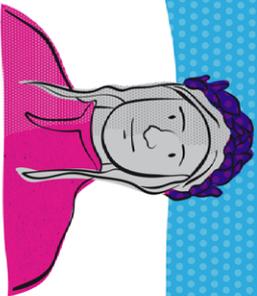
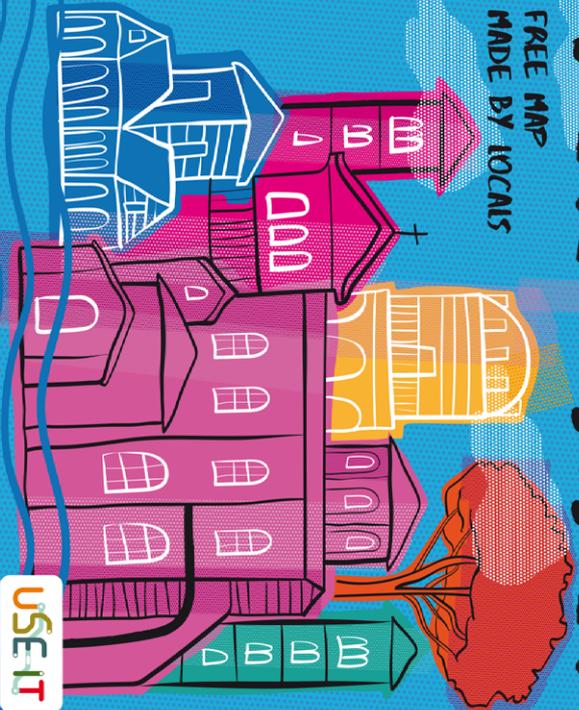


# RAVENNA

FREE MAP  
MADE BY LOCALS



ACT LIKE  
A LOCAL

Give us time. We might not be the loud and welcoming Italian cliché you had in mind. But don't worry, we drop our shields once we've gotten to know you a bit.

**Want to look local? Rent a bike.** It's our favourite way to move across the city and you can even use it to go to the seaside during the right season.

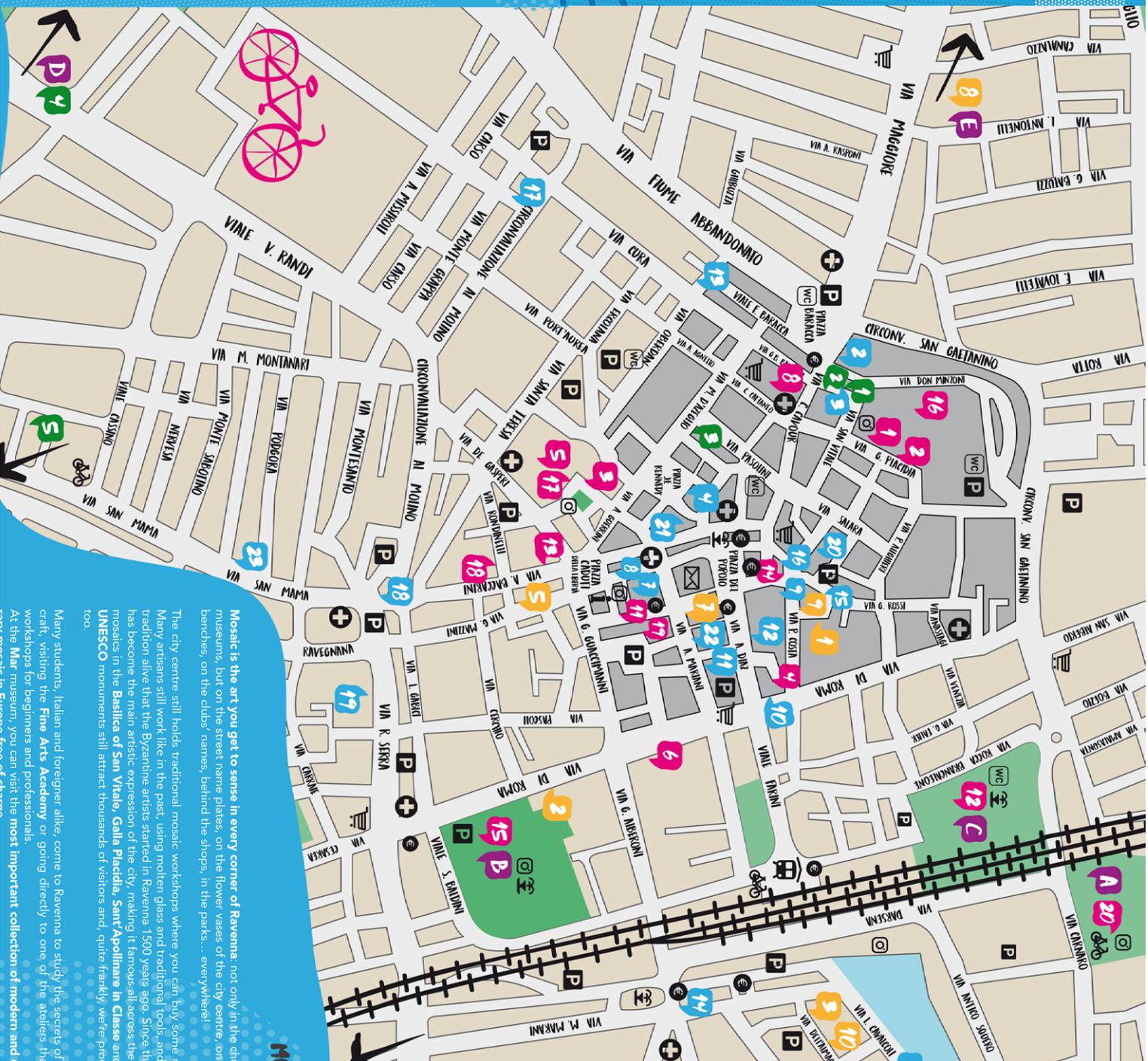
**Learn to play MaJongg.** that game with odd Chinese characters on little tiles. In the whole of Italy, only Ravenna people play it. And at all ages too.

