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Trapani is one of the most romantic places in Sicily, and arguably all of the Mediterranean littoral. Characterised by long stretches of coast and coastal plains, this city is littered with lavish monuments and palaces, historical sites, windmills, near islands and a countryside that begs to be explored. By night, the region should be enjoyed over a glass of Marsala wine and fine food at a beachside restaurant, ideally facing west so one can enjoy some of the most spectacular sunsets in Europe.

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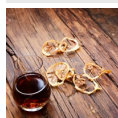
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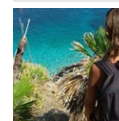
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Situated on western coast of Sicily, Trapani - even if it is a little city - has a lot to offer, so take your time to explore this breath-taking part of the island. Its strategic position on the Mediterranean coast made it a pivotal commercial harbour in the past, but today it is known as the town of the salt and the sailboats, indeed among its main attractions it is necessary to mention the salt mines and the sail boat competitions. But more than that, Trapani shows to travellers the most elegant face of Sicily through its boutiques and chic restaurants nestled in the ancient buildings of the century city. The centre of the town fully represents Sicily, a land of conquerors and a coloured chest of cultures. Each historical period left its trace in this place, where any corner of the town displays architectural beauties and artworks from different centuries. Any monument, cathedral, building, fountain and square narrate the rich past of Trapani.

Furthermore, another beating heart of the town is its beautiful harbour where the well-known fish market takes place every morning. And obviously you cannot miss to taste all the Sicilian specialties!

DO & SEE



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This fascinating Sicilian gem fully represents the Italian dolce vita myth. Chic restaurants and shops perfectly blend with the classical architecture of the city, particularly in the ancient town's main road- Corso Vittorio Emanuele. Sickle-shaped and bordered on both its sides by the sea, Trapani has a real beating heart in its historical centre, around which main places of interest are located together with the central bus station and the ferry terminal to reach the city.

Along with the coastal areas of Trapani it is possible to enjoy miles of beautiful beaches where its typical watch towers and windmills dominate the skyline. The shallow waters near the shore make it suitable for relaxing swimming, while further out visitors can sail around the Aegadian archipelago. Furthermore, since tradition plays an important role in Trapani's culture, if you are visiting the city over Easter you cannot miss the Processione dei Misteri (Procession of Mysteries) known throughout Italy for its exceptional extent.

Zingaro Natural Reserve



On the coast between San Vito Lo Capo and Castellamare del Golfo, the Zingaro Natural Reserve stretches for 7 km of virgin wilderness.

Tell in few words how charming this place is, is a challenge. The crystal water of Sicily meets here amazing beaches sprinkled with white pebbles. In addition, the protection offered by the reserve assures the survival of local fauna and flora, preserving the untouched environment of this area together with all its colours and perfumes.

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Address: Zingaro Natural Reserve, San Vito Lo Capo

Opening hours: Mon-Sun 7am - 7.30pm

Phone: +39 0924 35108

Tickets: Tickets available on the spot. Discounts for children.

Internet: www.sanvitoweb.com/zingaro.php

Email: info@riservazingaro.it

More Info: Being a natural reserve it is not possible reach the beaches by car or bus, so wear comfortable sneakers and get ready for an inspiring walk in the nature.

Segesta



Sicily is the cradle of the European culture and Segesta is one of the historical treasure of this region. It used to be the centre of one of the three

indigenous people of Sicily: the Elymians. With a scenic location high up on Mount Barbaro, (about 400 meters high) only 30 minutes by car from Trapani, Segesta is the ideal destination for a daytrip. It attracts both lovers of history and nature, since the path to the monuments is surrounded by the local Mediterranean scrubland. It is also here you will find the magnificent Doric temple and the Greek theater called The Segesta Theater.

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Address: Segesta

Basilica-Sanctuary of Maria Santissima Annunziata



This Basilica houses an impressive collection from both medieval and modern periods. Here visitors can admire paintings by

world-famous artists, marble sculptures, a splendid assortment of gold and silver fine art objects, as well as memorabilia connected with Trapani's history. The entire cathedral expresses the typical Sicilian Renascent-Baroque style through its marble naves magnificently frescoed.

Photo: bepsy/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Conte Agostino Pepoli 180-200, Trapani

Public Transport: Being in the very center of the town it is easily reachable by walking.

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-5pm; Sun 9am-12am

Phone: +39 0923 553269

Tickets: Tickets are available on site up to one and half hours before closing time. Free entrance the first Sunday of each month and every day for persons under 18 and over 65.

Internet: www.comune.trapani.it/turismo/pepoli

Email: museo.pepoli@regione.sicilia.it

More Info: Taking photos is forbidden.

Trapani and Paceco's Salines



This sui generis reserve is situated almost 3 km away from Trapani's centre, it covers the ancient salt ponds of Trapani and Paceco.

Visitors can freely walk around in the reserve and see and hear all sorts of wildlife that have repopulated the area now that they are protected. This sight shows its best at the end of the day thanks to the silhouette of windmills and the flat landscape against the beautiful colours of

the sundown.

Photo: Spumador/Shutterstock.com

Address: Garibaldi 138, Trapani

Opening hours: Free guided tours offered by WWF on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday (require reservation).

Phone: +39 0923 867700

Tickets: Required reservation for guided tours.

Internet: www.wwf.salineditrapani.it

Email: salineditrapani@wwf.it

More Info: Beyond guided tours it is possible to visit the reserve independently.

Trapani's Ancient City



A walk in Trapani's old city cannot be missed. The legacy left by the numerous dominations suffered by the region can be easily recognised

in each building. Across the various districts, you can admire different architectural styles, from the Arabian to the medieval, and Baroque. Everything is easily reachable within walking distance, so you will be able to experience Trapani's old city in one go.

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Address: Trapani

More Info: Any map can be useful, or you can just wonder following the ancient streets of the city.

