

A Guide to Warwick Venice Centre

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The Accademia Room

Warwick's Home in Venice

Palazzo Giustinian Lolin

You will find us in the beautiful Palazzo Giustinian Lolin, very close to the Accademia Bridge, Campo San Vidal and Campo Santo Stefano. It is a fantastic and central location overlooking the Grand Canal.

Inside, we have three large conference rooms, one smaller meeting room, the Cybersquero (PC Room) and a coffee break room.



The Canal Grande Room

In this document we have put together a comprehensive guide to answer many of the questions you might have during your time in Venice, including how to arrive at the university, where to eat, and a few other local tips.

Please note: these are based on subjective individual experiences and are simply suggestions, not recommendations. The Warwick Venice Centre and the University of Warwick take no responsibility for the information contained within this guide, which you agree to use at your own risk



Getting to Palazzo Giustinian Lolin

Arrival from Marco Polo Airport



Alilaguna Boat - Orange Line every half an hour to Sant'Angelo stop (500metres from the Palazzo).

Duration: 1hour

Tickets: One Way Ticket - 18euro, Return Ticket - 32euro

It is best to buy tickets in the ticket offices in the airport or also on board. Vouchers for tickets can be bought online from <https://www.alilaguna.it/en/buy-now> - these must be converted into tickets at one of the ticketing offices.

Notes: When you come through passport security follow signs for water transport. It's about a 5 minute walk.



ATVO Bus - to Piazzale Roma, then follow instructions below

Duration: 20minutes

Tickets: One Way Ticket - 10euro, Return Ticket - 18euro

Tickets can be bought at the airport at the ticket office or the automatic machines, or online. Buses usually every half an hour, timetable can be found at this link:

<https://www.atvo.it/en-venice-airport.html>

Arrival from Santa Lucia Train Station



Vaporetto ACTV* line 2 from "Ferrovia B", every 12 minutes during the day and takes 20 minutes to "San Samuele" stop (350metres away from the Palazzo).

OR

Vaporetto ACTV* line 1 from "Ferrovia E", every 12 minutes and takes just under 30 minutes to "S. Angelo" (500meters away from the Palazzo).

The mobile app "Che Bateo" can be very useful for checking the boat times.

Arrival from Piazzale Roma

Boat:

Vaporetto ACTV* line 2 from "P.le Roma F", every 12 minutes and takes just over 20 minutes to "San Samuele" stop.

Vaporetto ACTV* line 1 from "P.le Roma C", every 12 minutes and takes just over 30 minutes to "S. Angelo".

*ACTV timetables: <https://avm.avmspa.it/it/content/orari-actv>

*ACTV tickets can be bought in the ticket offices at Piazzale Roma and Santa Lucia, from automatic ticket machines and in the "tabaccheria". They cost 9.50euros for a single ticket which is valid for 75 minutes.

NOTE: Please remember to validate your ticket before getting on the boat. You can do this with the tap machines at the vaporetto stops.

Walking:

It is also possible to walk to the Palazzo from Piazzale Roma, it is 1.6km and takes just over 20 minutes. Note that there are a lot of bridges including the Accademia bridge and so this option is not recommended with heavy suitcases.

Arrival from Treviso Airport

ATVO Bus - Express bus to Piazzale Roma. These busses run frequently and in accordance with arriving flights so it is best to check the timetables which can be found at this link: <https://www.atvo.it/en-treviso-airport.html>

Duration: 50 minutes

Tickets: One Way Ticket - 12euro, Return Ticket - 22euros

Tickets can be bought in the airport once you have passed passport control, or directly in front of the airport before getting on the bus.

For accessible transport - you may wish to take a water taxi directly from the airport to Palazzo Giustinian Lolin (around €150), or get off at the San Samuele Vaporetto stop (only one small bridge via the Ponte delle Scuole).

Getting to Palazzo Giustinian Lolin

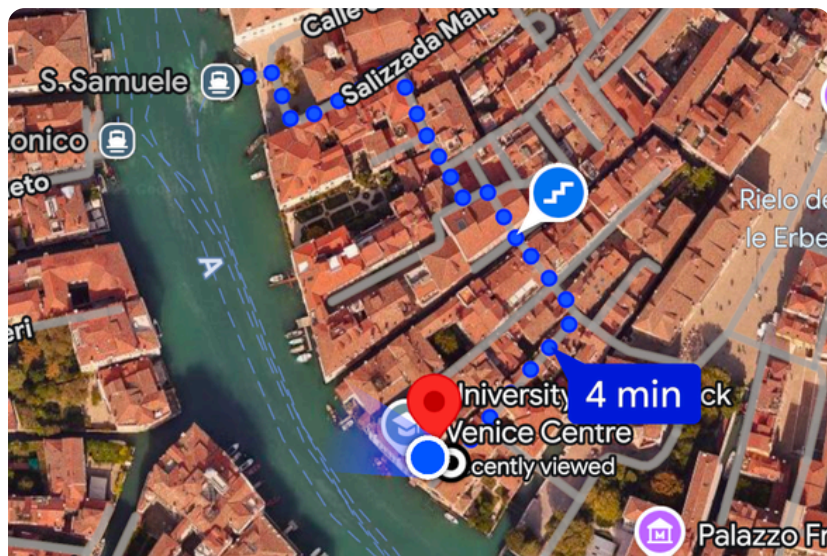
Coming from Accademia Bridge:



Google maps.



