



# Italian Travel Phrase Cheat Sheet

## GREETINGS

**Ciao!** (Hello/Goodbye) 🙌  
(chow)

**Buongiorno!** (Good morning)  
(bwohn-JOHR-noh)

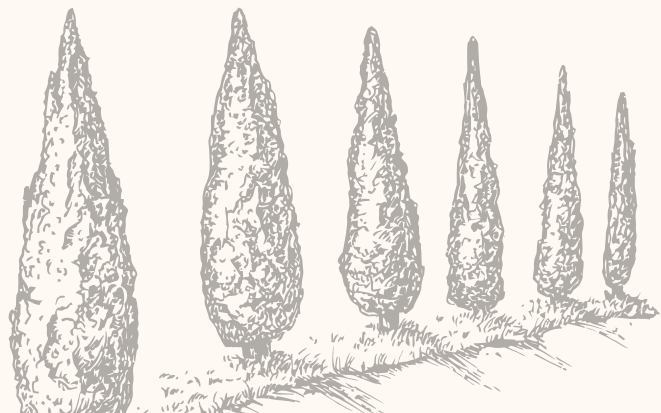
**Buonasera!** (Good evening)  
(bwoh-nah-SEH-rah)

**Come stai?** (How are you?)  
(KOH-meh STAH-ee?)

**Piacere!** (Nice to meet you!)  
(pyah-CHEH-reh)

**Grazie!** (Thank you!) 🙏 (GRAH-tsyeh) / **Prego!** (You're welcome!) (PREH-goh)

 **Tip:** Always greet Italians  
when entering a store,  
restaurant with a simple  
"Buongiorno"



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## SHOPPING & MARKETS



### **Quanto costa?**

(How much does it cost?)

(KWAHN-toh KOH-stah?)

### **Posso vedere quello?**

(Can I see that?)

(POHS-soh veh-DEH-reh KWEHL-loh?)

### **Accettate carte di credito?**

(Do you accept credit cards?)

(Ah-cheht-TAH-teh KAR-teh dee KREH-dee-toh?)

### **Fate uno sconto?**

(Do you offer a discount?)

(FAH-teh OO-noh SKOHN-toh?)

### **Lo prendo!**

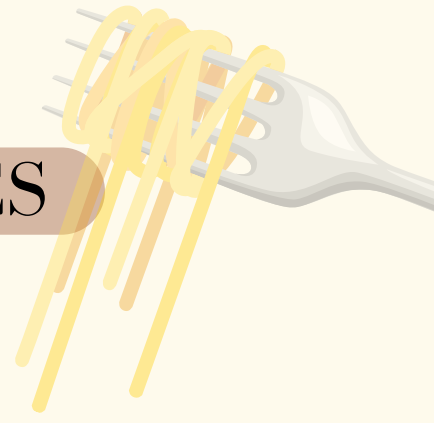
(I'll take it!)

(Loh PREHN-doh!)



**Tip: Dinner** in Italy starts  
late, usually around **8 PM** or  
**later.**





## DINING & FOOD PHRASES

**Un tavolo per due, per favore.**

(A table for two, please.)

(Oon TAH-voh-loh pehr DOO-eh, pehr fah-VOH-reh)

**Il conto, per favore.**

(The check, please.)

(Eel KON-toh, pehr fah-VOH-reh)

**Posso avere un bicchiere di vino rosso?**

(Can I have a glass of red wine?)

(POHS-soh ah-VEH-reh oon beek-KYEH-reh dee VEE-noh ROHS-soh?)



When ordering coffee, a simple **“un caffè, per favore”** (oon kah-FEH, pehr fah-VOH-reh) is all you need!

(Eh deh-lee-TZYOH-zoh!)

**È delizioso!**

(It's delicious!)

**Cosa mi consiglia?**

(What do you recommend?)

(KOH-zah mee kohn-SEEL-yah?)

**Senza glutine/lattosio, per favore.**

(Gluten-free/lactose-free, please.)

(SEHN-tsah GLOO-tee-neh / laht-TOH-syoh, pehr fah-VOH-reh)



# TRANSPORTATION & DIRECTIONS

## Dov'è la stazione?

(Where is the station?)

(Doh-VEH lah stah-tsyoh-NEH?)

## Quanto ci vuole per arrivare a Firenze?

(How long does it take to get to Florence?)

(KWAHN-toh chee VWOH-leh pehr ah-ree-VAH-reh ah fee-REHN-tseh?)

## Posso comprare un biglietto qui?

(Can I buy a ticket here?)

(POHS-soh kohm-PRAH-reh oon bee-LYEHT-toh kwee?)

## A che ora parte il treno?

(What time does the train leave?)

(Ah keh OH-rah PAHR-teh eel TREH-noh?)

## Mi può chiamare un taxi?

(Can you call me a taxi?)

(Mee PWOH kyah-MAH-reh oon TAHK-see?)



Use **'buongiorno'** until the  
afternoon, then switch to  
**'buonasera'**.



**Mi piace molto!** (I like it a lot!)  
(Mee PYA-cheh MOHL-toh!)

## Fun Phrases

**Sei simpatico/simpatica!** (You're nice!)  
(Sigh seem-PAH-tee-koh / seem-PAH-tee-kah!)

**Che bello!** (How beautiful!)  
(Keh BEHL-loh!)

**Aiuto!** (Help!)  
(Ah-YOO-toh!)

**Salute!** (Cheers!)  
(Sah-LOO-teh!)

## Cultural Tips

💡 Italians **rarely drink cappuccino** after breakfast—stick to **espresso** in the afternoon.

💡 **Bread** is **not** served with butter or olive oil at restaurants—it's meant to **accompany your meal**.

💡 **Public restrooms** may require a **small fee**, so keep some **coins handy**.

💡 If you're invited to someone's home, bringing a **small gift** (**like wine or pastries**) is a *thoughtful* gesture.

*a presto, Katie*



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*a presto,  
Katie*

