

A vibrant, high-angle photograph of a narrow Venetian canal. The water is a mix of green and blue, reflecting the sky and the colorful buildings. On the left, a building with a white balcony and red flowers is prominent. A gondola with a gondolier in a striped shirt is in the foreground, moving away from the viewer. The buildings on the right are multi-story with various window styles and balconies. The sky is a clear, bright blue.

*le boat*

Who's on board?

ITALY

VENETO AND FRIULI

Region Guide



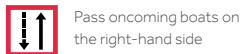
River Sile and Venetian Lagoon		Approx time		No. of locks		No. of lifting bridges	
Treviso							
Casier	20 min	35 min	0	0	0	0	0
Le Boat's Casale Base	15 min		0		0		
Casale sul Sile	1 hr	2 hr 45 min	0	0	0	0	0
Portegrandi	1 hr 45 min		0		0		
Torcello	1 hr 15 min	1 hr 15 min	1	1	0	0	0
Burano/Mazzorbo	15 min		0		0		
Sant Erasmo	20 min	40 min	0	0	0	0	0
Vignole (for Venice)	20 min		0		0		
Lido di Venezia	20 min	3 hr 5 min	0	0	0	0	0
Chioggia	2 hr 45 min		0		0		

Vignole (for Venice)		Approx time		No. of locks		No. of lifting bridges	
Murano	20 min	20 min	0	0	0	0	0

Brenta River		Approx time		No. of locks		No. of lifting bridges	
Vignole (for Venice)	1 hr 15 min	3 hr 30 min	1	2	0	3	5
Malcontenta	1 hr 30 min		0		2		
Mira	45 min		1		2		
Dolo	1 hr	3 hr	1	3	0	0	0
Fiesso d'Artico	30 min		0		3		
Stra	1 hr 30 min		2		0		
Padua (Padova)							

North Lagoon Circuit		Approx time		No. of locks		No. of lifting bridges	
Portegrandi	1 hr 20 min	1 hr 20 min	0	0	1	1	
Caposile	1 hr 20 min	4 hr 35 min	0	1	2	2	4
Jesolo	1 hr		0		1		
Lido di Jesolo	2 hr 15 min		1		0		
Burano/Mazzorbo							

Times are an approximation only and are calculated on the basis of an average speed of 7.5km/h and an average time of 12 minutes to pass through a lock. Your speed, the flow of the water and the time it takes to go through locks will all affect your progress.



Pass oncoming boats on the right-hand side



The maximum speed varies between 5 - 11 km/h. Please refer to your onboard map for the speed limit on each waterway.

River Piave and Litoranea Veneta		Approx time		No. of locks		No. of lifting bridges	
Caposile	1 hr	5 hr 45 min	0	0	0	0	2
San Donà di Piave	2 hr		0		0		
Revedoli	2 hr		0		1		
Caorle	45 min		0		1		
Start of Canale Nicesolo	1 hr	3 hr	0	2	0	0	0
Bibione	1 hr		1		0		
Lignano Riviera	1 hr		1		0		
Junction for River Stella in Laguna di Marano e Grado	20 min	2 hr 50 min	0	0	0	0	0
Lignano Sabbiadoro	30 min		0		0		
Marano Lagunare	2 hr		0		0		
Junction for River Natissa in Laguna di Marano e Grado	1 hr	1 hr	0	0	0	0	0
Grado							

Canale Nicesolo & River Lemene		Approx time		No. of locks		No. of lifting bridges	
Start of Canale Nicesolo	1 hr 15 min	1 hr 30 min	0	0	1	0	1
Concordia Sagittaria	15 min		0		0		
Portogruaro							

River Stella		Approx time		No. of locks		No. of lifting bridges	
Junction for River Stella in Laguna di Marano e Grado	1 hr 40 min	1 hr 40 min	0	0	0	0	0
Le Boat's Preconicco base							

River Natissa		Approx time		No. of locks		No. of lifting bridges	
Junction for River Stella in Laguna di Marano e Grado	45 min	45 min	0	0	0	0	0
Aquileia							





