

Perugia University Town

Perugia has a particular vocation as a university town. The *Università degli Studi*, which was founded in the 13th century, has been welcoming students (*Studium Generale*) from all over Europe since the Middle Ages.

University for Foreigners of Perugia

piazza Braccio Fortebracci, 4
tel. +39 075 57461 www.unistrapg.it
This is the oldest and most prestigious university in Italy for the study and teaching of the Italian language and for furthering the knowledge of Italian culture and civilisation. Founded in 1921, in 1927 the university moved to the prestigious Palazzo Gallenga, for many years the residence of the noble Antinori family, who commissioned the Roman architect Francesco Bianchi to build it between 1740 and 1750.

Università degli Studi di Perugia

piazza dell'Università, 1
tel. +39 075 5851 www.unipg.it
The university currently includes the faculties of Law, Political Science, Economics, Letters and Philosophy, Education Sciences, Medicine and Surgery, Veterinary Medicine, Agriculture, Pharmacy, Maths, Physical and Natural Sciences and Engineering.

Perugia Music Conservatory

piazza Mariotti, 2 - tel. +39 075 5733844
www.conservatorioperugia.it
The first superior culture institution in

Umbria for advanced musical education, training, research and composition, the conservatory is housed in a monumental 16th century building that rises like a fortress above the Etruscan wall around the old town. The magnificent Auditorium boasts a grand concert mechanical organ with five keyboards, 58 registers and over 6,000 pipes.

Pietro Vannucci Fine Arts Academy

piazza San Francesco, 5
tel. +39 075 5730631 www.abaperugia.org
Located in the rooms of the San Francesco al Prato convent, the Academy is one of the oldest fine arts academies in Italy. It was founded in 1573 as the "Drawing Academy" by the painter Orazio Alfani and the architect Raffaello Sozi. The extensive art history library holds over 14,500 works. The Academy Museum, with its plaster cast collection, its drawing and prints room and its paintings gallery, was closed in 1998 for reinforcement work (the 19th century collection is exhibited at the Museum in Palazzo della Penna).



Perugia and its twin towns

Perugia is twinned with four European towns and two in the U.S.A., with which it organises exchanges and cultural events.

The "sister" towns are:

Bratislava (SR) - Aix-en-Provence (F) - Tübingen (D) - Potsdam (D)
Seattle (USA) - Grand Rapids (USA)

Museums

- National Gallery of Umbria (Porta Santa Susanna itinerary, pp. 37-38)
- National Archaeology Museum of Umbria (Porta San Pietro itinerary, pp. 60-61)
- Palazzone Antiquarium and Volumni Hypogeum (p. 75)
- The Museum at Palazzo della Penna (Porta San Pietro itinerary, pp. 69-70)
- Capitular Museum of the Cathedral of San Lorenzo (Porta Sant'Angelo itinerary, p. 26)
- Museum of the Gates and City walls (Porta Sant'Angelo itinerary, p. 30)
- POST Perugia Science and Technology Workshop (Porta Sole itinerary, p. 17)
- Perugina History Museum (see bottom of page)

CONSORZIO
PERUGIA
CITTÀ MUSEO

The Perugia Città Museo Card allows you to visit the artistic sites of Perugia, choosing different ways and lengths of your itinerary and having benefit by discounts and other advantages.

Sites where you can use the card:

SAN SEVERO CHAPEL - ROCCA PAOLINA MUSEUM
SERVICES CENTRE - NATIONAL GALLERY OF UMBRIA
- VOLUMNI HYPOGEUM - NATIONAL ARCHAEOLOGY
MUSEUM OF UMBRIA - CAPITULAR MUSEUM -
MUSEUM OF THE GATES AND CITY WALLS - NOBILE
COLLEGIO DEL CAMBIO - NOBILE COLLEGIO DELLA
MERCANZIA - PALAZZO BALDESCHI AL CORSO -
PALAZZO DELLA PENNA - ETRUSCAN WELL

INFO: Consorzio Perugia Città Museo
Via Podiani, 11
Tel. +39 075 5772805 - 2834
Toll free number 800.961.993
infomusei@comune.perugia.it
<http://turismo.comune.perugia.it>

Perugina History Museum

Inaugurated in 1997 to commemorate the 90th anniversary of Perugina, the museum is divided into four sections illustrating the company's history, which is also the history of Italian culture and society. Photographs, documents, machinery, wrappings and packaging, technical and historical films, and the history of Italian advertising, from "Carosello" to present day adverts.

