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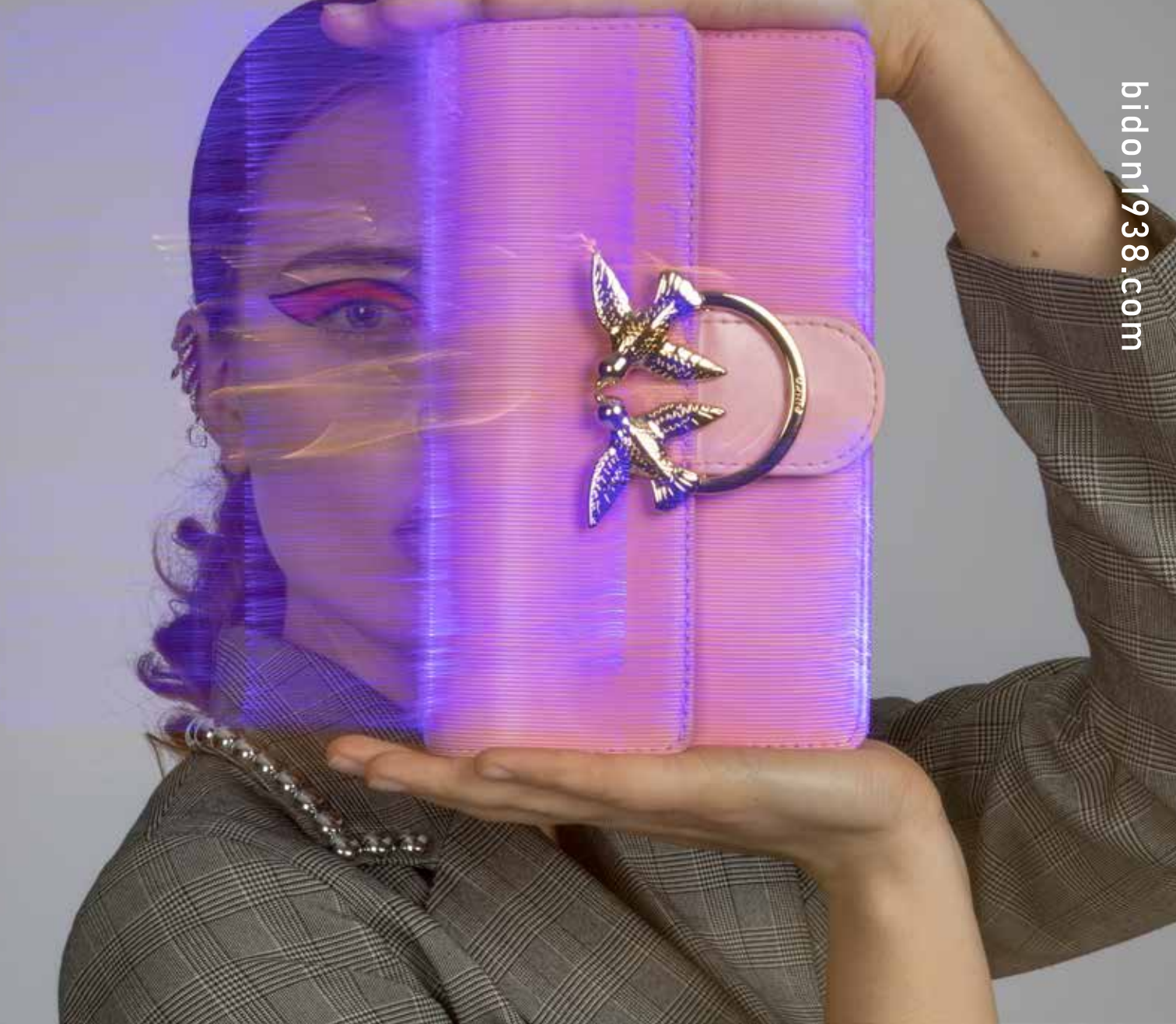
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not to be
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in Veneto



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Arts: history,
monuments
and good food



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with the discovery of
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In 2020 Trieste
becomes European
capital of science



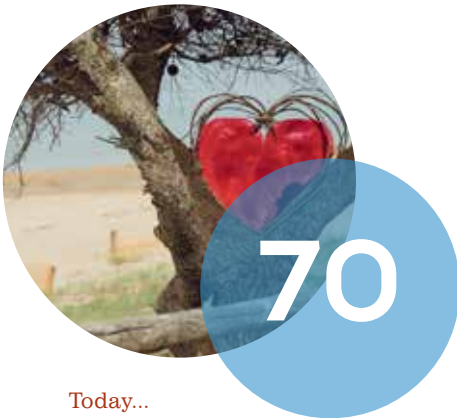
Perhaps not
everyone
knows that...



Today... I'm having
fun with the family



Today... I'm training
in the open air



Today...
I discover
nature



Today...
I'm going
to sunbathe



Today...
I pedal



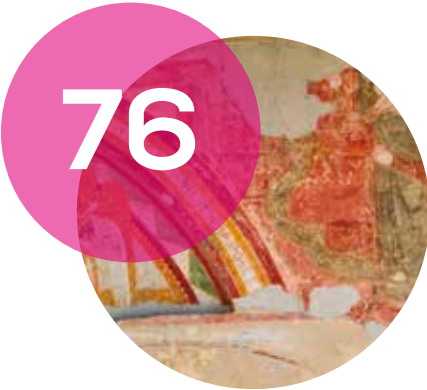
Today... I throw myself
into shopping



Today...
I'm going
to relax



Today...
I'm going to see



From that very first issue, our objective was extremely clear: to gratify our readers and arouse their curiosity. To leave them with something extra they wouldn't find in a travel brochure.

14 years have passed from issue zero, 14 seasons in which we have attempted to tell Bibione's story and help you get to know it, so you can experience everything it has to offer the tourist via articles, stories, curiosities and suggestions.

Today, thanks to websites and the social media, we realise that all news on paper soon grows cold. So, to ensure things are still of interest and useful to make your holiday exciting and active, we have restyled ourselves.

Life Bibione has updated its contents. We have kept most of the sections you already know. Occasionally they have been fleshed out, as in the case of family entertainment, and we have introduced new topics, such as the exhibitions to see in Veneto.

It's not just the topics that are new. We have also introduced the idea of a Keyword, which not only gives a title to a part of the magazine, but also wants to be a key to reading it. **Today.**

Because today I choose to visit, cycle, have fun with my family, relax at the thermal baths, play on the beach with my dog or organise a beach volley match. You choose how to spend the day and we suggest how and where.

Life Bibione graphics have also been given a new layout, leaving more space for photos, even though the overall impression remains elegant, but not aloof. What hasn't changed is our commitment, the same passion as ever.

Don't just spend time away, leaf through and read it to get the most out of your holiday.

Hope you enjoy reading it.

Barbara Varone



WHAT'S THE PASSWORD? OFFER THE BEST


HOSPITALITY: uncountable noun - the act of being friendly and welcoming to a person; the way and words used to welcome: hospitable - adjective - kind, welcoming, friendly... Let's start with the dictionary's definition of hospitality and then go on to explain how the hoteliers in Bibione have not only made it their credo, but also improved it with their own rules. Their hospitality began way back with the first pioneers, who saw an opportunity in that immense stretch of golden sand to develop tourism. Since then, they have never stopped

working to constantly improve tourist accommodation, handing over the baton from one generation to the next. However, there is one aspect that makes Bibione and its hotels unique: they are family-run businesses. As on-site managers, they not only make their guests feel at home, they are constantly there to shower them with care and attention and offer help around the clock. Responding to special requests is their forte, whether it's preparing off-menu food on-the-spot for children, or providing qualified entertainment for them

while their parents are having their meal. They even go as far as arranging excursions and trips. Care and attention that includes enjoying Spa or gym facilities overlooking the sea, renowned restaurants inside the hotel offering sophisticated dishes, themed bedrooms for fairy tale dreams, new beach facilities with reserved hotel areas furnished with gazebos, sofas and bars. Bibione hoteliers no longer talk of their work as a job, but rather as a true passion for welcoming tourists in their own home. And just like you do for your own home, they

redecorate them and create new spaces for entertainment, for children, for sports aficionados with well-equipped gyms overlooking the sea, for those seeking to relax by upgrading rooms with indoor and outdoor saunas. Furnishings and fittings are enhanced and new comforts are added not just to respond to the latest trend, but to create exhilarating, ever-changing chapters in a unique, multi-faceted story that will transform the mood of your holiday year on year.

We work hard
all winter so our
guests are left
speechless.



ENSURING YOUR HOLIDAY IN BIBIONE

“**Safe holidays**” is the insurance policy that provides for the reimbursement of booking costs incurred in the event that a tourist must renounce to the planned stay or interrupt it in advance for personal reasons or family emergencies. The policy, which is optional, can be

taken out at the time of booking online, through the website of the individual hotel or the official portal of the hotel owners’ association www.bibione.eu. For foreign guests, a Plus version is available as well, which includes 24-hour healthcare and the reimbursement of medical

THANKS TO THE PRODUCT CLUB, WE ARE EVEN CLOSER TO YOUR PASSIONS.

Promoted by the Bibione Association of Hoteliers, the **Product Clubs (Family, Bikers, Spas, Walking, Pet and Golf)** now offer an even wider range of opportunities that can satisfy every need. For several seasons now, they feature a series of

expenses incurred in Italy. Thanks to the collaboration established by the hoteliers’ association with Allianz Global Assistance, Bibione was the first Italian tourist resort to offer this service in order to fully protect its customers.

services, benefits and discounts dedicated to 6 specific target groups, in order to make every holiday in Bibione even more special and customised. Each **Product Club** offers a **free card** that, distributed by Bibione hoteliers at the check-in, together with a theme-based brochure, describes the opportunities and benefits associated with its use. Ask for information directly at the reception of your hotel or visit the site www.bibione.eu to discover all the benefits. With the **Product Clubs**, you’ll have one more reason to love Bibione!

Every day is a good day to book your customised vacation. You can do it by booking on www.bibione.eu. It is easy and safe thanks to the **booking online** service, the virtual window of Bibione’s hospitality. The site allows you to comfortably explore the accommodation facilities of the Venetian beach, evaluate the different solutions and safely book and ensure your stay. Directly from the home page, you will be able to explore the entire tourist offer of the location, along with many advantages offered by the **6 Product Clubs** and the new **My Bibione** app. If you are a user of **social media**, the Hoteliers’ Association of Bibione has its own profile on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

BOOK YOUR NEXT
VACATION
ON WWW.BIBIONE.EU,
NO COMMISSION
ADDED!

Perhaps not everyone knows that...

Barbara Varone



NEW FLAGS FLYING OVER BIBIONE.

We now have 29 Blue Flags awarded to our resort and 5 Child-friendly Green Flags. The Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE) has once again awarded our sea, our safe, fully equipped and serviced beach with child-tested and inclusive play areas for disabled children, the ever-growing cycleways and our commitment to promote mindful, sustainable tourism 29 years running, a true record.

THE RUNNERS? THEY'RE RUNNING ALONG THE SEA FRONT.

Eight panoramic kilometres without a single car, where runners can let off steam and discover different natural environments. Take your sports watch off your wrist and start from the river park at the estuary of the River Tagliamento and you'll end up in a Mediterranean garden, where the sea water blends with the water of the lagoon. Running all the while and breathing in the subtle marine breeze. Even with your dog running alongside.



BIBIONE, KEEP FIT AND ENJOY THE HOLIDAY.

You can enjoy a holiday with a healthy, mindful life style, thanks to the philosophy of health and wellbeing championed by the hoteliers of Bibione, who are careful to offer menus using seasonal products that will help you to happily get back into shape. A way to balance mind and body using movement, thanks to Bibione Up, the offer of sport to regain fitness on the sea shore. Suitable for all the family, it offers promotional packages to enjoy an intense week of activities to shape your body and regenerate your spirit.

A SMOKE FREE BEACH: A COMMITMENT THAT LEAVES ITS MARK.

The project "Breathe the Sea", which prohibits smoking on the entire beach, continues. This initiative aims to protect not only everyone's health, especially children's, but also the environment by stopping cigarette butts from being thrown on the sand or into the sea. It was

the first beach in Italy with a tourist plan that respects the environment and people's health. But we haven't forgotten all our guests who are dying for a smoke at the water's edge with a newspaper in hand after a cup of coffee. There are 40 designated smokers' areas along the 8 km seafront, made using sustainable, certified wood from "Fair Supply Chain".

GOOD HEALTH IN BIBIONE IS JUST A SMARTPHONE AWAY.

To ensure medical assistance is truly at hand, we have prepared a "Healthy Holiday" app you can easily download on to your mobile phone or tablet, to provide all the information you need about Tourist Health Assistance: summer tourist medical and nursing services, opening hours, telephone numbers, pharmacies, the nearest surgeries, dialysis and paediatric services and precious advice to prevent the problems that can occur on holiday. All this in a multi-lingual version.



BIBIONE IS DEDICATED TO JOHN PAUL II.

Bibione's summer cultural event of 2020 will focus on John Paul II in the centenary of his birth, organised by the parish church under the guidance of Don Andrea Vena, with the ostension of the Saint's relics from 16 July to 16 August. The Holy Mass of welcome will be celebrated at 9:00 p.m. And as "We are Christians even on holiday", Don Andrea Vena will also be celebrating mass at various times and places in the town in German, Polish and Slovak "to hold out a hand to all foreigners of faith".

IN BIBIONE YOU CAN PEDAL FROM ONE BANK OF THE RIVER TAGLIAMENTO TO THE OTHER.

The free crossing by boat over the River Tagliamento is called X River and links the tourist resorts of Bibione and Lignano Sabbiadoro. On board there is a special cycle rack. In Bibione, you can easily cycle to the magnificent lighthouse and board from the pier roughly one hundred metres away. The Tagliamento is a unique example of an Italian alpine river with a thousand biodiversities and it takes about ten minutes to cross over to the jetty of the Darsena Marina Uno in Lignano Sabbiadoro.

THERE ARE OVER 400 KM OF CYCLE TRAILS FROM THE BIBIONE LIGHTHOUSE TO THE CAVALLINO-TREPORTE LIGHTHOUSE.

The special product club promoted by the Hoteliers' Association in Bibione is called V.O.D.C.E. - Venezia Orientale Destinazione Cicloturistica d'Eccellenza [Eastern Venice Cycle-tourism Destination par Excellence]. A benchmark for all those who love cycling and travelling slowly to reconnect your soul with nature and extraordinary landscapes.

Request your cycle-tourism guidebook to organise your bike excursion and choose from 29 routes: starting from the lighthouse in Bibione as far as the lighthouse in Cavallino-Treporti, passing through Caorle, Jesolo and Portogruaro, you can ride along cycleways that will take you to visit some marvellous natural environments, magnificent lagoons, historic and artistic traces of great importance, farms where you can quench your thirst with seasonal fruit, old traditions to experience in tiny fishing villages, where time is still marked by the natural rhythm of the tides.





BIBIONE. GREAT SPORTS EVENTS ON THE BEACH

From 7 July to 25 August - every Tuesday

MUSIC BIKENIGHT

Follow the splendid cycleway along the promenade and cycle to the Bibione Lighthouse to watch a show and admire the sea at the same time.

3 May

A PIEDI PER BIBIONE [A WALK AROUND BIBIONE]

An international, non-competitive, free-style footrace. 6/11/16/22/27 Km trails. The 6 km trail is also suitable for disabled people and for families with young children in a pushchair.

Info: www.apiediperbibione.it - mobile: 338.1600953 - marciatori.bibione@gmail.com

9-23 May – 26 September – 4 October

SPORTS FISHING AND SURFCASTING EVENT- BEACH FISHING

9 May - from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. shore of Bibione Pineda; - from 5:00 to 11:00 p.m. shore at Piazzale Zenith.

23 May - from 8:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. shore of Bibione Pineda.

26 September - from 6:00 to 11:00 p.m. shore of Bibione Pineda

4 October - from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. shore at Piazzale Zenith

Info: vinicio1951@gmail.com

10 May

BIBIONE HALF MARATHON

Competitive road race over the classic distance of 21 km and 97 m.

Info: www.bibionehalfmarathon.it

15-17 May, 18-20 September

MIZUNO BEACH VOLLEY MARATHON

Returning to Bibione is the most important European amateur beach volleyball event. Over 250 courts on the beach in front of the Bibione Thermal Baths, 28 nations taking part, 2,500 men and women's teams registered, over 190 winning teams.

Info: www.beachvolley.it

23-24 May

TRIATHLON RACES

Olympic distance: 1.5 km swimming – 40 km cycling – 10 km running; sprint distance: 750 m swimming – 20 km cycling – 5 km running. Piazzale Zenith – Saturday 12.00 p.m. / Sunday 11.00 a.m.

