

Bed & Breakfast
La Terza



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VENEZIA (VENICE)



How to get there:

by car: Take the A4 from Soave in the direction of Venezia. After the paying point, carry on a for a few km. and get off at Porto Marghera.

After you pass Porto Marghera follow the signs to Venezia centro / Piazzale Roma. There you'll find a few large parking areas. The price is about 20 € for the day.

(this might sound stupid, but those parking areas are really high. Ask to park at the top/roof level, the view is spectacular.)

Across the street towards the sea is the 'Vaporetto' stop (the bus boat). lines n° 1 or n° 82.

VERY IMPORTANT , don't be tempted to get on a 'taxi' boat, You'll end up on a fast, but real expensive boat ride. so make sure you're in the right 'vaporetto' stop (it's the one with the ticket office next to it), Venezia is expensive enough as it is.

Coming by train: Stop at Santa Lucia Train Station (make sure your train **is** going to stop there; otherwise get off at Venezia Mestre and take another train to Venezia Santa Lucia).

As you leave the station's main entrance, head toward the floating waterbus platforms. Buy a ticket before boarding the No. 1 *vaporetto*, which makes stops all along the Grand Canal, or the No. 82 express boat to San Marco. Be sure you're going in the right direction--i.e., toward San Marco.

- Return ticket: 5.16
- 24-hours ticket: 9.3 Euro
- One week ticket: 30.99 Euro

There is so much to do and see, we won't give a list of things to see because it's just endless. you'll need a good guide handy.

We recommend:

If this is your first time , take it slowly. Take the 'vaporeto' to piazza san Marco, do the tourist thing, take the necessary photos and than just work your way back slowly on foot. Venezia needs to be inhaled , plus you can't get too lost, you're on an island.

If you can stay till night falls, take the no 1. from anywhere in Canale Grande. It's the worst line to take if you need to catch the train, but if you have time, just sit back and watch the night lights reflecting off the water as the boat criss crosses from one station to the other.

The Guggenheim museum

Somehow it almost seems a shame to spend time indoors when you're in Venice. Well this small museum is the best solution.

It's located in Peggy Guggenheim's former home, *Palazzo Venier dei Leoni*, on the Grand Canal in Venice.

It's small, extremely beautiful and has a fantastic collection of modern art.

If you're in Venice on these dates, these events are fundamental:

The Venice Biennale

since its foundation in 1895 it has been one of the most prestigious cultural institutions in the world. If you have even the slightest interest in contemporary art, this is the exhibition to see. It will be long, and exhausting but worth it.

The Venice Carnival



February 18th to 28th, 2006

The main areas of the town

Water bus

10 am to 4 am

Venezia film festival:

September: Venice Film Festival. Fiction films, documentaries and shorts are screened, with the Golden Lion awarded for best film.

If you're lucky you'll bump into some famous VIP's, and if you're not, you can always say you did.

Festa della Madonna della Salute

This religious celebration is very popular in Venice; it dates back to the plague which raged in Venice in 1630. The Senate and Doge decided to resort to the Virgin Mary's intercession, vowing to build a temple in her name as soon as the scourge had ceased. In November 1631, the plague was finally over and the Government fulfilled the vow. On 21 November every year there is a procession, led by the Patriarch, that leaves St. Mark's and crosses a pontoon bridge across the Grand Canal to the Salute Church. The Venetians go in their thousands to seek pardon in front of the Madonna, radiant among hundreds of candles brought by the faithful themselves. Along the way and in front of the church there are stalls which sell candles and sweets of every kind.

Don't...

Looking for a fake Prada, Gucci, Louis Vuitton? Street vendors in Venice will be happy to accommodate you **but watch out:** A new law makes **buyers** of counterfeit goods liable for fines of €3333 to €10000.

Gondolas

Only if you really have the extra money to spare..

Is it sinking?

yes--but at a fairly modest rate. (probably not while you're there.) Capping of artesian wells in Venice and nearby mainland towns has slowed the subsidence to a quarter of an inch per year .flooding from the 'acqua alta' or high water that occurs when a *scirocco* storm forces the Adriatic's waters into the lagoon at high tide. When this happens, Venice city workers lay down elevated walkways.

Where to eat:

Do you want to eat great traditional Venetian food in a romantic atmosphere with good service for a cheep price? Well you're in the wrong town! When we asked around, our Italian friends were happy to give us a long list of great ..and cheep places to eat in Venice, only... you have to be a local..., sigh, for tourists ...well... prices are different .

So there you have it. If you stop on one of the motorway's rest areas called 'Autogrill' you can get some nice sandwiches to take with you.

Having said that, We did however receive recommendations from guests for these places.

Osteria Vivaldi-- Calle della Madonnetta in San Polo 1457

Trattoria All' Antica Mola in the *sestiere* of Cannaregio

Zucca - Santa Croce 1762 **V**egetarian restaurants.

Identify yourselves as guests at B&B La Terza at these two places – they will treat you nicely!

Alle Testiere: castello, 5801 calle del mondo novo (tel 041- 5227220)

La Moeca: cannaregio 492 fondamenta savorgnan (tel 333 61 444 91)

Rialto markets

The markets are open to the public, and there's no better show in town. Stevedores unload crates of produce from barges; vendors hawk their wares; restaurant chefs examine the daily supply of fish, delivery men push handcarts with fruit and vegetables. It's best to arrive early if you want to see the *Erberia* (vegetable market) and *Pescheria* (fish market) in full swing.

The wholesalers and most of the retailers close up shop by midday! So get there early!



“gondola ride” for the poor:

For those of us who will never have enough money to set foot on a Gondola, just behind the fish market, there is a ‘Gondola Station’, you’ll recognize it by the locals waiting with grocery bags from the market.

The Gondola ‘Tragetto’ has a singular mission of transporting people across a canal where there is no convenient bridge, it only takes you across to the other side (for 50 cents)..but, hey, at least you experience the sensation (especially when they shout at you : “balance”!!!) and you won’t be completely lying when you tell everyone home about you’re romantic Venice experience (Gondola included).

Burano

The museum, the old Lace-School of Burano

Murano

Glass Museum

What to do with the kids:

Make sure they don’t fall into the sea!

Murano - Glass Museum

The glass blowers love to show their craft and kids are fascinated by the speed and danger of the process.

All kids enjoy chasing the pigeons in San Marko square...just after they feed them. (the Veniciens call them: “rats with wings”...)