



### **Campeggio Pra' delle Torri,**

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# Campsite Information

## Pra' delle Torri, Caorle

Pra' delle Torri is superbly located, close to the busy resort of Caorle with a large private beach on the doorstep. This is an excellent location for a family holiday – there are plenty of activities to keep everyone amused, including a 18 hole golf course. Our emplacements, surrounded by small hedges are situated in a quieter part of the lively site.

### Arriving at Pra'delle Torri

On arrival go to campsite reception to register with passports, then go to the Canvas reception, your couriers will be here to meet you between 16.00 and 20.00.

### Early/Late Arrivals

Please note if you arrive before 16.00, your accommodation may not be ready. If you arrive between 20.00 and 22.00, you will find directions to your courier and/or accommodation at the Canvas reception. Arrivals after 22.00 cannot be accepted on site. Please note that if you do arrive late and cannot be admitted onto the campsite, you have full responsibility for finding alternative off-site accommodation. A Canvas courier will be available on site from 09.00 the following day. Please telephone your couriers if you know that you are going to be late.

### Reception/Information Centre

At the site reception you will be issued with wrist bands which are to be worn for the duration of your stay. Located at the entrance to the site, it is open daily between 08.00 and 23.00. The information centre is located underneath the campsite hotel and is open daily between 08.00 and 21.45. English is spoken here.

### Barrier

The barrier at the entrance to the campsite is closed between 23.00 and 07.30 and for siesta between 12.30 and 15.00. If you wish to leave during these hours, please leave your car in the car park at the entrance to the site.

### Post

There is a post box on site and stamps are on sale in the newsagents.

### Currency Exchange

Currency and traveller's cheques may be exchanged at the cashier's office for a small fee. The office is located below the hotel and is open daily from 08.00 and 19.00.

### Safety Deposit Boxes

This facility is available in the cashier's office at a cost of €0.50 per day. Open daily between 08.00 and 19.00.

### Cash Point

There are two cash dispensers on site, located at the information centre.

### Telephone

There are coin operated phones on site and phone cards are on sale at the information centre.

### Web/Email Access

There are Internet points inside the information centre, you will need an Italian phone card, available from the information centre and newsagents. There is also WiFi available and costs €3 for 30 minutes

### Shopping

The campsite has a large shopping centre, with a wide range of different shops. The supermarket is open from 10.00 to 23.00 in low season and 10.00 to 00.00 in high season. In here, you will find a wide range of groceries, including fresh milk and bread. The other shops include a newsagents, a sports shop, a sweet shop and a gift shop. They are generally open

between 07.30 and 12.30 and 16.30 and 19.30. Every Monday, Thursday and Saturday between 8am and noon, a local fisherman sells fresh fish straight from the local catch.

### Laundry Facilities

Washing machines and tumble dryers (coin operated) are available for €4 per cycle. You can find them in the launderette cabin next to the bazar. Irons are available for free.

### Eating and Drinking

#### Bars:

*Blu Moon* is a bar and ice-cream parlour which has an amusement arcade next door. This is open daily between 10.00 and midnight. The Sports Bar is located near to the sports centre. Here, you can buy a range of snack foods and enjoy the large terrace. Open daily between 08.00 and midnight. This bar also has satellite television, most major sporting events are shown. The Clubhouse Bar at the golf club is open daily between 08.00 and 22.00. There are two beach bars on site, *La Flaca* and *Habana*, both serve snack food and meals.

**Disco:** There is a disco in *Cino's*, a late night pub, which is open daily between 22.00 and 02.00.

#### Restaurants:

*Vanghetto:* A pizzeria and restaurant which also offers a take away service. It is open daily between 08.00 and 11.00 for breakfast, 12.00 and 14.30 for lunch and in the evenings between 17.30 and 22.30. Hours may vary due to demand.

*Gabbiano:* A more traditional restaurant and is open between 11.30 and 14.30 for lunch and 17.30 and 22.30 for dinner.

*The Sports Bar:* The lively bar doubles up as a restaurant serving really good, down to earth meals. Try the roast galletto (chicken) or the steaks. A favourite with the couriers and returning customers every year!

#### Recreation

**Swimming:** The main swimming pool complex faces the sea and is made up of several pools; three water slides, a whirlpool and a waterfall. There is also an Olympic-sized pool and a half-sized Olympic pool. The whole complex is landscaped with lawns and flower beds and there is plenty of space to relax on the terraces. The sun loungers around the pool

are rented each day at €5.50 per day. Open daily between 09.00 and 18.00 (19.00 in high season).

**Tennis:** There are six courts at the sports area.

**Mini Golf:** The mini golf is located by the tennis courts.

**Football:** There is a full-sized pitch on site. The site runs a coaching school and weekly tournaments.

**Cycling:** There are bikes and karts available to hire on site throughout the season, located next to the supermarket. Child and baby seats are available free of charge.