**Beach tennis, that's the other game.** Once, people played it just on the beach, but we got so addicted that we now built indoor sand fields to practise all year round. In the beach resorts, you'll see people playing 'racchette!' relentlessly, at any hour. And don't even try to occupy a field for any other sport! The ones with a narrow net are exclusively for beach tennis, while the ones with a higher net are for beach volley.

At weekends, a typical local **loves to stroll around the city centre** and stop for a **plate of Cappelletti** in the best restaurant (which is a different one for everybody you speak to), or have our holy aperitivo: a plate or buffet of snacks that you get when you order a drink (usually from 6pm to 8pm).

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Well, now you are ready to immerse yourself in our beloved Ravenna!



**Mosaic is the art you get to sense in every corner of Ravenna:** not only in the city museums, but on the street name plates, on the flower vases of the city centre, on benches, on the clubs' names, behind the shops, in the parks... everywhere!

The city centre still holds traditional mosaic workshops where you can buy some. Many artisans still work like in the past, using molten glass and traditional tools, and tradition alive that the Byzantine artists started in Ravenna 1500 years ago. Since then has become the main artistic expression of the city, making it famous all across the world. In the **Basilica of San Vitale, Galla Placidia, Sant'Apollinare in Classe** and UNESCO monuments still attract thousands of visitors and, quite frankly, we're proud too.

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#### Youth Information Centre

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[www.informagiovani Ravenna.it](http://www.informagiovani Ravenna.it)

#### BIKE LIKE US

Look here for a bike rent point: Piazza Farini, near the railway station, Ravenna. Incoming (by the Mausoleum of Teodorico), Casa del Ciclo, and Darsena Popul.

#### NEED A BUS?

Check on Google Maps or on [www.startromagnat.it](http://www.startromagnat.it) to find out the bus routes.

#### TAXI, PLEASE!

For radio taxi call: +39 0544 33888  
More info: [www.taxid Ravenna.it](http://www.taxid Ravenna.it)

#### EMERGENCY NUMBERS

112 is the general emergency number in Italy. 118 is for the ambulance service. The Ravenna hospital is not far from the city centre.

#### FREE WATER

Ravenna has a series of public drinking fountains (Piazza del Popolo, Giardino Pubblico, Piazza Caduti sul Lavoro, camper van area in via Teodorico and in via Chavica Romea).