*Piazza dei Signori,  
Treviso*

## TREVISO

Treviso is a beautiful walled city and the town's defences, moat and imposing gateways are still impressive sights. It has a great gastronomic tradition, which can be tested by trying out one of the many restaurants at every corner of this attractive town. Piazza dei Signori is the heart of Treviso's historic centre. The largest building of the square is the gothic Piazza dei Trecento, once the seat of the city's Grand Council, which was heavily bombed in WWII. Beneath its loggia, you will find many cafés, and the legendary Fontana delle Tette. The small island of Isola della Pescheria has played host to the city's fish market since 1856, stop by in the morning to pick up the daily catch. There are plenty of other sights to explore: the majestic Duomo and its crypt, the Santa Caterina Museum, and medieval Ca'dei Carraresi, to name a few. Round off your day with a glass of Prosecco – Treviso is the main production hub for this delicious aperitif.

**Recommended restaurant:** Trattoria Toni del Spin, in the centre of the city  
**Market:** Fish market Tue – Sat (am) – La Pescheria.

**Amenities:** Everything you may need can be found in Treviso. For retail therapy, head to Treviso's smartest shopping street, Via Calmaggiore.

**Moorings:** Treviso cannot be reached by boat. Moor at the public dock in Casier and cycle there in 20 minutes, or by taxi or bus.

## CASIER

Casier is a traditional town with a lovely historic church and pedestrian square. Across from the public docks is the Burci Cemetery which hosts traditional Venetian wooden cargo boats, abandoned here 50 years ago. They are easily visible thanks to a network of wooden footbridges.

**Recommended restaurant:**

Trattoria al Sile, a 10 minute walk from the Le Boat base, although free moorings are available.

**Amenities:** Da Piero supermarket (+39 0422 340670) offers free delivery to your boat, but is closed on Wednesday and Sunday. There are cafés and restaurants in the town.

**Moorings:** There is a long wooden jetty a few dozen metres downstream of Casier's church – do not moor at the resident's floating docks. Alternatively, the Le Boat base offers plenty of moorings and all the services you may need.

## CASALE-SUL-SILE

Casale-Sul-Sile is a beautiful town in the heart of the Sile nature reserve. It was founded in 1100 and inhabited by the boatmen who transported goods and people to the Venetian Lagoon. The 14th century Torre Carrarese is all that remains of a major medieval fortification, and is not open to the public. The 18th century church, visible from the river as you approach the town, is of particular artistic interest for its frescoed ceiling painted by Giandomenico Tiepolo.

**Recommended restaurant:** Ostaria Alla Torre, a short walk from the moorings at the church.

**Amenities:** Supermarket, cafés, restaurants, bakeries and pharmacy.

**Moorings:** There is a cement jetty beneath the church tower.



*Casale-sur-Sile  
on the River Sile*

## TORCELLO

The most important archaeological site in the Lagoon, Torcello dates back to the Roman Empire. Torcello's main attraction is the Basilica di Maria Assunta, founded in 639, is Venice's oldest cathedral, and one of the most beautiful, with intricate mosaics decorating its floor and walls. Its bell towers afford stunning views across the lagoon, and you can also listen to an audio-guide to learn more about the church's history. The adjacent Museum has Roman and Byzantine collections on display. A stroll to the other end of the island will take you past the famous Cipriani restaurant, once frequented by Ernest Hemingway, and the so-called "Devil's Bridge", said to be haunted by the Devil.



*Moorings at  
Mazzorbo – looking  
out towards Burano*

## BURANO

You can't help but fall in love with Burano. The colourful houses, painted by fishermen returning from sea to identify their homes through the fog, create a rainbow of colour wherever you turn. Stop by La Casa di Bepi Sua, decorated with geometric shapes and vibrant colours. The island is also famed for its lace, the history of which dates back to the 16th century when women began making lace with needles to supply the European elite. The lace-making museum is located in the historic lace school, and you can view hundreds of rare and precious pieces. The San Martino Church with its leaning bell towers is in the heart of the town's Piazza Baldassare Galuppi, named after the famous composer. Wander the square and pick up an Esse, a donut-shaped cake typical of the island – delicious with a cappuccino.

