



AN OVERVIEW OF ROME

Rome, the Eternal City, has survived and retained its political, religious and artistic significance for nearly 3,000 years. Legend has it that it was founded by Romulus in 786 BC, but there has been evidence of an even earlier existence. The Julius Caesar period, (aka) the Roman Empire, had power and control for hundreds of years, but coups and fighting divided it all and so the fall of the Roman Empire became a very big part of the world's history. The Roman Catholic Church was always the heart of Roman history and was essential in creating leadership in Rome. In 1929, Mussolini, under the Lateran Treaty, gave the Pope full sovereignty over what is now the world's smallest country. The Vatican, which is across the river to the West, remains a city within a city. The Pope has his residence and the Catholics have their spiritual center. The Vatican's history has attracted and will always attract millions, making tourism the major industry of Rome. The city houses some of the world's most famous paintings, sculptures and monuments.

Rome offers details about its past constantly. It makes one always remember that the city was home to two great worldly movements - the Roman Empire and the Catholic Church. In the mid 1920s when Mussolini descended on Rome, he formed the first Fascist government. The Partigiani (the Italian resistance) forced the majority of the Italians to support the Allies. Rome was declared an open city and was spared from major disaster. Rome became the center of the Italian government and continued to grow. The city's historic center is Centro Storico. Nearby are the ancient Roman monuments that well describe the Circus Maximus, the Colosseum arena, the Appian Way, the Catacombs, etc. While Rome is a vast city, its historic sights are all within walking distance. Rome is a phenomenal concentration of history, religion, shopping, touring, camera-clicking visitors, traffic and so much more. It would take years to cover all of Rome and appreciate its past, so it is suggested that one make plans to return.

According to legend, Rome was founded in 753 BC by twin sons Romulus and Remus who were raised by a she-wolf. During its twelve-century history, the Roman civilization shifted from a monarchy to an oligarchic republic to a immense empire. Since then it has been continuously inhabited, and, as headquarters first of the Roman Empire and then of the Roman Catholic Church, it has had an immense impact on the world.

AT A GLANCE

Capital:
Rome

Location:
Center of Italy

Population:
2,817,293

Language:
Italian

Currency:
Euro

Banking:
Banks are available outside of the port

Post Office:
Post offices are available in the city center

Transportation:
Very few taxis are available at the port of Civitavecchia

Shopping Hours:
Shops are generally open 9:00am - 1:00pm and 4:30pm - 8:00pm during the week. Shops are generally closed on Sundays. Small businesses normally close for the annual holiday period in August. However, the recommended shops will be open all day when the ship is in port.

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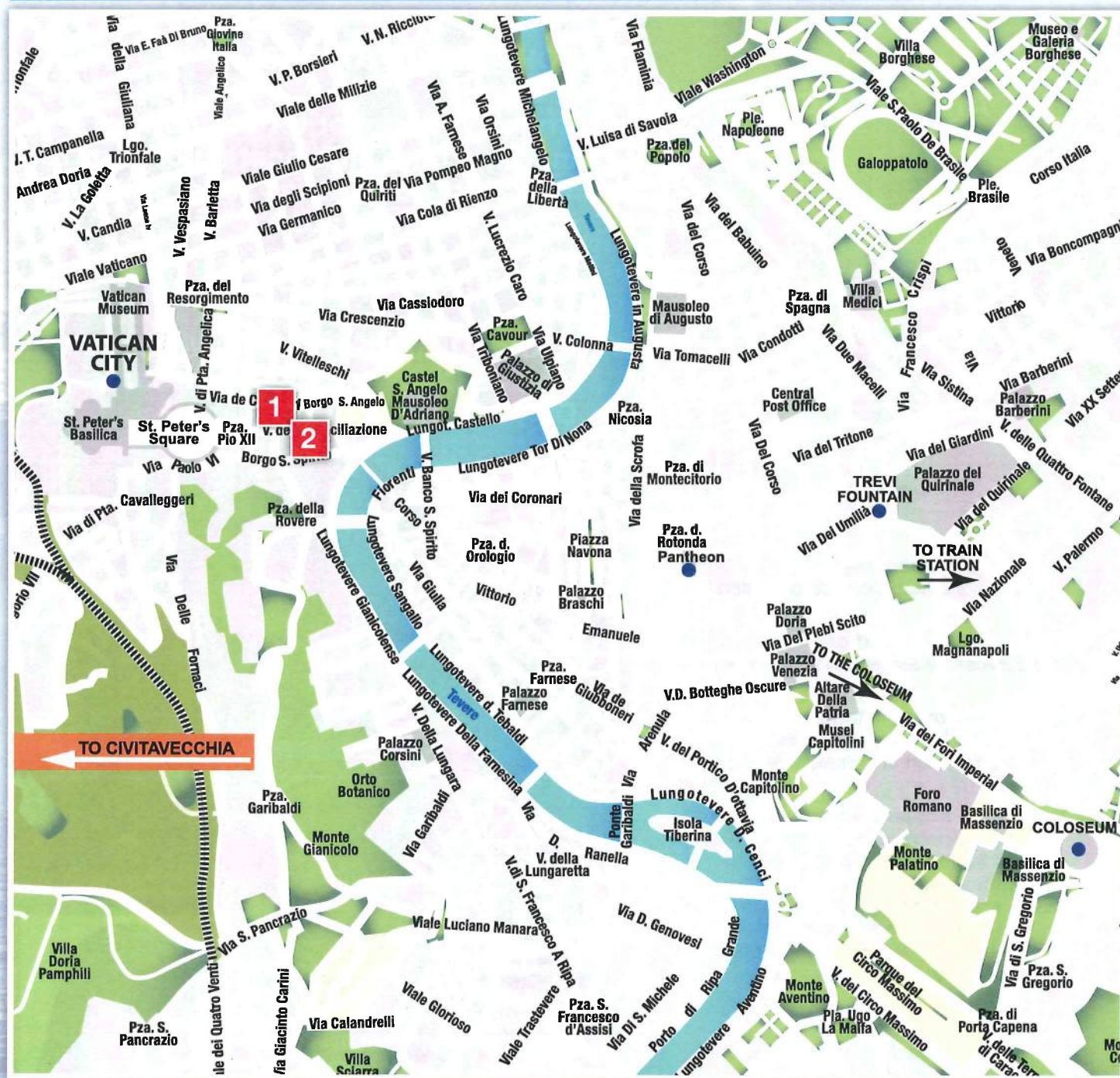
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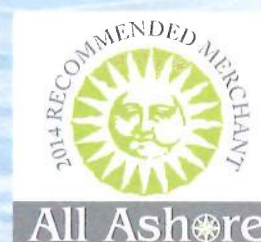
- Wide selection of souvenirs and religious inspired art objects
- Shirts, bags, cups, magnets...we have it all
- Extensive collection of Rosaries and memorabilia of Rome and the Vatican
- Religious paintings, prints, Vatican coins and medals of Saints
- Located in Via Rusticucci, a few steps from St. Peter's Square

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