5 September

BIBIONE IN ROSA [BIBIONE IN PINK]

A 6 or 9 km charity beach run.

For information and entries: www.bibioneinrosa.com.

6 September

BIBIONE IS SURPRISING RUN: 10 MILES

A national, Fidal, competitive road race – a fun, free-style, non-competitive, Nordic and fit walking 10 or 12-mile race on foot, Bibione – Piazza Fontana and Piazza Treviso – 5.00 p.m. start of competitive race – 5.05 p.m. start of non-competitive 10-mile race.

For information and entries: www.bibionerun.com

13 September

CYCLE TOURING PEDAL FOR LIFE

5th cycle touring rally. Meeting point Piazza Fontana 9.00 a.m./departure 10.00 a.m. – www.sharingbibione.com

18-20 September

BIBIONE BEACH FITNESS

This is the largest Italian convention dedicated to physical wellbeing, which gathers over 3,200 aficionados, ready to train on the 14 podiums placed along the sea edge. All run by the best presenters from all over the world.

14>18 September

BIBIONEUP, WEEK OF FITNESS & WELLNESS - 16/09 - 20/09

Suitable for all the family, it offers promotional packages to enjoy an intense week of activities to shape your body and regenerate your spirit. Over fifty hours of activities culminating in Bibione Beach Fitness at the weekend.

19 September

BIBIONE BIKE TROPHY

Mountain Bike competition – individual, in pairs or as a team – 6 hours over a 13 km trail – meeting-place Piazza Fontana – from 4.00 p.m.

Info: www.bibionebiketrophy.it



BIBIONE MUSIC BEACH

Bibione opens the doors of the Municipal Stadium to **3 concerts you just can't miss:**

- **29 May** **ULTIMO**
- **2 June** **MAZ PEZZALI**
- **9 June** **SALMO**

24-26 April

8TH NATIONAL ORGAN COMPETITION "RINO BENEDET"

Now in its eighth edition, the Competition, organised by Don Andrea Vena, will see performances by top musicians. The concerts will be held at 9.15 p.m. in the Parish Church of "Santa Maria Assunta" – via Antares.

9 July

OPERA IN THE SQUARE

The most beautiful arias in Italian and foreign opera. An operatic concert for soloists, choir and orchestra "Lorenzo Da Ponte" of Portogruaro. Conductor G. Russolo – Piazza Fontana – 9.00 p.m.

17-21 July

BIBIONE INTERNATIONAL GOSPEL HUB

Gospel concerts with international guests from Ljubljana and the United Kingdom. Arena Parco del Donatore – Via Vega – next to the Parish Church – 9.15 p.m.

18 July

DEEJAY TIME SUMMER TIME 2020

Your summer date with the best dance music of the 90s and a mix of hip hop to the latest, most popular dance trend. Piazzale Zenith – 9.30 p.m.

23 July

LIVE MUSIC DAWN CONCERT "LET IT BE"

A tribute to the Beatles, 50 years after they broke up. A concert for violin, cello, harp, piano and voice. Bibione Lighthouse – 5.00 a.m.

Info: www.gruppocaronte.info

6 August

FESTIVAL SHOW

Live concert with new singers on the Italian music scene – organised in collaboration with Radio Birikkina and Radio Bella and Monella – Piazzale Zenith – 9.30 p.m.

21 August

LIVE MUSIC DAWN CONCERT "TU MI FAI GIRAR"

Italian songwriters and singles records take centre stage. Pieces by Modugno, Morandi, Battisti, Oxa, Carrà and Carosone. A concert for violin, cello, harp, piano and voice. Bibione Lighthouse – 5.00 a.m.

Info: www.gruppocaronte.info



BIBIONE FOR CHILDREN

From 22 June to 31 August, every evening from Monday to Thursday at 9.00 p.m.

MAGICAL NIGHTS under the stars with the Open-air Cinema

Don't miss your traditional date with the open-air cinema for your children, who will spend two wonderful hours in the company of some magical characters from the world of cartoons.

Film sites:

- **Lido dei Pini - end of via Terra walk – Tuesday and Thursday**
- **Thermal Baths area - park area viale delle Colonie – Monday and Wednesday**
- **Parco Chiesa at Lido del Sole – Monday and Wednesday**
- **Parco Comunale at Bibione Pineda – viale dei Ginepri – Tuesday and Thursday**



BIBIONE A BEACH OF PRAYER DEDICATED TO JOHN PAUL II

The summer cultural event of 2020 will focus on John Paul II in the centenary of his birth, organised by the parish church under the guidance of Don Andrea Vena from Porcia. The 14th edition of "Bibione guarda all'Avvenire" [Bibione looks to the Future] will commence in April and reach its climax between June, July and August. The figure of the Polish Holy Pope will be analysed from numerous viewpoints. It will start with sport on 1st June with Antonio Fantin, world Paralympic swimming champion and led by the journalist Alberto Francescut. On **10 June**, Monsignor Piero Marini, former master of ceremonies for the Pope, will speak first-hand about John Paul II and the Eucharist and will lead the Corpus Christi procession the following day. **Wednesday 24 June** will be the turn of John Paul II and the family, with Domenico Simeone, lecturer at the Cattolica University in Milan. **27 June** will celebrate the twentieth anniversary of the Rome World Youth Day with the music group Elikya.

1 July, John Paul II and culture, with Samek Lodovici Giacomo, on **14** the media, with the festival of the paper Avvenire with director Marco Tarquinio; on **23**, peace, together with the Luigi Padovese Award, with Cardinal Luis Antonio Goklm Tagle (prefect of the Congregation for the Evangelisation of Peoples); on **29** it will be the turn of the cinema, with Monsignor Dario Viganò; Wednesday **5 August** John Paul II the Great: witness, the former vice-director of the paper Osservatore Romano, Gianfranco Svidercoschi; lastly on **26 August**, service and dialogue: speaking will be Father Bernard Kinvi, Time Person of the Year 2015.

The other main events in Bibione: ostension of the relics of Saint Pio da Pietralcina (from 26 June to 5 July), the Pardon of Bibione (from 2 to 16 August) with the opening of the holy door in the presence of Cardinal Angelo Becciu, prefect of the congregation of saints, the **ostension of the relics of John Paul II from 16 July to 16 August**, with a welcome by Monsignor Slawomir Oder, former postulator of John Paul II's cause for canonisation. Lastly, music: this will range from the organ to chorales to gospels, with an international festival. Art, theatre and music was always very dear to John Paul II's heart – From 26 June to 5 July, Bibione will host the relics of St. Pio da Petralcina. Holy Mass will be celebrated at 9.00 p.m. to welcome the relics.



BIBIONE FIREWORKS BEACH

7 June

FIREWORKS DISPLAY – shore opposite Piazzale Zenith – 10.30 p.m.

19 July

FIREWORKS DISPLAY – shore opposite Piazzale Zenith – 11.00 p.m.

15 August

FIREWORKS DISPLAY – shore opposite Piazzale Zenith – 11.00 p.m.

27 August

FIREWORKS DISPLAY – shore opposite Piazzale Zenith – 11.00 p.m.

10 September

MUSICAL FIREWORKS DISPLAY – shore opposite Piazzale Zenith – 10.30 p.m.

Until 28 June 2020
Palazzo Vescovile
via Seminario 19, Portogruaro



Opening hours:
from Tuesday to Friday
10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.;
Saturday and Sunday
10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Monday CLOSED

Information and ticket office:
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• www.palazzovescovile.it



PALAZZO VESCOVILE WELCOMES THE CAVALLINI SGARBI COLLECTION

Vincenza Crimi

OVER 60 works from the
"Cavallini Sgarbi Collection.
Masterpieces that tell the story of a
lifetime" are on display at Palazzo
Vescovile until **20 June**.

«A truly beautiful setting,
transformed momentarily into a
museum, where the elegant rooms
interact with the works on display.
This Palace takes on a new life with a
collection of works, which began when
my mother and I joined forces to

transform them into a single-family
concept. Because – in the words of
Vittorio Sgarbi – art collections are
like a biography, a tale where every
painting, every sculpture, every work
reflects the soul of the person who
created it and the person who
purchased it.»

An emotional, four century-long
journey which, from the second half
of the 15th to the 19th century, has
brought together paintings and
sculptures. The exhibition emanates
that intimate atmosphere generated
by art collections, the result of the
impassioned search by Vittorio Sgarbi
in tandem with his mother, Rina
Cavallini, who purchased the works at
numerous auctions in all corners of
the world. The exhibition in
Portogruaro pays tribute to the
collector genius, Vittorio Sgarbi who,
in little more than forty years, has
collected, studied and discovered

«The family collection
we began over 40
years ago has found a
home in Portogruaro,
a Venetian city, a city
of spectacular
arcades and home to
a major archeological
museum.»

Vittorio Sgarbi



some absolute masterpieces.
«Collecting is something of a mystery,
a hunt without rules or milestones, an
endless pursuit of beauty and rarity.
Walking into the rooms of this
exhibition – Vittorio Sgarbi explains –
is like walking into the rooms of our
home in Ro Ferrarese, where these
works always return, content to be
back and to continue their nonstop
dialogue with our parents.»
The exhibition has been organised by
the East Venice Tourist District in
collaboration with the Cavallini Sgarbi
Foundation, the Elisabetta Sgarbi
Foundation and with the artistic
direction of Contemplazioni,
and is sponsored by the Regional
Government of Veneto and the
Town of Portogruaro.





The river
Limene.

B. V.

THE TOUR CONTINUES WITH THE DISCOVERY OF “LITTLE MAINLAND VENICE”

PORTOGRUARO is an elegant town, less than 30km from the beach of Bibione, where you can spend a pleasant day walking beneath the **arcades** of **old Venetian and Renaissance palaces**, go **shopping** in the elegant stores in the town centre or among the stalls of a centuries-old market, stop for **lunch along the banks of the river and admire the frescoes** hidden in old churches. To discover their beauty, you'll have to walk with your nose in the air. This is the only way to admire the façades of the ancient palaces in all their splendour: their different architectural styles, ranging from Romanesque to Gothic and Venetian,

reflect a history closely linked to the Serenissima Republic of Venice. In fact, in 1350, Portogruaro began to strike up its initial trade agreements with Venice. However, it was only after 1420 that it passed under the latter's dominion to become a true crossroads for goods, money and culture. Years in which the rich Venetian merchants moved there with their families and built their homes in the same architectural style as Venice, but with just one difference: the houses did not overlook or have entrances directly on to the river. Instead, they looked on to the roads to avoid the taxes collected by the Patriarchate of Venice at the

time. Palaces and long arcades, where they used to barter, do deals, buy and sell all types of goods coming directly from the river port, the town's true wealth: the River Lemene flowing into the Adriatic Sea. The bed of this river used to be navigable and the boats - the traditional, Venetian, flat-bottomed “*squeri*” - departing from Caorle were able to reach the town centre to unload the goods and deliver them to the Districts. Those very same districts are today called **Borgo San Nicolò** and **Borgo San Gottardo** to the north and **Borgo Sant'Agnese** and **Borgo San Giovanni** to the south.



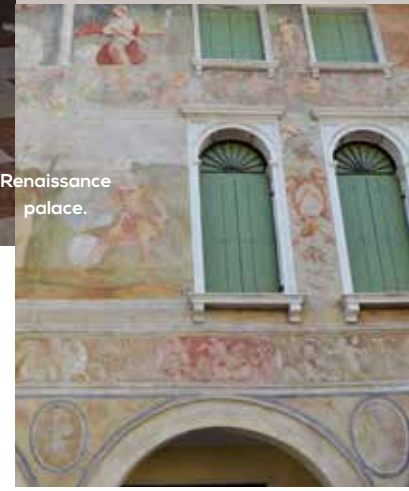
Wooden
oratory.

Renaissance
palace.

WEEKLY MARKET
historic town centre, every Thursday

ANTIQUÉ AND MODERN COLLECTABLES MARKET
historic town centre, second Saturday in the month

GUIDED TOURS
For information
www.veneziaorientaletours.it
Booking Centre 0431 430092



Portogruaro is about 30 km from Bibione and the journey takes about 30 minutes under normal traffic conditions.

 **CAR PARKS**

To the southeast of the town centre:
• Ospedale Vecchio, piazza San Tommaso dei Battuti, 125 spaces, historic town centre
Alternatively:
• via Castion and via Camucina, about 90 metres from the town centre;
• via Mercalli about 350 metres from the centre.
To the north-west of the town centre, in the bus station area (with a pleasant walk through the park):
• piazza Castello, via Stadio and via Arma di Cavalleria.

A short, two-hour walk to take in the main monuments of Portogruaro.

We suggest you take the following short tour. Park your car and begin your walk along **Corso dei Martiri della Libertà**. Stop in central **Piazza della Repubblica** overlooked by **Palazzo del Municipio** (14th century town hall), with its original Ghibelline “swallowtail” battlement. Then, walk as far as the Loggia on the river bank, which houses the 17th century, wooden oratory dedicated to the Madonna. When you come to the marvellous bridge amongst the mills continue towards Villa Comunale (1543-1550), which stands out among all the town

buildings for the spectacular effect of its arcaded loggia on the second floor. If you continue along via Roma, you will find the **National Concordiese Museum**, which, since the end of the nineteenth century, has housed collections of some extraordinary archeological finds from the excavations of the nearby former, Roman colony of Concordia Sagittaria. Further along on the same side is the start of the typical, long arcade supported by Doric columns, at the end of which stands the entrance to the **Collegio Marconi**,



Town hall.



Mills.

a large monumental complex dating back to the 11th century. From 1704, it became the diocesan seminary, where some very famous people, such as Lorenzo Da Ponte (1749-1838), Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's librettist, once taught. Continue over the crossroads along the arcades in **Via Cavour** as far as the old town gate and **Torre di Sant'Agnese**: one of the oldest buildings in mediaeval Portogruaro, which became the **Civic Museum** in 1999. From **Porta di Sant'Agnes**, turn left into **Via del Rastrello** until you get to **Borgo San Giovanni**, where the first warehouse (13th century) for the salt trade used to stand in Portogruaro. This is a short tour, but it will allow you to admire the numerous artistic sights of this tiny-big “Mainland Venice” in just a few hours.



Events not
to be
missed

VENICE

UNTIL 10 JANUARY 2021

EXHIBITION HENRI CARTIER-BRESSON: LE GRAND JEU

Where: Palazzo Grassi

Address: Campo San Samuele 3231

Official website: www.palazzograssi.it

Organised with the Bibliothèque Nationale de France in collaboration with the Fondation Henri Cartier-Bresson, this exhibition focuses the critical eye of five curators on the work of the French photographer, such an amazing pioneer of photojournalism as to be awarded the nickname of "eye of the century". It concentrates especially on the "Master Collection", a selection of 385 photos, as the most significant of his



CALENDAR

work, which the artist was asked to identify in the early 70s by his collector friends, Jean and Dominique de Menil.

UNTIL 13 DECEMBER 2020

EXHIBITION UNTITLED, 2020

Where: Punta della Dogana

Address: Dorsoduro 2

Official website: www.palazzograssi.it

Created especially for the spaces of Punta della Dogana, the collective exhibition "Untitled, 2020" is divided into themed rooms, where the works of over 60 artists from the Pinault Collection and from international museums and private collections are on display, with quotes, inspirations and references among the works, dating from the twentieth century until today. The display is based on a



dialogue between emotional, sensorial, visual and tactile connections via various media, from sculpture to videos, from painting to photography.

UNTIL 14 JUNE 2020

EXHIBITION MIGRATING OBJECTS. ART FROM AFRICA, OCEANIA AND THE AMERICAS IN THE PEGGY GUGGENHEIM COLLECTION

Where: Palazzo Venier dei Leoni -

Peggy Guggenheim Collection

Address: Dorsoduro 701

Tickets: full price EUR 15, concessions (including over 65s) EUR 13, free entry for children up to the age of 10

Official website: www.guggenheim-venice.it

Peggy Guggenheim is renowned for her avant-garde collection of European and American modern art. *Migrating Objects* draws attention to a lesser known, yet significant episode in her migrations when, during the 50s and 60s, she began to look at art from Africa, Oceania and the indigenous cultures of the Americas,

of which she purchased some examples. 35 works of art are displayed in groups, which favour their original contexts or, alternatively, which dialogue with some of the masterpieces of the European avant-garde in the Collection. The house-museum also has two monographic exhibitions on display dedicated to Lygia Clark - from 27 June to 28 September, and to Edmondo Bacci - from 17 October to 11 January 2021.