Church of Saint Augustine



The Church of Saint Augustine is the oldest building in Trapani, dated back to the Templars' period. Milestone of Gothic style, the church is

recognisable thanks to the big rose window on its facade. In the little square adjacent to the church is situated the famous Saturn Fountain, from the 14th century, as a representation of the mythological founder of Trapani: the god

Saturn.

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Address: Piazza Saturno, Trapani

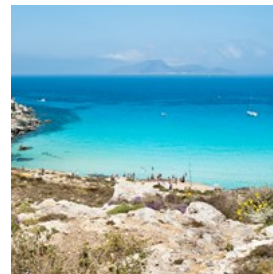
Opening hours: Winter: Mon-Fri 9am-1pm; Sat 9.30am-12.30am, 4pm-8pm; Sun and Festivities 11am-1pm, 4pm-7pm. Summer: Mon-Fri 4.30pm-7.30pm; Sat 9.30am-12.30am, 4pm-8pm; Sun and Festivities 11am-1pm, 4pm-7pm.

Phone: +39 0923 432111

Internet: www.amei.biz/musei/museo-diocesano-di-trapani-polo-espositivo-santago

Email: info@santagostinotrapani.it

Favignana



Favignana Island is part of the Aegadian Archipelago, famous for its glorious beaches. It is located just 17 km southwest of Trapani, and

it is easily reachable by frequent ferries. Visitors can take boat trips to the entire group of islands so to discover the natural magnificence of the deep southern Italy. In the numerous small ports, you cannot miss the daily fish markets, where you will have the possibility to taste raw sea urchins, typical dish of the Mediterranean coast.

Photo: Gandolfo Cannatella/Shutterstock.com

Address: Favignana, Trapani

Public Transport: Boat travels can be booked on-line or directly bought at the port.

Internet: www.favignana.com

Email: info@favignana.com

San Vito lo Capo



Sicily has some of the most amazing beaches in the world. At a short distance from Trapani, San Vito Lo Capo hosts some of them. These bays

are particularly famous for their wilderness,

crystal waters and soft sand. This bewildered atmosphere even caught the attention of Hollywood directors, who set several movies here. All this gorgeousness obviously attracts many visitors in summer, but for gourmands the perfect moment to visit San Vito is in September during the regional couscous festival.

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Address: San Vito lo Capo

Internet: www.sanvitolocapoweb.co.uk

Erice



The historic town of Erice is located on the top of Mount Erice, just outside Trapani. The view is stunning from here, and the location is reachable

in various ways: by car, bus; by the cable car connecting Trapani to Erice; or for hike enthusiasts it is possible to get there through a path of almost 2 hours. Erice's relaxed atmosphere makes it the perfect place to spend the day exploring.

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Address: Erice

Public Transport: ATS BUS: 45mins from the city centre, departure time: 06:40 - 08:30 - 11:30 - 17:30 - 20:00. CABLE

CAR: 15mins, opening hours: Mon 1pm-11.30pm, Tue-Sun 6.30am-11.30pm.

Email: info@ericetourism.it

More Info: The weather can affect this experience as the narrow streets are cobbled and can be slippery when wet. The clouds and fog might also obscure the view. In windy days the cable car can be closed.

Processione dei Misteri



Trapani is a treasure chest of tradition. One of the most ancient and still followed ritual is the annual Procession of Mysteries (Proessione dei Misteri). Each Good Friday almost twenty sculptures are carried across the roads of the city centre. This is one of the longest religious festival in Sicily and in Italy. Italian religion folklore is one of the most coloured and observed in Europe, and this procession fully represents it.

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Address: Century city

Opening hours: Usually from 8am

More Info: The itinerary change each year but the stops-over are usually the same.

Marsala



Marsala is the biggest town in Trapani's district, and it is generally known because from its harbour Garibaldi started his travel to unify Italy. But above all, Marsala is an important gastronomic destination. In this part of the region the Italian tradition meets the Arabic, creating incredibly tasty dishes. It was also here the Marsala wine was born, a sweet wine famous all over the world.

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Address: Marsala, Trapani

Grotta Mangiapane



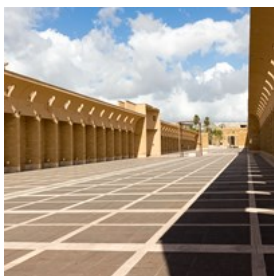
Grotta Mangiapane is the biggest cave of the group Scurati's Caverns. Scurati is a little village with very ancient origins, as the numerous finds happened here can demonstrate. The cave takes its name from the family Mangiapane, who lived here for more than a century, indeed it hosts a very peculiar rural agglomeration composed of little squared houses. Totally different epochs merge together in this unique place. During Christmas period, Grotta Mangiapane hosts a big event called "Living Nativity", an event where the agro-pastoral life comes alive with some 160 performers, including artists and craftsmen from all over Sicily.

Photo: Spumador/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Scurati, Custonaci

Tickets: Tickets are required only when the living nativity is organised. From 25th Dec to 8th Jan.

Vecchia Gibellina and Nuova Gibellina



Nuova Gibellina is a one-of-a-kind sight. The small village of Gibellina was destroyed by a strong earthquake in 1968 and reconstructed later, 11 km away from its original location. The new city was designed by the most prominent artists in Italy and it has a peculiar and variegated landscape. Whereas, the ruin of the old village - now called Vecchia Gibellina - has been covered entirely in concrete, whereas preserving the streetscape.

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Address: Gibellina Nuova, Trapani

Chiesa Santa Maria di Gesu'



Located in the historic centre, this beautiful Gothic style church is well worth seeking out. Inside it is possible to admire a very interesting group of artworks created by the most valuable local artists, as the marble baldachin and all the stunning sacred frescoes and paintings exposed on the walls of the side aisles.

Photo: Maleo/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Elisabetta, Trapani

Opening hours: Variable hours. You can have detailed information from Trapani's tourism infopoint.

Phone: +39 0924 502971

More Info: Located at the intersection between Via Elisabetta and Via San Pietro.

