
ITALY 2022



Italy

Such a lovely start to the day. A beautiful location and a luscious breakfast. Unfortunately Sig couldn't resist the habit of licking his knife and the lid of the yoghurt — can't take him anywhere!

Our last day in Italy is over to a trip to Rome to be near the airport for our flight tomorrow. We could have made it via the motorway in about 1.75 hours. We choose the secondary roads and thus had an interesting drive of 4.5 hours. Umbria is chock full of those hill top villages — we passed even more as we progressed south

Italy's flag represents hope, faith and charity.



Green is hope, white denotes faith and red is the colour of charity.

- * Italy is the land of carbohydrate and tomato. Heather claims pasta and spaghetti is actually good for you and with the added “pomodoros” is a perfect mix of energy with vegetable. Watching Heather devour her pasta dishes I am not going to argue with that.
- * Italians love their cars - small miniature cars. There are good reasons for this — they are able to fit them through the smallest of spaces and can literally park them anywhere. I continue to have visions of big 4WD vehicles wedged tightly between walls in dark alleyways.
- * How many hilltop towns can a region have? Literally every crag, every outcrop of rock, every high point - there you are - a hilltop town with its inevitable cathedral at the highest point. Very striking when you first come across one but after a while they lose their appeal - particularly after you climb up to the top of each one.
- * Terracotta tiles. Everywhere. I wish I had shares in a terracotta company.
- * Heather got sick of watching “Little House on the Prairie” and “Padre Brown” in Italian. She says its exhausting!
- * It seems Italian is a very guttural language. Little wonder when there are only 21 letters.
- * It appears that having tea and coffee making facilities are not the done thing in Italian hotels. Heather is not amused!!
- * And finally it is not a good idea to watch an episode of “Air Crash Investigators” on TV before your flight home. Even if it is in Italian!



Our trip to Italy is coming to a close



Italy has a long long illustrious history - and it shows. Around literally every corner you come across something that is seeped in history or a building that has a story to tell - assuming it's still standing.



View from our bedroom balcony



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