**Recommended restaurant:** Trattoria al Gatto Nero on Via Giudecca .

**Amenities:** Cafés, restaurants, bakeries and pharmacy.

**Moorings:** Moor at Mazzorbo and cross the footbridge.



*Aerial view of Santa Maria di Assunta  
Cathedral, Torcello*

**Recommended restaurant:** Locanda Cipriani.

**Moorings:** Moor at Mazzorbo and take the waterbus to Torcello from Burano. Alternatively, there are wooden docks underneath the island's bell tower – ensure you tie your lines to the steel rings set in stone.

## MAZZORBO

Mazzorbo is linked to Burano by an old, wooden footbridge. It's best known for Venissa, the ancient estate encircled by medieval walls which has been restored by the Bisol family, a family of winemakers. Renowned for making the best Prosecco in Italy, they have now introduced a vineyard to Mazzorbo.

**Moorings:** There are dedicated Le Boat Moorings here for easy access to Burano.



*Burano*

## SANT' ERASMO

Although the largest island of the Venetian Lagoon, Sant'Erasmus is a peaceful spot. Once a port attached to Murano in the 8th century, it's now known for its orchards and agriculture. If you have bikes, take a ride to explore the Torre Massimiliana, an old stronghold built by Napoleon to defend the lagoon. It overlooks a beach, popular in the summer with locals.



Murano Glass

## MURANO

Murano is a wonderful island to visit. It first flourished as a fishing port until the art of glass-blowing was introduced in 1291, when Venice's glassmakers were forced to move to the island to reduce the risk of fires. The island is still famed for its works, a large collection of which you can see at the Glass Museum, and many factories remain today. See the glassmakers at work at Vetreria Signoretti (+39 041 52 74 294). The charming Basilica di Santa Maria and Donato was founded in the 7th century, and is said to contain the relics of Saint Donatus, as well as the bones of a dragon that he slayed. Moor at Vignole and take a waterbus across.

**Recommended restaurant:** Osteria Al Duomo, overlooked by the Santa Maria church.

**Amenities:** Cafés, restaurants, bakeries and pharmacy.

**Moorings:** Marina di Serenella, or moor at Vignole island and take the waterbus – 5 minutes.

## VENICE

Discover "La Serenissima", one of the most beautiful cities in the world... and with so many sights to see, you'll be spoilt for choice! If you're feeling fit, by far the best way to see Venice is to explore by foot, getting lost in its charming, narrow streets. Stop by one of the seven tourist offices first to pick up free maps, and book tickets for numerous museums and attractions.

Piazza San Marco is always teeming with tourists, keen to admire the Byzantine Basilica with its luminous gold mosaics and intricate detail. Take the elevator to the top of the 98 metre high Campanile, once used by approaching ships as a beacon to guide them home, for a breath-taking view of the city and lagoon. The gothic Doge's Palace next door is now a museum housing paintings dating back to the 15th century. Buy your ticket in advance to avoid long queues. Stop outside the "Porta della Carta", the palace's main entrance and take in the incredible sculptures which adorn it.



Grand Canal, Venice



Venice

Adjoining the palace is the Bridge of Sighs, leading to the cells of the palace's infamous prison. The 16th century Rialto Bridge is the most famous of the bridges which straddle the Grand Canal, and you're sure to find a souvenir to take back home. No matter where you go, you will discover countless churches, squares and tiny bridges, and getting lost is all part of the fun! In the evening, soak up the atmosphere in a canal side café with an Aperol Spritz – a classic Venetian tradition – or stop by the world-famous Harry's Bar for a Bellini.

**Recommended restaurant:** Algiubagio, overlooking the lagoon towards Isola di San Michele.

**Market:** Monday to Saturday (am) – Rialto area.

**Amenities:** You'll find everything you need in Venice.

**Moorings:** The Marina di Sant'Elena is fully-equipped, and just a 15 minute walk from the centre Piazza San Marco. Or, if you don't want to brave the lagoon traffic, stop at Le Boat dedicated moorings on Vignole Island or on Mazzorbo from where you can take a waterbus into Venice.