DINING



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The typical Trapani cuisine, exactly as its monuments, mirrors the encounter between Italian and Arabic culture. Delicious seafood dishes can be enjoyed alongside pizza and pasta delicacies. The tuna, which is caught just off the coast between the city itself and one of its islands - Favignana - is superb, especially when served with local couscous.

Sicilian meals tend to be abundant and more inexpensive than in many other areas of Italy, so

that you can enjoy a good pizza or a seafood meal for just a few euros. You cannot miss to taste the characteristic Tumma, a curd cheese, and the Insalata Pantescia, a salade composed by tomatoes, onions, potatoes and wine.

Restaurants open most lunchtimes and evenings, although the smaller ones usually are closed on Sunday and Monday. As in the rest of Italy, most restaurants ask for a cover charge (coperto) of around 1€ per person.

Agriturismo Fratelli Sanacore



If you are an adventurous eater and you want to experience authentic rustic Sicilian dinner, this agriturismo in Trapani's countryside is the ideal place for you. The raw materials are directly produced on the spot in the ample farm of the family Sanacore.

The atmosphere is rustic and genuine as well as elegant and cordial. Perfect for both a romantic dinner or a meal with the family. For the greediest, varied menus are available according to the season or the festivity.

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Address: Strada Quartana 7, Guarrato

Phone: +39 0923 864279

Internet: www.sanacore.it

Email: prenotazioni@sanacore.it

More Info: Website often updated, from where it is also possible to find offers and the menu of the season.

Ai lumi



This is the ideal place to start your journey in the traditional Sicilian cuisine. Sit in one of the rustic benches or in a typical wicker chair and enjoy dishes made exclusively with the best genuine materials.

Very recommended are the specialties of the house: couscous with fish and cassatelle with broth. Each dish can be accompanied by local wines chosen from the extensive list of the restaurant.

If you are looking for an elegant and refined restaurant, Ai lumi will not disappoint you.

Photo: TunedIn by Westend61/Shutterstock.com

Address: Corso Vittorio Emanuele 71, Trapani

Opening hours: Mon-Sun 1pm-3pm, 7.30pm-11pm

Phone: +39 0923 872418

Internet: www.ailumi.it

La Muraglia



For those who love Asian cuisine, this is the perfect place. This Japanese and Chinese restaurant is particularly well-known in Trapani for its sushi.

Being located in a coastal city, the fish is always daily fresh. Also offers Chinese food like dumplings, noodle and rice dishes and other flavoured dishes. Takeaway service is also available.

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Address: Lungomare Dante Alighieri 56, Trapani

Opening hours: Mon 6pm-12am; Tue-Sun 11am-3pm, 6pm-12am.

Phone: +39 0923 542276

Pizzeria Calvino



Pizzeria Calvino is located in the city centre, serving freshly made pizzas with wide variety of flavours. Takeaway service is available, so

you can find your own spot and enjoy your pizza wherever you prefer. It is a simple friendly place with an easy-going atmosphere with only a few seats. In the end, pizza is all that matters, and here they are delicious!

Photo: thanasarn/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Nunzio Nasi 71, Trapani

Opening hours: Mon 12.30pm-2.30pm, 6.30pm-11pm; Tue CLOSED; Wed-Sun 12.30pm-2.30pm, 6.30pm-11pm.

Phone: +39 0923 21464

Pizzeria Aleci



Pizzeria Aleci serves great pizzas. Open only for dinner, it is located right in the city centre. Here you can also taste the best Patate Vastase

(literally "rough potatoes") in Trapani, a Sicilian speciality with potatoes, mozzarella, cherry tomatoes and paprika.

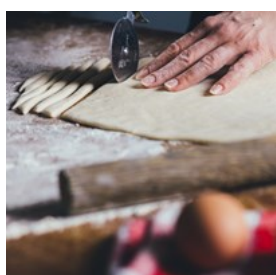
Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: Viale Duca D'Aosta 237, Trapani

Opening hours: Mon-Sun 6pm-1am

Phone: +39 0923 547 176

Osteria di Venere



A tiny rustic tavern away from the main throng of tourists and visitors in Erice. Its cuisine mirrors so much local tradition that it will seem to be run

by a Sicilian grandma. Osteria di Venere has an

easy-going atmosphere where the polite and smiling staff serves quality food, only prepared with fresh seasonal produce.

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Address: Via Roma 6, Erice

Phone: +39 092 386 9362

Email: osteriadivenere@virgilio.it

Taverna Paradiso



Taverna Paradiso is widely regarded as the eatery where to enjoy the finest seafood in Trapani. In a refined but friendly atmosphere, you will have

the possibility to taste traditional dishes accompanied by local wine. Fish dishes and sea urchins are highly recommended.

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Address: Lungomare Dante Alighieri 22, Trapani

Opening hours: Mon-Sat. 12.30am-10.30pm

Phone: +39 0923 22303

Internet: www.ristorantetavernaparadiso.eu

Email: info@ristorantetavernaparadiso.eu

Osteria La Bettolaccia



Osteria La Bettolaccia is a small cosy restaurant with amazing typical Italian food. The menu changes depending on the season, the portions

are good sized and there is also a varied wine list to go with your meal. If you are curious about traditional dishes as pasta alla norma or busiate al pesto trapanese, this is the right place for you!

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Address: Via Gen. Enrico Fardella 25, Trapani

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 12:45pm-3pm, 8pm-11pm; Sat 8pm-11pm

Phone: +39 0923 25932

Internet: www.labettolaccia.it
Email: labettolaccia@gmail.com

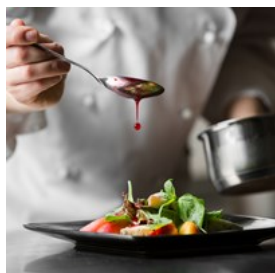
New Albatros



New Albatros on Favignana Island, serves Italian cuisine but what it is most known for is the drinks that complement its dishes. Whether you take a beer, which is served in a ceramic mug, or a cooling drink you will not get disappointed. A good idea is to come quite early if you would like a seat on their outdoor terrace. Perfect for an aperitif with friends.