#### SHOPPING AND EATING

Shops are generally closed on Thursday afternoon. They are usually open from 9am to 12.30pm and from 3.30pm to 7.30pm. And if you're hungry, Italians usually lunch from 12.30pm to 2.30pm, while dinner time may vary from 7.30pm to 10pm

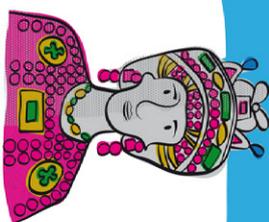
#### NIGHTLIFE

Find the events and check the online guide to discover how to spend the night on [www.turismo.ra.it](http://www.turismo.ra.it)

#### CARDS

Romagna Visit Card is a pass for free or reduced admission to over 130 tourist sites, museums and attractions across Romagna. Find more info on [www.romagnavistacard.it](http://www.romagnavistacard.it)

## TOURIST INFO



- 1 BASILICA OF SAN VITALE
- 2 MAUSOLEUM OF GALLA PLACIDIA
- 3 NEONIAN BAPTISTERY
- 4 ARINI BAPTISTERY
- 5 CHAPEL OF SAINT ANDREA
- 6 BASILICA OF SAINT'APOLLINARE NUOVO
- 7 BASILICA OF SAINT'APOLLINARE IN CLASSE
- 8 DOMUS OF THE STONE CARPETS
- 9 ANCIENT PORT OF CLASSE
- 10 CLASSIS RAVENNA – MUSEUM OF THE CITY AND OF THE TERRITORY
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- 15 MUR – RAVENNA ART MUSEUM
- 16 RAVENNA NATIONAL MUSEUM
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- 18 TAMO MUSEUM – ALL THE ADVENTURE OF THE MOSAIC
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## TOURIST CLASSICS

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## BUY LIKE A LOCAL

To buy food from local producers, here are the organic and farmers' markets:

- **BIOMARCHÈ**: on the central Piazza S. Francesco. Tuesday 4.30pm-8pm. FB: Ravenna.
- **CAMPAGNA AMICA**: on Piazza del Carabiniere. Tuesday 8.30am-1pm, Friday 2.30pm-5.30pm. FB: [@campagnamicaravenna](https://www.facebook.com/campagnamicaravenna).
- **FARMERS' MARKET IN VIALE FARINI**: Tuesday afternoon.
- **FARMERS' MARKET ON PIAZZA DELLA RESISTENZA**: Monday and Thursday afternoon.
- **FARMERS' MARKET IN MARINA DI RAVENNA**: Monday afternoon on Piazza d'Italia.

These are the other 'ordinary' food markets:

- **Benigno Zaccagnini**: Wednesday and Saturday 7am-1pm. FB: Il Mercato di Ravenna.
- **Piazza Medaglia d'Oro**: Friday/morning on Piazza Medaglia d'Oro.

- **MERCATO COPERTO**: on Piazza Andree Costa. Food of all kinds has been sold in this building for centuries. Inside, you will also find cafes, pizzerias, restaurants and bars.
- **Monday to Friday 8am-12am, Saturday 8am-1am, Sunday 9am-8pm**

### IF YOU ARE SEARCHING FOR OBJECTS, HANDICRAFTS AND VINYL OBJECTS:

- **ANTIQUE AND CRAFT MARKET**: every third weekend of the month along the street of the city centre. From morning to evening.

- **FATTO AD ARTE**: city centre.

Friday night in the summer and the first weekend of the month the rest of the year.

- **GARAGE SALE**: Artificio Almagia
- Once a month. FB: [@GarageSaleRavenna](https://www.facebook.com/GarageSaleRavenna)



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**MILCA**: on Piazza dei Garabinierti. Tuesday 8.30am-1pm, Friday 2.30pm-7pm, 1pm. FB: @campaniamilca

**MARKET IN VALE FARNINI**: Tuesday afternoon.

**MARKET ON PIAZZA DELLA RESISTENZA**: Monday and Thursday afternoon.

**MARKET IN MARINA DI RAVENNA**: Monday afternoon on Piazza Marina

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venues. Inside, you will also find cafes, pizzerias, restaurants and pubs. From

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**Artificerie Almagia**

**@GargesaleRavenna**

cocktails and commercial beats DJ sets, especially at weekends:

**Piazza Kennedy, 15 / €€ / @felliniscalcinquinque**

### 5 NOT ONLY JAPANESE

**Azuki Sushi** is a little informal restaurant that offers typical Japanese dishes as well as gluten-free and veggie options.