Chioggia

## CHIOGGIA

Nicknamed 'Little Venice', Chioggia is a traditional seaside town famous for its beach and fresh fish. The lively fish market is an absolute must-see for its lively atmosphere and wide range of seafood. If you fancy a dip, the long, sandy beach at Sottomarina is one of the most beautiful. Its old town, tucked behind the sea-wall, houses clusters of old buildings centred round tiny squares and alleys, while you'll find family entertainment, like mini-golf, along the seafront. Chioggia has many historic buildings, such as the baroque Duomo, the church of San Stefano, and the Sant'Andrea Tower – the world's oldest clock tower. Kids will love the Museo Olivi, home to a wonderful zoology museum which features a giant elephant shark.

**Recommended restaurant:** Ristorante Riva Vena.

**Market:** Thu (am) – Corso del Popolo | Fish market – every day

**Amenities:** You'll find everything you need in Chioggia.

**Moorings:** There are dedicated Le Boat moorings here. Alternatively, moor at the Darsena Le Saline at the north of the town, or Porto San Felice, located on the Sottomarina Peninsula.

## DOLO

Dolo is a pretty little town, made popular by the Venetian aristocracy who built grand country homes here, such as Villa Badoer, to escape city life. Now home to Cantina Fattoretto, a bottler of Veneto wines, there is also a museum housing over 20,000 arts and crafts tools. The 18th century Cathedral of San Rocco is worth a visit. Dolo's watermills were, for centuries, used by noble families as a source of income, and many have now been restored and are used to sell organic produce.

**Recommended restaurant:** Molini del Dolo, overlooking the River Brenta

**Market:** Fri – Via Guolo.

**Amenities:** Supermarkets, cafés, restaurants, bakeries and a pharmacy.

## THE BRENTA RIVER



Malcontenta is where you'll come across the first lifting bridge of the Brenta river. You'll need to call ahead to have it opened. Two operators will arrive and move ahead of you up the canal to open the following bridges until you ask them to stop. It's a slow process so be prepared to wait. About 100 metres downstream of the lock, on the left, is a wooden footbridge where you can dock for free. Be sure to check your Waterways Map for further instructions.

## FIESSO D'ARTICO

Renowned for its shoe production, Louis Vuitton's manufacturing plant is based in the town, and also displays contemporary pieces from the Louis Vuitton art collection in its gallery.

**Recommended restaurant:** Osteria Da Ciano, on the main road.

**Amenities:** Supermarkets, cafés, restaurants, bakeries and a butcher.

**Moorings:** There are free moorings near the town square.



Villa Pisani Nazionale, Stra

## STRA

Stra's ancient Roman origins are plain to see in its many Venetian villas, such as the impressive Villa Pisani Nazionale, considered the "Queen of Venetian Villas". Built in 1721, its frescoed rooms have welcomed many doges, kings and emperors. Today it houses a national museum, full of 18th and 19th century furniture. Kids will love the large maze made of hedges, while grown-ups can explore the greenhouses, then stop for a coffee at the orangery café. The frescoed rooms of Villa Foscari Rossi are sure to impress, though it now houses a shoe museum.

**Recommended restaurant:** Osteria del Baccala, next to the Villa Foscari Rossi.

**Amenities:** Supermarkets, cafés, restaurants, bakeries and a butcher

**Moorings:** There is limited mooring in Stra so, if you have bikes, we recommended the free moorings in Fiesso d'Artico.

## PADUA

Labelled as “the capital of 14th century painting” due to its world-famous frescoes by Giotto in the Scrovegni chapel, art and history buffs will be in their element in Padua (‘Padova’ in Italian). The basilica, known as “The Santo”, is one of the world’s largest churches, and is visited by over 6 million pilgrims each year. Padua’s largest square, the magnificent Prato della Valle, dates back to the 18th century with a central island circled by a small canal. Statues of Padua’s famous citizens line the channel, and it’s a lovely place for an evening stroll. There’s plenty more history waiting to be discovered, particularly at the city’s university, one of Europe’s oldest, established in 1222 and attended by the likes of Galileo. Be sure to visit the striking 18th century Pedrocchi Café, decorated in various styles, and the hang-out place of intellectuals such as Lord Byron and Stendhal.

