

Venice: Useful Tips

Emergency Numbers

Police 113 Fire brigades 115 Ambulance 041 523-0000

Public Telephones

Most public telephones accept only phone cards (carte telefoniche) which can be purchased at tabacchi or newspaper stands. You can make international calls from any phone that accepts cards. You can also call from a telephone office where you make your call from a booth and pay afterwards.

Transportation

Venice Airport	041 260-9260	Railway Lost Property	041 785-238
Airport Lost Luggage	041 260-6436	Taxi motor boats	041 522-2303
Bus service Venice-Airport (ATVO)	041 520-5530	Luggage deposit (P.le Roma)	041 523-1107
Bus and Vaporetti information	041 528-7886	Luggage porters (P.le Roma)	041 522-3590
Train Information	041 1478-88088	Luggage porters (Rail Station)	041 715272

Vaporetti

These boats are the big water-buses that travel along the Canal Grande. The N 1 makes every stop while then 82 is faster, stopping at the more principle locations. Tickets can be purchased at some stops before you get on board or at tabacchi (newspaper stands). The flat-rate fair is 5 euros. At these places you can also buy one-week tickets. When on the vaporetto, try not to block the passage way where people get on and get off. If you are carrying suitcases put them in the baggage area.

Traghetti

These boats are large gondolas that carry people across the Canal Grande at various locations. They cost Euro 0,70 each

Gondole

To hire a gondola it costs around 70.00 euros for 40 minutes for up to six passengers. The price rises after 8pm and you an extra for each additional 25 minutes. It is better to establish the price before your ride and take a boat from one of the official gondola stands.

Water Taxis

These are the motor boats that speed through the canals (and also erode the foundations of the buildings). Their rates vary but start out around 80.00 euros.

Health

- First Aid: Hospital Santi Giovanni e Paolo: 041 529-4517
- For medical emergencies on Sundays and holidays call 041 529-4060

Pharmacies

At pharmacies you can find asparin, toiletries and perscription drugs. You have to ask the person behind the counter for what you need, even if it doesn't require a perscription. If the pharmacy is closed, you will find a list on the door of open pharmacies and their locations.

Glossary

Allergy	<i>Allergia</i>	Cough	<i>Tosse</i>	Indigestion	<i>Indigestione</i>
Antibiotic	<i>Antibiotico</i>	Cramps	<i>Crampi</i>	Irritation	<i>Irritazione</i>
Band-aid	<i>Cerotto</i>	Cut	<i>Taglio</i>	Nausea	<i>Nausea</i>
Blood	<i>Sangue</i>	Diarrea	<i>Diarrea</i>	Shivers	<i>Brividi</i>
Broken Bones	<i>Ossa rotte</i>	Faint	<i>Svenimento</i>	Stomach ache	<i>Mal di Pancia</i>
Bruise	<i>Livido</i>	Fever	<i>Febbre</i>	Sunburn	<i>Insolazione</i>
Burn	<i>Bruciatura</i>	Flu	<i>Influenza</i>	Vertigo	<i>Vertigine</i>
Cold	<i>Raffreddore</i>	Fracture	<i>Frattura</i>	Vomit	<i>Vomito</i>
Cold Sweat	<i>Sudori freddi</i>	Headache	<i>Mal di Testa</i>		

Other Tips

- Many stores close during the hours of 1pm to 3:30 or 4pm and stay open until 7 or 7:30pm.
- Restaurants automatically include a cover (coperto) additional cost and a 12 % service (servizio) charge which means you do not have to tip the waiter. Also, sometimes they don't indicate extra cost for bread on the menu.
- Churches require that visitors be dressed modestly and usually don't allow short shorts or bare shoulders.
- Keep to the right when you are walking in the streets.
- Do not block the way out on the Vaporetto.
- Do not sit on bridges because this blocks the way for other pedestrians and try to walk on the right side of the street and let people pass you on the left.
- The best place to exchange money is at a bank or at the American Express office. Banks are open Mon. - Fri. 8:30am - 1:30pm and 3-4pm. The American Express office is a five minute walk from the apartments in the direction of San Marco and is open Mon. - Fri.9am - 5:30pm; Sat. 9am - 12:30pm.

