

BEHIND THE SCENES

SEND US YOUR FEEDBACK

We love to hear from travellers – your comments help make our books better. We read every word, and we guarantee that your feedback goes straight to the authors. Visit **lonelyplanet.com/contact** to submit your updates and suggestions.

Note: We may edit, reproduce and incorporate your comments in Lonely Planet products such as guidebooks, websites and digital products, so let us know if you don't want your comments reproduced or your name acknowledged. For a copy of our privacy policy visit lonelyplanet.com/privacy.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Climate map data adapted from Peel MC, Finlayson BL & McMahon TA (2007) 'Updated World Map of the Köppen-Geiger Climate Classification', *Hydrology and Earth System Sciences*, 11, 163344.

Cover photographs

Front: On the road to Badia a Passignano, Stefano Amantini/4Corners ©

Back: Roman ruins in Rome, S.Borisov/Shutterstock ©

THIS BOOK

This 1st edition of *Grand Tour of Italy Road Trips* was researched and written by Cristian Bonetto, Duncan Garwood, Paula Hardy, Donna Wheeler and Nicola Williams. This guidebook was produced by the following:

Destination Editor Anna Tyler

Product Editor Vicky Smith

Senior Cartographers Anthony Phelan, Valentina Kremenchutska

Book Designers Michael Buick, Katherine Marsh

Assisting Editors Imogen Bannister, Kate Mathews, Tracy Whitmey

Assisting Book Designer Kerrienne Jenkins

Cover Researcher Naomi Parker

Thanks to Joel Cotterell, Brendan Dempsey, Grace Dobell, Kirsten Rawlings, Angela Tinson



OUR STORY

A beat-up old car, a few dollars in the pocket and a sense of adventure. In 1972 that's all Tony and Maureen Wheeler needed for the trip of a lifetime – across Europe and Asia overland to Australia. It took several months, and at the end – broke but inspired – they sat at their kitchen table writing and stapling together their first travel guide, *Across Asia on the Cheap*. Within a week they'd sold 1500 copies. Lonely Planet was born.

Today, Lonely Planet has offices in Franklin, London, Melbourne, Oakland, Beijing and Delhi, with more than 600 staff and writers. We share Tony's belief that 'a great guidebook should do three things: inform, educate and amuse'.

INDEX

A

accommodation 15, 122-3, *see also individual locations*
agriturismi 123
 air travel 121
 Alasio 50
 archaeological sites & ruins
 Campi Flegrei 28, 108
 Colosseum 27, 56
 Napoli Sotterranea 106
 Palatino 56
 Pompeii 28, 112-13
 Roman Forum 56
 Scavi Archeologici di Ostia Antica 33
 Tunnel Borbonico 105
 Via Appia Antica 60
 architecture 44
 area codes 127
 Arezzo 42-3
 art 44, *see also individual artists, museums & galleries*
 ATMs 125
 autostradas 117

B

basilicas, *see also churches & cathedrals*
 Basilica di San Francesco's Cappella Bacci 42

000 Map pages

Basilica di San Giovanni in Laterano 59
 Basilica di San Marco 23, 77, 81
 Basilica di San Petronio 25
 Basilica di Santa Chiara 104
 Basilica di Santa Maria Assunta 81
 Basilica di Santa Maria della Salute 23, 81
 Basilica di Santa Maria in Trastevere 59
 Basilica di Sant'Antonio 23, 87
 St Peter's Basilica 27, 57
 bathrooms 128
 beaches 99
 bicycle travel 52
 boat travel 121-2
 Boccadasse 99
 Bologna 25-6
 border crossings 116-17
 Botticelli, Sandro 44
 Bramante, Donato 44
 Brunelleschi, Filippo 44
 budget 15
 Burano 82
 business hours 127

