

Going-out guide: Shopping

Rome is a great place for shopping, with designer outlets and department stores all over the city. A cosmopolitan and thriving capital city for over 2000 years, Rome provides a multi-ethnic mix that is both attractive and explosive! Rome is home to a diverse array of shopping opportunities. The following six areas are the most renowned shopping areas in Rome.

Piazza di Spagna

Spanish Steps - Via dei Condotti

This street is one of the richest streets in Italy and one of the best streets for shopping in Rome. The Via Dei Condotti is home to Italy's top designer stores such as Armani, Prada, Versace, Dolce and Gabbana, Gucci and other notable names. This is also the street where the shop owners used to charge you just for walking in the door!

Thankfully these days all of the shops sport an 'ingresso gratuito' sign which means you can go in and have a poke around without any obligation to buy!

There are several ideal guest houses and bed and breakfasts located nearby for example <u>In Town Luxury House Roma</u>, 30 second walk from via dei Condotti, alternatively Hotel Stendhal a four star <u>boutique hotel</u>.

Via del Corso

Bustling pedestrianized street that runs from Piazza del Popolo down to Piazza Venezia.

Via del Corso is very popular with Romans and Tourists alike and is home to famous shops like the Ferrari flagship store and Swarowski Crystal.

Viale Marconi et Porta Portese

Viale Marconi is very good for shopping and is particulary popular with young trendy Romans. A bit out from the city centre, it can be reached by talking the Metro Line B to Marconi. It is about 15 minutes away from the Colosseum

Porta Porteseest

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Porta Portese is the famous Roman flea market which takes place every Sunday from 8:00am until about 2:00pm.

Piazza Vittorio

Food market with a mesmerizing array of fresh foods, fruits, fish and meat, run by people from all over the world.

Piazza Navona

Via del Governo Vecchio

Piazza Navona is a great place for art lovers, the surrounding streets contain lots of art galleries and antique shops.

There is a great film and cinema shop in Via del Governo Vecchio which is definitely worth a browse particularly if you are a fan of Italian Cinema.