UNTIL 12 JUNE 2020

EXHIBITION THE INVENTION OF HAPPINESS. A Retrospective Exhibition of the photographer Jacques Henri Lartigue

Where: Casa dei tre Oci

Address: Giudecca - Fondamenta Zitelle 43

Opening hours: from 10.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m. - closed on Tuesday

Official website: www.treoci.org

120 photos, 55 of which are unpublished, all from the photographic albums compiled

2020 looks like being a year full of unmissable opportunities for art lovers and exhibition aficionados. Events not to be missed in towns of artistic interest you can easily reach from Bibione.





by the French photographer. It also includes archive material, period books and magazines to give the most inclusive retrospective exhibition ever organised in Italy for the French photographer, Jacques Henri Lartigue (1894-1986): documents that follow his entire career from his debut in the early twentieth century to the 80s and reconstruct his discovery as a photographer. *"Lartigue's 'part of the world', writes Denis Curti in the exhibition catalogue 'is the rich, middle class world of Paris at the beginning of the century. Even when Europe was torn apart by the horrors of the two world wars, Lartigue continued to maintain the purity of his photographic microcosm and catch on film only what he wanted to remember and preserve. To halt time, and save the moment of its inevitable passage. Photography for Lartigue was the means to unearth life, to relive moments of happiness, again and again."*

ROVIGO

UNTIL 28 JUNE 2020

EXHIBITION DANTE'S OAK

Where: Palazzo Ronale

Address: Piazza Vittorio Emanuele 25

Opening hours: from Monday to Friday from 9.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m.: Saturday, Sunday and public holidays from 9.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.

Official website: www.palazzoroverella.com

This exhibition inaugurates the initiatives to celebrate the 700 hundred year centenary of Dante Alighieri's death, commencing with an entirely Polesine-based story, that of the Oak tree, to which the poet linked his name. The story goes that when Dante became lost in the labyrinth of the Po Delta, he climbed a mighty oak tree in order to find his way out. That giant tree, known from then onwards as "Dante's Oak", survived until 2013. Once again, Palazzo Rocale will house

the exhibition **"Visions from Hell"**, where his 33 cantos are told and brought back to life by the illustrations of 3 great international artists: Gustave Doré's nineteenth century hell, Robert Rauschenberg's twentieth century hell and Brigitte Brand's modern infernal regions.

UNTIL 5 JULY 2020

EXHIBITION MARC CHAGALL MY RUSSIA WILL LOVE ME TOO

Place: Palazzo Roverella

Address: via Giuseppe Laurenti 8/10

Opening hours: from Monday to Friday from 9.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m.: Saturday, Sunday and public holidays from 9.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.

Official website: www.palazzoroverella.com

The exhibition takes us on a fascinating, surreal journey of dreams and wonder in the original poetic language of one of the most loved artists of the 20th century, Marc



Chagall. About 70 paintings on canvas and paper, plus 2 extraordinary series of engravings and etchings published in the early years of his absence from Russia, reveal the influence of Russian folk culture on Chagall's work. Flying donkeys, odd musicians and emotional, boundless landscapes bear witness to an imaginary world, where you can expect anything to happen, taking inspiration from Russia's visionary, cultural tradition, full of images and legends.

PADUA

UNTIL 28 JUNE 2020

EXHIBITION BELZONI'S EGYPT. A GIANT IN THE LAND OF THE PYRAMIDS

Where: Centro Culturale Altinate San Gaetano

Address: via Altinate 71

Opening hours: from Monday to Thursday 9.00 a.m.-7.00 p.m.; Friday and Saturday 9.00 a.m.-12.00 a.m.; Sunday and public holidays 9.00 a.m.-8.00 p.m.

Tickets: full price EUR 16, concessions EUR 14, free entry for children up to the age of 5

Official website: www.legittodibelzoni.it

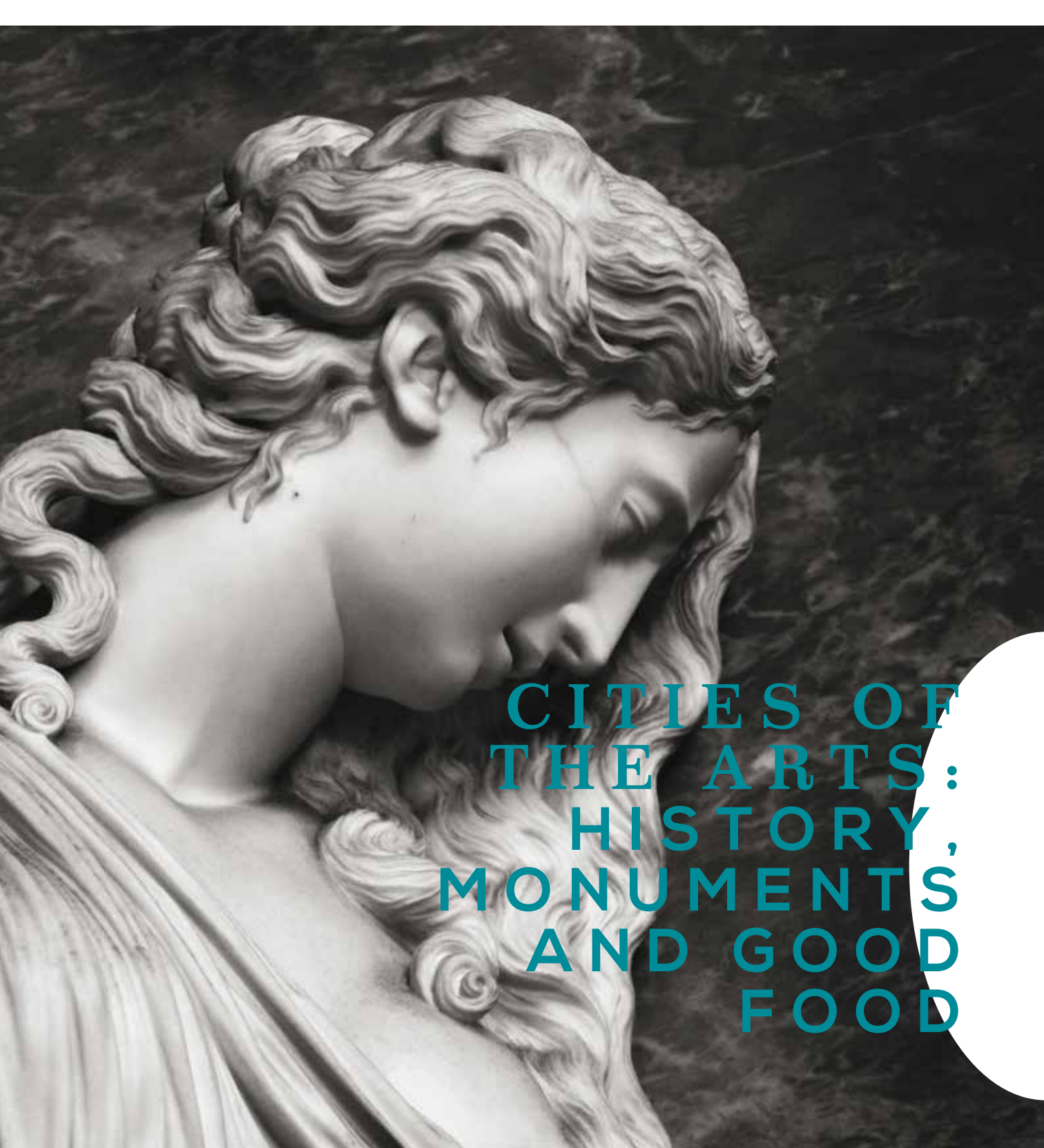
Designed to follow in the steps of the explorer and experience the emotions inside untouched tombs, temples and in the darkness of the pyramids, to understand the effort and above all the enthusiasm of discovery. The exhibition spaces offer the visitor



an extraordinary opportunity to get to know and experience Egypt. From the very start of the exhibition tour, Egypt begins to take shape before our eyes: we get the feeling of what it was like to penetrate underground passageways built thousands of years ago, to make our way in the dark, to camp down inside tombs and struggle with sand in our eyes in suffocating temperatures, so that Belzoni's Egypt becomes a realistic adventure. Organised to commemorate the bicentenary of the archaeologist, Giovanni Battista Belzoni's return to Padua after three

voyages along the Nile in the early nineteenth century, the exhibition is an attempt to tell the story of a "mould-breaking" life, a courageous, audacious life which, in other epochs, was a source of inspiration for George Lucas to create the character of Indiana Jones for the film Raiders of the Lost Ark. The exhibition spaces reconstruct the surroundings to scale, using special effects and digital technologies. On display are many ancient objects from various Italian and foreign museums, some of which are on show to the public for the first time.





CITIES OF THE ARTS: HISTORY, MONUMENTS AND GOOD FOOD



Cities brimming with history. A true cultural bed, where art is found not only in museums, but also in churches, historic palaces, religious buildings, theatres and piazzas. In addition to which there is a considerable culinary tradition, topped with World Heritage wines. Five cities of the arts in five Grand Tours, all *Made in Veneto*.



VENICE

THE CALL OF THE SERENISSIMA

IS there anything new to write about the most talked about city in the world? We'll have a go, beginning with its numbers: Venice stands on 118 islands, interconnected by 416 bridges and divided into 177 large and small canals. Instead of quarters, the city has 6 districts, known as *sestieri*: 3 on each side of the Grand Canal, spanned by 4 bridges. The most famous is the Rialto bridge, supported by 12,000 elm piles, 6,000 on each side of the Canal. Venice is a record holder: Palazzo Ducale houses the largest canvas in the world, Tintoretto's "Il Paradiso", measuring 7 by 22 metres and depicting approximately 500 characters. What should you go and

see? It's your choice. Everything, in our opinion. Because the entire city is a masterpiece, a globally unique masterpiece, which has gradually evolved over centuries of history. From its churches to its bridges, from its museum to its palaces, from the Jewish ghetto to shops that reveal creative, local crafts, from the islands in the lagoon to the modern and contemporary art galleries, from its large or minuscule gardens - there are about 500 of them - to places which are the symbol of different religions. Just remember that Venice is to be experienced on foot. Forget your map and directions and focus on discovering even the most secret treasures.



TREVISO

THE CRADLE OF TASTE AND MEDIAEVAL SPELLS

THE city is enclosed within its sixteenth century walls and has no symbolic monument. However, it attracts visitors for its atmosphere, its coloured buildings, the elegant Palazzi, narrow alleyways and for the peaceful and beautifully clear, slow flowing waters of its river, the River Sile. Treviso is the sound of a woman walking slowly past the sparkling city centre shop windows or over the cobblestones worn down by time and history. Yet it is also a place to meet up and sit down in an inn to taste unique, timeless flavours. You need to walk slowly without any hurry, beneath the arcades, along the streets and the piazzas. Piazza dei Signori is actually the city's elegant salon, overlooked by Palazzo dei Trecento and Palazzo del Podestà with the Civic Tower. This is the ideal spot to start a tour of Monte di Pietà



with Fiumicelli's extraordinary frescoes, including the churches of San Francesco and San Nicolò, the Cathedral and the Baptistery, the Loggia dei Cavalieri and the many enchanting glimpses given by the bridges that span the different canals on the River Sile. Art lovers will also want to visit the Carrarresi House, which has recently become home to some prestigious exhibitions. The province of Treviso is famous for its wine growing and wine production: from Conegliano to Valdobbiadene in search of hills embroidered with vineyards and nominated in the Unesco World Heritage List last year.



PADUA

ONE OF ITALY'S OLDEST CITIES

PADUA is one of Italy's oldest cities. This is why it offers different itineraries, which reflect its many souls. You can choose the tour which will take you to places of worship linked to St. Anthony of Padua and to the main religious buildings in the city, such as the Cathedral with its Romanesque Baptistery, Santa Giustina, San Nicolò and Santa Sofia. Or you may prefer the sacred art of the Cappella degli Scrovegni with its precious cycle of early 16th century frescoes, believed to be one of the masterpieces of western art, the Chiesa degli Eremitani [Church of the Hermits]

and the Cathedral Baptistery. If you love science, Padua's ancient university tradition offers a route through the historic university buildings, such as Palazzo del Bo, which holds the Teatro Anatomico [Anatomical Theatre]. The tour includes the university museums, the Specola and the Botanic Garden, founded in 1545 by the Faculty of Medicine to grow medicinal herbs, and now on the Unesco Heritage list. Last but not least, imagine Padua of the piazzas, starting with Prato della Valle, a marvellous piazza embraced by 78 statues. Moving on to Piazza dei



Signori, Piazza delle Erbe and Piazza della Frutta, you'll discover the architecture of the buildings along the arcaded streets, such as Palazzo della Ragione, the Torre dell'Orologio and the Loggia della Gran Guardia.



VICENZA

PALLADIO'S CITY

RED roof tiles contrast with shining white palaces. Every corner is decorated with magnificent architecture which brings to mind just one name: Andrea Palladio. Here the great architect's art left the most obvious impact, in the shape of his unmistakeably elegant buildings. Of them all, the Loggia del Capitaniato and the Basilica Palladiana, where you can enjoy a breathtaking view from the top floor of the three squares below.



This is the ideal stage to act as a backdrop to three other works of the architect: Palazzo Chiericati, today the seat of the Civic Museum and Art Gallery, Palazzo Barbaran da Porto, home to the Museo Palladiano and Palazzo Valmarana. The pinnacle of the artist's creativeness is the Teatro Olimpico, which was inaugurated with a performance of Sophocles' *Oedipus the King*. It is the oldest covered theatre in the world and was granted Unesco World Heritage status in



1994, together with other Palladian works. At the gates of Vicenza, we find one of his best known architectural symbols, the splendid Villa Almerico-Capra, known as La Rotonda. Famous for its unusual design of the central layout, it is harmoniously cradled within the natural frame of the Berici Hills, which also embrace the Basilica di Monte Berico, guardian of the canvas "Cena di San Gregorio Magno" by Paolo Veronese.

VERONA

CITY OF ART, HISTORY AND PASSION...

A stroll through the historic town centre of Verona is a journey through the different historical epochs it has experienced: from the Roman settlement, to the era of the communes, to the period of the Signoria degli Scaligeri up until its domination by the Venetians and Hapsburgs. The majestic Arena rises in the central Piazza Bra. This Roman amphitheatre has held the prestigious summer opera season and many concerts for decades. Nearby is Juliet's House where, every year, the famous balcony welcomes thousands of visitors, fascinated by Shakespeare's story of the two lovers. Piazza delle Erbe is full of life and a walk in the colourful town market is a sheer delight. To take a leap into the past to the time of greatest splendour of the Signoria Scaligera, just go to Piazza dei Signori and admire the majestic palaces, the Loggia and

Palazzo della Ragione. The Cathedral with its famous altar piece by Tiziano most certainly deserves a visit, and a few steps away you'll find the Basilica di Sant'Anastasia and the Roman Theatre. Don't miss a tour of the Basilica di San Zeno, a truly fascinating example of Romanesque architecture, and Castelvechio, the old 14th century manor, which currently houses the Civic Museum.



IN 2020 TRIESTE BECOMES EUROPEAN CAPITAL OF SCIENCE

From 5 to 10 July 2020, the city will host the EuroScience Open Forum, the major European biennial event focused on the comparison and debate between science, technology, society and politics.

A date not to be missed. A unique chance to discover new technologies, to get to know the progress made by science, to meet illustrious exponents, such as the Swiss astronomer, Didier Queloz, 2019 Nobel prize for physics and the Scottish biochemist Iain Mattaj, director of the Human Technopole in Milan. The stage for this major European gala will be the most iconic, sensational places in the city: museums, theatres, palaces, congress centres and exhibition spaces overlooking the sea, all called on to host the **Science in the City Festival** - from 27 June to 11 July - and the **Euroscience Open Forum** - from 5 to 9 July - which will be open to a public of all ages with meetings, debates and seminars on the latest topics in research and development. First held in 2004, the Euroscience Open Forum aims to encourage technological innovation and stimulate discussions on the environmental, social and ethical impact of science in Europe. Trieste will see debates on climate change, energy sources, physics, precision medicine and social and gender inequality in science.



To discover the daytime and evening events, opening hours and places, just go to the website: www.scienceinthecity2020.eu



DIARY: EXTRA DETAILS TO GET TO TRIESTE SUPER PREPARED

In the 19th century, Trieste became a city capable of attracting first class scientists, such as Humphry Davy, the British chemist, also mentioned by Mary Shelley in her novel *Frankenstein*, who completed his research on “animal electricity” there. Davy’s story is just one of 70 collected by journalists and scientific communicators from Trieste, Davide Ludovisi and Federica Sgorbissa in their book **“Trieste e la scienza. Storie e Personaggi”**, edited by MGS Press in 2018, with a preface by Pietro Greco, scientific journalist and presenter

of Radio3 Scienza. This book tells the stories of how the major Italian and foreign scientists have passed through or created an intellectual, life-long link with Trieste. A detailed discussion of famous people, such as Sigmund Freud, who spent an important part of his life in Trieste, Erwin Schrödinger, who came into contact with Einstein’s theories on the Karst Plateau, Edoardo Weiss and Vanda Shrenger, the couple who brought psychoanalysis to Italy, the brilliant Triestine mathematicians, Bruno de Finetti and Pierpaolo Luzzatto Fegiz, and Massimiliano d’Asburgo, who organised one of the greatest naturalistic

expeditions from Trieste by sea to explore the forests of Brazil. A long list of people, which could not forget Franco Basaglia, Franco Panizon, Margherita Hack, Dennis Sciamia, Rita Levi Montalcini, Pietro Valdoni, the leading light of Italian surgery, Gaetano Kanizsa, one of the greatest Italian, experimental psychologists and Mario Tosi, the father of Condensed Matter Physics in Italy. A book to read not just to understand the past, but also to discover the most recent, scientific and technological frontiers being explored today in Trieste.

