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Surely you could never have imagined that you could condense so many experiences in a single trip! Lakes, starting with Como, then up the famous mountains, the Alps with the fantastic climbs to the passes of Stelvio and Gavia, and then reach the Dolomites, the mountains par excellence, a real joy for driving in a natural environment unique in the world. Lake Garda marks the watershed of our journey, then Verona and the Po Valley, with the river Po dominating and influencing the landscape, habits, thoughts of the people, before arriving in Borgo Panigale for an unforgettable visit to one of the most famous motorcycle sanctuaries in the world, the museum and the Ducati factory. But Italy is a land of mountains, and the Apennines are the classic surprise you don't expect, with roads that are often perfect and with little traffic, with real architectural jewels that interrupt our journey from time to time: Florence, Pisa, Lucca.....what do you think, is that enough? In September the greedy occasion, ready? We are ready!

# Motorcycle Ducati Tour Dream Alps and Dolomites across Italy 9 days/8 nights, km 1809



## **TRAVEL ITINERARY**

Highlights and accommodations- dinners

Day 1: Arrive in Milan Highlights: Milan

### Day 2: from Milano to Livigno km 222

Highlights: Bellagio, passo Maloja, St. Moritz, passo Bernina, Livigno

Day 3: from Livigno to Merano km 252 Highlights: Stelvio, Passo Gavia, Merano, birreria Forst

#### Day 4: from Merano to Cortina d'Ampezzo km 229

Highlights: Passo di Monte Giovo, passo Croce di Comelico, 3 cime di Lavaredo, lago di Misurina

#### Day 5: from Cortina d'Ampezzo to Riva del Garda km 267

Highlights: Passo Giau, Passo Fedaia, Passo Rolle



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## DAILY PROGRAM AND TOURIST INFORMATION

#### Day 2: from Milano to Livigno km 222

We start, and the approach with the traffic of Milan and its surroundings is inevitable, welcome to Italy, a little 'patience and things will get better immediately. A fast road will quickly bring us closer to Lake Como, one of the most famous beauties of northern Italy. The road to **Bellagio**, runs on the water surface in the last kilometers, attention to traffic and the small size of the road. Once we have crossed the lake by ferry, landed in Menaggio, we will run along the lake for its entire length in a northerly direction, and then head towards Chiavenna, from where we will enter Switzerland, crossing the spectacular **Maloja pass**. After a short stop in the fashionable Saint Moritz, will take the Bernina pass, to close the tour and the run of Alpine passes with the Forcola pass that will allow us to get to **Livigno**.



#### WHAT TO SEE ALONG THE ROUTE:

**The Maloja Pass** is one of the most impressive and picturesque road routes in the Swiss Alps, located in the heart of Canton Graubünden, at an altitude of over 1,800 metres. The Maloja road connects the two areas of the Engadine and the Bregaglia Valley.

Also known as the Maloggia Pass or Malojapass, it reaches a height of 1,815 metres and is 50 kilometres long. The Maloja Pass is not only known for its beautiful views of the Bernina and Albula Alps, but also for its long winding sections, with an incredible series of hairpin bends, more or less difficult, that follow one another and that make the happiness of all those who ride on two wheels.



#### Day 11: Riva del Garda - km 207 / miles 129

A loop is a loop we know, would it be very fun to do it circling around a lake? A great challenge and I think you have understood what place we are talking about, Yes, the mountains that surround Lake Garda. It is undoubtedly an interesting way to get to Sirmione, whose beautiful old town is on a peninsula that divides the lower Garda Lake, where we will arrive at lunchtime. The trip continues to Monte Baldo, its narrow streets with little traffic, where sometimes the view opens suddenly showing the majestic lake, to end in the afternoon on the west bank of Lake Garda.



#### WHAT TO SEE ALONG THE ROUTE:

**Riva del Garda** is the pearl of Garda Trentino. Mediterranean climate, wide and sunny free beaches, enchanting views are the ingredients for a holiday on Lake Garda unforgettable and repeatable at all times. Riva del Garda is the main centre of the Garda Trentino area. Here the holiday embraces a thousand experiences. Sport is the main motivation for a holiday: sailing and windsurfing first of all, but also walking, cycling, mountain biking, tennis, rowing. The climate favours the typical vegetation of the Mediterranean area: lemons, olive trees, laurels and palm trees, a real Mediterranean oasis at the foot of the Brenta Dolomites. The centre of Riva del Garda is fascinating for its art and architectural works, which bear witness to ancient history and a past rich in art and culture.

In the past illustrious people, such as Nietzsche, Kafka, the Mann brothers, have been guests of the city. Today, as then, the welcome on the shores of Garda Trentino is sought after and at the same time familiar.