**Archery:** Lessons take place weekly between 09.30 to 12.00 and 15.30 to 17.00, please ask at the information centre for more details.

**Windsurfing/Pedaloos/Dinghy:** These are all available to hire at the beach.

**Golf:** The village has its own 18-hole golf course (handicap certificate required). There is also a practice course, which everyone can use. Clubs can be hired for €20 per day.

There are also two games room on site with video games open between 09.00 and 23.00 everyday. There are children's playgrounds, a fitness room, badminton and aerobics. There are also facilities for Volleyball, Boccia and Table tennis on site - most activities and courts can be found in the sports centre on site.

#### Entertainment

There is a varied programme of entertainment on site throughout the season, including cabaret, live music and sports competitions. Excursions are also organised from site to Venice and the surrounding islands. Please check the notice board at the entertainment office for details of animations.

#### Rules and Regulations

- Silence and no driving on site when the barrier is closed and between 13.00 to 15.00 (Strict siesta hours), and 23.00 and 07.30.
- 10km/h speed limit on site.
- Wristbands must be worn at all times on site.



# Local Information

## Beaches

The site has direct access to a private sandy beach which is guarded by a lifeguard. The beach has its own bar and there are windsurfs, pedaloes, dinghies, sun loungers and parasols for hire.

The Adriatic coast offers many golden beaches; try further south at Lido di Jesolo or across to Venice.

## Shopping

**Supermarkets:** There is a branch of INS in Caorle, open from 08.00 to 13.00 and 15.30 until 20.00. INS is a budget supermarket stocking all the basics plus a limited variety of fresh meat and vegetables. Slightly further afield is the IPER Co-op in San Dona di Piave, this is a large hypermarket where you will find practically everything. It is open Monday to Saturday from 08.30 to 20.00.

**Souvenirs:** Typical souvenirs are Venetian glass and lace, sold in the souvenir shop on site.

## Local Markets

**Monday:** Lignano, San Dona di Piave.  
**Tuesday:** Cavallino, Eraclea, Treviso, Bibione.  
**Wednesday:** Latisana, Dune Verde, Oderzo.  
**Thursday:** Treporti, Portogruaro, Cortellazzo.  
**Friday:** Jesolo village.  
**Saturday:** Torre di Fine, Caorle, San Sino, Treviso  
**Sunday:** Venice, Trieste, Torre di Fine.

Markets are held daily (except Sunday) in Venice, centred around the Rialto. Markets usually take place between 9am and 1pm, so it is worth getting there early.

## Facilities

**Petrol:** There is a petrol station in Porto Santa Margherita, open Monday to Friday from 08.30 to 13.00 and 15.00 to 19.00.

**Chemist:** There are chemists in Caorle, Duna Verde and Porto Santa Margherita. The Duna Verde chemist is open from 08.00 to 18.00 with siesta between 13.00 and 15.00.

**Post Office:** There is a post office in Porto Santa Margherita. Open 09.00 to 14.00 everyday except Tuesdays and Weekends. There is also a post office in the centre of Caorle.

**Bank:** There are plenty of banks in Caorle and Porto Santa Margherita. Banks in Italy tend to be open between 08.30 and 13.30 and for an hour in the afternoon, usually between 15.30 to 16.30 Monday to Friday.

**Tourist Information:** The nearest tourist office is in Caorle at Calle delle Liburniche, 11. There is another in Eraclea on Via Marinella.

Tourist offices in Italy are generally open between 09.00 and 14.00 Monday to Friday. In Venice, the main tourist office is at Piazza San Marco, open daily from 09.45 to 15.15. There is also an 'Info Point' just off St Marks Square in the Venice Pavilion. This is open daily between 09.00 and 18.00.

## Distances

Porto Santa Margherita: 3km (2 miles)  
Caorle: 6km (3.5 miles)  
Lido di Jesolo: 29km (18 miles)  
Venice: 80km (50 miles)

## Local Transport

There is a regular bus service from just outside the site entrance to Caorle, Porto Santa Margherita, Lido di Jesolo and San Dona di Piave.

## Doctor

There is a medical centre on site, located at the hotel. The centre is open daily between 10.30 and 12.30 and 18.00 and 20.00. There is a doctor on call outside of these hours.



## First Aid centre / Hospital

There is a tourist doctor and First Aid centre in the centre of Caorle, just follow signs for Pronto Soccorso in the centre. The nearest hospital is located in Portogruaro. As you enter the town, turn left and follow signs for Ospedale.

## Dentist

The campsite reception will be able to help you to book an appointment at a recommended surgery.

