

Casa Lorenzo location

Casa Lorenzo
Colle Calzolaro, 46
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You can get a detailed map and/or satellite photos of our hamlet on our website
www.casa-lorenzo.com

(The Casa is north of the hamlet with a pool behind it)

Sat-Nav: our GPS co-ordinates are - 43o 00' 58" North 12o 08' 12" East.

Find the turn up to Colle Calzolaro (small blue sign)

- Just after the 'Panicale' turn (on left) when arriving into Tavernelle from the south (Piegaro)
- Second turn on the right after the mini roundabout when leaving central Tavernelle.

Drive up hill which is called Via Allende for 1km to the hamlet of Colle Calzolaro; a rise of 200 metres with many twists and turns! Last 400 metres, you're in Colle Calzolaro, the local hamlet, where houses crowd the road.

Keep going through the hamlet with several little squares until you turn right in front of a house, then turn immediately left (another house is straight in front of you and you can see a viewpoint/car spaces just ahead on the right)



After 50 metres, the tarmac stops. Follow track up 70 metres, come to a black & white arrow sign 'Casa Lorenzo' and turn down the left fork.

Casa Lorenzo is next entrance on right, under the big oak. Park in the car park there and a security light will come on if it is dark.

Fiumicino Airport Directions

This is the newer bigger Roma airport out near the coast to the west of the city.

The trolleys in the baggage hall need a 1€ coin to be released!

The car hire desks are in the long arrivals hall. Your car hire staff will direct you to your car and to the route out. You want m-way and then the GRA and the A1 towards Firenze.

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General Driving in Italy

Motorways (A for Autostrada) differ from UK by being mainly 2 lanes, occasionally 3, fewer lanes in tunnels of which there are many. Posted speed is 130 kph most do 139 some 150-160, so beware! Every kilometre there are small signs that show the road number and the distance to the next junction, sometimes to the services. Motorways have sharp bends occasionally! Run-ons can be very short especially in the hills; an alternative hazard is mixing exiting traffic with joining traffic as soon as you run –off.

“Raccordo” is a sub- motorway with slightly narrower lanes, a posted speed that varies (max 110), and poorer surfaces in patches. Some on the other hand are new.

Signs on normal roads usually mention the next major town but only occasionally the further cities. Apart from Auto-routes, road numbers don't generally appear on direction signs. Every kilometre there are small signs that show the road number and the distance to the town at the end of the road – not necessarily the town you are heading for.

At some junctions, usually where a major road joins a minor one, there will be two sections of painted middle lane, one for those turning left on to the major road (similar to the UK), the other is for the people tuning left off the major road to pause in before tuning right into the following traffic

You will join an m-way headed east in to the city. After 20km you will turn on to the GRA direction A1 and Firenze. The GRA is Grand Raccordo Annuale the ring road. The A1 links Milano and Napoli and passes Roma to the east. Motorway link roads 'A1 dir' join the ring road to Italy's major motorway. The roads are toll free till the A1 proper.

Take the GRA (junction 30) north, left, in direction Firenze. The link roads, underpasses are quite disorienting but it doesn't matter at this point you'll get to the A1 in either direction.

If you are on north bound side you'll find the junction numbers go on up to 33 then go 1 to 10 (your target in 30-40 minutes.) J8 and J10 are very close you'll need take care, stick in right lane even though traffic joining at J8 gets in the way (there isn't a J9). J10 is an overpass you'll see going left over the GRA - follow A1 dir for north & Firenze.

[If you are on the south & east bound side, you'll cross the Tiber and the next junction is 28 you'll come to the A1 dir (junction 19) to Napoli, also the name of the district around

there. Ignore this, stay on the GRA to junction 10. IKEA is on your left as you get near J10, and join A1 dir north to Firenze.]

The A1 dir is 22km at the end there is a multi-storey service area (clean but soulless) Soon after you'll need to queue to take a toll ticket. Although the booths to the right often have shorter queues be careful the right most 1 or 3 (depending on flow) take you on to suburban roads watch the signs!

Filter on to the busy A1 direction Firenze. The motorway loses a lane soon - so queues. Signs on motorway saying 'Coda' warn of queues; saying 'Rallentare' means slow.

The next and subsequent service areas are OK.

Stay on the m-way for about an hour but scenic passing through hills and crossing the Tiber a few times. The 2nd junction at Orte is a major exit to east/west roads and the right hand lane can get blocked. At the 4th junction you'll see Orvieto on its hill, the next junction and service area is Fabriano.

Fabriano is the last m-way service area on your journey to Casa Fontana. Also at Fabriano depending on your preferences you should choose the Chiusi route or the Monte Leone route.

Via Chiusi

Drive on along the motorway for another 25km then through Chiusi and cross country. It's easier driving but further.

Via Monte Leone

Off the motorway, save a few €'s, save 10km, but slower passing villages & climbing hills. It's more scenic but more 'S' bends and gear changing.