The programme includes over **150 events**, ranging from exhibitions to shows, from workshops to literary cafes and theatre, with conferences, guided tours, workshops and concerts along the way. A review that will give visitors the chance to discover the excellent level of the network of academic and research hubs. A top level, international scientific "hub" thanks to over 30 research centres in the area: the Institute of Oceanography and Geophysics, dating back to the time of Maria Teresa of Austria, the Elettra Sincrotrone, an international research centre specialised in generating synchrotron light, founded by the Italian Nobel prize winner, Carlo Rubbia, the international Centre for Genetics Engineering and Biotechnologies, an international organisation operating in the field of molecular genetics and biotechnologies, founded in 1987 as part of a United Nations project, the International Centre of Theoretical Physics, founded in 1964 by the Pakistani Nobel prize winner, Abdus



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Salam, with the objective of encouraging studies and research in physics, to name but a few. But that's not all. Join this science festival and admire how ancient and modern live side by side, and discover why the description of Trieste as *“Sissi with piercings”* chosen by the writer from Trieste, Mauro Covacich, is truly appropriate to describe this fascinating, cosmopolitan city.



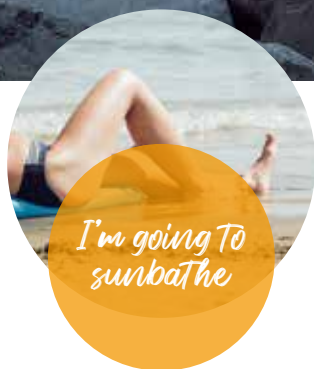
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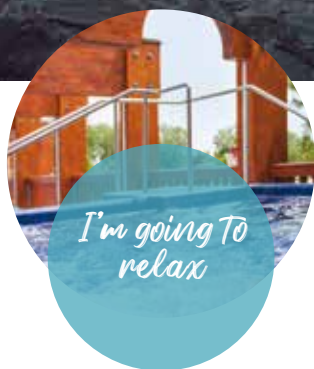
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*I'm having
fun with the
family*



*I'm going to
sunbathe*



*I'm going to
relax*



*I'm
training
in the open
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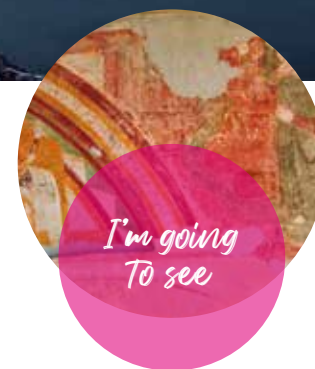
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*I discover
nature*



*I throw
myself into
shopping*



*I'm going
to see*

Today... *I'm having fun with The family*



TIPS FOR GOOD, HEALTHY FUN!

BIBIONE is the ideal place to spend a family holiday. We're not the only ones to say so. The Italian Association of Paediatricians once again awarded us the **Green Flag** this year for our blue flag beach, the surrounding nature, and the extremely long, regulatory cycleways, leading to the discovery of a hinterland full of history and traditions. But that's not all. Like the beach, the hotels also welcome children with top quality, tailor-made entertainment, run by professionals to provide exciting, fun-filled days. **Mini** and **Baby clubs**, organised directly on the beach and in the hotels, provide approved, inclusive games on the shore, creative workshops, bike excursions, cartoons shown in special corners of the resort, games and bookshops in different languages, all of which is just a small

part of what is on offer, free of charge, to entertain our young guests on the beach in Veneto. All-round entertainment, and not forgetting the numerous sports opportunities thanks to the swimming, sailing, windsurfing, SUP, tennis, kayaking, canoeing and horse riding schools in Bibione. The **Family card** of the **Family Product Club** is promoted by the Association of Hoteliers and guarantees family fun. Get your card at your hotel reception and show it at the entrance to the fun parks that have signed up to the scheme to get a discount: for each paying adult, a child between the ages of 3 to 11 goes free. Discover all the other benefits at shops that have also signed up.



**I'M PLAYING,
I'M LEARNING
AND I'M
ENJOYING
MYSELF!
THEME PARKS
FOR THE
ENTIRE
FAMILY.**

A FIRST PRIZE FUN FAIR! When you will see the first evening lights, you won't be able to resist to the call of the **LUNA PARK ADRIATICO** which has been maintaining the atmosphere which has enchanted whole generations with its sounds, glimmering lights and the sweet smell of cotton candy up to now. The new attractions, rushing over the visitors' heads, make children feel as Pinocchio in Pleasure Land: the Bibione Fun Fair is known as one of the most important fun fairs in Italy thanks to its more than 65 merry-go rounds on a 12 thousand square meter area. The Luna Park (Fun Fair) in Bibione is located in Via Orsa Maggiore (nearby

the market area) and features a large, free parking area and refreshment points and stands. **The entrance is free.**

THE CALL BACK TO NATURE

The **PARCO ZOO PUNTA VERDE** is an enchanting green oasis hosting more than 1.000 animals belonging to more than 150 different species in a specially for their needs created habitat. For more than thirty years this park has been one of the most important places to visit for tourists who do not want to lose the opportunity of visiting an ecosystem where animals live in perfect



balance with thousands of autochthonous and tropical plants. A bar and a self service restaurant are available for visitors to enjoy a food and drink break.



PARCO ZOO PUNTA VERDE

Via Scerbanenco, 19/1
Lignano Sabbiadoro

www.parczoopuntaverde.it

• Opening times

May, June, September 2020: 9.00 a.m. - 6.00 p.m. - July and August 2020: 9.00 a.m. - 7.00 p.m.

• **Ticket prices:** Adults EUR 15 - children 3-11 years EUR 12

IF YOU WANT TO PLAY WITH WATER

Thousands of cubic meters of water, as well as slides with scope, are the features of **AQUASPLASH**, a veritable water Wonderland for families!

This aquatic fun park is the ideal solution both for those searching for strong emotions and families with children: artificial waves, breathtaking slides, swimming pools with artificial waves, whirlpool areas as well as fun for smaller children! For your breaks you will find relaxing areas, three bars and a shopping area.



AQUASPLASH

Viale Europa, Lignano Sabbiadoro
www.aquasplash.it

• Opening times

open 1 June - 8 September 2020 - opening hours 10.00 a.m. - 6.00 p.m.

• **Ticket prices: full-day:** 25.00 adults; euro 20.00 children aged 3 to 8 years

• Afternoon:

from 2.30 p.m. euro 20.00 adults; euro 18.00 children aged 3 to 8 years

JUNIOR PARK, A FAMILY FUN FORMAT!

Dedicated to children of all ages, the park offers various attractions such as the DiscoBoat, the Mixtreme path, the Jumping, the inflatable Polpetta, the Adventure 5 D, a cinema with a high-definition screen where films are projected in 5 dimensions with images, sounds and special effects.

The Junior Park also offers a snack bar, fast food, sweet kiosk and free Wi-Fi connection. Admission to the park is free: the various games can be accessed with tokens that can be purchased at the central cashier.



PARCO JUNIOR

viale Centrale 16/b
Lignano Sabbiadoro

• **Opening hours:** from June to September from 10.30 a.m. to 11.00 p.m.

PARCO CARIBE, THE NO. 1 WATER THEME PARK IN ITALY

An 80,000 square metre oasis of fun, which combines relaxation, joy, extreme sports and attractions for every age group. It offers 8 themed areas, including Shark Bay, the only swimming pool in the world with artificial waves and sand, 26 water and non-water attractions, including the slide and the tallest bungee jumping tower in Europe, 7 exciting shows, animation activities among palm trees and thousands of species of plants and flowers.



AQUALANDIA

via Michelangelo Buonarroti 15
30016 Lido di Jesolo - www.aqualandia.it

• **Open:** 1 June - 15 September 2019

• **Hours:** every day from 10.00 am to 6.00 pm

• **Ticket prices:** adults: euro 34.00; children from 1 metre to 1.4 metres tall: euro 30.00; children less than a metre tall are free. Afternoons: adults: euro 30.00; children between 1 metre and 1.4 metres tall: euro 26.00.

RIO BLU IS THE ONLY AMUSEMENT PARK IN BIBIONE

In the middle of the green pine forest, with equipment areas, the park hosts great attractions for different ages: from inflatables to a go-kart track, from trampolines to an 18-hole mini-golf, from a small lake with swan-shaped boats to the safari, everything is designed to entertain children and teenagers. The park is open everyday from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm and from 5.00 pm to 11.30 pm. Admission to the park is free; there are different pricing structures for the amusements: single tokens, time slots or daily passes.

ARIIS'S AQUARIUM. A TRIP OUT OF TOWN THAT OFFERS A THOUSAND SURPRISES

Ariis' Aquarium is a real gallery of fresh waters and hosts the fish species of the Friuli Venezia Giulia river ecosystem. A modern structure that houses several tanks that reproduce the course of a river from the source to the mouth and the different fish species that live in it. Also worth a visit is the nature trail outside the aquarium that, created within a bend of the river, houses large pools partly covered by reeds, water lilies and surrounded by oaks and weeping willows.



ARIIS AQUARIUM

via Lucina Savorgnan Giulietta 8/a
Ariis - Municipality of Rivignano Teor (UD) - tel. +39 0432 774147

• Opening hours

from 1 April to 30 September 2020
Tuesday to Friday 09:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and holidays 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Admission free.



Today... I'm having fun with The family

SCHOOLS AND COURSES FOR SPORT AFICIONADOS

CANOEING: the Tornado Surf Center offers courses and trips organised on weekdays on the stretch of shore opposite Piazzale Zenith and Piazza Fontana.

For info: call Andrea + 39 347 2780500 and Carlo + 39 328 4321284

KAYAKING: whether you want to try your hand at this sport or improve your technique, the specialised centre "Bibione Kayak" organises courses, exciting excursions and guided tours to discover the natural beauty of the area. It also offers the chance to hire single or double kayaks. Porto Baseleghe, via della Laguna, No. 12 at Bibione Pineda.

For info: www.vivibione.com

SWIMMING: the swimming school "Centro Nuoto Europa" has been organising swimming courses in the sea and upon request, in the pool from June to September since 1995. It offers courses for small children, older children and adults with group and

individual lessons for all levels (starters, beginners, intermediate, and advanced), with instructors from the Italian Swimming Federation and experienced, qualified lifeguards. Lessons are held directly on the beach at Terme 1 in via Ariete (Thermal baths area), by appointment at Corso del Sole (Area of Piazzale Zenith) and at Pineda B in via Passeggiata al Mare, in Bibione Pineda – from 5.00 to 7.00 p.m.

For info: call Veronica + 39 339 3723236
veronicabascella@yahoo.it

SAILING: the Bibione sailing club (Circolo velico) is located in the wet dock in Porto Baseleghe. It not only organises courses for young children and adults, it also proposes regattas throughout the season.

For info: Orvieto + 39 340 5510815
Marina + 39 348 4118490
www.circolovelicobibione.com

WINDSURFING: there are 4 schools along Bibione beach, which organise courses for all ages and levels, including taster courses. You can also hire canoes and catamarans.

Lido del sole: Boscocanoro Windsurf School. Not just windsurfing and SUP boards, but also canoe hire.

For info: call Flaviano and Verena + 39 348 9018068

www.boscocanorowindsurf.com

Lido dei Pini: open to all, beginners and experts of all ages, the Windsurf School also gives you the opportunity just to hire the equipment, as well as SUP courses.

For info: call Gigi + 39 328 3717763



Bibione Pineda: on the stretch of beach opposite the Capalonga Campsite, the Wind Water World School organises windsurf and kitesurf courses. Tourists can also use the latest Hawaiian SUP boards or hire catamarans, canoes and sailing boats.

For info: call Alberto + 39 338 4451036

Bibione stretch of shore opposite Lido dei Pini and via Lira: Windsurfschool Tornado organises windsurf and sailing courses, SUP board, canoe and catamaran hire.

For Info: call Carlo + 39 328 4321284
www.windsurfschooltornado.it

HORSE RIDING: two equestrian centres where adults and children can hack out and take lessons. Papeete Prince – via Isola d'Istria – for picturesque hacks and a swim in the sea – For info: call Giulia 345 462 1874 – and the Centro Ippico Valgrande just outside Bibione.

For info: call + 39 0431 43500

TENNIS: the amateur Sports Association Tennis Club Bibione organises courses and individual or group lessons with FIT qualified instructors from May to September.

Address: via Capricorno, 2, Bibione.

For info and to enrol: call Jury +39 334 9317773

Tennis courts, individual courses, lessons for adults and children with FIT registered instructors, also at:

- Beverly Hills Center

Lido dei Pini - Tel. + 39 0431 43268

- Kokeshy

via Passeggiata dei Pini

Bibione Pineda

Tel. Antonello + 39 344 2830784

- Seven

via della Laguna - Bibione Pineda

Tel. + 39 347 8876850

LEARNING NEW THINGS BY HAVING FUN!

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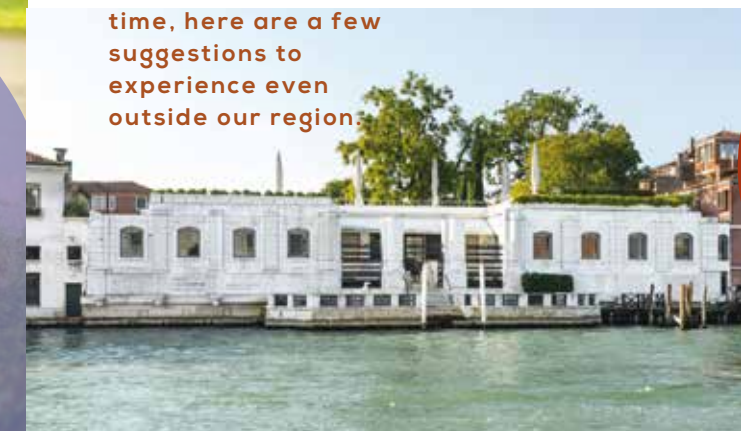
The Talking Trees Park



The Talking Trees Park is an extraordinary, multimedia space immersed in the green park of Villa Margherita, a naturalist, historic and architectural building of great beauty in Treviso. The large park is open to the public and is divided into different spaces: the old cedraia [orangery] is the heart of the Talking Trees Park, with a visitor information office to explain the activities: a puppet theatre on the ground floor houses the set of the TV series "Eppur si muove-Galileo", which is now part of a scientific exhibit to discover the 4 elements; the outdoor exhibits "Dragons, Dinosaurs and Extinct Species" and "Leonardo's machines".

i Villa Margherita - viale Fellisent 56 - Treviso
www.alcuni.it

For parents who are looking for quality entertainment for their children with ideas and activities that will teach them something new and have fun at the same time, here are a few suggestions to experience even outside our region:



VENICE

Peggy Guggenheim Museum

KIDS DAY: free workshops are held at the museum every Sunday for children between 4 and 10 years old. The project makes modern and contemporary art accessible and absorbing for its young visitors and gives them the opportunity to learn and experiment different artistic techniques and themes. They are taught to analyse a painting, study it and then reproduce it using brushes and paints. The workshops are run mainly in Italian. However, other languages are available depending on the nationality of the children taking part. Advance reservations are required. Please call 041 24.05.444/401 from 9.30 a.m. on the Friday before the workshop.

i **www.guggenheim-venice.it/education/kids-day.html**



VALBRENTA (VI)

Oliero Caves, the perfect trip for adventurous, inquisitive children!