**Via della Carmen, 3 / €€ / @azuki\_ravenna**

### 6 A BAR ALONG THE CANAL

**Soul Club** serves soft and long drinks, amazing Sunday brunches, and the most typical Italian objects or outside right in front of the canal.

**Via Zara, 48 / €€ / @soulclubravenna**

### 7 TRUE ROMAGNA CUISINE

Right in the middle of the historical centre, **Car' de Van** still preserves the spirit of authentic Romagna. The painted ceilings, the wooden chairs, the constant chatter on the background, and amazing food for all budgets. Not to mention the wine, which, as the name of the restaurant itself suggests, finds its highest expression here.

**Via Corrado Ricci, 24 / €€ / @enoteca\_cadoven**

### 8 QUICK BREAK

**Teodora Café** is a family-run bar in front of Piazza San Francesco. Here, we enjoy our coffee and a chiaccherata (the Italian word for small talk), and bite a fresh sandwich for lunch. We also recommend you go there in the evening hours when they host rap gigs.

**Via Corrado Ricci, 37 / € / @teodoracafferaravenna**

### 9 A NEW WAY OF PIZZA

Okay, pizza is always good in Italy, but you should really try **I Furtanti**: with a new burst of glamour and original shapes, such as a squared pizza with melted cheese on the crust and some fresh Italian burrata-cheese on top, it's a must-try. What else to say? With a well-chosen menu in a beautiful 15th century building it simply deserves a stop.

**Via Paolo Costa, 1 / €€ / @ifurtanti**

### 10 AN AMERICAN COFFEE SHOP EXPERIENCE

**Grinder Coffee Lab** is always packed with university students who pretend to study. Have a vegan pastry or go all the way with brunch, fresh smoothies, berry pancakes and bagels.

**Via di Roma, 178 / € / @grindercoffeelab**

### 11 BAR FOR STUDENTS

**Sedici Bar** is a newly-opened bar near the university library. Go there for a quick breakfast or a nice lunch, but what we recommend the most is the Aperitivo: the two-for-one beers formula awaits you on Wednesday.

**Via Antica Zecca, 16 / € / @sedici\_bar\_ravenna**

there for the Aperitivo, but you can find people until late in the night.

**Via IV Novembre, 51 / €€ / @frescoravennacentro**

### 17 SPECIAL PIZZA

**Field** seems to be a typical pizzeria, but what's different is the pizza itself, which is super thin, made with different flours and dressed up with fresh ingredients. Don't miss this lovely place just at a few steps from the historical centre.

**Via Circonvallazione al Molino, 128 / € / @field\_ravenna**

### 18 JUST AS A SECOND HOME

Close to the city centre, **Enoteca Bastione** is the ideal quiet place for an evening with your friends. It is not too expensive for both food and drinks. It is one of the favourite meeting points for locals under 20. Super recommended on cold winter nights.

**Via Bastione, 29-31 / € / @enotecabastione**

### 19 A GUINNESS IN GOOD COMPANY

**Mac Gowan** is your typical Irish pub, a winter refuge for when we want to slurp excellent beer and tasty hamburgers with friends. It's a welcoming place, often warmed up by live music or rugby matches on TV.

**Via Renato Serra, 17 / Via Magazzini Posteriori 61 / € / @macgowanpub**

### 20 THE RESTAURANT YOU DON'T SEE

**Figo** is a restaurant set on the first floor of a building that also hosts a cinema. Its varied offer combines sushi, pizza and hamburgers, which seems a bit risky, but strangely works indeed!

**Via Ponte Marino, 17 / €€ / @figo\_ravenna**

### 21 COCKTAILS AND FAMILY

If you are seeking a well-designed drink made by a skillful barman, the one at **Bar Pionia** is your guy. You like rap music? Said enough. Let's have a contest at Pionia!