A fascinating journey through the world of chocolate, ending with a tour of the factory.

Reservations and further info: tel. +39 075 5276796



Palazzone Antiquarium and Volumni Hypogeum

Located 5 km from Perugia, at Ponte San Giovanni, this is the tomb of the Volumni family, a powerful aristocratic Etruscan family from Perugia. The tomb, which was discovered in 1840, is one of the most important of Etruria's monuments, and is part of the vast Palazzone necropolis, which extends all around the hypogeum and is dotted with numerous chamber tombs going from the early Etruscan era (6th cent. B.C.) to the Hellenic period (3rd-1st cent. B.C.). The hypogeum is dug deeply out of the ground and can be reached by a steep flight of steps down. In the atrium are numerous cinerary urns from the surrounding necropolis, which visitors may explore by way of a special guided route.

The name of the family is visible on the numerous inscriptions on the cinerary urns as well as on the one above the entrance, which bears the name of the owners of the tomb, the Velimna brothers (in Latin *Volumni*). The tomb is built in the architectural style of a Roman house and is composed of a vestibule, an atrium and a series of open rooms, with lacunar ceilings and pediments.

In the *tablinium* are seven cinerary



urns, six of which are in stuccoed travertine and one in marble.

The one belonging to the head of the family, Arunte, features a bed adorned with drapes on which the deceased is reclining. At each side of the base are two *lasas*, or winged demons, watching over the entrance to the underworld, which is portrayed in a painting between the two. The tomb dates back to the period between the second half of the 2nd century and the first half of the 1st century B.C. The necropolis is also home to an *Antiquarium* which hosts temporary themed exhibitions linked to objects found in the same area.

Via Assisana, 53 - Ponte San Giovanni, tel. +39 075 393329
www.archeopg.arti.beniculturali.it



Area and environment

The landscape is characterised by green hills and the gently flowing Tiber, and is surrounded by the woodland of the nearby mountains.

Monte Malbe extends to the west of Perugia and occupies a portion of territory in the Corciano Municipality. Its highest point is **La Trinità** (652 m asl), from where it is possible to enjoy a magnificent view that stretches from lake Trasimeno to Monte Subasio. Together with Monte Lacugnano it is considered "Perugia's own mountain". The area is more or less a nature reserve, occupying an area of 25 square kilometres. The woodland area is characterised by oak (holm oak and small bay oak), typical Mediterranean shrubs and chestnut. There is also a wide variety of mammals and birds.



Monte Tezio, rising 1,000 metres, is located at the suburbs of Perugia and represents an area of great natural and scenic interest: a green oasis where it is possible to find a huge variety of plant-life, ranging from Mediterranean shrubs to fir woods and mountain pastures. An unspoiled habitat where it is also possible to observe the flight of the harrier eagle, the buzzard and the kestrel, as well as many other birds. An area to be explored on foot, on horseback or by mountain bike.

The river **Tiber** flows slowly through the farmlands below Perugia, meandering here and there through the surrounding countryside.

At the foot of the hill the ancient "fords", that once connected the town to other

Umbrian towns such as Torgiano, Assisi, Valfabbrica, as well as those that rose along the Via Flaminia, are now the site of well developed areas: Ponte San Giovanni, Ponte Valleceppi, Ponte Felcino, Ponte Pattoli.



Walks in the countryside around Perugia

WALKING TRAILS

The most popular, featuring equipped green areas, are those at Pian di Massiano, a park that stretches along the Genna torrent, west of Perugia's hill.

Other trails wind for about 20 kilometres along the river Tiber, and are suitable in places for bikes and mountain bikes, from Ponte Pattoli to Ponte San Giovanni. The network of footpaths skirting the river allows visitors to make the most of the precious natural resources, from the rich plant-life to the fauna and splendid landscapes towards the Subasio and the river with its rapids and little beaches.

Well worthy of note, near Ponte Felcino, are the historic Pineta (Pine Wood) and Educational Woods, which are home to over 2,000 species of trees, bushes and plants, representing over 100 botanical species, and which have recently seen the addition of extensive rose gardens.

Map

Carta topografica Perugia-Deruta (K663) – scala 1:50.000, ed. Kompass Fleischmann Srl, Bolzano 1991.

"MONTE MALBE – LA TRINITÀ" PARK (652 m slm)

Just a short distance from the historic centre is a vast woodland area with a network of mule tracks, cart-ways and footpaths, including four itineraries marked out by the "Mountain Community".