Coming from San Samuele:
(more accessible route)



Google maps.

Getting to Palazzo Giustinian Lolin

Parking in Venice

If you plan on arriving in Venice by car there are three safe options listed here:

Park 5 (Maritima, under the stop for the People Mover)

https://www.park5.online/it/negozio#/it/acquista?skugroup_id=4677

- Cost: 13euro a day

- From here you can either walk 5 minutes to Piazzale Roma, or get the People Mover.

- Book in advance, especially for weekends.

Venice City Park (Mainland)

<https://www.venicecitypark.com>

- The cost depends on the time of year, between 6.50euro and 8euro

- Here you can buy the ticket for the bus, or you can use the contactless payment system aboard. Lines 2, 4, 6 and 7 will bring you to Piazzale Roma quickly.

City Parking Garage (Piazzale Roma)

<https://actv.avmspa.it/en/content/autorimessa-comunale-city-parking-garage>

- Cost: 35euro a day (check online for reduced night rate)

- Must be booked at the latest the day before.



Good to know in Venice

Validating your ticket

When using public transport in Venice, it is extremely important to validate your ticket, otherwise a controlling officer could give you a fine.

There are machines on board the buses to tap your ticket on, and for the Vaporetto (boat buses) there is a machine at the barriers of each stop.



Free Museum Entry

The State-owned museums offer free entry on the first Sunday of every month. Museums included are:

- §Gallerie dell'Accademia
- §Museo Archeologico Nazionale
- §Museo d'Arte orientale
- § Galleria Giorgio Franchetti alla Ca' d'Oro
- § Museo Nazionale Concordiese
- § Museo di Palazzo Grimani

Picnics

Visitors need to remember that Venice is a real working city and sitting in the middle of a bridge here is like having a picnic on the pavements of Regent Street.

Additionally, eating on the steps of a church is considered very disrespectful. You will notice that some areas have "no picnic" signs, please respect these and try to find somewhere more suitable to sit. This will also reduce your risk of being fined while here in the city.

Acqua Alta

Due to the very controversial, but seemingly functional, MOSE the famous high waters of Venice are much reduced in frequency and severity. If you want to keep up to date with the movements of Venice's lagoon, you can download Hi!Tide Venice app. If you see flooding or acquaintances *altra*, be very cautious, as it can be difficult to tell where a street ends and a canal begins if there is flooding.

Causing Traffic

Stopping in the middle of the road to take photos is a pet hate for the locals.

Much like sitting in the way, this inhibits the flow of people especially on the narrower streets or busier areas. On a similar note, pay attention not to stop in big groups anywhere that you could be in the way, and always give way to workers or transporters.



Venetian Recommendations



Cicchetti

Venice is a truly unique city with so many traditions and typical things to see, try, and buy. Starting with an obvious and very popular one, these bite-sized treats are extremely popular with Venetians. There are many varieties, and even more places to try them—a few of which are listed here. Around Venice there are “Bacari” which are traditional Venetian taverns that will have all of these on display for you to choose from. They typically cost between 1 and 3 euros each. Some varieties include: Crostini (pieces of bread with different spreads and toppings), Sarde in Soar (vinegar and onion soaked sardines), Polpette (meatballs)

Where?

Al Squero
Da Lele ai Tolentini
Al Timon
Cantina do Spade
Cantina del Vino già
Schiavi (“Schiavis”)
Da Tiziano
Da Fiore

A quick coffee

Recommending somewhere for coffee is not an easy task in a city like Venice with so many options, but here are a few names that will help you to avoid the “tourist traps”.