**Via Gioacchino Raspanti, 6 / € / @pioniacaffe**

### 22 MORE THAN A SELF-SERVICE

**Gustavo** is a comfortable and welcoming restaurant close to the university main seat and the Dante Alighieri Theatre. If you have a University badge, you will be granted a generous discount on your lunch, even take-away. Good and fast self-service for the ones in a rush, but also pizza and much else.

**Via Mariani, 12 / € / www.gustavoitaliano.it**

### 23 NOT JUST BEER

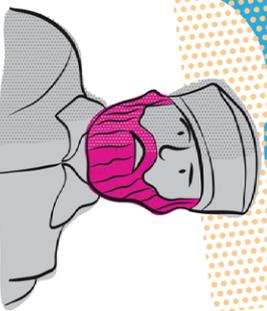
The **Downtown Pub** stands for good beer and your classical hamburger (baby, giant or double-giant size) or creative sandwiches (vegan options included). But the guys know their way around cocktails too. With warm lights and vintage pictures all around, you can spend long nights playing billiards or one of many board games.

**Via San Mama, 73 / € / @downtownravenna**

## EVENTS

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<b>JUNE/ JULY</b>	<b>RAVENNA FESTIVAL</b> (International music festival)
<b>JUNE/ AUGUST</b>	<b>RAVENNA BELLA DI SERA</b> (Evening summer events in the city centre)
<b>JULY/ AUGUST</b>	<b>MOSARCO DI NOTTE</b> (Guided tours to discover the monuments during the evening hours)
<b>SEPTEMBER/ NOVEMBER</b>	<b>RAVENNA PER DANTE</b> (Various events dedicated to Dante Alighieri)
<b>DECEMBER/ JANUARY</b>	<b>RAVENNA IN LUCE</b> (Video mapping festival)



## 5 MINUTES OF HISTORY

Ravenna's story started about 2500 years ago. We know nothing for sure, but where we are standing today, many little villages probably spread across valleys, swamps, rivers and, of course, the sea. The territory must not have been friendly, and that's exactly why the Romans chose it as the site of one of their most important military fleets.

In 402 A.D., everything changed. Ravenna had its a once-in-a-lifetime chance. Honorius, emperor of the Western Roman Empire, decided to move here. From a little country town, Ravenna suddenly turned into the capital of an Empire. It grew and started to have all the facilities worthy of its new status, of the likes of Rome. The goddess of Fortune had truly kissed us with luck.

Ravenna became a capital two more times: with Theodoric, king of the Ostrogoths, at the end of the 5th century and fifty years later again as the seat of the Byzantine Empire. All this status embellished the city with amazing monuments and artistic works that made Ravenna into a top UNESCO site with eight monuments. They preserve a treasure inside: the precious little tiles that raised us to the undisputed capital of Mosaic art.

After this, the city turned back to be a common little city, but it did pop up from time to time on the timeline of history. The Father of Italian literature, Dante Alighieri, was welcomed here at the end of the 13th century, after being exiled from Florence. Some centuries later, the English romantic poet Lord Byron stayed here too, enthralled by love for the noble Teresa Gamba. She was 19, her husband over 60, so there was room for a lover...

Behind the apparent sobriety of its palace facades, Ravenna hides more stories to listen to. Bikes running by, bells clinking and people stopping for a chat on Piazza del Popolo—Indulge yourself and



## THE BEACHES

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Moreover, not to be missed are the many live concerts and 'aperitivi' on the beach, the discos and the restaurant and international food. The century-old pine forest landscape, where you can have a relaxing walk amidst enhanced with the brand new project of the Marittima build new paths for pedestrians across the woods, fields, dunes, new connections among pine trees, sand and water.