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Address: Via Vittorio Emanuele, Favignana
Phone: +39 346 757 6883

Serisso47



Serisso47 is a modern chic Italian restaurant, located in the centre of Trapani. The staff is very helpful and skilled, and the atmosphere is cosy and relaxed. The food is prepared with passion by the chef and founder of Serisso47, a real artist. You can get information about him and the specialties of the house on the restaurant website. Given the location, fresh fish is recommended here.

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Address: Via Serisso 47, Trapani
Phone: +39 092 326 113
Internet: www.serisso47.com
Email: info@serisso47.com

I Grilli



If it is a steak that you are craving for, then you should visit I Grilli. The menu is creative and modern and from the wine list, pick a tasteful wine that will perfectly accompany your meal. With the open grill you can see how the chef prepares your scrumptious meat. It is also very easy to find, being in the very centre of the city.

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Address: Corso Vittorio Emanuele 69-71, Trapani
Phone: +39 0923 20663

Ardigna



Ardigna is the main restaurant in the little village of Salemi, located on your way up the mountain, but do not let the location scare you off. The place is quite big but still reservation is recommended to make sure to get a table. The menu is typical Italian and waiters will guide you through the fresh dishes on offer. As in the Sicilian tradition dishes are abundant, so be prepared for a great meal! Strongly suggested is the mixed grill.

Photo: [Francesco83/Shutterstock.com](https://www.shutterstock.com/user/Francesco83)
Address: C/da Ardigna, Salemi
Opening hours: Tue-Fri 12pm-1am, 8pm-11pm. Sat-Sun 12.30pm-3.30pm, 8pm-11pm
Phone: +39 368 722 3269

Osteria Vineria A Casa Mia



Osteria Vineria a Casa Mia is one of the few places frequently visited by tourists as well as locals, indication of the quality of its dishes. The

cuisine you will find here is typical Sicilian and seafood. The beautiful location by the sea, together with friendly yet professional staff of this family owned restaurant, will assure you a nice evening. Specialties of the house: Fritto misto di pesce! (mix of fried fish).

Photo: Alex Staroseltsev/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Ammiraglio Staiti 81, Trapani

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 12am-3pm, 7pm-11pm

Phone: +39 0923 593833

More Info: Reservation recommended.

Quello Che C'è C'è



This Mediterranean restaurant on the Favignana Island is famous for its varied offer of fresh fish. In an elegant but familiar

atmosphere, the owner and chef of the eatery treats each customer as a friend, chatting with everyone and explaining the specialties of the day. Thanks to this, in addition to its professional staff and the quality of the food, Quello che c'è c'è will surely conquer you.

Photo: Kalashnyk Serhii/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Giuseppe Garibaldi 38, Favignana

Opening hours: Mon-Sun 12:30pm- 3pm, 8pm-12am.

Phone: +39 0923 921480

Internet: www.ristorantefavignana.com

Email: gian.riso@libero.it

More Info: Reservation recommended.

CAFÉS



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As in any other city, town, village and hamlet of Italy, here coffee is absolutely a must and a relaxing break that everyone deserve. But Sicily is particularly known for its pastry tradition, that is why you cannot miss to accompany a cup of espresso with a cassatella or a cannolo.

In particular, a famous ritual of this region is having breakfast with croissant and slush. Furthermore, for party-goers a night-time croissant before going to bed is imperative! So if you worked hard to fit in your swimsuit, now it's the moment to enjoy some sweet rewards!

Antico Laboratorio La Rinascente



This "pasticceria" (bakery) is one of the favourites among the locals. Everybody in Trapani knows it but it is not easy to find, it has no

sign or seats, but it is definitively worthy seeking out among Trapani's alleys. La Rinascente is considered the heaven of Sicilian pastry, here you can find any dessert the region has on offer: cannoli, cassatelle, geli, cialdoni... and much more!

Photo: sergioboccardo/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Gatti 3, Trapani

Phone: +39 0923 23767

More Info: On the web it is not easy to find information about this pasticceria, but if you ask the locals, they will be able to help you.

Pasticceria Colicchia



Located in the Old City, just near the Clock Tower, Pasticceria Colicchia is part of Trapani tradition. In this café, the time stopped four decades ago, and it is this genuineness, which makes it unique. Having brioches and slush for breakfast here is imperative when on holiday in Trapani.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via delle Arti, 6/8, Trapani

Opening hours: Mon-Sun 9am-1pm, 4.30pm-8pm.

Phone: +39 0923 547612

BeCool



BeCool is one of the most popular cafés in Trapani. In the morning, it offers a wide choice of sweet breakfast like classic brioche paired with cappuccino or with slush. Whereas in the late afternoon you can enjoy the varied appetizers composing the aperitif, together with a spritz or a refreshing drink.

Photo: Ann Haritonenko/Shutterstock.com

Address: Corso PierSanti Mattarella 84, Trapani

Opening hours: Mon 6am-12.30am; Tue-Fri 6am-1.30am; Sat 6am-2.30am; Sun 6am-1am.

Phone: +39 0923 365252

Internet: www.barbecool.it/new

Email: info@barbecool.it

Bar Pasticceria Vultaggio



Before going back home from Sicily you should take with you some cannolis to share with your friends and family. At the Pasticceria

Vultaggio, a small pastry-shop just outside Trapani, you will find the biggest cannolis in the city, this it is the ideal place where to stock up!

Photo: Wead/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Cap. A.Rizzon 274, Trapani

Phone: +39 349 358 2850

Email: caffestaitibellezza@gmail.com

Efri Bar



If you crave for Italian treats but suffer from celiac disease, do not worry! You can still enjoy a Sicilian cannoli at the Efri Bar. To find gluten

free products in Sicily can be a challenge, since here gluten plays an important part of the traditional cuisine, but the owner to this bar thought about it. A real Sicilian cannoli is one of the thing that must be tasted at least once in a life time!