Pasticceria Ponte delle Paste - Torrefazione Cannaregio - Bottega del Caffè Dersut - Bar Ciak - Cafe Bar Ai Artisti - Pasticceria Toletta - Terminal 2.0 - Pasticceria alla Bragora - Caffè la Serra - Rosa Salva - Majer (a popular chain cafe you can find in a few different spots around the city)



Restaurants



Al Bacareto (Venetian traditional dishes, coeliac menu)
San Marco 3447 (San Samuele)
<https://bacareto.it/> +39 041 528 9336

Casin Dei Nobili (Venetian food)
Dorsoduro 2765 (Fondamenta Lombardo)
+39 041 098 6262

OKE Zattere (Pizza and traditional Italian food, also Gluten Free)
Dorsoduro 1414 (Fondamenta delle Zattere)
<https://okevenezia.com/en/> +39 041 520 6601

Pizzeria 1000 Gourmet (also Gluten Free)
San Marco 475 (Calle Specchieri)
<https://gruppo1000.com/> +39 041 312 7069

La Lista (Pizza, Pasta, Burgers and Breakfast)
Cannaregio 225/A (Rio Terà Lista di Spagna)
<https://www.lalistaristoranti.it/venezia/> +39 041 524 4098

Birraria La Corte (Italian restaurant and gourmet pizza)
San Polo 2168 (Campo San Polo)
<https://www.birrarialacorte.it/> +39 041 275 0570

Osteria da Alberto
Calle Giacinto Gallina, Cannaregio 5401
osteriadalalberto@gmail.com +39 041 523 8153

Looking for something specific? Ask Chiara for a recommendation!

Safety in Venice

Venice is generally considered a safe city with a very low crime rate compared to other European cities. Nevertheless, it is advisable to keep your wits about you and be aware of some of the risks:

Seagulls

Seagulls are the top of the food chain here and are no joke. They have no qualms about stealing the food right from your hands. It's most probable that in your time here you will be either witness to or victim of one of these thefts. Avoid eating on the streets as much as possible and keep your eyes open.



Pickpockets

Pickpocketing in Venice is at an all time high and can be a serious problem. Make sure you have a bag with a zip and stay alert while walking in the more crowded areas. Pay particular attention on Rialto Bridge and in St. Mark's square

Scams

Though pretty rare, there are some reports of tourist scams around the city in high season. Most recently there was someone selling invalid boat tickets at Piazzale Roma to tourists. Make sure you only buy tickets for travel and excursions from authorised vendors.



Rules in the Palazzo

Palace Rules

- No smoking! This applies also to the courtyard and the canal entrance.
- You are not permitted to bring in your own alcohol.
- No eating in the courtyard or at the entrance to the grand canal.

Access

- Please use the main stairs with the big wooden door on the left of the passageway. If you have any mobility issues at all, please feel free to use the lift. We are on the second floor.
- The all gender bathrooms can be found in the secondary stairwell where there is the lift. Looking at the windows of the main hall, go through the door on the left and then turn left. If you require an accessible bathroom, please speak to Chiara - one is available on the mezzanine floor.
- The water fountain in the bathrooms provides chilled and filtered drinking water. Please feel free to fill up your water bottles.

Wi-Fi: please ask your conference convenor for the WIFI details.

Please ask your conference organiser if you have any questions about health, safety, or regulations within the Warwick Venice Centre.

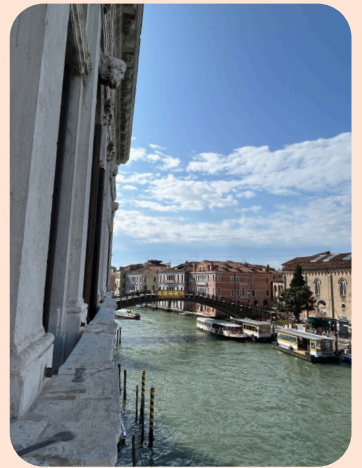
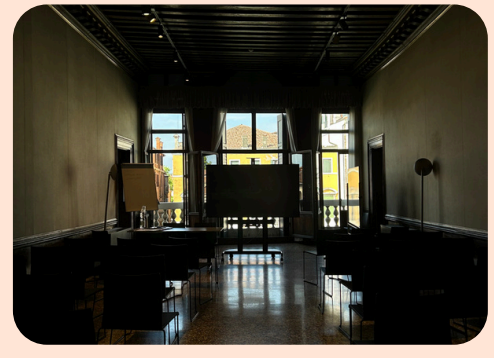
Fresco Paintings

The fresco paintings inside Palazzo Giustinian Lolin are a testament to the rich artistic heritage of Venice. The ones you can see in the Warwick Venice Centre may have been painted by French artist Jean Raoux (1677-1734) during his time in Venice - between 1707 and 1709. We believe they depict Alexander the Great with Diogenes, and Alexander with Timoclea. The frescoes are integrated into the architecture, covering the ceilings and the walls. Like many frescoes in Venice, these ones have faced challenges due to the city's humid climate.

Just as these works of art impressed the Giustinian family's visitors hundreds of years ago, we hope they impress you! Just remember, please do not touch them, affix anything to them, or lean on the walls as they are very fragile!



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