## VEGETARIAN AND VEGAN FOOD

(See the map in the front)

- Ristorante Amantico:** 100% veggie dishes, with as well as gluten free and rawist options, craft biodynamic wines. Closed on Tuesday afternoon. **Via Mura San Vitale, 10**
- La Reverte:** dishes with seasonal fruits and vegetable soups, pureed soups, salads, juices, smoothies, a charming little place with some tables set out Monday to Friday 10am-6pm. **Via Mura San Vitale**
- Ceccolini Bio:** bakery, pastry shop, buffet restaurant and bioproducts sale point. Open from Monday 6.30am-7.30pm. **Via Massimo D'Azeglio, 3/c**
- Sanoo:** vegetarian and vegan fast food. Open on Saturday 11am-3.30pm; Tuesday, Wednesday 11am-3.30pm and 6.30pm-9pm. Closed on Sunday. **Ravagan:** take away (with some tables and chairs). Vegetarian, ethnic, biological and zero mile. Open from Monday to Friday 10.30am-10.30pm-3.30pm. **Via Galileo Galilei, 75**



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Moreover, not to be missed are the many live concerts with the traditional 'aperitivi' on the beach; the discos and the restaurants with typical and international food. The century-old pine forest builds a unique landscape where you can have a relaxing walk amidst the nature, further enhanced with the brand new project of the **Maritime Park**, which will build new paths for pedestrians across the woods, footbridges on the dunes, new connections among pine trees, sand and water.

The sea villages dotting the coast are all very charming and different from one another: every night, you can have many experiences and choose between a fancy dinner or a disco party in Marina di Ravenna, or have a more relaxed evening and go for a walk, enjoying some street food in Marina Roma, or even refresh yourself with a mojito in Lido di Savo.



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- La Reverie:** dishes with seasonal fruits and vegetables, as well as soups, pureed soups, salads, juices, smoothies, and yogurts. It's a charming little place with some tables set outside. Open from Monday to Friday 10am-6pm. **Via Mura San Vitale, 11**
- Ceccolini Bio:** bakery, pastry shop, buffet restaurant (also take-away) and bioproducts sale point. Open from Monday to Friday 6:30am-7:30pm. **Via Massimo D'Azeglio, 3/c**
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- Ravegan:** take away (with some tables and chairs). Everything here is vegetal, ethic, biological and zero mile. Open from Monday to Friday 10:30am-7pm; Saturday 10:30am-3:30pm. **Via Galileo Galilei, 75**

## SPEAK LIKE YOU EAT

**CO-** a simple sound used in different situations. It might mean: what am I supposed to say? What am I supposed to do? Or even, what am I supposed to think?

**MO VA LA!** don't say such stupid things!

**OSTO:** Wow!

**ADDS DOP:** literally 'now later', but it means later... I want to take my time!

**STA BO' / STA ZET:** shut up!

**POTOST CHE GNIT L'E MIE PIOTOST:** better something than nothing at all!

**ANDEGNAT:** let's go!

**PIAVACA:** used to describe a person who acts and would like to be very cool... but really isn't!

**BIRDEL-A/TBAC-A:** young boy/girl

**BACOC:** money

**SFOORT/SFOORTINA:** shopper

**SCAVA:** drunkenness

## EAT LIKE YOU SPEAK

**CAPELLUCCI:** pasta filled with Parmesan cheese, fresh cheese, eggs and nutmeg. You shall eat them in broth or ragu (Bolognese sauce).

**SFOIA LONDA:** two pasta sheets, one placed over the other; and the typical cappelletti filling between the two, then cut into little squares. It is usually cooked in broth.

**PASSATELLI IN BRODO:** a first course typical of the area of Ravenna, made with eggs, bread, Parmesan cheese and marrow. To shape this dough, we use a specific tool called 'passatelli iron'.

**TAGLIATELLE:** you can find them in different sizes, depending on the sauce, but they are usually served with Bolognese sauce.

**POLLO E CONINGLO ALLA GAGGIATORA:** baked in tomato sauce and served with French fries cooked in lard.

**SOUACOURONE:** a typical Romagna fresh cheese that is traditionally eaten with caramelized figs and pistachio.

**CAMBEUONE:** the typical cake of Romagna, prepared with flour, sugar, eggs, lard, butter, vanilla, zest and yeast. People eat it as a dessert or for breakfast.

**ZUPPA INGLESE:** milk pudding with custard, chocolate cream and biscuits drenched in a liqueur called Alchemes.

## STREET FOOD

You immediately recognize the huts by how they look: small houses painted in green and white stripes. These are the sacred places where **piadina** is made and devoured on the spot.

The recipe is simple: you just need flour, water, lard, salt, and baking soda or yeast.