The Oliero Caves are in Valstagna, in the province of Vicenza, along the Valsugana. These caves are unusual, as visitors can only access them by boat, which makes it all the more exciting and good fun. The tour continues on foot accompanied by a guide to discover stalagmites and stalactites. Don't miss the casting room, a 14 metre-high cascade of alabaster stalagmites. The Caves are surrounded by a nature park, through which the Nature Path winds its way: a green area and a picnic area offer a chance to enjoy a pleasant day out in close contact with nature. The same complex also has the A. Parolini Speleological and Karst Museum and the Paper Mills Museum.

i www.grottedioliero.it

TRIESTE

Immaginario Scientifico

The museum where you become the scientist to experiment the laws of nature and experience the emotion of making a discovery. A stone's throw from Miramare Castle, children, adults, families and inquisitive people of all ages can get a hands-on experience of science with interactive equipment influenced by the Anglo-Saxon school of thought. Let your curiosity and desire for amazement run wild.

i Riva Massimiliano e Carlotta, 15 - Trieste (Grignano)
tel. 040.224424 - www.immaginarioscientifico.it

Civic Museum of Natural History

Founded in 1846, exhibits vast collections of botany, zoology, mineralogy, geology and palaeontology. The museum houses the skeleton of the famous **dinosaur Antonio**, discovered on the paleontological site of the Fisherman's Village in Duino-Aurisina. Almost 1 metre high and 4 metres long, weighing 700 kg, it is the most complete medium-large sized dinosaur ever

found in Europe since 1878. Open to the public: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 10.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. - Saturday and Sunday 10.00 a.m. - 7.00 p.m. - Tuesday closed.

i via dei Tominz, 4 - www.museostorianaturaletrieste.it

The Grotta Gigante

You really must go down the 500 steps to admire the largest natural room in the world, where the marvellous stalactites and stalagmites appear to create almost lunar landscapes.

i www.grottagigante.it



RIVIGNANO ARIIS (UDINE)

The aquarium in Ariis

A trip just outside town, full of a thousand surprises. The Aquarium in Ariis is a real fresh water gallery, home to the fish species living in the river eco-system of Friuli Venezia Giulia. A modern building houses various tanks, showing the river flowing from the spring to the estuary and the different species of fish living in it. Also of interest is the **naturalistic path** created outside the aquarium where the river bends, which reveals large tanks partly covered with reeds and water lilies, surrounded by oak trees and weeping willows.

i For information, opening hours and days:
www.entetutelapesca.it/cms/it/temi/acquario-ariis/

FORNI DI SOPRA (UDINE)

Dolomites Adventure Park

To experience the emotion of walking above the trees. Located along the shores of the River Tagliamento, it is the perfect place for the entire family to experience a fun filled adventure in contact with nature. Some of the most modern, exclusive **"all-natural!" attractions** have been constructed in the Park to create systems to allow you to walk high up from one tree to another by cables, aerial bridges, nets, ladders and rope-ways. The real novelty with the biggest adrenaline rush is Italy's exclusive **Powerfan**. This system allows you to free-fall from a tree in a fifteen-metre dive. **7 routes**, from the one for 2-year olds to the one for children or adults, from the easiest to the most adventurous.

i For information, opening hours and days:
www.for-adventure.it/

BORDANO (UDINE)

The Butterfly House in Bordano

Italy's largest Butterfly House can be found in a tiny village in northern Friuli, between Gemona and Lake Cavazzo. Every glasshouse contains a thousand brightly coloured, free flying butterflies, belonging to hundreds of different species from tropical countries across the planet. Don't miss **the butterfly night**: take a torch and follow your guide to discover some wonderful night moths and some unusual, mysterious animals.

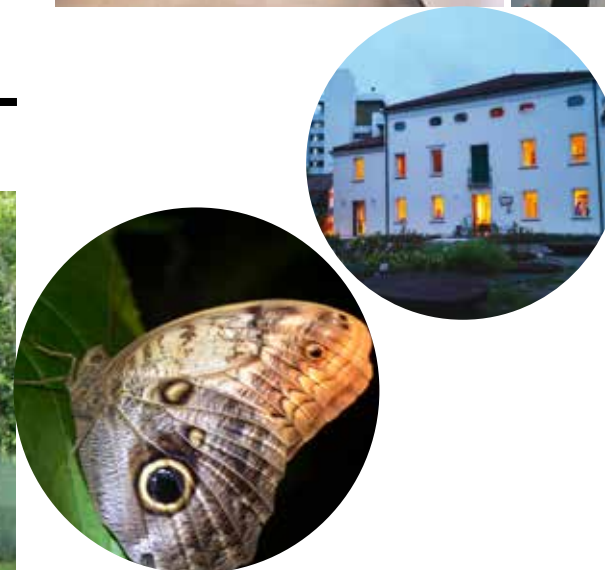
i For info on dates and times:
www.bordanofarfalla.it - www.farfallenellatesta.it

PORDENONE

PAFF! Palazzo Arte Fumetto Friuli. The first of its kind in Italy.

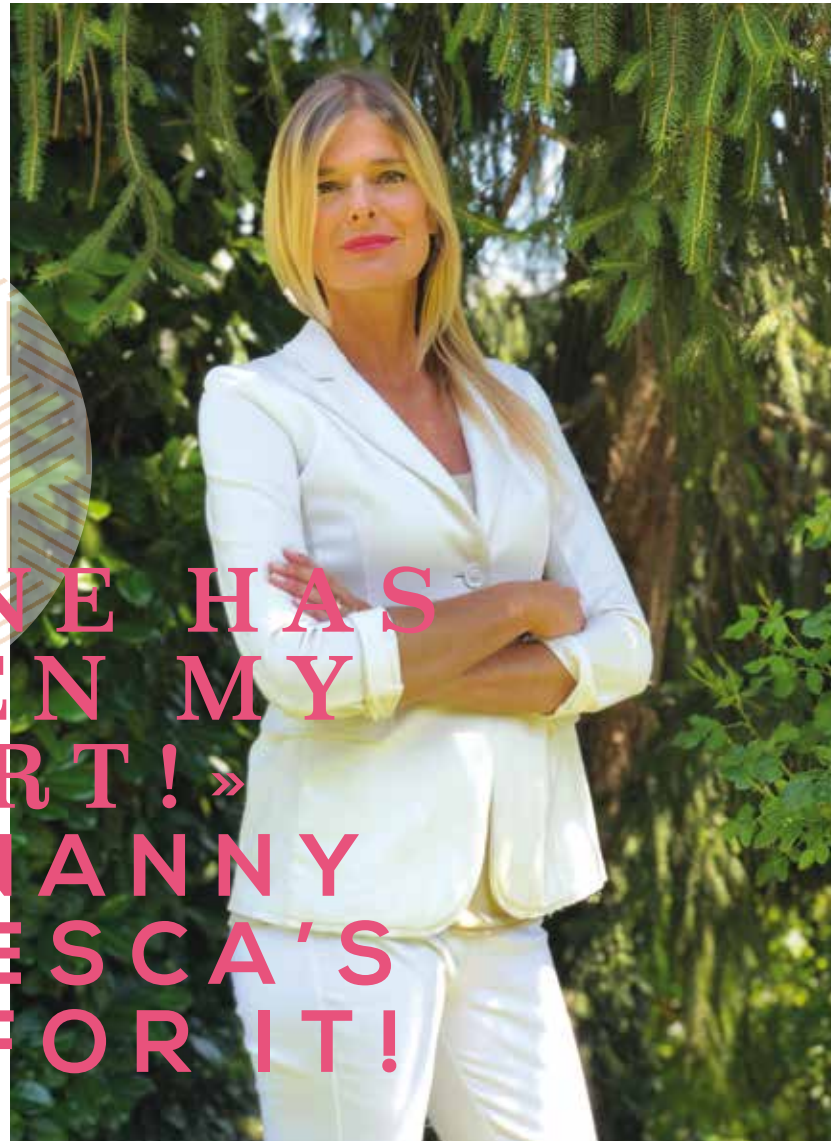
Opened just a year ago, Palazzo del Fumetto [Building of Comics] is housed in the Armando Pizzinato municipal gallery of modern and contemporary art within the «Galvani» public park. One of few places in Europe, it offers exhibitions, workshops, courses, events, educational and games activities to a public aged from 0 to 99. Comic fans just have to see who is considered to be the "father" of the Paff! Building of Comics, Giulio De Vita, a world renowned cartoonist from Pordenone, creator among other things of Tex and various Marvel front covers.

i PAF! via Dante 33 - Pordenone
For more info: www.paff.it www.facebook.com/paffpalazzofumetto



→ How to transform your holiday into happy family time you'll always remember.

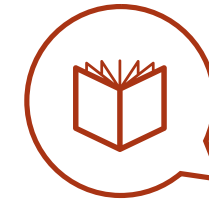
« BIBIONE HAS STOLEN MY HEART! »
TAKE NANNY FRANCESCA'S WORD FOR IT!



B. V.

FRANCESCA has loads of memories like these, from her long-awaited holidays spent in Bibione when she was a child. Keen memories thanks «to the quality of the time spent with my family, to the numerous activities that marked our days in a resort where it was, and still is possible to change rhythm and enjoy a slower pace» These are the

first ingredients Francesca puts on the table for a successful holiday: slow down, free your mind and forget watches and mobile devices. Enjoy a stroll or a bike ride to remember the pleasure of walking along the sea shore or being surrounded by nature, of pushing the pedals and waiting for sunrise or sunset over the lagoon.



We could call them Francesca Valla's "suggestions from the heart" so that the long-awaited holidays are just that for parents and children. She wanted to share her ideas on how to make sure everyone gets a break from everyday life, from frenetic days of constant deadlines and commitments. Tiny rules to transform your holiday into unforgettable memories, into moments of shared joy to hold in your hearts for many years to come.

FRANCESCA VALLA is a primary school teacher, organiser of educational courses for parents, counsellor, educational expert on the media, but first and foremost a mother. She holds individual interviews and parent training courses via workshops and events. On television, she has taken part as the expert in the programmes *S.O.S Tata*, *Mattina in famiglia*, *Verissimo* and *La Prova del Cuoco*. You can find her latest book "Libera i talenti del tuo bambino" [Set free your child's talents] editor Sperling&Kupfer in bookshops.

She runs her own social media pages:
Facebook: @TataFrancescaSosTata
Instagram: @tatafrancescav
Twitter: @TataFrancescaV




«Holidays are a moment to experience the outdoors, especially if you have children. Playing on the beach, arousing their creativity, reading a story all together under the sunshade, taking up a new sport, like surfing or sailing, challenging them to beach volley matches so they can socialise with their peers and make new friends, these are all moments which not only create participation, but also release those emotions that later transform into memories». And that's not all. Francesca also explains how simply doing the shopping together, reading the labels and explaining the symbols, discovering local products with zero footprint, and cooking together with your children, can be a moment to play, but also to learn and get to know a place like Bibione, which is not just a tourist attraction.

«On the contrary, Bibione's hinterland contains a wealth of history and art. Just think of nearby Concordia Sagittaria, an important Roman colony, where a tour of the archeological ruins can bring to life notions studied in the classroom.

It abounds in nature, lagoons, in casoni [Fishermen's huts] which tell the story of the life of the local fishermen, bird watching hides to spot clouds of pink flamingos, waterways, now with stretches of cycle-ways, all evidence of an inescapable past of the Republic of Venice. To feel happy on holiday means leaving behind the frenetic pace of our daily life of a thousand commitments. It means dedicating some constructive time to our children to listen to them, play games or a sport with them or visit new places - Last but not least - it means seizing the opportunities a place can offer and sharing them. You'll be returning home with new baggage, full of emotions to warm your hearts during the long winter days.»

LET OUR GOLD SAND AMAZE YOU

On the beach
where new ideas
meet every
possible whim

 **THE** shore will overwhelm you in every sense. The 8 km-long and over 200 metre-deep beach of very fine, soft sand, swept over mountain rocks by the waters of the River Tagliamento, offers maximum space for all life styles: you can swim in the clear, blue-flag sea or read a good book, stroll along the water's edge or take part in a different sport every day,

watch your children enjoy fun-filled activities with new friends, and take part in Latin ballroom dance or keep-fit sessions. Entertainment on the beach in Bibione is absolutely free of charge. You can tickle your taste buds at one of the many restaurants and bars overlooking the sea where chefs add their fresh, creative touch to local venetian cuisine.

Life

8 km
of fine,
golden sand

4
different types
of beach

6
first aid
stations

29
lifeguard
stations

12
beach facility
stations

3
certifications
for the beach
management
system

Today... I'm going to sunbathe

A BEACH PACKED WITH AVANT-GARDE FACILITIES

• Beach facility stations

12 beach facility stations with disabled access, ticket office, information office, cabins, showers, toilets and first aid stations with Defibrillator Unit and nursing staff for immediate assistance.

• Baby-changing rooms reserved for Mums

There are 12 baby-changing rooms – comfortable spaces equipped with changing tables and hot water – reserved in the beach facility stations in Via Regolo, Piazzale Zenith, Via Taigete, Via Firmamento, Via Leone, Via Ariete, opposite Bibione Thermal Baths, Via delle Colonie c/o Un Posto al sole, Piazzale Adriatico, Bosco Canoro with entrance from Via Mascagni and Bibione Pineda with entrance from Via Passeggiata. They offer a comfortable, practical service, free of charge, where Mums can change and freshen up their tots in peace and quiet.

• A completely safe beach for you to enjoy

You'll find 29 lifeguard stations on the beach with designated lifeguards to assist bathers, all qualified in BLS (Basic Life Support) and BLSD (Basic Life Support Defibrillation). In addition to the six first aid stations, we also have a medical motorbike service to get doctors swiftly in between the sunshades on the beach.

• A Dermatologist on the beach

One afternoon a week in July and August, a professional dermatologist will be available to give tourists free information on sun protection for children and adults and to medicate any sun-rash or sunburn.



• Accessible beaches for the disabled

Bibione beach is definitely all-inclusive. Disabled tourists have easy access to the beach with special ramps or additional walkways, play areas without barriers, dedicated facilities, free reserved parking, and JOB wheelchairs to go in the water. Professional assistance services are also on-site to help you and your family.

• For assistance just send an SMS to Customer Service

We are the first seaside resort to offer a service giving every kind of information and to ask for assistance under your sunshade by simply sending an SMS to the number: + 39 366 9236115. Give the name of the beach sector, the letter of the area and number of your sunshade to request assistance and for one of our Customer Service staff to reach you extremely quickly.

• Permanently connected to the Wireless network

Bibione Spiaggia WiFi is our free wireless network for all our guests. Browsing a few steps from the sea will be a pleasure you'll want to share on all your social media pages.

• Pluto's Beach

Your four-legged friends are our friends too. And to prove it, we have reserved a special beach just for them and for you. Sunshades with dog sunbeds, dog lead stakes, water bowls, special dog showers, agility courses, sand sanitised with vet-approved detergents and a first aid service if your dog is unwell. All your dog needs is to have a lead, be micro-chipped and come with an up-to-date vaccination book. Pluto's beach is at the eastern end of the shore and is accessed from via Procione – Lido dei Pini. For information and reservations, call Franca: + 39 371 3931992.

THE BEACH IS A SMOKE FREE ZONE BECAUSE WE HAVE YOUR HEALTH AT HEART!

"Breathe the Sea" is the initiative banning smoking all along the beach in Bibione in order to protect everyone's health and the environment, by not leaving cigarette stubs on the sand. There are 40 smoking areas available along the shore.



• Sport Village

We focus on sport and those who love sports activities. We have set aside several areas equipped for sports, such as beach tennis/volleyball and soccer, as well as bowls, keep-fit, wellbeing and much more. These areas are completely free of charge for you and your friends to go and play or make new friends.

NO ROOM FOR BORED KIDS!



A series of initiatives for people of all ages take centre stage every day on the beach in Bibione: young and older children and adults can choose between lots of fun-filled activities **free of charge**, run by qualified staff, morning, afternoon and evening. We lay out the red carpet for our young guests at our **mini club** (6/12 years) and **baby club** (3/5 years), with themed days, creative workshops, sports weeks and much more. In the meantime, parents can keep fit by choosing between sports activities, such as Zumba, Pilates, spinning, step and Aqua-gym. For those of you looking for a challenge, there are beach volleyball, beach tennis and five-a-side soccer tournaments inside the Sport Village. Bike rides offer a splendid, unusual opportunity to discover Bibione's natural beauty.