C

Campi Flegrei 28, 108
 car travel, *see driving*
 Carnevale 23, 82

Castel Gandolfo 33
 cell phones 15, 127
 Cervo Alta 51
 churches & cathedrals, *see also basilicas*
 Cappella Brancacci 44, 68
 Cappella degli Scrovegni 86
 Cappella Sansevero 104
 Cattedrale di Nostra Signora Assunta 49
 Cattedrale di San Donato 43
 Cattedrale di San Giovanni Evangelista 42
 Chiesa di Santa Maria dei Miracoli 81
 Duomo (Florence) 26, 66
 Duomo (Naples) 105
 Duomo (Padua) 87
 Duomo di San Giovanni 91
 Oratorio di San Giorgio & Scoletta del Santo 87
 Pantheon 27, 57
 Pieve di Santa Maria 42
 Russian Orthodox church (San Remo) 51
 Scuola di San Giorgio degli Schiavoni 81
 climate 14
 Colosseum 27, 56
 cooking courses 58, 84
 costs 15, 126
 courses
 cooking 58, 84
 wine tasting 60

credit cards 125-6
 currency 14, 125
 cycling 52

D

da Vinci, Leonardo 22, 44
 dangers 117-18, 120, 126
David 44, 68
 della Francesca, Piero 39-45
 disabilities, travellers with 128
 driving 115-20
 car hire 115-16
 documents 115
 driving licence 115
 fuel 14, 120
 insurance 115, 118, 120
 Limited Traffic Zones 118
 maps 117
 parking 11, 12, 13, 76, 119
 road distances 119
 road rules 116, 118-19
 safety 117-18, 120, 127
 websites 117
 Duomo (Florence) 26, 66
 Duomo (Naples) 105
 Duomo (Padua) 87
 Duomo di San Giovanni 91
 DVDs 122

E

electricity 123-4
 emergencies 14, 127

F

festivals & events 23, 69, 82, 83, 93
 Finale Ligure 49
 Florence 12, 26, 66-76, **68, 70**
 accommodation 69-71
 discount cards 69
 drinking & nightlife 73-4
 entertainment 74
 festivals & events 69

food 71-3
 museum tickets 67, 69
 parking 12, 76
 shopping 74-5
 sights 66-9
 tourist information 75-6
 tours 69
 travel to/from 76
 food 15, 124, *see also individual locations*
 cooking courses 58, 84
 Slow Food Movement 94, 99
 tripe 72
 Fortezza del Priamar 49
 Frascati 33-4
 fuel 14, 120

G

galleries, *see* museums & galleries
 gardens
 Giardini Botanici Hanbury 52
 Orto Botanico 87
 Villa Aldobrandini 34
 Villa d'Este 36
 gas 14, 120
 gay travellers 124
 Genoa 22, 48-9, 98-103, **100-1**

H

health 125
 holidays 126

I

Imperia 50-1
 insurance 115, 118, 125, 130
 internet access 15, 125
 Italian language 129-30

J

Joust of the Saracino 43

L

La Biennale di Venezia 83
 language 14, 129-30
l'entroterra 52
 lesbian travellers 124
 Limited Traffic Zones 118

M

maps 117
 markets
 Campo Rialto Mercato 23
 Friday market (Ventimiglia) 52
 Mercato Centrale 74
 Mercato Nuovo 74
 Noli 50
 Pescaria 23
 Salone dell'Agroalimentare Ligure 50
 Savona market 49
 medical services 125
 Michelangelo 44, 68
 Milan 22
 mobile phones 15, 127
 monasteries
 Certosa e Museo di San Martino 105
 Complesso Monumentale di Santa Chiara 104-5
 Monastery of St Benedict 36
 Monastery of St Scholastica 36
 money 14, 15, 64, 69, 97, 125-6
 Monterchi 42
 motorcycle travel 116-17
 Mt Vesuvius 28, 112-13
 Murano 81, 82
 museums & galleries 67, 69
 Capitoline Museums 27, 56-7
 Casa dei Tre Oci 81

Certosa e Museo di San Martino 105
 Galleria degli Uffizi 26, 44, 67
 Galleria dell'Accademia (Florence) 26, 68
 Galleria Nazionale delle Marche 41
 Gallerie dell'Accademia (Venice) 23, 80
 Musei Civici agli Eremitani 86
 Museo Archeologico Nazionale (Naples) 28
 Museo Archeologico Nazionale di Palestrina 34
 Museo Civico 42
 Museo del Bargello 67
 Museo del Vetro 81-2
 Museo della Madonna del Parto 42
 Museo dell'Olio 50
 Museo di San Marco 44, 68
 Museo e Galleria Borghese 59-60
 Museo Egizio 90
 Museo Nazionale Romano: Palazzo Massimo alle Terme 59
 Museo Novecento 68
 Palazzo Ducale (Venice) 23, 41, 77
 Palazzo Grassi 80
 Palazzo Poggi 25
 Palazzo Reale di Capodimonte 105
 Palazzo Vecchio 66-7
 Palazzo Zuckermann 87
 Peggy Guggenheim Collection 80-1
 Pinacoteca Nazionale 26
 Scuola Grande di San Rocco 81