Photo: Arina P Habich/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Conte Agostino Pepoli 166, Trapani

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 6am-10.30pm

Phone: +39 0923 536737

Bar Incontro



Bar and diner, perfect for a break at any time of the day. Here the signature dish is arancine, the typical Sicilian fried croquettes filled with

rice, meat and tomato sauce, but also various

vegan dishes is served. Its wide menu makes Bar Incontro perfect for some aperitif with friends!

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Address: Via archi 140, Trapani
Opening hours: Mon-Sun 5.30am-8pm
Phone: +39 0923 546244

Lido La Playa



If you are looking for a good place where to take a break or cool down, you can count on the Lido La Playa. The bar right on the seaside offers

amazing refreshing fruit salads composed by local products and nice aperitifs in the late afternoon. It also includes a restaurant and rental service for beach chairs and umbrellas.

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Address: Lungomare Fata Morgana, Mazara del Vallo
Phone: +39 339 808 9212

Il Cappellaio Matto



This cosy bar is located on a side street by the main road of Trapani, surrounded by historical buildings. It can be described as an active

and young place, frequented by local youngsters but also visitors. Il Cappellaio Matto offers street food of various kind, so it is perfect for breakfast, brunch and aperitif. After dinner it serves delicious cocktails, and often during weekends hosts events and live music.

Photo: Monkey Business Images/Shutterstock.com
Address: Corso Vittorio Emanuele 57, Trapani
Phone: +39 329 642 9500

Bar Du Marinaru

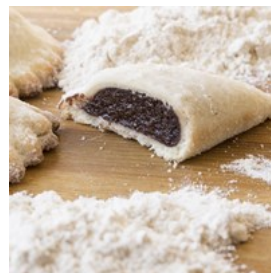


On Favignana Island, right in front of the dock, a little and rustic bar will offer you a typical Sicilian coffee break, thanks to its "Caffè al pistacchio"

(Pistachio nut coffee). It is a real specialty of this beautiful island, and it was Bar du Marinaru that made it so famous. So, if you are visiting Favignana or Trapani this tiny café can't be missed.

Photo: Happy Stock Photo/Shutterstock.com
Address: Via Molo S. Leonardo, Favignana
Opening hours: Mon-Sun 3.30am-8pm
Phone: +39 0923 921792
Email: umarinaru@gmail.com
More Info: Also open by night for pleasant night breaks.

Pasticceria FC



To try Sicilian pastry on Favignana Island the best place to head for is Pasticceria FC. This nice café and patisserie will delight you with all the

sweet specialties of Sicilian cuisine: cassata (sponge cake), cassatelle (ricotta-filled turnovers), cannoli, cakes and plenty more.

Lastly, for the party-goers hot brioches also available by night!

Photo: Mixov/Shutterstock.com
Address: Via Giuseppe Garibaldi 28, Favignana
Opening hours: Mon-Sun 8am-2pm, 5pm-12pm.
Phone: +39 329 315 5742

Caffè Savoia



The elegant Caffè Savoia is situated in the central square of San Vito Lo Capo. Its professional and cordial staff will affably welcome you for

breakfast, brunch and aperitif. Each meal is composed by all the specialties of Sicilian cuisine, both sweet and salty.

Photo: Scisetti Alfio/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Savoia 47, San Vito Lo Capo

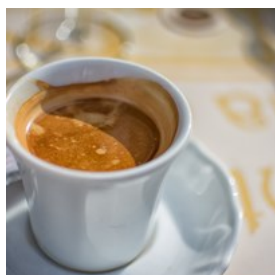
Opening hours: Mon-Sun 7am-12am

Phone: +39 0923 621010

Internet: www.caffesavoia.it

Email: info@caffesavoia.it

Bar Europa



If you are looking for an abundant but not too expensive aperitif, breakfast or brunch, Bar Europa in San Vito Lo Capo is the right place for

you. Besides being one of the few places, open also off-tourist season, this familiar bar offer rich meals and breaks without charging an arm and a leg for it.

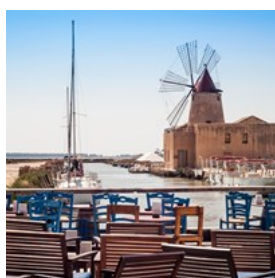
Photo: Tristram Godfrey/Shutterstock.com

Address: Piazza Marinella 8, San Vito lo Capo

Opening hours: Mon-Sun 7am-12pm

Phone: +39 349 819 4552

Mamma Caura



This bar and restaurant in Marsala is well-known for its beautiful location, facing the saline as well as the traditional windmills. Here the

aperitif at the sunset is a real sight. Daily fresh

fish and specialties of the Sicilian cuisine are accompanied by the best local Marsala wine and other liqueurs of the region.

Photo: Salina/Shutterstock.com

Address: Riserva Naturale dello Stagnone, Marsala

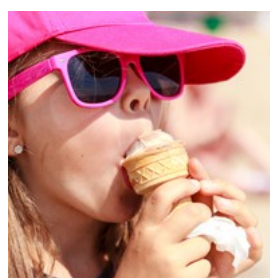
Opening hours: Mon-Sun 12pm-3:30pm, 7pm-11pm

Phone: +39 388 877 2499

Internet: www.mammacaura.it

Email: mamma.caura@libero.it

Lido Tiburon Beach



This lido is one of the biggest on Marsala's coast. Here, beside renting beach chairs and umbrellas, you can enjoy a relaxing breakfast or a

simple ice-cream on the beach. Lido Tiburon is one of the historical lidos of Marsala, and it is easily recognisable thanks to its yellow and green beach umbrellas.

Photo: Voyagerix/Shutterstock.com

Address: Contrada Fossarunza 297, Marsala

Opening hours: Mon-Sun 9am-12pm

Phone: +39 0923 998441

Internet: www.tiburonbeach.it

Email: info@tiburonbeach.it

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Nightlife in Trapani went through a real transformation in the last few years. The city is trying to enlarge its target of attraction and become more suitable also for youngsters, so that now it is possible to find here both tranquil places where to spend relaxing nights, and lively pubs and discos where to enjoy Sicilian movida. Hence, whatever is your mood tonight, you can find the right place for you in Trapani and surroundings!