For **detailed information** on the entertainment activities, simply contact the entertainment ticket offices or Info Points on the beach:

Info Point in Via Regolo, sectors Delfino- Regolo – Zenith
Info Point in Viale Della Luna, sectors Maja and Auriga
Info Point in Via Orsa Minore, sectors Firmamento – Maja
Info Point in Via Acquario, sectors Acquario and Sagittario
Info Point in Via Ariete, sectors Terme – Ariete
Info Point in Piazzale Adriatico / Via Vivaldi, sectors Adriatico – Vivaldi
Info Point in Passeggiata a Mare, sector Pineda.
For further information, please visit our website: www.bibionespiaggia.com

Today... I'm going to relax

MAKE WAY FOR WELLBEING FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

WELL... the time has finally come. After sunbathing on the beach, after winning a game of beach volleyball, after your children have enjoyed themselves building sandcastles at the water's edge, every day is the right day to pamper yourself with some wellbeing at the renowned thermal baths in Bibione. An oasis of health where you can not only wipe out stress and tension, but also use the thermal water to feel completely reborn. Helpful staff, top quality services, modern technologies and qualified professionals, all combine to create a programme packed with personalised health therapies and treatments to respond to the needs of those looking to relax. You'll be welcomed in a specialised, expert centre, synonymous with wellness, where you can let yourself be cradled by the waters in the indoor and outdoor pools and cleanse your body in the warm, healthy universe of saunas and Turkish baths; a place to indulge in Spa beauty treatments, massages, suntan and beauty services and Junior Spa specialities. Surrounded by attentive, professional staff, you'll discover new concepts of beauty and aesthetics. All the Specialities on the SPA Menu introduce new, innovative ideas into routine cosmetics, not just for your body, but also for your eyes, hands, feet and head. All this is thanks to the thermal water flowing from the spring in the town's hinterland, which is naturally heated underground up to a temperature of over 50°C, and has therapeutic properties acknowledged by the **Ministry of Health**. **Water to restore a healthy body** and special treatments for **children**, all make the thermal baths of Bibione Thermae

i For further information on times and treatments, please visit the website of the Thermal Bath Centre: www.bibioneterme.it

even more unique. The natural benefits of **balneotherapy**, **mud therapy** and **inhalation treatment**, backed by a **medical diagnosis** service, together with **physiotherapy** and **rehabilitation**, **Turkish baths**, **herbal** and **salt baths**, **emotional showers**, the **polarium**, **saunas**, **hydromassage** and **salt room**: all the possible treatments offered by this essential element to cleanse toxins, invigorate your body and relax your mind. Bibione Thermae offers you wellbeing to experience **all year round**. Treatments at Bibione Thermae are subsidised by the **National Health Service**, and **EU citizens** also have the opportunity for **medical expenses to be reimbursed** according to the European Directive 24/2011.





At the Baths with your children

You don't need to give up the idea of relaxing and enjoying yourselves. The Baths also care for children suffering from respiratory diseases and allergies. The **paediatric department** has areas designed and furnished specially for the centre's young guests. It uses modern, sophisticated technologies and nose and throat and pneumology specialists who, after an initial appointment, will prescribe the most suitable therapy for your child. The treatments are customised: in addition to aerosols and inhalations, there are also nebulisations, which are particularly suitable for younger children, as they don't have to stay still and sit in front of an inhalator and tolerate them better. Children over the age of three can also receive

treatment: the young patients are monitored at the start and end of the therapy using eardrum techniques to check the effectiveness of the treatment. The department and medical staff are available morning and afternoon to allow families to organise their day between the beach, entertainment and relaxation without having to stick to a strict timetable.



SKIN DEEP: BEAUTY THAT COMES FROM WATER.

The range of **Bibione Thermae thermal cosmetics** gives you the opportunity to take a piece of this invigorating oasis away with you. A precious, authentic range of cosmetics:

Acqua (Water) Line. A line of intensive, moisturising, remineralising and oxygenating products and treatments. Formulas using thermal and marine-based active ingredients. Exclusive fragrance with fresh sea notes and a hint of salt.

Natura (Nature) Line. A line of intensive products and treatments to nourish, restore, soothe and rebalance.

Formulas packed with phyto-extracts and functional active ingredients of plant origin. Exclusive fragrance with green notes giving a breath of the Mediterranean. **Tecnic**

Tecnica (Technical) Line. A line of intensive products and treatments to regenerate, revitalise and tone. Formulas using the latest generation of bio-technological active ingredients. Exclusive fragrance with a hint of "metallic" notes.

Sole (Sun) Line. A line of products to guarantee a healthy skin under the sun: to protect, tan and restore. Ideal formulas for different protection levels. Exclusive fragrance with a hint of water and citrus notes.

Man Line. A special product line devoted to men's skin. Highly concentrated, advanced, effective, practical and functional formulas. Exclusive fragrance with notes of oak moss and a hint of guaiac wood.

Junior Line. A special product line devoted to young and older children's demanding skin. Safe formulas to ensure delicate, sensitive, natural balance of their skin. Exclusive fragrance with notes of Madagascar vanilla and a hint of talcum powder



Today... I'm training in the open air

BEACH, SEA, NATURE AND SPORT SAYS IT ALL!

«**THIS YEAR** I want an active holiday» Today's ever-increasing trend appears to be spending time dedicated to our favourite sport or discovering new sports during the holidays. Slow down, forget your mobile phone and tablet, live outdoors and rediscover the joy of training far from city smog. These are all the ingredients you need to transform your holiday into an ideal moment to regain energy. In Bibione you're spoilt for choice: swimming, kayak excursions on the lagoon, beach or clay surface tennis, sailing, Nordic walking, horse rides, golf, water-skiing, diving, SUP, sport fishing and much more. So you have loads of opportunities to play your sport in contact with nature, immersed in unique scenery and landscapes or in qualified, well-equipped structures to fulfil your every need. Whether you stroll along the beach, sail over the waves of the sea, pedal along the cycleways or train in the hotel fitness gym, the important thing is to get moving.

IN A PLACE IDEAL FOR EVERY TYPE OF SPORT

VITALITY FOR EVERYONE

Beach volley, **beach tennis** and **beach soccer** lovers do not need to worry about finding free courts. Nets and posts for a game are set up and available for free at numerous points along the beach. A 6-lane **bowls** centre is set up in the stretch of beach in front of Via Regolo, in the Lido dei Pini area. **Surf-casting** is dedicated to lovers of shore angling.



NATURAL ENERGY

If however you want to stay with your feet on the ground, nothing better than **jogging**, **Nordic walking** and **barefooting** on the beach of Bibione that, with its 8 km, can also satisfy lovers of long distances. At least once, it would be worth to try the fascinating **horseback riding** tours along the bend of the Tagliamento river, in the naturalistic area of Faro

MAMMAFIT TO REGAIN YOUR FITNESS

It is a training dedicated to new mothers who can carry out physical activities with their children. Toning exercises, muscle lengthening and abdominal recovery: all to be carried out with the help of prams and baby carriers.

FITNESS GYMS OVERLOOKING THE SEA

There are many hotels in Bibione that offer gyms and equipped spaces, both indoor and outdoor, to keep in shape.

CYCLE ROUTES FOR FAMILIES AND SPORT ENTHUSIASTS

Bibione's cycle paths are all up to date and safe, because:

- > They are separated from motor traffic
- > They allow transit with a trailer cart (children 0-4 years)
- > They are equipped with regulated road crossings

Thanks to the Bibione **bike touring guides** and **maps with bike paths**, you can choose to ride with family or friends for a more or less intensive workout. Ask for information at your hotel reception desk.



A DIP IN THE BLUE

Marking the border with the sea, the shore is a natural stage where the passions for the waves, the wind and the seabed come into play. From **surf** to **sailing**, from **kayaking** to **canoeing** and the **sup**, from **kitesurfing** to **water skiing** and the **parafly**, without forgetting **scuba diving**, around the rocky agglomerations called "tégnae".



TENNIS: FROM GOLDEN SAND TO RED CLAY

There are many tennis courts where to play a simple game or take basic or advanced lessons. In addition to the Municipal Tennis Centre, open from May to September, there are several facilities where you can enrol in basic or advanced courses with instructors from the Italian Tennis Federation (FIT).

WATER SPORTS

CANOEING: the Tornado Surf Center offers courses and trips organised on weekdays. Stretch of shore opposite Piazzale Zenith and Piazza Fontana.
Info: Carlo + 39 328 4321284

DIVING: the Sports Association SFERASUB offers not only beginners and diver training courses, but also guided excursions to discover the marine environment off the coast of Bibione, where you'll be taught to respect and safeguard our sea.
Info: Mr Elios + 39 338 3587269

KAYAKING: whether you want to take your first steps in this sport or improve your technique, the specialised centre "Bibione Kayak" organises courses, exciting excursions and guided tours to discover the natural beauty of the area. It also offers the chance to hire single or double kayaks. The centre is in Porto Baseleghe, via della Laguna, No. 12 at Bibione Pineda.
Info: www.vivibione.com

SWIMMING: the swimming school "Centro Nuoto Europa" has been organising swimming courses in the sea and, upon request, in the pool from June to September since 1995. It offers courses for very young and older children and adults. Instructors from the Italian Swimming Federation and

experienced, qualified lifeguards run group and individual lessons for all levels (starters, beginners, intermediate, and advanced). Lessons are held directly on the beach at Terme 1 in via Ariete (Thermal baths area), by appointment at Corso del Sole (Area of Piazzale Zenith) and at Pineda B in via Passeggiata al Mare, in Bibione Pineda – from 5.00 to 7.00 p.m.
Fior info: Veronica + 39 339 3723236 veronicabascella@yahoo.it

SPORT FISHING: the Sea Sporting Fishing Association in Porto Baseleghe organises sport fishing courses and competitions.
For info: www.vivibione.com Tel. +39 0431 43686

PARASAILING/INFLATABLE TRAILING/WATERSKIING/ TAXI SERVICE: you can book a basic or advanced course at the Water Sports Center, directly on the stretch of shore opposite via Sagittario between sectors 22 and 23.
Info: Renato Blasigh + 39 335 5459897

SURF CASTING: this is a type of beach fishing, where you use your rod to cast your bait and lead a considerable distance from the water's edge. It takes place mainly in the area of Pasotto di Lido dei Pini. The Martin Pescatore Association organises not only competitions and courses, even for beginners, but also fishing in the waters of the interior.
Info: Vinicio Ormenese + 39 346 2718030

SAILING: the Bibione sailing club (Circolo velico) is located at the moorings in Porto Baseleghe. Recognised by the Italian Sailing Federation, it not only organises courses for young would-be sailors and adults,

but also holds regattas throughout the season.

Info: Orvieto + 39 340 5510815 Marina + 39 348 4118490 circolovelicobibione@gmail.com

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Lido dei Pini: open to all, beginners and experts of all ages, the Windsurf School also gives you the opportunity just to hire the equipment in addition to SUP courses.
Info: Carlo + 39 328 4321284

Bibione Pineda: on the stretch of beach opposite the Capalonga Campsite, the Wind Water World school offers tourists windsurfing boards, kayaks and SUP boards.
Info: Alberto + 39 338 4451036

Bibione Piazzale Zenith and stretch of beach opposite via Pegaso: Windsurfschool Tornado organises windsurf courses, SUP board and canoe hire. It organises pre-booked tours with canoes and SUPs.
Info: Carlo + 39 328 4321284 www.windsurfschooltornado.it



AND MUCH MORE...

CROSSFIT

the Laguna Crossfit is the first official box on the shores of Veneto 100 metres from the beach. You'll find it in viale della Laguna 14.

For more info:
www.lagunacrossfit.it
Guido + 39 349 1682170

HORSE RIDING

There are two riding schools: on the outskirts of the town, the Centro Ippico Valgrande offers lessons for children and adults.

For info:
Tel. + 39 0431 43500

FITNESS

Fitness Bibione Capalonga (viale della Laguna 14) is a gym open to the public; in addition to the weight-lifting room, you can also take part in numerous activities: spinning, tai box, macumba, body line, Pilates, aerobics. Hotel customers are entitled to discounts. Calling all fitness fans. Don't miss your date with Bibione Beach Fitness, from 18 to 20 September 2020.

For info:
Guido + 39 349 1682170
www.fitnessbibione.com

GOLF

the Lignano Golf Club is considered one of the top-rated courses on the Italian golfing scene for its natural beauty and technical challenges.

This 18-hole (par 72) green, surrounded by parkland, stretches over 7,000 metres and has a large practice facility with nine covered bays.

Once you have finished your round of golf, the Club House offers a restaurant, bar, reading room and a panoramic terrace.

The Golf Club lies a short drive away from Bibione, in Via della Bonifica, No. 3 in Lignano Riviera.

For info:
Tel. + 39 0431 428025

JOGGING

you can jog anywhere along the seashore or the splendid promenade running alongside Bibione beach, with asphalted stretches alternating with paths winding through the dunes and pine forest.

WALKING

two circular walks are the 9-kilometre Bosco Canoro trail and the 18-kilometre Lighthouse route, both of which start and end at the Silvia bar in via Maja 72, This year's 43rd edition of the traditional footrace event, "A piedi per Bibione" [On foot around Bibione], organised by the local group of track walkers, will be held in the resort centre the first weekend in May. To download the various permanent trails, go to.

For info:
www.apiediperbibione.it

NORDIC WALKING

this sport is suitable for all ages and allows you to move up to 90% of your muscles with the help of poles. You can keep fit with Nordic walking along the promenade from Piazzale Zenith towards the lighthouse or towards

Bibione Pineda and along the trail created within the wood, Bosco della Lecceta.

For info on excursions:
Margherita Del Piero:
+ 39 328 6981349
www.margheritadlp.it

TENNIS

the amateur Bibione Sports Association Tennis Club organises courses and individual or group lessons with PTR qualified instructors from May to September. Address: via Capricorno, 2, Bibione.

For info and to enrol:
Juri Basilone +39 334 9317773

Tennis courts, individual courses, lessons for adults and children also at:

- Beverly Hill Sporting Center via Capricorno est 2 - Lido dei Pini Tel. + 39 348.0319904
- Holidays Tennis Club via Vivaldi 8 - Lido del Sole Tel. Antonello + 39 347 2402024
- Kokeshy via Passeggiata dei Pini 22 Bibione Pineda Tel. Antonello + 39 344 2830784
- Seven via della Laguna - Bibione Pineda Tel. + 39 347 8876850



ALLA SCOPERTA DELLA GRANDE VOCAZIONE CICLOTURISTICA DI BIBIONE



A biker's passion for cycling never takes a break.
In fact, a holiday is just what's needed to pursue it. 3, 2, 1... we're off. Whether your bike is a traditional or a racing bike, an e-bike or a mountain bike.
Just pedal. We've taken care of everything else.

THE idea of "slow" travel to drink in and appreciate long distances and the slow passage of time has encouraged more and more tourists to jump on a bike. The pleasure of observing the landscape without any hurry, of stopping on the seashore to admire the sunset over the calm waters of the lagoon, of riding along Litoranea Veneta waterway, that wonderful stretch of water that continues to link Venice and Trieste. It keeps you fit, raises your spirits and helps the environment. Bibione not only offers you different itineraries to discover

the area, it is also linked via 29 cycleways winding along about 400 km as far as Cavallino-Treporti, passing Caorle, Jesolo and Portogruaro on the way. This is why Bibione is fast becoming the ideal destination for all cycling aficionados, where you'll thoroughly enjoy pedalling through the countryside towards towns of artistic interest and ancient villages. When you come to the end of your ride and need to recharge your batteries, there's nothing better than enjoying the many biker-friendly hotels belonging to the **Club Bibione**

Bike Hotels, where tailor-made hospitality is guaranteed: hearty breakfasts and sports menus, special facilities for your bikes, with tools and instruments for small repairs, themed guidebooks giving cycleways and routes through the towns and the hinterland. If you haven't got a bike, don't worry: just ask at your hotel reception to use the bicycles they have available for their customers. Or hire one at the numerous shops throughout Bibione.



GUIDES AND SUPPORTS REGARDING ROUTES AND TRACKS

1. Guida Cicloturistica V.O.D.C.E.

– Venezia e lagune Bike – to discover the 29 cycle tracks which connect the lighthouse in Bibione with the one in Cavallino-Treporti, with routes of various levels of difficulty and length. Available free of charge at reception in your hotel, or online from www.veneziaelagunebike.it

2. Bibione Guida Cicloturistica:

published by Consorzio Live Bibione; it includes a detailed description of all cycle tracks – ideal for families, cycling enthusiasts, amateurs or professionals

– with maps, times and levels of difficulty. Available free of charge at reception in your hotel.

3. Venezia Orientale in bicicletta:

published by Ediciclo Editore srl; it is a very detailed guide showing all cycle tracks between Bibione and Caorle. On sale in bookshops and from the *Associazione Albergatori di Bibione*. Also available in German.

4. www.altoadriatico.is: it is a portal where you can find information – always up to date – on cycle tracks and routes from Bibione to the Po delta area.

6 ITINERARIES TO DISCOVER THE 5 “AQUAE” OF BIBIONE

CYCLING TOURS FOR ALL TASTES

1

PASSEGGIATA ADRIATICO [ADRIATIC WALK]

Whether you prefer to walk, run or cycle along the sea front and on the beach, breathing in sea air mixed with the scent of Mediterranean flora, then the “Passeggiata Adriatico” will suit you best. This cycle and pedestrian route runs along the beach from Piazzale Zenith, and now reaches as far as Bibione Pineda thanks to the addition of a further two kilometres on the route where the beach alternates with the lush Mediterranean greenery. Open all year and suitable for all ages, the gentle ups and downs of the “Passeggiata Adriatico” provide excitement and fun. With easy access to the beach, it is the simplest way to enjoy the wonderful sight of the sea at dawn or sunset. With no cars in this area, it is truly child friendly; just be careful about the pedestrians crossing to the beach

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Length: 7 + 7 Km
Duration: approximately 1 hour
Difficulty: very easy, suitable for any type of bike

2

THE LIGHTHOUSE AND THE MOUTH OF THE TAGLIAMENTO RIVER

A circular ride in the pine forest east of Bibione unveils a natural green oasis; especially suitable for experienced cyclists with mountain bikes. The route runs through the fossil dunes, next to the sea and near the river banks, covered with natural vegetation and winds through the thick pine forest, where



spring sees the flowers burst into colour between March and May. You may catch a glimpse of some of the local wildlife, such as birds, lizards and rare tortoises. The Lighthouse area is accessible either via an easy, shaded bike trail that crosses a rural area, or via a trail that stretches between the beach and the pine forest on the dune included in the Consorzio; starting from via Procione, you can cycle as far as the lighthouse, admiring the sea and the distant horizon up to the eastern tip of the beach in Bibione closed in by the mouth of Tagliamento.