Round shaped, the piadina is flattened with a rolling pin and its thickness changes from town to town: in Ravenna it is thick, whereas in Rimini it is as thin as a piece of paper. The so-called **crecioni** are a variant of the classical piadina, which is folded in order to make a bundle. Originally, they were filled with wild herbs collected in the pine forests or in the land moats, and they were then cooked on the so-called 'testo', a round fire-resistant pan. Piadina is usually served with cold cuts and cheese, and for the crecioni the fillings are varied today; tomato sauce and mozzarella cheese or pumpkin and potatoes fillings are the most common ones.

## CULTURAL HUBS, THEATRES AND CLUBS

### 1 WANT TO MEET LOCALS?

If you want to meet left-wing intellectuals and pretty locals with well-considered sunglasses, you definitely have to stop by the **Moog Slow Bar**. It is a very popular place in the centre of Ravenna: drinks, food and live music; not to mention book presentations, little exhibitions and informal talks.

**Vicolo Paderna, 5 / € / @moogravenna**

### 2 EXPERIMENTAL & CONTEMPORARY THEATRE

**Teatro Rasi** is well known for its artistic research focused on young and independent companies and because it is the headquarters of the renamed theatre company of Ravenna 'Teatro delle Alve'. Very active from fall to spring: check out the programme on its website.

**Via di Roma, 39 / € / www.ravennateatro.com**

### 3 CULTURAL CONTAINER

Once a sulfur warehouse, **Almagià** has been renovated and turned into an original cultural venue. You could stumble upon live music, experimental theatre, exhibitions, parties, ballet performances, all depending on the schedule. Check it out!

**Via Dell'Almagià, 2 / FREE / @realtàmagia**

### 4 AN UNCONVENTIONAL PLACE

**CISIM** is where to run for a good DJ set (we are talking street jazz, soul, hip hop here) or live concerts. A luxuriant garden surrounds the building, whose walls have served as canvases to a local street artist. It is the perfect spot for an evening with music, theatre or an exhibition in a quite unusual location.

**Viale Giuseppe Parini, 48 - Lido Adriano / € / @cismidoadriano**

### 5 THE CONTEMPORARY ART GALLERY

In a 1936 building rises **Magazzino Art Gallery**, which deals with urban and street art. It highlights emerging and established artists from Italy and abroad. Open only by appointment calling +393282860074.

**Via Mazzini, 35 / € / @magazzinoartgallery**

### 6 THE SOCIAL CENTRE

Going out from the city, heading north towards the industrial area, surrounded by rails and an urban urban shared garden, you will find **C.S.A. Spataro**. Politics, art, workshops, entertainment, social relations and agroecology are all part of the deal. During the weekly assembly of public self-management on Wednesday, the participants talk and organize the activities, always sticking to the fight against fascism, sexism, capitalism, with particular attention to environmental sustainability. Visit and share it, and save your soul!

**Via Chivica Romea, 88 / € / @casapataroravenna**

### 7 THE MAIN THEATRE

**Teatro Alighieri** was built in the early 19th century by the architects Tomaso and Giovan Battista Meduna (the same who carried out the restoration works of La Fenice theatre in Venice). The Dante Alighieri Theatre is the most important historical theatre in the city. Every year, the stage is livened up by many shows, ranging from drama to opera, from dance and ballet to concerts. Would you like to know something more? There is a special guided tour that shows you everything. You just need to book your tour on [teatroalighieri.org](http://teatroalighieri.org)

**Via Mariani 2 / € / @teatroalighieri**

### 8 THE THEATRE IN THE COUNTRY

Lost in the western countryside of Ravenna, more precisely in the small town of Pianigiane, **Teatro Sociale** is a small jewel built by local labourers at the beginning of the last century. Despite its more than 100 years, Sociale is still today a cultural reference point, offering a well-balanced mix of live music, theatrical performances, auteur cinema and exquisite cappelletti rigorously handmade.