Rakija



Located in the beautiful square of San Domenico, this pub is one of the most active in Trapani. You can be updated on all its events, concerts and theme nights on the Facebook page of the pub. Beside very professional bartenders, who will provide you delicious cocktails, Rakija has also a good selection of wines and beers.

Photo: Zhukov Oleg/Shutterstock.com
Address: Largo San Domenico, Trapani
Opening hours: Mon-Sun 6pm-3.30am
Phone: +39 320 847 5168
Email: info@rakija.it

Isla Blanca



Think loud music, a young party crowd and long sweaty dance nights in a stylish environment and you're there! The beach area and skybar Isla Blanca in Erice is open from the middle of May until the middle of September, it offers dance nights twice a week, but music and cocktails every night!

Photo: Rido/Shutterstock.com
Address: Via Dante Alighieri, 18, Casa Santa, Erice
Phone: +39 345 020 6126
Internet: www.islablancabeach.com
Email: info@islablancabeach.com

Lido Marausa



Lido Marausa is a beach resort located in Marsala. It is the perfect place where to spend a fun night out with your family. During summer, it is open everyday and host plenty of theme nights and events, such as the country and Latino night. Whereas during the rest of the year parties for festivities are set up, as on New Year's Eve and Halloween.

Photo: nd3000/Shutterstock.com
Address: Via Scilla 2, Trapani
Phone: +39 388 051 2295
Email: tribale1973@gmail.com

Baia Tre Torri



This club on the beach is one of the newest in Trapani's region. It is located on Marausa Beach, and it gains its momentum on Thursdays

during summer season, when tourists and travellers join local youngsters in amazing aperitif and parties on the beach. The location is modern and the staff is professional, if you want to have great time during your holidays, then do not miss this club!

Photo: Maxim Blinkov/Shutterstock.com

Address: Viale Mozia, Marausa

Opening hours: Fri 11pm-3am

Phone: +39 388 051 2295

More Info: Closed during winter.

Frida's Bar



Bar/club in the historical centre of Trapani. Start your evening with a late afternoon aperitif, and enjoy an entire night of good music, cocktails, beers and wines. Each night offers a different vibe since different DJs play here every night. But what never change is the inspiration to Frida Kahlo, that is so obviously shown on the bar name and its décor.

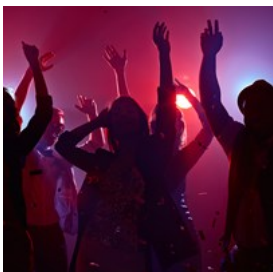
Photo: FabrikaSimf/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via crociferi 22, Trapani

Opening hours: Mon-Tue 6pm-3am;Thu-Sun 6pm-3am.

Phone: +39 347 186 9688

Caloma Sea Club



Being the only club located in the Trapani city centre, Caloma Sea Club is a favourite place for all party-goers in town. During summer it is frequented mostly on Tuesday night, when aperi-dinners are organised, followed by DJ set and theme parties all night long. So if you cannot wait until the weekend, this is the place to start your week.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Catulo Lutazio, Trapani

Phone: +39 320 024 1638

More Info: Price range: upper-middle.

I Corti



Located near to the harbour, I Corti is perfect from the aperitif time until late evening. After an aperi-dinner accompanied by local wines and beers, the romantic pub turns into a loud pub with live music and DJ set. If craving for something fresh, both non-alcoholic and alcoholic cocktails with lots of fresh fruit are served by the experienced bartenders.

Photo: Sergey Mironov/Shutterstock.com

Address: Viale regina elena 20, Trapani

Opening hours: Mon-Sun 7pm-2am

Phone: +39 329 800 4362

Cortile Ripa



In this pub located in the city centre you can find whatever you like to drink: beers, wines, cocktails and soft-drinks. Besides aperitif and appetizers, here you can also taste Ripa's crostoni, the perfect snack to accompany a refreshing beer. A place where to spend a quite evening among friends while listening to music.

Photo: Milan Ilic Photographer/Shutterstock.com

Address: via Crociferi 27, Trapani

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 7pm-3am

Phone: +39 334 815 4743

Email: cortileripa@gmail.com

Juparanà Drink Cafè



Juparanà is one of the main bars in Marsala. Open all day long, here it is possible to enjoy every meal, from breakfast to dinner. But, in the evening it becomes a lounge bar with happy hours, serving bubbles, wines, spritz and mojitos. Enjoy a pleasant night while listening to live music or to DJ remix.

Photo: Pavel L Photo and Video/Shutterstock.com

Address: Piazza Francesco Pizzo 11, Marsala

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 6.30am-1am; Sun 3pm-1am.

Phone: +39 0923 953758

Internet: www.juparana.it

Email: info@juparana.it

Tamburi Lontani



With its spectacular location with sea view, the elegant terrace at Tamburi Lontani is the ideal place where to have a romantic aperitif or dinner with your better half. But after 10pm it turns into the perfect pub where to spend a fun night listening good music and party with friends.

Photo: Rawpixel/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via del Secco, San Vito lo Capo

Opening hours: Mon-Sun 6.30pm-2.30am

Phone: +39 0923 944198

Email: tamburilontani@hotmail.it

More Info: Open from April to October.

Monique Bar



Situated in the very centre of Favignana - in the pedestrian area - Monique Bar is a modern pub run by a young and enterprising staff. From the extensive and creative drink menu, pick a yummy cocktail made with care and attention by the friendly staff. A popular place full of joy and life, where it is easy to mingle with locals while listening to some cool music.

Photo: Kondor83/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Vittorio Emanuele 22, Favignana

Opening hours: Mon-Sun 8am-2am

Phone: +39 0923 921955

Email: moniquebar@live.it

Versi di Rosso Winehouse



A stone's throw from the Old Cathedral, in the lovely bustling street of Old town, you will find this wine bar with an amazing and varied list of wines and any kind of appetizers and dishes. If you are a wine lover, this is the place to head for and when here, have a chat with the owner who is so clearly passionate about Sicilian wine.