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Length: 12 Km
Duration: approximately 1 hour, according to pace
Difficulty: suitable for mountain bikes on sandy and dirt tracks

3

GIRA TAGLIAMENTO [AROUND THE TAGLIAMENTO]

“Gira Tagliamento” is the cycle route from the Lighthouse of Bibione to San Michele al Tagliamento and on as far as the village of Alvisopoli. Here you are immersed in pure nature, amidst green fields and dirt tracks rising up to the banks of the Tagliamento river. The vegetation is a blend of the continental and the Mediterranean climate, with alders, ferns, and white willows. Amidst the river duckweed and reeds, you can watch different types of birds, such as the moorhen and the mallard. This path is suitable for experienced cyclists on mountain bikes. In summer, however, you should avoid the central hours of the day. It is open all year and is an excellent opportunity to discover the countryside surrounding Bibione.

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Length: 36 Km
Duration: approximately 4 hours
Difficulty: average – suitable for mountain bikes

4

LITORANEA VENETA [VENETO COASTLINE] AND THE “CASONI” OF PRATI NOVI

Facing west from the Bibione bridge, a cycle route runs along the waterway of the Litoranea Veneta and the lagoon habitat of Valgrande and Vallesina on one side; on the other side are the plantations and the rice fields of Terzo Bacino, with its long history of rural culture. The route goes through open countryside, sprinkled with farmhouses, where visitors can enjoy absolute peace throughout the year. It is suitable for either non-professional riders or expert cyclists with mountain bikes. Be sure to avoid the central hours of the day in summer. Towards Prati Novi, follow the dirt track to visit the typical “Casoni” - fishermen's huts - and you will reach the embankment that divides the mainland from the lagoon.

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Length: 23 Km
Duration: 3 hours according to pace
Difficulty: low



5

BRUSSA AND VALLEVECCHIA

In the locality of Prati Nuovi, along the Taglio canal that marks the boundary between Bibione and Caorle, a cycle bridge has been created that connects the lagoon of Bibione with the Brussa and the ValleVecchia. It is a real immersion in the peace of the countryside and in the wonders of nature. ValleVecchia, also described by the American writer Ernest Hemingway in the book “Across the river and into the trees”, is **an island**, whose sandy coastline still retains most of its natural integrity, thanks to the presence of one of the largest **coastal dune systems**. The naturalistic importance of ValleVecchia consists in the fact that it features the widest stretch of **non-urbanised beach of the Northern Adriatic**; therefore it is one of the few places where it is still possible to observe the typical fauna of sandy coastal areas, in addition to many endemisms due to the particular geographical position, which makes it a kind of “Middle Earth” between east and west. Suffice it to say that ornithologists have counted over **150 species of birds**: a sort of open air bird and botanical sanctuary, where it is easy to identify swans, herons and hawks, knights of





Italy and several species of ducks. Along the route it is possible to taste local food and wine specialties in the pleasant inns, taverns and trattorias between the Brussa and ValleVecchia.



Length: round trip about 50 Km
Difficulty: mountain bikes and some training are recommended
Duration: about one day

6

VALGRANDE

An unforgettable journey for discovering the lagoon of Bibione, in a natural environment, far from mass tourism. As its name implies, it is a large



fishing valley, with forests of black pines and holm oaks, beautiful flowers such as the bird's-eye primrose and marsh gentians, and rare animal species such as the Hermann tortoise. Within the valley are the remains of an ancient Roman house, with fragments of mosaic floor. The route, on dirt and sandy tracks, is suitable for experienced cyclists on mountain bikes or trekking bikes. Valgrande is private property and visitors must enrol with a guided tour. For information contact: ABA Travel - + 39 0431 430101



Length: 18 Km
Duration: approximately 4 hours
Difficulty: medium due to the dirt and sandy tracks, suitable for mountain bikes or trekking bikes



3 CITY ROUTES

1. A town or inland

Cycle route: it runs along a town cycle lane, in a ring from east to west, covering the whole town.

Length: 13 Km
Difficulty: easy, suitable for any bike

2. Discovering a wood in the heart of Bibione. The Bosco della Lecceta offers

A fascinating route across an uncontaminated forest you can enjoy both on foot or by bicycle. The **dirt tracks** are very easy, suitable for any bike, for experienced cyclists and for families. It covers a surprising, natural corner on the Venetian coast. You

can start from **Via Brenta** and follow two different routes to reach **Via delle Nazioni**. You will cross wooden bridges and admire maritime pines, oaks, holm oaks, primroses, wild asparagus, heather and a typical pond. There are numerous species of orchids, such as the green-winged orchid, the three-toothed orchid and the common Twayblade. This area is also important for the presence of a unique plant, the Fairy Flax, with its feathery, silver-coloured stem, found only on sandy soils.

3. A trail for uncovering the fertile countryside of Bibione

Almost ten farms are in this area, known as the "area of the Istrian people". You can find greenhouses, and fields of fruit and vegetables, which are also on sale at the "Cooperativa Agricola di Bibione", just outside the town.

Length: 7 km
Duration: approximately 1 h
Difficulty: low, dirt and paved roads



Follow your guide to discover Bibione's natural beauty

PEDAL your way into the extraordinary oasis of Valgrande, ride along the Veneto seashore to discover the casoni (fishermen's huts) and the world of the lagoon, and cycle as far as the River Tagliamento estuary. Expert guides with a wealth of knowledge will accompany you and tell you all about the extraordinary territory, featuring sites of community importance and special protected areas for bird watching. All interspersed with pit stops to



For information on routes, opening hours and reservations:
www.bikeezy.com

discover local products to tease your taste buds. Tourists staying at one of the Bike Product Club hotels will be given a special discount. The initiative is sponsored by the Bibione Hotelier Association in collaboration with Associazione Bizeeky in Bibione.

FROM ONE RIVERBANK TO ANOTHER. FROM BIBIONE TO LIGNANO SABBIAADORO AND FROM BIBIONE TO VALLEVECCHIA

and it takes about ten minutes to cross over to the Darsena Marina Uno jetty in Lignano Sabbiadoro. You can also take the boat to **Brussa**, the ideal starting point for a tour of **Vallevecchia** by bike: board from the pier at the PortoBaseleghe jetty in Bibione Pineda and disembark at the new pier near the Environmental Museum, from where the different

cycleways radiate out to explore an unpolluted lagoon environment. These facilities make Bibione the ideal place to begin your bike ride along the **network of cycleways and paths**, which enable you to reach Venice, on the one hand, and the Alpe Adria cycleway on the other, which connects Grado to Salzburg in Austria.

THE V.O.D.C.E. - VENEZIA ORIENTALE DESTINAZIONE CICLOTURISTICA D'ECCELLENZA [EASTERN VENICE CYCLE-TOURISM DESTINATION PAR EXCELLENCE] PRODUCT CLUB

29 routes, 400 km of cycleways to reveal genuine panoramas and scenery. Let's start from Bibione lighthouse and go as far as the Cavallino-Treporti lighthouse.

Imagine the silence and lush vegetation of the vineyards, the fragrance of the vegetable gardens in a countryside embroidered with orchards,

the scent of the sea breeze, a sunset tingeing the lagoon waters, the old bread road where thousand-year-old mills testify to ancient traditions, historic-artistic remains document the splendour of the Serenissima Republic of Venice, to help you forget stress and discover a genuine contact with nature. All this astride your bike to choose the routes that will reveal the coast or the hinterland with over **400 km of cycleways** connecting the Bibione lighthouse with the lighthouse in Cavallino-Treporti and passing Caorle, Jesolo and Portogruaro on the way. **29 new cycleways** for you to discover with the help of maps collected in a guidebook, also published in English and German, which you can find at reception in the hotels belonging to the V.O.D.C.E. Product Club.

Today... I pedal

ON YOUR BIKE TO DISCOVER NEW STORIES

From Bibione to Portogruaro, cycling along the ancient bread route, with ancient mills steeped in the countryside quiet which inspired poets and writers.

YOU leave Bibione and cycle along the banks of the river Tagliamento to the hamlet of San Filippo. From there, on a provincial road, you reach the village of **Lugugnana**. At the roundabout, follow directions to Portogruaro on a secondary road which, after approximately 10 km of countryside, will lead you to Portogruaro. It is exactly from its old town that the fascinating route, also known as *"La via del pane"* ["The Bread Route"] begins, leading to the discovery of ancient mills, revealing the close connection between the area around Portogruaro and the water streams there. This union with water is due to the river Lemene and its tributaries, called Reghena and Loncon. Almost totally fed by resurgent waters, the river Lemene originates in

the western plains of Friuli, and - after flowing through several towns including Gruaro, Portovecchio, Portogruaro, Concordia Sagittaria and the Caorle lagoon, flows into in the Adriatic Sea. A slow flowing of vital waters, with real mills, associated with ancient traditions related to a farming activity which has characterised this part of the region for centuries. The **Mulini di Sant'Andrea (Sant'Andrea Mills)**, dating to the 12th century and currently hosting the Galleria Comunale d'Arte Contemporanea, are probably the most charming part of the town; following the village cycle track through the borough of San Nicolò and continuing towards Portovecchio, you reach the small village which includes **Villa Bombarda**.

Built in 1661, it is a typical villa of the Veneto region, surrounded by an 11-hectare park and crossed by the river Lemene which, in the past, powered an **ancient milling complex**. The park can be visited on foot, every day - except Sundays - from 10 am to 12 pm and from 2 pm to 6 pm. On your bicycle again, follow the directions of the **Gira Lemene cycle route**, with fields of corn along secondary roads leading to the **Parco di Boldara**: this area is a natural reserve characterised by a maze of footpaths, woods, small lakes and meadows. Its 140 hectares of greenery include **Boldara mill**, dating to the early twentieth century, where grains were milled, fabrics hammered, and there was also a sawmill. It remained in operation until the 1970s, cannot be visited, but if you

stop there you can still hear the small waterfall which powered its blades and look at the swans who swim, unperturbed, across this small corner of paradise. After having rested in the shady park of Boldara, you start again towards the **Mulini di Stalis (Stalis Mills)**, which were used for centuries by monks in the nearby abbey of Sesto to process grains and hammer linen fibres. Already mentioned in several documents dating to the fifteenth century, these mills were renovated in

the year 2000 and, thanks to the construction of a wooden walkway over the river, you can once again see the blades and the old gears, as well as visit them inside - only during the summer - where there is machinery dating to the 1920s. Finally, you take the cycle path along the dirt road towards Cordovado, where you can visit the literary park of the **Venchiaredo fountain**, a site celebrated by Ippolito Nievo in his novel *"Confessions of an Italian"*.



For more information
www.venezialagunebike.it

EXPLORE THE LITORANEA VENETA WATERWAY. A RIDE FOR EVERYONE.

The Litoranea Veneta waterway is a 150 km network of waterways linking Venice and Trieste. A long route that winds its way between canals, rivers and lagoons, along the coastline of the upper Adriatic where, in ancient times, goods travelled by boat to ports in the nearby towns of Caorle, Portogruaro, Marano, as far as Trieste under the Hapsburg Monarchy. The lagoon always stands out as the setting for the Grand Ladies of the lagoon, such as Murano, Burano, Torcello, Sant'Erasmo, Sant'Elena, Lido di Venezia, Grado and many other islands. The cycleways will lead you to

discover mutually beneficial landscapes, brightly coloured sheets of water, stories and traditions, such as the paddy fields where they continue to cultivate Carnaroli rice, that precious white grain used to create delicious fish risotto, or the casoni fishermen's huts, the only sign of human presence on the lagoon. We recommend you follow the cycleways to discover a route where each place reveals a different chapter in a multifaceted story. A marvellous story of rivers and lagoons, of nature and tiny fishing villages to explore on your bike. Exhilarating, unique experiences that will change your mood. The V.O.D.C.E. Product Club guidebook is there to help you create your own personal ride.

Today... I discover nature

IT'S EASY TO CALL IT NATURE...

Surrounded by 5 waters, Bibione is a real "treasure island" from the naturalistic point of view, to be explored with slow and environmentally friendly means of transport: on foot, by bike, on horseback, by canoe or by boat, in harmony with the modern philosophy of a slow, intelligent and eco-sustainable tourism.

BIBIONE is synonymous with wonderful natural heritage, to be experienced through the **numerous cycling and walking paths** which take visitors on a voyage to discover breath-taking Mediterranean vegetation, characteristic Alpine flora, and the fauna typical of a lagoon and river mouth. The different habitats enclosed in this extraordinary patch of land are places which attract a variety of animal species. Pine forests, river waters, countryside, marshes, sea ponds and sand dunes are home to amphibians, reptiles, mammals and **birds of many different kinds** which come here to nest, making it a true paradise for **birdwatching** enthusiasts. Bibione is also a great open-air greenhouse, where visitors

can admire rare species of orchids which grow wild in the **Tagliamento River Natural Park** (an EU site of interest) which is also home to the **Bibione Lighthouse**, an ancient guardian of the sea which never ceases to amaze thanks to its recent restoration. In addition, Bibione is also synonymous with two distinct lagoon environments which create an entirely natural setting. The **ValGrande** and the **Vallesina** lagoons together cover 475 hectares, 320 of which are water. The Valgrande wetland is the bigger of the two: nearly 360 hectares of pure splendour and awe for the eyes. Protected by a large fossil dune created by the wind and sea, characterised by a maze of canals and rushes, it includes a forest of

ancient holm oaks and the ruins of a **Roman patrician villa** where you can still see fragments of the mosaic floor. An incredible oasis, where you can admire flocks of pink flamingos during migration periods. This world unto itself is also used for organic **fish farming**, thereby protecting the **natural habitat** and following the natural rhythm of the seasons, leaving the fish to feed only on what is in the canals. Pristine nature stands alongside green parks, footpaths in the centre and gardens tended according to organic cultivation methods. Holidays in Bibione are also synonymous with the **Venetian Lagoon**, including its islands of unrivalled beauty, captivating landscapes and thrilling scenes just one hour away by car or train.

Don't leave Bibione without seeing Valgrande, which can be visited only by booking a guided tour.

For more information on guided excursions:

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TO LEARN MORE
STORIES OF AN
ENVIRONMENT THAT
HAS ALWAYS BEEN
LOVED AND PROTECTED.

**BIBIONE IS WORKING ON THE
FRONT LINE TO PROTECT THE
ENVIRONMENT.**

And it has been doing so for over 18 years with territorial policies to protect its extraordinary natural heritage. In 2002, everyone in Bibione became responsible for helping the town to be the first tourist resort in Europe to achieve the **EMAS Environmental Certification**. **What does it mean to spend your holiday in a certified seaside resort from an environmental viewpoint?** It means better seawater quality thanks to careful management of the water purification plant, special care for guests' health, a smoke-free beach without cigarette stubs left on the soft sand, better beach facilities, efficient, waste collection and recycling, even on the seashore, and the construction of new safe cycleways to enable you to discover the natural beauty of the town and its hinterland. Above all, it means we can guarantee a high quality standard of life not only for those of you who choose Bibione for your holidays, but also for those who live here all year round.

**BIBIONE OFFERS SITES OF
COMMUNITY INTEREST AND
SPECIAL PROTECTION AREAS**

Bibione also includes a place that is really out of the ordinary, where sea, river, forest, dunes, beach and sky form a harmonious, unpredictable and unexpected whole. It is the **green area** that **surrounds the Lighthouse**, the eastern edge of the beach bordering the **mouth of the Tagliamento River**. An area that for the importance of its environmental features is protected as a site of community interest and SPA, special protection area as well as a river mouth area. It can be discovered on foot or by bicycle through paths that wind up to the border with the beach or inside shady woods. With a little attention, it is easy to see flocks of birds and rare tortoises.

