

Civitavecchia, Lazio, Italy

Rome's cruise gateway puts you 80 km from the Colosseum — a regional train from the port has you inside the Forum in under 90 minutes. Stay local and Civitavecchia rewards too: a Bramante-designed fortress, Etruscan ruins, and the best seafood lunches you'll find at a cruise port.

Docked (cruise terminal)

Typical call: 8–12 hrs

Currency: Euro (€)

Language: Italian

Train to Rome: ~45–80 min

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____ Arrive: _____ All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

- Docking:** Fully docked at Stazione Marittima; ships use Amerigo Vespucci Terminal (Pier 12bis), Bramante Terminal (Pier 12), or Piers 10–13 & 25
- Best For:** Rome (Colosseum, Vatican, Ostia Antica), Terme Taurine ruins, Santa Marinella beach, authentic Lazio seafood
- Walk to center:** Free port shuttle to Largo della Pace, then 5–10 min walk to Forte Michelangelo and city center
- Don't Miss:** Book Colosseum and Vatican timed-entry tickets weeks before you sail — they sell out

Getting around: Taxi €125–€180 · Rideshare Uber · Hop-on hop-off Hop-on hop-off

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Rome Highlights: Colosseum, Roman Forum & Palatine Hill** — The non-negotiable headline.
 - Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel & St. Peter's Basilica** — The world's largest art museum ends at Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel ceiling and deposits you in St.
 - Ostia Antica — Rome's Ancient Port City** — Far less crowded than Pompeii and arguably better preserved, Ostia Antica is Rome's ancient
- harbour town: intact apartment blocks, a 4,000-seat...

 - Santa Marinella Beach Day** — One train stop south of Civitavecchia (5–10 min, ~€2), Santa Marinella is a proper Italian beach resort.
 - Terme Taurine & Etruscan Necropolis (Tarquinia)** — Within 15 km of the port lie two underrated gems: the Terme Taurine Roman bath ruins (~5 km; taxi), and Tarquinia's painted Etruscan tombs — a UNESCO...

BEST WALKS

- Civitavecchia Waterfront & Forte Michelangelo** 1.5 km · 20–25 min · Flat — From Largo della Pace, walk north past the harbour wall to Forte Michelangelo — the 16th-century fortress designed by Bramante and later modified by Michelangelo himself.
- Rome: Colosseum to Circus Maximus Loop** 2.5 km · 1.5 hrs walking (+ monument time) · Some slopes — Exit Colosseo Metro, walk to the Colosseum, then follow Via Sacra through the Roman Forum, up to Palatine Hill for sweeping views over the Circus Maximus, and back down.
- Rome: Vatican to Castel Sant'Angelo** 1.2 km · 20 min · Flat — Exit Vatican Museums into St.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		64°	51°	8d
Jun		80°	66°	5d
Aug		85°	72°	4d
Sep		78°	66°	8d
Oct		71°	60°	9d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:32AM–7:53PM · Jun 5:36AM–8:50PM · Aug 6:20AM–8:12PM · Sep 6:53AM–7:22PM · Oct 7:25AM–6:30PM

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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Pre-book Rome tickets before you sail: Colosseum/Forum, Vatican Museums, and Borghese Gallery all require timed-entry tickets. In summer they sell out weeks ahead — book online before your cruise departs, not the day before.
- Buy the BIRG day ticket: ~€12–14 at a tabaccheria inside the station. It covers a return train Civitavecchia–Rome plus unlimited buses and metro in Rome all day. Validate it in the yellow platform machines before boarding — fines are €50.
- The shuttle adds time — budget for it: Don't forget the free port shuttle between your ship and Largo della Pace (each way). Add 15–20 min each end when planning your Rome schedule.
- Cash for smaller shops: Cards are widely accepted in Rome and Civitavecchia, but small trattorias and market vendors often prefer cash.
- Summer heat is serious: July–August highs regularly hit 35–38°C (95–100°F) in Rome.
- Dress code for churches and Vatican: Shoulders and knees must be covered to enter St.

ESSENTIAL TRAVEL QUALIFICATIONS

- Largo della Pace–station approximately 1.5 km / 20 minutes on foot; allow more with luggage or mobility needs. Confirm assigned berth and permitted exit route.

Civitavecchia, Lazio, Italy — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



1 **Aquafelix** Large water park with slides, pools, and family fun.

3 **Museo Archeologico**

**Nazionale di
Civitavecchia**

National museum showcasing
ancient Roman artifacts from the
area.

P **Cruise port / terminal**

2 **Cattedrale di S.
Francesco d'Assisi**

Civitavecchia's main cathedral,
dedicated to St. Francis of Assisi.

4 **Fontana del
Vanvitelli**

Historic 18th-century fountain designed by
architect Luigi Vanvitelli.