Photo: belushi/Shutterstock.com

Address: Corso Vittorio Emanuele 63, Trapani

Opening hours: Mon 6.30pm-12.30pm; Wed-Sun 6.30pm-12.30pm.

Phone: +39 334 396 0092

Email: dariotarta@gmail.com

SHOPPING



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One of the pleasures of exploring Trapani and its surroundings is to discover the little shops that specialise in local crafts, such as ceramics or leather goods. These shops are by far the best places where to buy souvenirs, since they are actually made on the premises. The choice is usually wider and the authenticity unquestionable.

Trapani is a small city, also for this it doesn't have a proper shopping centre, but you can easily find whatever you need in the supermarkets scattered all over the town or head over to the outdoor markets, where some of the best shopping can be done. At the vibrant markets in the Old town, you can buy local merchandise at really low prices, perfect when looking for souvenirs or gifts to bring back home. And when looking for clothes, head over to Via Torrearsa and Via Garibaldi also in the Old town, where plenty of trendy fashion boutiques selling women- and menswear are located.

Erice is particularly known for traditional souvenirs and antiques, whereas on island Favignana you can find a wide variety of products associated with its tuna catches. Lastly, if you are looking for chic boutiques where to buy a piece of Italian design Pantelleria Island is the best place.

Stefania Mode



Stefania Mode is a luxury fashion brand entirely made in Trapani. It was born in 1971 in the headquarters of the city, and later it was capable to expand all over Sicily. Really appreciated by locals and foreigners, if you want to take with you a piece of Italian style, then this brand will perfectly fit you.

Photo: FiledIMAGE/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Torrearsa 27, Trapani

Opening hours: Mon 4pm-8pm; Tue-Sat 9am-1pm, 4pm-8pm.

Phone: +39 092 359 3161

Internet: www.stefaniamode.it

Email: info@stefaniamode.it

More Info: On-line shopping available on the webpage.

Fish Market



Even if you are not much of a seafood lover Trapani's fish market - Mercato del Pesce- is still worth a visit. Early in the mornings, local fishermen take their daily catch to sell it on the market. Each one of them shout creative jingle to convince customers to buy their merchandise. This is one of the best places to get a glimpse of everyday life in Trapani and should not be missed.

Photo: Ana del Castillo/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Cristoforo Colombo 3, Trapani

Opening hours: Mon-Sun 6am-2pm

Luisa Spagnoli



"Class is an innate quality, elegance accentuates it" The key words for Luisa Spagnoli's collections are "Elegant, unique,

unforgettable". It is possible to find an entire outfit in her boutiques, as well as the accessories and the perfume to go with it. Designed by a career woman for career women.

Photo: khomson srisawasdi/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Barone Sieri Pepoli 3, Trapani

Opening hours: Mon 4pm-8pm; Tue-Sat 9am-1pm, 4pm-8pm.

Phone: +39 0923 540 373

Internet: www.luisaspagnoli.com

Taberna Gustus Enoteca



The food and wine shop Taberna Gustus offers typical gastronomic products: local wines, sparkling wines, confectionery, homemade

jam, sauces, oil, and much more. A great shop to buy some traditional food products to bring back home, perfect if you are a foodie.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Libertà 9, Trapani

Phone: +39 0923 189 2329

Email: taberna.gustus@libero.it

Corso Vittorio Emanuele



Corso Vittorio Emanuele is one of the main pedestrian road in Trapani, here you can find plenty of small shops specialised in local crafts.

If you are looking for a ceramic or leather souvenir to remember your holiday in Trapani,

here you will certainly find it.

Photo: 1234zoom/Shutterstock.com

Address: Corso Vittorio Emanuele, Trapani

L'artigianato di Dorotea "Ceramica"



Erice is famous for its traditional craftsmanship, moreover ceramics, and this tiny shop perfectly represents the skill and experience of Sicilian

artists. Sicilian ceramics reflect the people of this amazing region: coloured, joyous and humorous. This shop presents such a range of crafts that you will surely find the perfect souvenir to remember your Sicilian holiday.

Photo: Marco Ossino/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Vittorio Emanuele 44, Erice

Phone: +39 0923 869740

Email: totoerice@libero.it

Thursday morning market



The weekly market in Trapani takes place on Thursday in Via Colombo. Here you will find whatever you need, from food to clothes, from

souvenirs to useful tools for generally low prices. As in any other city of Italy, markets are the best places to find seasonal fruits and vegetables.

Photo: ChiccoDodiFC/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Cristoforo Colombo, Trapani

Opening hours: Thu 5am-2pm

PassItaly



Pantelleria is part of the Aegadi archipelago. It is particularly well-known in Italy and in the rest of the world for its Passito di Pantelleria, a

sweet-flavoured wine perfect to accompany desserts. To taste - or buy - all the best varieties of this and other specialties of the island, you cannot miss PassItaly: a fair entirely dedicated to the island's local products. The fair is held once a year, normally during the first week of September, and lasts five days.

Photo: Sergey Novikov/Shutterstock.com

Address: The event involves numerous locations on the island.

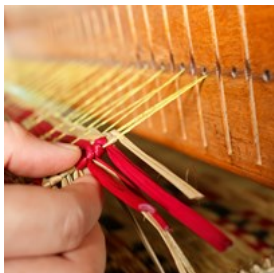
Opening hours: 11am-10pm

Phone: +39 328 388 9893

Internet: www.passitaly.com

Email: welcome@passitaly.com

Pina Parisi by Vario Francesca



Trapani's region has another very typical product, which deserves to be mentioned: the frazzate canvas, or rather multi-coloured canvas

and carpets hand-woven on specific looms. This timeless tradition landed in Sicily in former times. Pina Parisi's laboratory in Erice is one of the few places left that maintains this tradition alive.

Photo: The Sun photo/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Conte Agostino Pepoli 55, Erice

Phone: +39 349 224 9573

More Info: It is necessary to call to set up an appointment.

