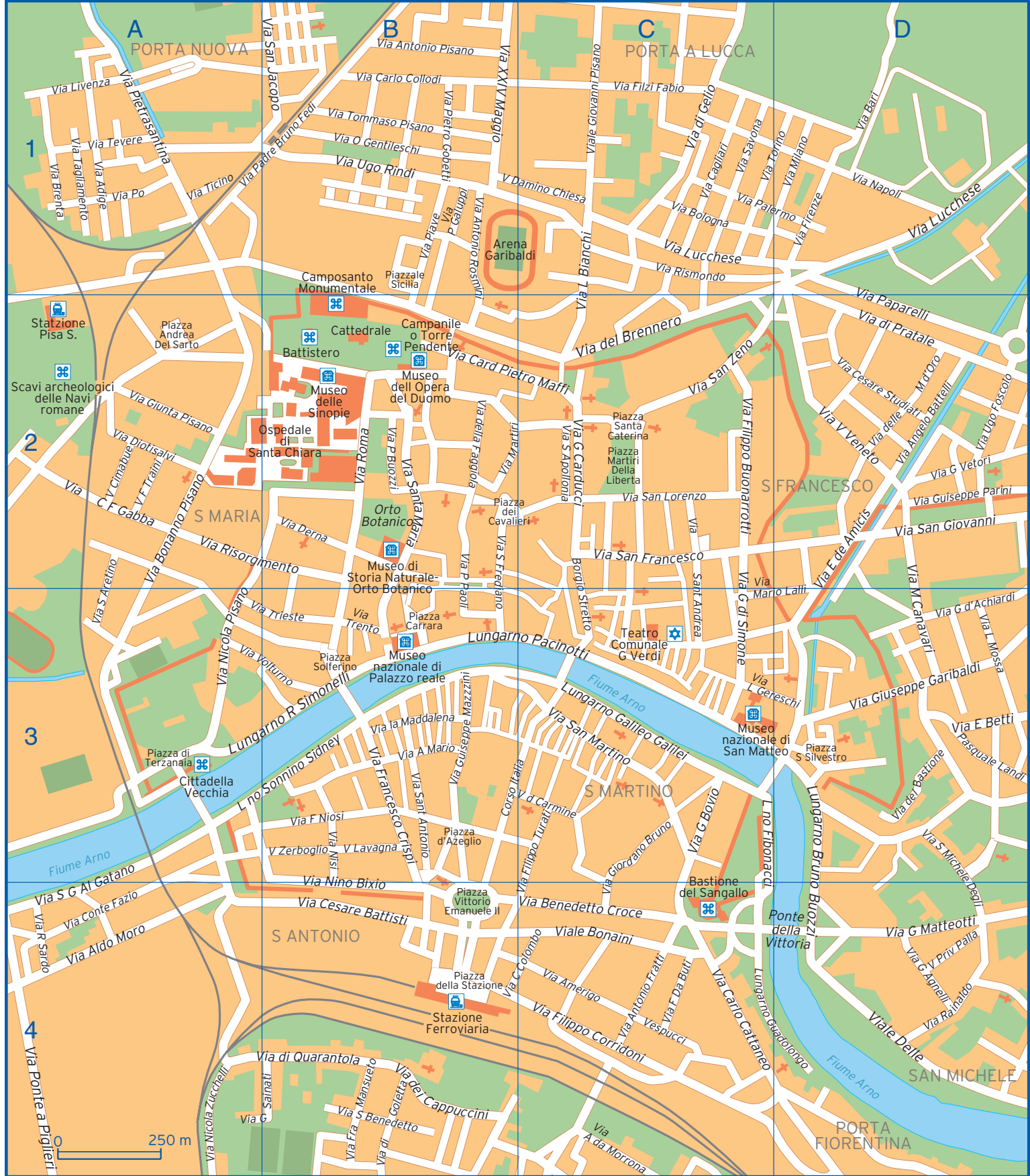
Fire brigade: 115
Ambulance: 118

Tourist information

Tourism Office "Walking in the City"
Piazza Duomo 7

Tel: +39 050 55 01 00
Web: www.turismo.pisa.it
Mail: duomo@walkinginthecity.it





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Corso Italia	B3 C3	Via del Bastione	D3	Via Nicola Zucchelli	A4
L no Fibonacci	C3 C4	Via del Brennero	C2	Via Nino Bixio	B4
L no Sonnino Sidney	A3 B3	Via del Carmine	B3 C3	Via Nisi	B3
Lungarno Bruno Buozzi	D3 D4	Via della Faggiola	B2	Via O Gentileschi	B1
Lungarno Galileo Galilei	C3	Via delle medaglie d'Oro	D2	Via P Galuppi	B1
Lungarno Guadolongo	C4 D4	Via Derma	B2	Via P Paoli	B2 B3
Lungarno Pacinotti	B3 C3	Via di Gelio	C1	Via Padre Bruno Fedi	A1 B1
Lungarno R Simonelli	A3 B3	Via di Goletta	B4	Via Palermo	C1 D1
Pasquale Landi	D3	Via di Pratale	D2	Via Paparelli	D2
Piazza Andrea Del Sarto	A2	Via di Quarantola	A4 B4	Via Piave	B1
Piazza Carrara	B3	Via Diotisalvi	A2	Via Pietrasantina	A1
Piazza dei Cavalieri	B2 C2	Via E Betti	D3	Via Pietro Gobetti	B1
Piazza della Stazione	B4	Via E De Amicis	D2 D3	Via Po	A1
Piazza di Terzanaia	A3	Via F Da Buti	C4	Via Ponte a Piglieri	A4
Piazza d'Azeglio	B3	Via F Niosi	B3	Via Porta Buozzi	B2
Piazza Martiri Della Liberta	C2	Via F Traini	A2	Via Priv Palla	D4
Piazza S Silvestro	D3	Via Filippo Buonarrotti	C2	Via R Sardo	A4