Vatican Museums 27, 58
 music 120

N

Naples 28, 104-112, **106**
 accommodation 107-109
 discount cards 105, 110
 drinking & nightlife 110
 entertainment 110
 festivals & events 107
 food 109
 medical services 111
 shopping 110-11
 sights 104-105
 tourist information 111
 tours 105-107
 travel to/from 111
 travel within 111-12

Nobel, Alfred 52
 Noli 50

O

opening 127
 Ostia Antica 32-3

P

Padua 22-3, 86-9, **88**
 palaces
 Borghese Palace 27
 Palazzi dei Rolli 98
 Palazzo Borsa 49
 Palazzo della Ragione 87
 Palazzo Ducale (Genoa) 49
 Palazzo Ducale (Urbino) 41
 Palazzo Ducale (Venice) 23, 77
 Palazzo Grassi 80
 Palazzo Poggi 25
 Palazzo Pontificio 33
 Palazzo Reale (Turin) 21
 Palazzo Reale (Genoa) 22

Palazzo Reale di Capodimonte 105
 Palazzo Spinola 22
 Palazzo Vecchio 66-7
 Villa d'Este 36
 Palazzo del Bò (university) 22, 87
 Palestrina 34
 parking 11, 12, 13, 76, 119
 Passo di Bocca Trabaria 41
 petrol 14, 120
 Piazza di Spagna 27, 57
 planning 14-15, 115-28, *see also* driving
 Pompeii 28, 112-13
 Ponte Vecchio 69
 public holidays 126

R

radio 120
 Raphael 41, 44
 Renaissance art & architecture 44
 road distances 119
 road rules 116, 118-19
 Roman Forum 56
 Rome 10-11, 26-8, 56-65, **58**
 accommodation 61
 courses 60
 discount cards 64
 food 62
 orientation 64
 parking 11
 shopping 63-4
 sights 56-60
 tourist information 64
 tours 60
 travel to/from 64-5
 Romulus & Remus 60

S

safety 117-18, 120, 126-7
 San Giorgio 51

San Remo 51-2
 Sansepolcro 41-2
 Savona 49
 Scrovegni Chapel 23
 Scuola Grande di
 San Rocco 81
 Shroud of Turin 91
 Slow Food Movement 94, 99
 smoking 122
 Spanish Steps, the 57
 St Peter's Basilica 27, 57
 Subiaco 36

T

Teatro Carlo Felice 49
 Teatro La Fenice 23, 80
 Teatro San Carlo 28
 telephone services 15, 127-8
 Terme dei Papi 26
The Last Supper 22
 theft 126
 time 122
 tipping 15, 126
 Titian 81
 Tivoli 36
 toilets 128
 tourist information 75-6, 86,
 97, 128

train travel 122
 transport 15, 121-22, see
also driving
 tripe 72
 Turin 20-2, 90-103, **92**
 accommodation 93-4
 beaches 99
 discount cards 97
 drinking & nightlife 95-6
 festivals & events 93
 food 94-5
 tourist information 97
 tours 93
 travel to/from 97
 travel within 97

TV 122

U

Urbino 40-1

V

Venice 13, 23, 77-86, **78-9**
 accommodation 83
 activities 82
 Carnevale 23, 82
 courses 84
 drinking 84-5
 festivals & events 23, 82-3

food 83-4
 La Biennale 83
 parking 13
 shopping 85-6
 sights 77-82
 tourist information 86
 tours 84
 travel to/from 86
 travel within 86
 Ventimiglia 52
 Vesuvius 28, 112-13
 Via Appia Antica 60
 Villa Adriana 35-6
 Villa Aldobrandini 34
 Villa d'Este 36
 Villa Lante 26
 Villa Nobel 52
 visas 14, 128
 Viterbo 26