## Emergency Services

There is a three-digit phone number for emergency services:

Police	112
Fire	115
Ambulance	118

## Eating and Drinking

You may like to try these restaurants and bars, which have been recommended by Canvas customers and couriers in previous years:

**Taverna Carolina:** *Caorle.* Recommended for its fantastic pizzas and a good variety of local specialities, particularly the fish. It can get busy in high season and may be worth booking a table in advance.

**Ristorante Pizzeria Marinara:** *Eraclea Mare.* A short walk from the campsite, and recommended by previous customers, this offers a reasonably priced menu, including family favourites such as pizzas, burgers and chips.

**Nuova Hong Kong:** *Caorle* This is an excellent Chinese restaurant in the centre of Caorle. It offers a good range of dishes at a reasonable price. Try the delicious deep fried ice cream for dessert! This eatery comes highly recommended by previous couriers!

**Ristorante Pizzeria la Conchiglia:** *Eraclea Mare.* Just a 10 minute walk away through the pine forest, this comes highly recommended. There is a large, covered terrace, as well as plenty of space inside. A wide range of food is on offer, from pizzas and fish to burgers for the kids.

## Nearby

Caorle is a small seaside resort, where Ernest Hemingway was based during his time with the Red Cross. It is worth a wander around the town to see the characteristic architecture and Romanesque

cathedral. The surrounding area is of great interest to naturalists for its abundant bird life

**Jesolo** • This tourist town has a history closely linked with that of Venice and its port was once an important trade centre. Today the town is a popular tourist base, it is a good seaside resort, the promenade is lined with shops, bars, cafes and restaurants.

## Activities

On the beach adjoining the site you can hire windsurfs, pedaloes and dinghies. You can have a spot of fishing all along the coast, but make sure you get a permit first! The flat Venice region is also perfect for cycling - you can hire bikes and carts on site.

## Family Fun

One of the best days out in the area is Aqualandia in Jesolo, one of Italy's largest water parks. It boasts the highest water slide in the world and free bungee jumping. Gulliverlandia is a theme park for all ages in Lignano Sabbiadoro, and includes an underwater world and a Jurassic park. (\*A). Close to Peschiera on Lake Garda you will find the Gardaland and Caneva World theme parks, offering endless hours of fun. (\*A)

## Out and About

The 'must see' is of course Venice. The best way to get around in Venice is by 'vaporetto', which is the city's mode of public transport. Take the bus from just outside the site into Caorle and then a two-hour boat trip into the city. Many previous customers have recommended day trips to the famous sights and landscapes of Slovenia or Croatia - make sure you take your passports! For recommendations on places to visit and our top tips, check the local information folder at the Canvas reception.

# Regional Information

## Venice and the Adriatic

Most visitors to this area will make Venice the centre point of a stay. The city itself is made up of 117 small islands and has some 150 canals and 409 bridges. But don't neglect the rest of the area! The towns of Padova and Verona to the west of Venice are awash with history, and Vicenza to the north is also worth a visit. The mountains on the edge of the region are home to one of the world's most famous ski resorts, Cortina d'Ampezzo, and the Eastern Dolomites Mountains are excellent for walking. Also worth a visit especially for walking enthusiasts are the Euganean hills which are situated to the south of Padova.



### Eating and Drinking – Regional Specialities.

The cuisine of this area is based largely on rice and corn dishes. Risotto is served with practically everything. A local favourite is risotto flavoured with the ink of the sepia (cuttlefish), served with hearty game stews. One famous dessert of the area is Tiramisu, a rich sponge cake flavoured with mascapone cheese, coffee and marsala. The area is also home to some of Italy's best wines. Soave is a fine white, Bardolino, an excellent red and Prosecco a famous sparkling wine. Try Bellini, a cocktail made from this and fresh peach juice. Of course you will also find the Italian classics Pizza and Pasta in the Adriatic, often with a local twist.

### Beach days out.

**Lido di Jesolo:** Stretching for 12km, this is one of the longest and best-equipped beaches in Italy. You will find good facilities for water sports and children's clubs here. Today the town is a popular tourist base, it is a good seaside resort, the promenade is lined with shops, bars, cafes and restaurants.

**Bibione:** Another fine and sandy beach, with good facilities, which is surrounded by pine woods.

**Caorle:** Another popular resort along the coast. Here you will find more stretches of fine sandy beaches.

### Things to do and see.

\*A • an admission charge is payable for these attractions.

## Family Fun

**Aqualandia** • This water park has a thrilling range of water based activities, which all the family will enjoy. At Lido di Jesolo, 25km from site (open daily, \*A).

**Parco Zoo Punta Verde** • A well-kept zoo with a variety of animals, including some endangered species. A must for all animal lovers. At Lignano Sabbiadoro (open daily, \*A).

**Gardaland** • Italy's biggest theme park with many attractions. Ride the Pirate Ship, see the Valley of the Kings or take a spin on the Magic Mountain Roller-coaster. A great day out, approx. 2hr drive from site. Near Peschiera on the east coast of Lake Garda (open daily \*A).