**BIBIONE HAS ITS OWN
MEDITERRANEAN GARDEN**

Along the beach of Bibione, where the water of the Adriatic Sea blends with that of the Canal of the Lavi and the lagoons, towards Porto Baseleghe, you can immerse yourself into an unspoiled

habitat while remaining on the mainland: the **Mediterranean Garden**. It is an oasis of colours and scents on the seaside, where you can admire **coloured flowerbeds, orchids and gentians** sprouting between holm oaks, black pines and a thick undergrowth. Lovers of **birdwatching** can meet and photograph turtledoves, blackcaps, nightingales and, already from September, flocks of **migratory birds** traveling South. A treasure that you can comfortably discover on your own, helped by boards along the way, brochures and digital publications.

IN BIBIONE THE SAND IS DOC

The sand of Bibione is at **100% local** and **natural**, because it is still produced by the river Tagliamento and therefore completely in harmony with the environment and its biodiversity. Being devoid of artificial additions from other areas, it is defined a **"DOC Sand"** and as such, to be protected and respected like water, air and other precious vital elements that make up the ecosystem of the resort. A soft sand that creates a wide, almost infinite beach, to be experienced in well-equipped beach stations - with state-of-the-art amenities also for our four-legged friends - as well as in the free zones, where a wilder nature allows you to create a corner of peace and tranquillity for yourself between the dunes and green bushes typical of the Mediterranean scrubland.



NATURE'S
MAGIC
TOUCH WITH
MAN'S HELP

**VALGRANDE:
A WORLD
APART**

Valgrande is scientifically described as a fish farming area: it is actually a world apart, inhabited by **thousands of bird species, hundred-year old, autochthonous holm oaks and Austrian pines**, where you can admire the remains of a **Roman villa**. You have to take a guided tour, but once through the gate, you'll find yourself in an extraordinary world: the view opens up before you and the space widens out to reveal the lagoon in all its majestic beauty.

The Lagoon: that natural space lying between land, water and the sky. That space you can already glimpse to your right as it gradually appears in all its glory from behind dense shrubs on the way in to Bibione.

Valgrande stretches over **360 hectares** and has been private property for centuries. It is also home to flora of important botanical interest, such as the **Primula Farinosa** (Bird's eye primrose) and the **Marsh Gentian**, as well as rare species of

**A BIRD-
WATCHER'S
PARADISE**

fauna, such as the **Hermann tortoise**. It is also an area where numerous species of **migratory birds** rest and breed - twelfth in the list of Italian wetlands for the number of aquatic birds recorded in winter - which is why it is considered essential for our **national ecosystem**.

**THE "CASONI"
(FISHERMEN'S
HUTS),
ROMANTIC
GETAWAYS**

A visit to the fish farming areas will enable you to admire the **casoni**, old huts used by the fishermen when their work took them away from home for days on end. The construction techniques remained the same over the centuries. They were built with a rectangular floor plan, a pyramid-shaped roof and central fireplace, using **wooden piles, reeds, straw and wicker**. The casoni continue to dot the tiny islands in the lagoon. Camouflaged between the reed beds, they appear to be almost silent guardians of an impressive, unique environment.

**For information
on guided tours, please contact:
Aba Viaggi - Corso del Sole, 2
Tel. 0431 430101**



Today... I throw myself into shopping



WHY YOU CAN JUDGE A GOOD HOLIDAY BY THE FOOD.

If you're a foodie, you'll find a wide range of local food in Bibione, which also makes it the ideal place for gourmets. Bibione's cuisine is always able to count on fresh, top quality, natural products, thanks to its favourable geographical position and mild climate, and it is surprisingly innovative in adapting traditional recipes from the Veneto region. Book a table at any of the **sophisticated restaurants** or numerous **family-run trattorias** and **pizzerias**,

all well-stocked with local products and well-known labels of regional and national wines, and enjoy a warm welcome from your hosts.

You'll be really surprised at how well you can eat at a reasonable price along the beach in Veneto. Lastly, if you're looking for **breakfast**, a **quick snack**, an **aperitif** with live music in the background, a little after-dinner and... even a late-night something, you'll never be at a loss to find everything you need for a date in Bibione, whether it's a bar, a night club or a disco.

BREAKFAST, FOOD & DRINK

AFTER a day on the beach, an invigorating massage at the thermal baths or a game of tennis, you're ready to take a stroll through the traffic-free town centre. Bibione's shops will be there to welcome you and turn your evening stroll into an exciting experience! The offer is enormous: jewellers where you can find renowned brands,

shops selling glasses, shoes, toys and articles for your hobbies. The bookshops and newsagents all stock the latest book or something about Bibione to help you get to know the place better. Clothes shops are a big attraction: find that perfect look for any time of day or night. Whether it's a perfume, an after-sun cream or the handbag of the moment in one

of the many perfumeries, or a glass decoration to take home for your bookshelf or lounge coffee table, you'll be spoilt for choice. We won't list them all - just take a look around while you sip your aperitif or eat an ice-cream.

A DATE
IN TOWN
FOR AN
APERITIF AND
A SHOPPING
SPREE

Today... I'm going to see



Itineraries in search
of places to absorb
the history,
art, traditions
and excellent wines.

10 PLACES TO SEE IN A DAY

1. Concordia Sagittaria. Two steps into antiquity.

Only 2 km from Portogruaro lies Concordia Sagittaria, the ancient Roman colony of *Iulia Concordia Sagittaria*, dating back to the 1st century BC. The excavations dug in the second half of the nineteenth century revealed the essential lines of the layout of the ancient city to show the location of the Forum, theatre, stretches of the town walls and a few parts of the arms factory. In 1873, the necropolis for the troops stationed in Concordia towards the end of the Empire also came to light to the left of the River Lemene. The most important relics are held in the museum in Portogruaro. Not to be missed: the 10th century Romanesque Cathedral, which rises in the town centre, the late 11th century, Byzantine style Baptistry with a ground plan in the form of a Greek cross, the Renaissance style Town Hall dating back to 1523 on the banks of the River Lemene and the Venetian style Palazzo Vescovile, now used as a vicarage, next to which stands a small building with ancient archeological finds set in its walls.



2.

The Abbey of Sesto al Reghena: magic for the eyes and for the spirit.

Precisely six miles from Concordia Sagittaria on the road that links it to Austria, we come to Sesto al Reghena, an ancient village, where a Benedictine monastery was founded in the second half of the 8th century AD, embraced by calm rivers and green woods. Following the devastation at the hands of the Hungarians, work began to rebuild the **Benedictine Abbey of Santa Maria in Sylvis** as a mediaeval castle, complete with a defence system of towers and moats to increase its religious and civil importance. Walk across the bridge and past the only remaining, robust watchtower of the seven that defended the walls to where the square not only extends its arms to the Abbey, but also holds the bell tower, the ancient abbey chancellery and the abbots' residence, today the town hall. After your tour, follow the Reghena canal as far as the **Prati Burovich** connected by a bridge spanning the River Lemene to the old mill, **Mulino di Stalis**. Continue towards Cordovado until you reach the seat of literature par excellence in Friuli: the **Fontana di Venchiaredo**, which inspired Ippolito Nievo and Pier Paolo Pasolini.



3.

On to Cordovado to discover the places that inspired Ippolito Nievo.

Listed as one of the *"Most beautiful villages of Italy"*, Cordovado is an ancient mediaeval village. The places chosen by Ippolito Nievo for the setting of the love stories of Leopardo and Doretta, Lucilio and Clara or the more fictional stories of Spaccafumo and Bruto Provedoni include the magnificently preserved castle, built on the ancient remains of a Roman castrum to guard the via Augusta, the old Cathedral, the Prati della Madonna, the area of the old parish church of Sant'Andrea and the seventeenth century Sanctuary of Madonna della Grazie, the convent of the Dominican fathers, the Fontana di Venchiaredo, and the Mulini di Stalis. It is no mere chance that Cordovado hosts the "Literary Park" devoted to the writer, author of the Confessions of an Italian, a fundamental work of the Italian Risorgimento, marking the passage from the historical novel to the social novel. You can still admire the exterior of the castle with its moat, brick access bridges, two characteristic towers and the town walls, which continue to enclose splendid, historic homes dating back to the 13th and 14th century. The village hosts the small, recently restored, mediaeval church with a fresco attributed to the school of Giotto.



5.

The wine road for a sip of tradition and history.

The **Lison-Pramaggiore D.O.C. Wine Road** features ancient history with a never-ending labyrinth of vineyards and splendid landscapes, witnesses of a spirituality, which you can breathe in rich abbeys and intimate little churches. Taking centre stage in the hinterland clutched between the Rivers Livenza and Lemene and the lagoon of Bibione and Caorle is the wine, the variety and quality of which are guaranteed by the consortium Consorzio Vini Venezia. Since 1986, the Association "Strada dei Vini D.O.C. Lison Pramaggiore" promotes fascinating oenological and cultural tours amidst villages, vineyards, wine cellars and uncontaminated landscapes. Starting from the nearby Concordia Sagittaria, we come to Summaga and its Benedictine Abbey, Cordovado, Sesto al Reghena and then on to the "triangle" of Belfiore, Loncon and Pradipozzo, the beating heart of the Wine Road. Each leg of the journey will allow you to visit some prestigious cellars, where you can taste excellent wines awarded the label of Protected Designated Area of Origin Guaranteed: awards that place it among the best Italian wines. Alternative routes can be found on the website:



www.marcadoc.com/strada-del-vino-doc-lison-pramaggiore



4.

Gruaro, the town of the miracle of the altar cloth.

The charming, brightly coloured landscape of Gruaro is criss-crossed by an infinite mesh of water, trees and country lanes embracing churches, capitals and mills, all linked by ancient paths, such as the Romea Strata, but also by modern roads, such as the **Giralemene** and the Doc Wine Road. Our tour crosses the entire municipality in the footsteps of the ancient road of the Romei pilgrims. We begin from the church of San Giusto, a sacred building raised on top of the remains of a very old parish church dating back to at least 1186. Then, in 1294, it witnessed the "miracle of the altar cloth": the story goes that a fragment of host made the sacred linen altar cloth bleed in the hands of the washerwoman in the water of the nearby irrigation ditch Versiola. Today, the cloth is kept in the Cathedral of the Santissimo Sacramento in Valvasone. From Gruaro, we move on to the nearby hamlet of Bagnara to see the frescoed walls with cycles by the late 15th century, Veneto-Friuli school of painters in the church of San Tommaso, one of the most beautiful, fifteenth century churches in the entire diocese. From Gruaro in the direction of Bagnarola, we come to the mills, the **Mulini di Stalis** dating back at least as far as 1432. For food and wine aficionados, we recommend the traditional festival of "Sagra della rassa", which is held in Gruaro at the end of August, beginning of September.

6. Palmanova, the invisible city on the horizon. The fascination and history of a Unesco site.

A ground plan in the form of a nine-point star, three rings of walls, three large stone gates, three roads leading to an immense, six-sided square, eighteen roads radiating outwards, of which six are main roads. This series of number "3"s and their multipliers should suffice to describe Palmanova's perfect town planning, built under the dominion of the Republic of Venice to protect the territories from Austria and the Ottoman incursions. In July 2017, the fortress city, originally named "Palma" after the symbol of victory, became the 53rd World Heritage site in Italy. All the main buildings overlook Piazza Grande: the Cathedral, Palazzo del Provveditore Generale, the Loggia della Grande Guardia which hosted the military troupes, the Loggia dei Mercanti where the monument to the Fallen now stands, and Palazzo del Governatore alle Armi currently home to some of the rooms of the Historic Military Museum at Monte di Pietà. Not far from the square, in Borgo Udine, Palazzo Trevisan houses the Civic Historic Museum, which preserves documents, maps, arms, coins and relics. Beneath Palmanova run kilometres of underground passages from the Venetian and Napoleonic epoch. During the weekend, some stretches are open the public. Contact **0432 924815** to book a guided tour.



7. Village of Strassoldo and its Castles The Borough of Strassoldo and its Castles.

Strassoldo is a rare example of an ancient, beautifully preserved, medieval village, for centuries the seat of the feudal family of the same name. Enclosed by effluent streams and centuries-old plants, built around the year 1000 to defend the road which led from Aquileia to Carinthia, it was renovated in the eighteenth century, and today is divided into Castello di Sopra and Castello di Sotto. At the centre of the village is the church of San Nicolò, where a cross dating to the Lombard period is preserved, showing how ancient this site is. It is a magical place, where the wedding between Marshal Radetzki and Francesca Romana von Strassoldo-Gräfenberg was celebrated, with guests including Gabriele d'Annunzio who, during that period, was writing Ofelia. Outside the building complex, you can still admire an ancient, 12th-century mill, which worked for over seven hundred years, and the old rice pileria, where for centuries the crop for the Hapsburg Empire was also processed. Visit the village in the spring and autumn, during the Castelli Aperti event, or by booking via e-mail to **info@castellodistrassoldo.it**, or via WhatsApp to **388 9255212** (Gabriella Williams di Strassoldo).



8. Villa Manin, the final residence of the Doge of Venice.

Defined by Carlo Goldoni as "a palace fit for a king", the Villa takes its name from the Florentine family of bankers Manini, who moved to Friuli in 1300 following the struggles between the Guelfs and Ghibellines. With its characteristic horseshoe shape, Villa Manin has a three-storey, central nucleus, once the home of lords, from which two barchesse [wings] open out with airy arcades on to a lawn, bordered by two fish ponds: beyond them, two additional arcades form an exedra, which frames a vast garden, where every 2nd Sunday in the month, the antiquities market of the Doge is held. Not to be missed is the noble Chapel of Sant'Andrea, the façade of which recalls the typical, unmistakable, Palladian style of the Villas in Veneto. Adjoining the house is a splendid, 18-hectare park inspired by the design of the gardens of Versailles, which is home to over a hundred plant species. As you stroll along the peaceful paths, you can admire examples of White Californian Cedar, the Weeping Pine of the Himalayas, the Evergreen Sequoia and the Caucasian Pine. A stone's throw from Villa Manin in the tiny hamlet of San Martino di Codroipo, we find the Carriage Museum, where you can see a host of 44 carriages from the 19th and 20th centuries, various travel accessories and tacks for the different types of harnesses. The building also houses a small museum of period toys: a wealth of 350 examples from a Venetian collection. For information, go to:

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Today... I'm going to see



9.

The wonderful village of Ariis where the story of Romeo and Juliet began.

There are places where history, legends, the intrigues of power and the voices of the people mix and intertwine to such an extent that it is difficult to trace a clear line. The story goes that the heartbreaking love story between Romeo and Juliet began in the tiny village of Ariis, that Juliet was Lucina Savorgnan, daughter of Count Antonio and that Romeo was Luigi Da Porto, a soldier and poet from Friuli. Their yearnings began as they looked out over the clear waters of the River Stella, lapping the foot of Ariis castle. What we do know for certain is that the rural village of Ariis is a tiny, splendid pearl, home to historic and naturalistic examples of rare beauty, with the River Stella and its effluent streams, the park of Villa Ottelio, the old windmill and the historic little church dedicated to San Giacomo. The best way is to start your trip from the old brick-red villa: Villa Ottelio was built as a castle in 1257 and for centuries was the centre of power games between the local nobles and for the salt trade. Although the villa is currently undergoing restoration work, take a stroll through its park, which has become a Site of Community Importance, thanks to its springs, damp, stable meadows and centuries-old trees in a naturalistic context, embellished by the River Stella. Close to the villa you'll find the "Paolo Solimbergo" Aquarium, a modern building housing various tanks depicting the river flowing from the spring to the estuary and the different species of fish living in it. Also of interest is the naturalistic path created outside the aquarium where the river bends, which reveals large tanks, partly covered with reeds and water lilies, surrounded by oak trees and weeping willows. For further information, go to www.entetutelapesca.it



10.

In Rilke's footsteps to discover the ancient castle of Duino.

It is said that while the poet Rilke was walking along the path leading from the castle of Duino to the bay of Sistiana, he was inspired by an inner voice telling him to write some of the verses of his famous elegies: *«Who, if I cried out, would hear me among the angels' hierarchies?»* It's difficult to say when is the best time to go. It could be a balmy spring day, or a summer's day when the intense light runs across the slopes to plunge into an infinite sea and the scents of the plants fill the salty air with a thousand fragrances. All you need to do is choose the subtle touches that work best for you to walk approximately 2 km suspended between the sky and the water, where geological formations alternate, and with literary charms and memories of war. Your amazement will continue if you decide to visit the castle of Duino after your walk. Built in the fourteenth century on the ruins of a Roman military outpost, the castle of the Torre and the Tasso families became an important cultural and humanistic centre in the eighteenth century. Numerous well-known guests continued to visit over time, including Elizabeth of Austria (Sissi), the Archduke Francesco Ferdinando of Austria, the Counts of Chambord, the composers Johann Strauss and Franz Liszt, the poet, playwright and librettist Hugo von Hofmannsthal, Gabriele d'Annunzio, the French poet Paul Valéry, in addition to the illustrious bohemian poet Rainer Maria Rilke, who declared *"It's wonderful to be here"*.





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