Coral Point



The processing of coral has ancient roots in the Sicilian region. This boutique in the city centre offers all kinds of goods and crafts in coral:

from little sculptures to splendid jewels. Prices are affordable for everyone, even so, the beauty of these pieces of art is unquestionable.

Photo: Marek R. Swadzba/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Torrearsa 66, Trapani

Phone: +39 0923 032269

Internet: www.coralpoint.it

Email: info@coralpoint.it

Sicilia Bedda



This shop is the ideal place for those who are looking for typical Sicilian foodie gifts including souvenirs. Located in the city centre, Sicilia Bedda

offers a wide range of products like wines, pastas, sauces, olive oils, sweets, cheeses, salamis and pates. Also selling souvenirs like Sicilian books, ceramics, postcards, magnets, and much more.

Photo: funkyfrogstock/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Torrearsa 66, Trapani

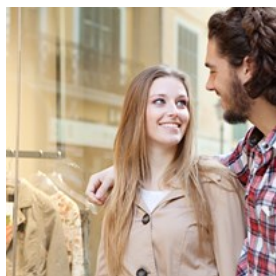
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-8pm

Phone: +39 0923 27509

Internet: www.siciliabedda.eu

Email: info@siciliabedda.eu

Via Fardella



In this central street of Trapani you can find all the most famous Italian and international brands such as Calzedonia, Desigual, Elena Mirò, and much more. If you are in a shopping mood, a walk along Via Fardella will surely not let you down!

Photo: MJTH/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Fardella, Trapani

TOURIST INFORMATION



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Aeroporto di Trapani-Birgi



Trapani's airport - Aeroporto di Trapani-Birgi or Aeroporto di Vincenzo Florio - is located around 18km from Trapani city centre. Some of the airlines operating here are Ryanair, Alitalia and Meridiana.

A.S.T. shuttles leave regularly from outside the terminal building with a journey time of 35 minute to Trapani centre. Tickets to and from the airport can be bought directly at the Airport Ticket Office or from the bus driver when

boarding the bus.

Taxis are also available just outside the terminal, opposite the main entrance.

You will find some of the major national and international car rental companies at the Trapani airport such as AVIS, Hertz, Europacar, Sicily rent car and more. Head to ground floor of the terminal in the arrival hall for contract forms and key pick up and drop off.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Aeroporto di Trapani-Birgi

Phone: +39 0923 610 111

Internet: www.airgest.it

Email: info@airgest.it

Public Transport



There is a motorway from Trapani city to major destinations in Sicily such as Palermo, Catania and Messina, and a coastal road to Mazara del Vallo

in the province. All the other roads are quite small and often pocked, hence care should be taken.

Public transport is inexpensive and frequent. To travel by bus or train, it is necessary to purchase a ticket before travelling, then it must be stamped in the machine when boarding on the bus, or at the platform for trains. Tickets are only valid for a definite time after stamping, which is indicated on the ticket itself. You can buy tickets in the stations, newsagents and tobacconists. Hefty fines are imposed if travelling without a ticket.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

Phone: +39 0923 21021

Internet: www.aziendasicilianatrasporti.it

Email: info@astsicilia.it

More Info: Bus company: AST Trasporti; Train company: Trenitalia.

Taxi



In Trapani it is easy to find unregistered taxis, they are far less expensive but they are illegal, too. So, the use of official taxi companies is

strongly recommended.

In facilities and accommodations you will easily find the business cards of many companies. The phone number is also reported on taxis.

Photo: ArrivalGuides

Address: Via Ammiraglio Staiti 43, Trapani

Phone: +39 0923 198 6251

Internet: www.trapanitaxi.it

Email: info@trapanitaxi.it

Post



Main post offices in Italy are open all day long during week, on Saturday morning and they are closed on Sunday. They are all run by

PosteItaliane, the state post company

Photo: Andy Fuchs

Address: Piazza Vittorio Veneto 1, Trapani

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-6.30pm; Sat 8.30am-1pm.

Phone: +39 0923 590 111

Internet: www.poste.it

Pharmacy



Pharmacies in Italy generally do not stay open during lunch time, and they are closed on Sundays. In rotation, pharmacies of each

town/city/area provides Sunday and night services. Details are displayed at the pharmacies or on the websites of the town.

Photo: Gemma Garner

Opening hours: Generally Mon-Sat 9am-1pm 4pm-8pm.

Phone: 118 for 24 hour emergency advice

Internet: www.asptrapani.it/servizi/turnifarmacie/ricerca_fas_e01.aspx?Campo_13156=21

More Info: On the above mentioned website it is possible to find out which pharmacy is open on Sunday and by night.

Telephone and WiFi



Country code: +39 Area code: 0923 (0 is included) Italian telephone rates tend to be among the highest in Europe—cheap rates are between 6.30pm

and 8am weekdays and after 2pm on Saturday or all day on Sunday only. Booths in public places and phone cards are available from most newsagents or tobacco shops.

Finding a free internet connection can be a challenge outdoor. Usually hotels and bars offer the service, and internet cafés are starting to spring up. There is provision for visitors to connect to the internet at the ferry terminal.

Photo: Jardson Almeida

Electricity



220 volts; two-hole and three-hole sockets.

Photo: Stirling Tschan

Population

67,531

Currency

Euro, €1 = 100 cents

Opening hours

Shops usually open Tuesday to Saturday from 9am until 1pm, reopening again at 4pm through to 8pm latest; on Monday, shops are generally open only in the morning and they are closed all day on Sunday. Also during summer some shops are closed in the afternoon. There is no national rule for bank opening hours, but times tend to be 8.30am to 1.30pm and 3pm to around 5pm Monday to Friday. Some open Saturday morning with times at their discretion.

Internet

www.comune.trapani.it

Newspapers

Il Giornale di Sicilia

Emergency numbers

Police: 112

Medical: 118

Firemen: 115

Tourist information

Tourist Information Office

Via Torrearsa esq. Piazzetta Saturno, Trapani.

+39 0923 20338

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am - 8pm; Sat. closed; Sun. 9am - 8pm.