A large portion of the area is occupied by the "Città della Domenica", known also as Spagnolia, after the Perugia industrialist family who founded it. (see description p. 78).

Map

Guida agli itinerari escursionistici di Monte Malbe e la Trinità, 1994.

MONTE TEZIO (ca 1000 m slm)

The massive mountain range rises above the Tiber Valley affording a magnificent view of the Apennines of the Marche and Abruzzo regions, as well as a delightful panorama of lake Trasimeno. The network of mountain paths, marked out by the CAI association, meander through the park that occupies a vast area of the highest part of Monte Tezio. The entrance to the Park is about 2 kilometres from the hamlet of Compresso. For info on excursions and Park activities we suggest a visit to the official website of the Monti del Tezio Association: www.montideltezio.it

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COLLESTRADA WOODS

Occupying about 63 hectares, the woods have characteristics common to relict woods, quite rare in this region, known as flatlands or foothills, and of particular geo-botanical interest.

The woods are made up predominantly of oak, including bay oak, black hornbeam and manner ash.

They are criss-crossed by a network of paths, the most important of which follows an easy trail right through the heart of the woods.

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Information

Mountain Community "Associazione dei Comuni Trasimeno Medio Tevere"

Via Dante Alighieri, 2 - Magione (PG)

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*The above-mentioned places can be reached by public APM (Agenzia Perugina della Mobilità) buses
Toll free number 800512141 - www.apmperugia.it*

Città della Domenica

Also known as Spagnolia, after the Spagnoli, a well-known family of industrialists from Perugia, the Città della Domenica is the ideal park for nature lovers. It is located on Monte Pulito (600 m asl), about 2 kilometres from the town centre.

A world of adventure and fairy tales has been recreated on the outskirts of Perugia.

The main attraction is a series of themed fairy tale settings. In addition there is a fascinating adventure world, inspired in particular by the Far West, with cowboys and Indians. The zoo and botanical gardens are home to protected species of animals, as well as a *reptilium* and a variety of rare plants.

The park represents a specific means of promoting, in both adults and children alike, a higher awareness of nature as well as the importance of safeguarding the environment. For this reason the park is now a member of the European Association of Zoos and Aquariums.



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info@cittadelladomenica.com - www.cittadelladomenica.com

Events

• 29 January
Feast of San Costanzo
Tradition, art, culture and spirituality for the feast of San Costanzo, one of the patron saints of Perugia, martyred on 29 January.
www.comune.perugia.it

• July
Umbria Jazz - International Jazz Festival
Founded in 1973, this is one of the most important jazz events in Europe. The festival features a packed programme of concerts by the biggest stars of jazz, for ten days animating the streets of the town from morning to night. At the same time the "Umbria Jazz Clinics" are held by the prestigious "Berklee School" of Boston.
www.umbriajazz.com



• 30 July
Secolare festa del Santo Anello della Vergine
*Cathedral of San Lorenzo
The rich reliquary that holds the Madonna's wedding ring is brought out and shown to the devout crowds of worshippers.*

• end August - early September
"Figuratevi" - Festival internazionale delle figure animate
Considered one of the most important festivals of its kind in Europe, attracting companies from all over the world, it includes all genres of international festival of puppet theater.
www.tieffeu.com
www.figuratevi.it



• September
Sagra Musicale Umbra
Founded in 1937, this is one of the oldest musical festivals in Italy. A regional event, involving many towns around Umbria, it offers an excellent selection of religious symphonic and choir music. In addition to "ancient" music, the festival is also dedicated to modern and contemporary productions, as well as to popular music. Choirs and vocal groups also participate in the festival.
www.perugiamusicaclassica.com



• September
Perugia Classico

Historic centre, Rocca Paolina
The most important exhibition of fine acoustic musical instruments in Italy.
In the magnificent rooms of Rocca Paolina, visitors can admire the finely crafted instruments.
The exhibition, which also features seminars and educational activities, presents concerts and master classes by world famous musicians in different venues and theatres around the historic centre.

• October
Eurochocolate

International chocolate festival dedicated to lovers of the "food of the gods".
Each year the festival transforms the historic centre of Perugia into one big lively chocolate factory, with non-stop lessons for amateurs and semi-professionals, chocolate tasting, exhibitions and seminars.
A unique festival full of variety starring the most celebrated brands of Italian and foreign chocolate.
www.eurochocolate.com



• November
Umbria Libri

Rocca Paolina, ex Borsa Merci
Umbrian book fair.
An important appointment on the region's cultural scenario.
New publications, meetings with authors, debates, seminars with Italian and international writers, philosophers and intellectuals.
www.umbrialibri.com

• December

Batik - Perugia Film Festival
Rocca Paolina, Teatro Morlacchi
A festival featuring films from over seventy countries, with film shows and meetings with directors.
www.batikfilmfestival.it

• December
Natale in...