# **TRAVEL NOTE**

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#### **Your Landsails team**



Diego, Graduated in tourism and economics in 2001 and he specialised with a Master's in Management and Development of tourism services. Significant experience in territorial marketing and the marketing and promotion of tourism products for famous destinations and smaller places. For many years he has been working in the field of tourism to create travel programmes for international clients.

He Travels to discover the hidden unique Italian treasures, Living the Italian life's style, breathing its rich culture & traditions, staying with locals and nature pursuing one's own passion: motorbiking,, cycling, horse-riding, cooking classes, diving, trekking, nordic-walking, etc.

He is a Technical Director of Tour Operator, with experience in incoming tourism in Italy, in the sale and marketing of tourist products of the main tourist destinations in the country and in other smaller places, with the activation of tools for tourism

marketing that can reach specific markets/targets.

Can a presentation be condensed in few lines? With Giovanni probably yes. Hundreds of pages published in the main Italian motorcycle magazines, covers, advertising photos, some publications in Mexico and for the RAT Triumph Europe, solo trips, groups accompanied a little everywhere ...... an old wolf still hunting!! Words often have



little meaning, facts almost always speak for us, of one thing you can be sure: he will try to bring you in the most spectacular and safe way possible... and we hope that this Alps and Dolomites is an example!



## **DRIVING IN ITALY WITH LANDSAILS**

#### MAIN GENERAL INFORMATION

- In case of **POLICE STOP YOU** show them. 1. your driving licence, 2. motorcycle's document and insurance (you can find them under the seat of all our motorcycles), 3. the rental contract, you subscribed.
- **PETROL/FUEL** for the thank, alla our motorcycles go with unleaded petrol (SENZA PIOMBO) the green one code E5 E10. Important "no use diesel", the black or yellow one. We bikes for the tours are with full tank and have to be dropped off with full tank.
- How to get and pay italian **HIGHWAY**: when you enter you have to get the ticket (do not go to the Telepass–yellow line), when you exit you have to insert the ticket and then the amount shown on the display (white line: cash / blue line: credit card).
- Pay attention to the **SPEED LIMIT**: 50 km/h city center, 90 km/h normal street and 130 km/h highways.
- Never ride in **RESTRICTED TRAFFIC AREAS** ("Zone a Traffico Limitato" ZTL) except in the permitted hours. It's highly reccomended to park motorcycles in supervisioned parking area.
- ACCIDENTS in case: 1. call at urgency numbers you find under the seat, 2. contact police, 3. do not repair by yourself the motorcycles, 3. make pictures of the accident and damages, 4. do not sign any CID (constatazione amichevole). Contact th emergency number of Hp Motorrad 0039.3318761126, the email for emergency is <u>assistance@hpmotorrad.com</u>.
- **PENAL,** most of the key of the bikes are keyless so pay attention to do not loose it, the penal in case of key loss is 500 euro.
- In case of accident immediatly call the tour guide that will all the emergency numbers.



#### >> ROAD SIGNS

All road signs' and traffic officers' instructions must be obeyed, particularly as concerns speed limits. FINE for non-compliance (article 146, paragraph 2, Italian Highway Code): 41 to 169 Euros. Fine is increased by one-third if the violation is committed between 10 pm and 7 am. PENALTY POINTS on driving licence: -2 out of 20 full starting points except for waiting restriction infringements (no parking and no stopping signs).

In particular, direction signs can be distinguished by their background colour:

Green:	direction sign indicating a motorway.	(A4) VENEZIA
Blue:	direction sign indicating extra urban roads.	55 10 BORGOSOLE 48
White:	direction sign indicating specific local destinations such as airports or hotels in city centres.	
Yellow:	temporary direction sign indicating current road works, mandatory detours and possible alternative routes.	Deviazione
Brown:	direction sign indicating historic, artistic, cultural and tourist destinations; also used to indicate ecological protected areas, camping sites and recreational sites.	Colfosco 282

#### >> TUNNELS

Tunnels are frequent in the Italian road and motorway network, both through the Alps and the Apennines ranges. Major Alpine tunnels are subject to tolling.

Behaviour rules when driving in a tunnel:

- Use dipped headlights even in well lit tunnels. FINES are imposed for non compliance.
- Respect the speed limits. FINE for non compliance (article 142, paragraph 7 et seq., Highway Code): 41 to 3,316 Euro. PENALTY POINTS on driving licence: -3 to -10 out of 20 full starting points.
- Don't wait or park. FINE for non compliance (article 158, paragraph 6, Highway Code): 24 to 98 Euro for mopeds and two-wheeled vehicles; 41 to 169 for all other type of vehicles.
- Keep a safe distance from the preceding vehicle. FINE for non compliance: article 149, paragraphs 4, 5, 6, Highway Code.
- Never make a U-turn and never drive in reverse gear.
- Turn engine off when not moving due to heavy traffic.
- Look out for emergency exits and S.O.S. posts.
- In case of fire, try to extinguish the fire only if this is at the initial stage. Otherwise, leave your vehicle behind and go off immediately, leaving the tunnel in the direction opposite to the fire spread.