**Recommended restaurant:** La Vecchia Enoteca, a 2 minute walk from Piazza delle Erbe.

**Market:** Mon – Sat (all day) – Piazza delle Erbe and Piazza della Frutta .

**Amenities:** Everything you need can be found in Padova.



## CAORLE

Caorle is one of the prettiest towns in the Veneto region, and its main draw is the long, sandy beaches. The centre of town, just behind the seafront, is charming, with colourful painted houses and picturesque little alleyways. Take a walk down the many streets, or “calli”, once canals which streamed through the town, and pick up a souvenir or stop for a coffee. In the heart of town is Piazza Vescovado, site of the Duomo di Santo Stefano which was erected in 1038 on the ruins of an early Christian basilica from the 7th century. There are many interesting features within the church – look out for the fresco of Santa Lucia, the wooden statue of San Rocco and a 15th century wooden crucifix. The small, sweet church of the Virgin Mary is situated along the promenade and has been overlooking the Adriatic Sea for centuries.



**Recommended restaurant:** Ristorante Ai Bragozzi, a 10 minute walk from the Marina.

**Market:** Sat (am) - Via Aldo Moro.

**Amenities:** Everything you may need can be found in Caorle.

**Moorings:** Only available at Darsena dell’Orologio (+39 0421 84207) – call ahead so a staff member in a dinghy can help you moor.

Lido Di Jesolo



## LIDO DI JESOLO

As the largest seaside resort on the Adriatic – and the most popular – Lido di Jesolo is a great pit stop if you’re in need of entertaining. The 10 mile long blue flag beach is ideal for families, while the SEA LIFE aquarium is the perfect place to escape the heat for a few hours. Aqualandia, the number one water park in Europe, is suitable for kids of all ages. Ride the highest slide in the world or take on Europe’s highest bungee jumping tower, if you dare! Open from mid-June, Jesolandia fairground opens at 8pm each night, with lots of rides and attractions in over 20,000 square meters. For something more peaceful, the cycling path from the centre of Jesolo running through the nature reserve offers an escape from the busy town.

**Recommended restaurant:** Locanda alle Porte 1632 offers free moorings – just past the lock.

**Market:** Fri (am) - Piazza Kennedy

**Amenities:** You’ll find everything you need here plus Via Bafle, the longest pedestrian mall in Europe

**Moorings:** Marina del Faro offers discounted moorings for Le Boat customers. Alternatively, moor at Marina del Cavallino, at the pier.

## PORTO SANTA MARGHERITA

A modern town, the resort of Porto Santa Margherita, there’s not much to see here, but the beach is lovely. You can also hire pedalos and canoes.

**Recommended restaurant:** Rosa Dei Venti, just across from the Marina.

**Market:** Tue (pm) – Via Pigafetta (Mid-May – Sept) and Wed (am) - Piazzale Madoneta.

**Amenities:** Supermarkets, cafés, restaurants and a butcher  
**Moorings:** Darsena Marina 4. Do not stop along the canal in the residents’ berths.

## CONCORDIA SAGITTARIA

Concordia Sagittaria has ancient origins, dating back to the Roman Empire when it was a major commercial port. Near the village centre is an imposing 15th century cathedral, featuring many columns, sculptures and sarcophagi from Roman times. There is also a Roman baptistery in the shape of a Greek cross, decorated with medieval frescoes. In the main square, discover the archaeological site.

**Recommended restaurant:** Ristorante Iulia Zentil, a short walk from the public moorings.

**Amenities:** Supermarkets, cafés, restaurants and bakeries.

**Moorings:** There is a drawbridge in town: you should call a few hours ahead to have it opened. There is a public wooden dock on the right as you travel downstream, around 100m from the drawbridge, where you can moor.



## PORTOGRUARO

A short distance from Concordia along the Lemene River is the pretty town of Portogruaro. Officially founded in 1140 when the Archbishop of Concordia permitted a group of fishermen to settle and build a river port, it is a peaceful spot to stretch your legs. The Museo Nazionale Concordiese has an incredible collection of sculptures, gravestone and effigies found during excavations at the archaeological site in Concordia Sagittaria. Take a seat at one of the bars which overlook the river and watch the people go by.

**Recommended restaurant:** Osteria alla Barchessa

**Market:** Thu (am) – town centre.

**Amenities:** Supermarkets, bakery, butcher, pharmacy, cafés and restaurants.

**Moorings:** We recommend you leave your boat in Concordia Sagittaria and cycle 2km on the pleasant cycling path along the river.