Rocca Paolina and other venues around the town host a trade fair presenting Christmas arts, crafts and traditional foods.
www.akantho.it

• first Sunday of each month
Umbria Terra Viva

piazza Piccinino
Monthly market of organic and natural products.

• last Saturday and Sunday of each month

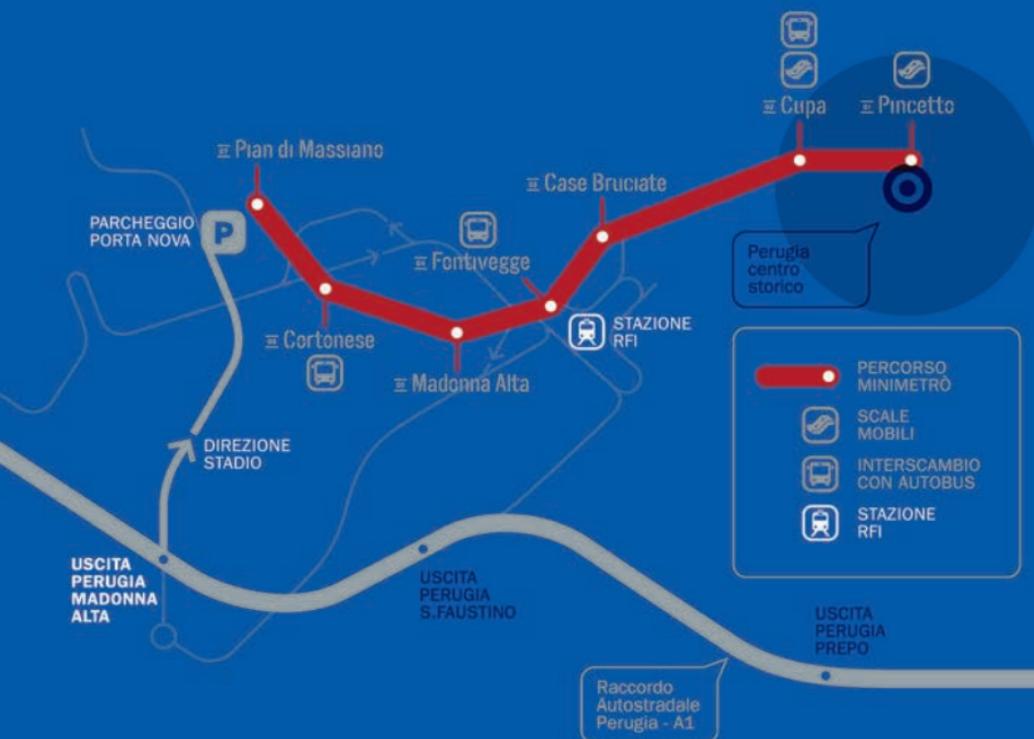
National Antique and Collectors' trade fair
Rocca Paolina, Giardini Carducci, loggia del Palazzo della Provincia
Monthly market, with furniture, knick knacks and curios.



• 1°-5 novembre
Secolare fiera dei morti (Feast of All Souls)
(previously Ognissanti or dei Santi)
Pian di Massiano
www.comune.perugia.it



Una metropolitana leggera, realizzata con tecnologie innovative uniche nel proprio genere, che consente ai cittadini e ai turisti di salire sulla collina del Centro storico di Perugia, di muoversi nella città in modo rapido ed ecologico e di godere di piacevoli panorami.



Minimetrò Perugia

Come raggiungere il centro storico di Perugia utilizzando il Minimetrò:

→ **in auto** (Stazione Minimetrò Pian di Massiano)

Raccordo Autostradale Perugia - A1

Uscita Perugia Madonna Alta

Direzione stadio

Parcheggio "Porta Nova"

→ **in treno** (Stazione Minimetrò Fontivegge)

Stazione RFI di Fontivegge, collegamento

pedonale diretto dalla banchina del binario 1

Orario di servizio

Lunedì - Sabato: 07,00 - 21,20

Domenica e festivi: 08,30 - 20,30

Ultima corsa quotidiana entro

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<http://turismo.comune.perugia.it>

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