W

weather 14
 websites 15, 117
 wifi 15, 125
 wine
 classification 125
 courses 60
 festivals & events 107

OUR WRITERS



CRISTIAN BONETTO

Thanks to his Italo-Australian heritage, Cristian gets to experience the *bel paese* (beautiful country) as both a local and an outsider. His musings on Italian

cuisine, culture and style have appeared in media across the globe and his contributions for Lonely Planet include more than 30 travel guide editions, including *Naples & the Amalfi Coast*, *Venice & the Veneto*, *Denmark*, *New York City* and *Singapore*. Follow Cristian on Twitter (@CristianBonetto) and Instagram (rexcat75).



DUNCAN GARWOOD

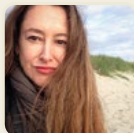
A Brit travel writer based in the Castelli Romani hills just outside Rome, Duncan has clocked up endless kilometres walking around the Italian capital and exploring the far-flung reaches of the surrounding Lazio region. He's co-author of the *Rome* city guide and has worked on the past six editions of the *Italy* guide as well as guides to Piedmont, Sicily, Sardinia, and Naples and the Amalfi Coast. He has also written on Italy for newspapers and magazines.



PAULA HARDY

From Lido beaches to annual Biennales and spritz-fuelled aperitivo bars, Paula has contributed to Lonely Planet's Italian guides for over 15 years, including

Venice & the Veneto, *Pocket Milan*, *The Italian Lakes*, *Sicily*, *Sardinia* and *Puglia & Basilicata*. When she's not scooting around the *bel paese*, she writes for a variety of travel publications and websites. Currently she divides her time between London, Italy and Morocco, and tweets her finds @paula6hardy.



DONNA WHEELER

Italy's border regions are Donna Wheeler's dream assignment: Alps, the sea, complex histories, plus spectacular wine and food. Donna has lived in Turin's

Quadrilatero Romano and Genoa's centro storico and been an Italian-by-marriage for almost two decades. A former commissioning editor and content strategist, she's written guidebooks to Italy, France, Tunisia, Algeria, Norway and Belgium and publishes on art, architecture, history and food for LonelyPlanet.com, BBC.com Travel, National Geographic *Traveler* and My Art Guides. She is also the creative director of travel magazine *She Came to Stay*.



NICOLA WILLIAMS

British writer Nicola Williams lives on the southern shore of Lake Geneva. Thankfully for her Italianate soul, it is an easy hop through the Mont

Blanc Tunnel to Italy where she has spent years eating her way around and revelling in its extraordinary art, architecture, cuisine and landscape. Hunting Tuscan white truffles in October is an annual family ritual. Nicola has worked on numerous titles for Lonely Planet, including those covering Italy, Milan, Turin & Genoa, and Piedmont. She shares her travels on Twitter @Tripalong.

Published by Lonely Planet Publications Pty Ltd

ABN 36 005 607 983

1st edition – Jun 2016

ISBN 978 1 76034 052 0

© Lonely Planet 2016 Photographs © as indicated 2016

10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

Printed in China

All rights reserved. No part of this publication may be copied, stored in a retrieval system, or transmitted in any form by any means, electronic, mechanical, recording or otherwise, except brief extracts for the purpose of review, and no part of this publication may be sold or hired, without the written permission of the publisher. Lonely Planet and the Lonely Planet logo are trademarks of Lonely Planet and are registered in the US Patent and Trademark Office and in other countries. Lonely Planet does not allow its name or logo to be appropriated by commercial establishments, such as retailers, restaurants or hotels. Please let us know of any misuses: lonelyplanet.com/ip.

Although the authors and Lonely Planet have taken all reasonable care in preparing this book, we make no warranty about the accuracy or completeness of its content and, to the maximum extent permitted, disclaim all liability arising from its use.

© Lonely Planet Publications Pty Ltd. To make it easier for you to use, access to this chapter is not digitally restricted. In return, we think it's fair to ask you to use it for personal, non-commercial purposes only. In other words, please don't upload this chapter to a peer-to-peer site, mass email it to everyone you know, or resell it. See the terms and conditions on our site for a longer way of saying the above - 'Do the right thing with our content.'