Groceries Open Markets and Supermarkets

Aside from small food stores (alimentari) where you can find cheese, meats, bread and drinks, there are a few larger supermarkets:

Billa, along the Zattere (remember to use plastic gloves supplied by the supermarket when you are getting your fruits and vegetables at the self service

Standa, Strada Nuova, Cannaregio

SuVe, Salizzada San Lio, S. Marco Campo Santa Margherita

Rialto - fruit and vegetables (Mon-Sat) - fish (Tues-Sat)

Coop, Piazzale Roma

Museums

Gallerie dell'Accademia - Accademia, tel. 522.22.47 - 9 am - 7 pm. Sunday 9 am - 2 pm.

Palazzo Ducale - Piazzetta San Marco - tel. 522.49.51 - 8.30 am - 7 pm. (tickets office closes at 5.30 pm)

Peggy Guggenheim - Dorsoduro 701 - tel. 520.62.88 - 11 am - 6 pm. Closed on Tuesdays

Palazzo Grassi - S. Samuele - tel. 523.16.8 - 10 am - 7 pm.

Museo Civico Correr - Piazza S. Marco - tel. 522.56.25 - 9 am - 7 pm. (tickets office closes at 6 pm)

Museo d'Arte Moderna Ca' Pesaro - San Stae - tel. 72.11.27 - Closed for restauration.

Museo Fortuny - San Beneto 3780 - tel. 520.09.95 - 9 am - 7 pm (closed Mondays)

Museo del '700 veneziano - Ca' Rezzonico - tel. 241.85.06 - 10 am - 4 pm. Closed on Fridays.

Museo di Storia Naturale - S. Croce 1730 - tel. 524.08.85 - Closed for restauration.

Museo Storico Navale - Arsenale, Castello 2148 - tel. 520.02.76 - 8.45 am - 1 pm. Closed on Hol.

Ca' d'Oro - Galleria Franchetti, Cannaregio - tel. 523.87.90 - 9 am - 2 pm.

Museo Archeologico - Piazza S. Marco 52 - tel. 522.59.78 - 9 am - 2 pm.

Museo Orientale - Ca' Pesaro tel. 524.11.73 - 9 am - 2 pm. Closed on Mondays

Palazzo Mocenigo - San Stae tel. 721798 - 9 am - 4 pm. Closed on Mondays

Monastero Mekhitarista Isola di S. Lazzaro degli Armeni tel. 5260104 Guided visit: 3.20 p.m. - 5 p.m. Linee ACTV 10/20 da S. Zaccaria ore 14.55

Biblioteca Marciana - Piazzetta S. Marco tel. 5208788 - 9 am - 6.30 pm. Saturday 9 am-1.30 pm. Closed on Sundays

Scuola Grande di S. Rocco - Campo S. Rocco, Frari tel. 5234864 - 9 am - 5.30 pm.

Galleria della Basilica di S. Marco - Piazza S. Marco tel. 5225205 - 10 am - 5 pm.

Pala d'Oro e Tesoro Basilica di S. Marco tel. 5225697 - 9.30 am - 5 pm. Sundays 1.30 pm - 5 pm

Campanile di S. Marco Piazza S. Marco tel. 5224064 - 10 am - 6 pm.

Chiesa e Campanile di S. Giorgio - Isola di S. Giorgio tel. 5227827 - 10 am - 12.30 am / 2.30 pm - 5 pm

Basilica dei Frari - Campo dei Frari tel. 5222637 - 9 am - 12 am / 2.30 pm - 6 pm

Museo Vetrario di Murano - Isola di Murano tel. 739586 - 10 am - 5 pm Closed on Wednesday.