Piazza Santa Caterina	C2	Via Filippo Corridoni	C4	Via Rainaldo	D4
Piazza Vittorio Emanuele II	B4	Via Filippo Turati	C3 C4	Via Rismondo	C1
Piazzale Sicilia	B1	Via Filzi Fabio	C1	Via Risorgimento	A2 B2
Piazza Solferino	B3	Via Firenze	D1	Via Roma	B2
Ponte della Vittoria	C4 D4	Via Fra Mansueto	B4	Via S Apollonia	C2
Trento	B3	Via Francesco Crispi	B3	Via S Benedetto	B4
Via A da Morrona	C4	Via G Agnelli	D4	Via S Frediano	B2 B3
Via A Mario	B3	Via G Bovio	C3	Via S G Al Gatano	A3 A4
Via Adige	A1	Via G Carducci	C2	Via S Michele Degli	D3 D4
Via Aldo Moro	A4	Via G di Simone	C2 C3	Via San Francesco	C2
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Via C F Gabba	A2	Via L Mossa	D3	Via Tevere	A1
Via Cagliari	C1	Via la Maddalena	B3	Via Ticino	A1
Via Card Pietro Maffi	B2 C2	Via Lavagna	B3	Via Tommaso Pisano	B1
Via Carlo Cattaneo	C4	Via Livenza	A1	Via Torino	C1 D1
Via Carlo Collodi	B1	Via Lucchese	C1 D1	Via Trieste	A3 B3
Via Cesare Battisti	B4	Via M Canavari	D2 D3	Via Ugo Foscolo	D2
Via Cesare Studiati	D2	Via Mario Lalli	C3 D3	Via Ugo Rindi	B1
Via Cimabue	A2	Via Martiri	B2 C2	Via V Veneto	D2
Via Conte Fazio	A4	Via Milano	D1	Via Volturno	A3 B3
Via Damino Chiesa	B1 C1	Via Napoli	D1	Via XXIV Maggio	B1

Via Zerboglio
Viale Bonaini

B3 Viale Delle
C4

D4 Viale Giovanni Pisano

C1