## BIBIONE

Bibione is a large seaside resort, renowned for its thermal bathing. If you're in need of pampering, try the Wellness Centre (Bibione Thermae - +39 0431 441200). There is an extensive network of cycle paths which criss-cross the town, offering access to beautiful countryside and pine woods. The Passeggiata Adriatico trail, suitable for cyclists and pedestrians, runs parallel to the beach, crossing the entire Bibione coastline from east to west. The amusement park, Luna Park Adriatico, offers fairground rides and attractions for kids.

**Recommended restaurant:** Osteria del Porto, next to the Marina.

**Market:** Tues, Fri & Sat (am) - Piazza Mercato.

**Amenities:** Supermarkets, bakery, butcher, pharmacy, cafés and restaurants.

**Moorings:** The only place to moor is the Marina Baseleghe, situated outside the centre of town.

## PRECENICCO

Preckenico is a pretty place dating back to the time of Teutonic knights who were based here. It is a small elegant, town with friendly 'Osteria' (café-bars), an art gallery and small boutiques. There are narrow cobbled streets with 18th century buildings and churches, and a well-kept market square.

**Recommended restaurant:** Ristorante Rivabella, a 2 minute walk from the Le Boat base.

**Amenities:** Small store, bakery, bars and restaurants. There is a supermarket 2km away which can be access by bike.

**Moorings:** The Le Boat base is situated here.

## MARANO LAGUNARE

Marano Lagunare is a typical picturesque fisherman town, though its history dates from the Roman age. Between 1420 and 1797 it was a fortress, built to protect Venice. You will find a lively fish market downtown where fresh fish arrive every morning, caught by the local fisherman. If you're holidaying between June-September, join an excursion to "Isola delle Conchiglie", a small island characterised by swampy vegetation (Saturno da Geremia +39 0431 67891).

**Recommended restaurant:** Trattoria Barcaneta, a 15 minute walk from the Marina

**Market:** Daily fish market..

**Amenities:** Supermarkets, bakery, pharmacy, cafés and restaurants.

**Waterside services:** Portomaran provides convenient moorings on the outer section of the floating docs, without having to enter the marina.



Lignano

## LIGNANO SABBIAADORO & RIVIERA

Renowned as one of the best summer destinations in Italy for fun and entertainment, Lignano is packed with good facilities and amusements. Enjoy a day on the beach or take a walk along the river Tagliamento, with its crystal light blue water and pristine white sand which is carried by the river from the Carnia Alps. The Zoo di Punta Verde is a natural oasis with over 1,000 animals from 150 different species. The Riviera has many shops and restaurants, as well as a huge sandy beach, all of which can be reached by bike.

**Recommended restaurant:** Ristorante Willy, 30 minutes from the marina, although free moorings are also available.

**Market:** Mon (am) - Viale Europa.

**Amenities:** Supermarkets, bakery, butcher, pharmacy, cafés and restaurants.

**Moorings:** Moor at Darsena Marina Uno. We recommend using the outer piers, instead of trying to moor inside the dock.

## AQUILEIA

Aquileia was founded in 181BC to be a base for Roman power in this part of Europe and was once one of the biggest cities in the Roman Empire. The town, strategically located for military and trading purposes, grew to become one of the biggest and richest towns of the whole Roman Empire, being defined the "second Rome". Now a UNESCO World Heritage Site, there is lots to see in this 'open air museum' if you take your history seriously, including two museums, and the striking basilica. Built in 313AD, its tiled mosaic floor is the largest in Europe - and one of the most beautiful. There are several outdoor archaeological areas dotted around Aquileia, and various sets of excavations in progress. A good first stop is the local tourist information office, which is in the square by the basilica. You can check opening times and pick up little leaflets with maps of the sights.

**Recommended restaurant:** Ristorante Corallo, a 20 minute walk from the marina - or a short bike ride.

**Market:** Sat (am) - Piazza Indipendenza.

**Amenities:** A supermarket, bakery, pharmacy, cafés and restaurants.

**Moorings:** About 2km downstream of the town centre is the Marina di Aquileia. Do not travel beyond the fork in the Natissa River - this is the last spot wide enough to turn your boat around.