# Basic Italian phrases to survive your first conversations

#### **Simple Italian Greetings**

The first thing you need to learn to do in any language is to meet and greet people! As a beginner, there will be many moments when you get stuck and can't understand what people are saying to you in Italian. When this happens, don't worry! It's a perfectly normal part of the learning process and in time, you'll begin to understand more and more of what you hear.

- Hello [any time of day] Salve! (sal-vay)
- Hello, how are you? Salve, come va? (sal-vay ko-may va?)
- Good morning Buongiorno (bu-on-jour-no)
- Good afternoon Buon pomeriggio (bu-on po-mer-eej-jio)
- Good evening Buonasera (bu-on-a-say-ra)
- Good night Buonanotte (bu-ona-not-tay)
- Thank you very much Grazie mille (gra-tsee mee-lay)
- Thank you, too Grazie a Lei (gra-tsee a lay)
- Goodbye, see you next time Arrivederci, alla prossima (arr-ee-va-der-chee al-la pros-seema)
- My name is Mi chiamo... (mee kee-amo)
- I'm American/Canadian/English Sono americano/canadese/inglese (so-no am-er-ee-kahno / kan-a-day-say / een-glay-say)
- Where are you from? Lei di dov'è? (lay dee do-vay?)
- Nice to meet you Piacere (pee-a-chay-ray)
- I'm having a great time! Mi sto divertendo molto (mee sto dee-ver-ten-do mol-to)
- I don't understand! Mi scusi, non capisco (mee scoo-see non ka-pee-sko)
- I don't speak Italian very well Non parlo italiano molto bene (non par-lo ital-ee-ah-no molto beh-nay)
- Could you say that again please? Potrebbe ripetere, per favore? (po-tre-bay ree-peh-tehreh per fa-vawr-ay)
- Please write that down for me Potrebbe scrivermelo? (po-tre-bay skree-ver-may-lo?)
- What does that mean? Cosa vuole dire? (ko-sa vu-ol-ay dee-ray?)
- "What does this mean?" Cosa vuol dire questo/quello?
- Do you speak English? Parla inglese? (par-la een-glay-say?)
- I'm sorry Mi scusi (mee skoo-see)
- I don't know Non lo so (non lo so)
- All right Va bene (va be-nay)
- Never mind Non importa (non eem-por-ta)

# **BIKERS DICTIONARY**

English	Italian	
adjust valve clearance	regolazione punterie	
adjustment	regolazione	
aerodynamics	aerodinamica	
air feed	presa d'aria	
air filter element	elemento del filtro d'aria	
allen key	chiave a brugola	
alternator	alternatore, dinamo	
anti-freeze fluid	liquido antigelo, antigelo	
balance wheels	equilibrature delle ruote	
balancer	punterie	
ball race	sede dei cuscinetti a sfere	
ballbearing	cuscinetto a sfere	
battery	batteria	
battery charger	carica batterie	
bearing	cuscinetto	
big end bearing	biella	
bigend	piede di biella	
bleeding	spurgo	
bolt	bullone	
brake	freno	
brake light	luce stop	
brake pads	pastiglie dei freni	
brake shoe	pattino del freno	
brakes	i freni	
breaker point	puntine platinate	
bulb	lampada	
caliper	pinza	
cam chain	catena di distribuzione	
camshaft	albero a camme	
carbon brush	spazzola di carbonio	

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LANDSAILS has been organizing motorcycle trips in Italy and around the world for over thirty years. Selected trips on two wheels to discover the most scenic road routes, a fascinating combination of the top destinations of tourism and surprising places, unknown to most people and that make the real wealth of the Italian peninsula. The goal is to create an exciting, unforgettable experience by motorcycle among nature, culture and food and wine. The project was born in 2009 from the meeting of some professionals who decided to give life to a reality specialized in welcoming international customers: Giovanni has a life in the field of motorcycling, enrolled in the national register of tour guides, hundreds of publications in national and international magazines, with hundreds of solo tours or accompanying groups, in Italy and around the world; Diego, a professional with twenty years experience in tourism planning and certified skills in the field, his contacts in the area are often surprising even for insiders, organization and logistics are a guarantee. The result is exceptional tours by motorcycle predefined or customized, for groups and individuals / self-guided, where everything is perfect......for us are the details that make the difference. If you are looking for your next motorcycling vacation in Italy, look no further because we have just the experience you have been searching for!