**Via Pianigiane, 153 Pianigiane / € / @teatrosociale**

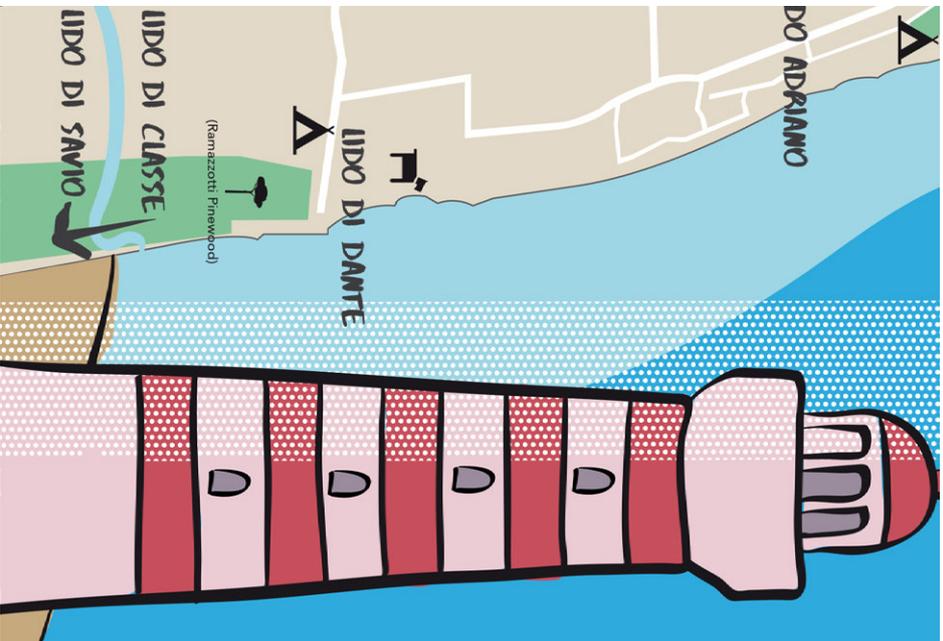
### 9 A PECULIAR MUSEUM

Since 1840, the Monticelli family has handed down from father to son a heritage made of puppets and marionettes, sets, handwritten scripts and much more. In the heart of Ravenna, a few steps from Piazza del Popolo, you can visit **Casa delle Marionette**, one of the most important of Puppet Theatre in Italy.

**Vicolo Paderna, 4 / www.lacasadellemarionette.com**

### 10 THE VILLAGE IN THE DOKS

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## RAVENNA AND THE WATER

Besides its peculiar relationship with history, Ravenna also boasts a **special connection with water**. It's not what you would think walking across the streets of the city centre: you don't see any river or bridge.

Yet the city was once a sort of "little Venice", scattered on islets, surrounded by brackish valleys, and crossed by a multitude of rivers, which were later diverted outside the city walls. But their existence is still to be seen in the street names such as Via Porte Marino (which means "Sea bridge"), in some plaques that bear witness of devastating floods (like Via Salara), and visually along the city dock.

Before the progressive coastal advancement, the sea level was where today the railway station stands. Hard to imagine! In almost fifteen centuries of history, the city gained more than 10 km of land: 10 km to reach one of the nine seaside resorts of the city that overlook the Adriatic Sea.

### RAVENNA AND ITS NATURAL TERRITORY

**Ravenna's strength also lies in the beauty of its territory, which extends far and wide a stone's throw from the Adriatic.** Nine seaside resorts with different features and stories dot the coastline. There, you can walk, whether in summer or in winter, you can meet and have encounters.

If you love nature and hiking, you are spoilt for choice. You can venture into the big **coastal pine forests** (San Vitale in the north, Classe in the south), and enjoy in this way a part of the beautiful landscapes that build the **Po Delta Park**. You can also choose to take a boat and discover the so-called "Palassa" (Baiona and Piomboni), remnants of ancient valleys connected to the sea and characterized by the typical fishing huts (paddelloni).

If you'd like a more thrilling experience, then visit the flooded forest of **Punte Alberete** and the nearby **valleys of Canna and Conacchio**, where you may sight the famous flocks of flamingos and other migratory birds that arrive from all over the world. You can also consider taking a tour along the mouth of the river **Bevano**, which build a natural site you can visit on foot, by boat and by bike, recommended especially at sunset.

If you want to fully enjoy the sea, how about a walk along the breakwater of **Marina di Ravenna**? This 3-km walkway relaxes and restores you, taking you straight into the middle of the Adriatic.

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