Basilica di Santa Maria Assunta in Aquileia



Grado

## GRADO

Grado is a quaint old fishing town on the edge of a large lagoon and is rightly proud of its historic centre. While tiny compared to the modern town, this little medieval quarter is the most charming part of Grado. The old fishermen's houses cluster together, and it's surprisingly easy to lose your sense of direction. There are plenty of bars and restaurants if you need a break from exploring. Grado's Duomo is the town's best tourist sight. It lies in a picturesque little square, Campo dei Patriarchi, and dates from the 6th century. Just across the square is another impressive early church; the Basilica di Santa Maria delle Grazie. Grado's beaches are on the Adriatic side of the island, facing views up across to the mountains of Slovenia and Croatia. The Valle Cavanata Nature Reserve can be reached by bike from the town or, for a gentler route, take the trail along the sea between Grado and Belvedere. The island of Barbana lies at the edge of the Grado lagoon, and is permanently inhabited by a community of Franciscan monks. A regular boat service links Grado to the island, taking around 20 minute (Motoscafisti Gradesi + 39 0431 919787).

**Recommended restaurant:** Laura e Christian, a 10 minute walk from the Lega Navale Marine.

**Market:** Wed & Sun (am).

**Amenities:** Everything you need can be found in Grado.

**Moorings:** Do not moor at any of the cement jetties in town; they are reserved for public transit boats. Stop at Lega Navale Italiana instead, the closest dock to the centre. Call in advance to reserve a space (+39 0431 81706).

# LOCKS AND LIFTING BRIDGES

All of the locks of this region are electric and operated by a lock keeper. Only enter the lock when a single green traffic light is showing. You and your crew should stay on board as you enter the lock, looping your lines over the bollards and holding firmly to steady the boat as it ascends/descends. Please refer to the onboard Boat and Navigation Manual for more information about how to operate and pass through locks. For lifting bridges, you must call ahead (a few minutes before you arrive) to request a bridge to be raised or opened. Numbers are displayed in your onboard guide/map.

## OPENING TIMES

Locks:

RIVER BRENTA LOCKS	PORTEGRANDI AND CAVALLINO LOCKS	MUSILE, REVEDOLI AND BEVAZZANA DESTRA LOCKS	BEVAZZANA SINISTRA
Tue – Sun 8am – 7pm	Every day 8:30am – 12:30pm & 2pm – 7pm	24 hr	Every day 8:30am – 12noon 2pm – 7pm

Lifting / sliding bridges:

RIVER BRENTA BRIDGES	CAPOSILE (RIVER SILE)	REVEDOLI (RIVER PIAVE)	TORRE DI FINE (LITORANEA)	CAORLE	CONCORDIA SAGITTARIA
Tue – Sun 9:30am–12:30pm 1:00pm–4:45pm 6pm–7pm (Lunch and teatime closure vary)	Every day Just at 9am / 10:30am / 12:30pm / 2pm / 3:30pm / 5pm / 6:40pm	Every day 8am – 6pm	Every day 8am–12noon 2:30pm–7:30pm	Every day Just at 9am/ 11am / 2:30pm /4:30pm.  (Mon-Fr also 6pm)	Mon –Fri 9am – 11am 1:45pm – 3:30pm 7pm – 8pm

## MOORING

When you're near Venice, you can only moor in designated public mooring places. Space is quite limited, especially in the busy summer season. Take a water taxi (vaporetto) to your tourist destination in the Venetian Lagoon instead of hassling over a place to park the boat.

When travelling from Casale, exclusive private moorings are available for Le Boat customers. These moorings are located on Mazzorbo (Burano), Vignole (for Venice) and in Chioggia - areas which are well connected with the public transport (the famous water bus called Vaporetto) to help you visit central Venice and all the surrounding islands. They do not have access to water or shore power and availability is limited - they are allocated on a first-come-first-serve basis. This fee will be automatically added, as a cost, to your Italy booking and is included in the prices quoted on our website when applicable.

In the Friuli region from our base in Precenicco, you'll find a wider selection of moorings.

## WATER

You will need to fill up your water tank once or twice during the course of a week. There are many ports/marinas that will allow you to fill your tank for a charge, or will be included in an overnight mooring fee.

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