**Aquasplash** • A huge water park based at Lignano Sabbiadoro. The rides are fast and exciting at this park, which will be a favourite with all of the family (open daily, \*A)

**Aquafollie** • A water park in Caorle that has something for all the family. There are fast slides as well as a pool especially for children. (open daily, \*A)

**Grotta Gigante (Sgonico / Trieste)** • This is the largest cavern in the world open to visitors. Its main hall could swallow the entire basilica of St Peter and is graced by a pair of record-breaking 346ft pendulum stalactites. Tours start every hour, and every year more parts of the impressive cave are made accessible to the public. Located near Trieste, about

1,5hours drive from site. A great day trip for a really hot day as its lovely and cool inside! (open daily, \*A)

**Slovenia** • The impressive sights of Slovenia make one of the best day trips from Pra'delle Torri. The world famous Postojna cave (open daily, \*A) never fails to amaze visitors, and is home to species found nowhere else in the world. Combine your trip with a visit to the picture postcard Predjama medieval castle (open daily, \*A), sitting on a rock. The castle also has its own caves underneath, which can be visited, too. You can even enjoy a medieval style feast!

## Places of Interest

**Venice** • Most of the sights in Venice can be comfortably visited on foot. The narrow streets resemble a maze at first sight but good sign posting will get you to the major attractions. The other method of transport is on water by Vaporetto, Motoscafo (motor boats), Gondola or Traghetto (two man gondolas ferrying people across the Grand Canal from fixed points). Visit the Piazza and Basilica di San Marco, the colonnaded Palazzo Ducale - home to the Doge. One of Europe's finest specialised art collections can be found at the Galleria dell'Accademia which traces the history of Venetian painting from the 14th-18th centuries (\*A). Walk across the Rialto Bridge and admire the view of the Grand Canal and the markets.

**Torcello** • One of the islands of the Venetian lagoon, which today only has about 80 inhabitants. Visit the cathedral (\*A) which, founded in the 7th century, was Venice's first.

**Burano** • Another of the Venetian lagoon islands, especially famous for its lace industry. This is a pretty fishing village with streets and canals lined with pastel coloured houses. Visit the lace-making museum (\*A) to learn about the history of this craft.

**Murano** • This Venetian Island is the home of the famous Murano Glass, the production of which was once such a closely guarded secret that it was considered treason for a glass worker to leave the city. Watching the glass workers in action is fascinating.

**The Dolomites** • The Dolomites provide the most spectacular and varied opportunities for walkers in the Italian Alps - from half-day strolls to demanding routes requiring some mountaineering skills. Trails are generally well marked and tourist offices provide route maps. One of the best walking areas is the Pale di San Martino which is accessible from Martino di Castrozza and Fiera di Primiero (approximately 70km from Lake Garda). Be sure to take some warm clothing as the weather can change from hot and sunny to cold and wet, even in mid August

**Verona** • The setting for Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet, Verona is a vibrant city which boasts many

superb Roman remains. The Roman Arena di Verona, dates from the 1st century AD. It is one of the best-preserved Roman amphitheatres in the world and is now the home of the summer opera house (\*A). The picturesque Piazza delle Erbe is a lively square, once the Roman forum, and now a fruit and vegetable market. The Piazza dei Signori is surrounded by palaces and just off this square is the Arche Scaligere, magnificent outdoor tombs of Verona's powerful medieval rulers. The Teatro Romano was built in the 1st century BC and, much restored, it is now used for concerts and plays (\*A).

**Vicenza** • Beautifully situated at the confluence of two rivers with a mountain backdrop, Vicenza is celebrated for its architecture. The Piazza del Signora and the Basilica Palladiana exhibit work by the famous architect Andrea Palladio. The Museo Civico displays an excellent collection of Venetian paintings and is housed in the outstanding Palladio's Palazzo Chiricati (\*A). The Tempio di Santa Corona contains Bellini's Baptism of Christ and a natural history and archaeological museum.

**Padova** • This city, the birthplace of St Anthony, offers a rich collection of art treasures. Its university is one of the oldest in Europe, and one place not to miss is the chapel, Capella degli Scrovegno frescoed by Giotto.

**Palmanova** • This fortress town in the shape of a nine pointed star was built in 1593 as a military base and is still used as a garrison by the Italian army. Visit the fascinating military museum and there is a wealth of streets and passageways to explore.

**Treviso** • A small and pleasant city which has historical importance as a Roman centre. It is famous throughout Italy as being the home to the fashion brand Benetton. There is a huge Benetton store in the centre of town, not to be missed, especially during the August sales. One of the main delights of a visit here is simply wondering around the warren of lanes, many of which lead to the river and the canal. The town is pleasant to walk around - the spot where the canal meets the river is particularly attractive, as part of the city walls remain intact here.

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