

VITERBO



FREE MAP FOR YOUNG TRAVELLERS

made by locals



ACT LIKE A LOCAL

At first, we may seem unfriendly and vaguely grumpy, but in reality, after an initial moment of coldness, we can be very nice! Here are some tips that might help you getting more into our way of looking at things:

Call places by their name

We call some of the main squares in the city centre by their actual names, while others have completely different ones from those actually written on the street signs and on maps. As a matter of fact, some locals might not even understand what you're talking about if you ask them for directions for the following places: Piazza Martiri d'Ungheria, Piazza del Plebiscito, Piazza Giuseppe Verdi or Piazza San Lorenzo. We call them: *Piazza del Sacro*, *Piazza del Comune*, *Piazza del Teatro*, *Piazza del Duomo* referring to them according to the landmark they are famous for.

Don't stay indoors

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Do your spa time

It doesn't matter if there is rain or a scorching sun, it is always a good time to spend an afternoon at the Bullfame, our natural "pools" of hot sulphurous water. The only downside is the need for a good shower immediately afterwards, to remove the smell of boiled egg.

Join our Olympic sport



If it's Saturday afternoon, an absolutely typical thing for a *Viterbese* to do is "fare le vasche", a slang expression for "lap swimming", which is basically just strolling on the same route over and over. The most popular spot for that is Corso Italia, the street that connects Piazza del Teatro to Piazza delle Erbe and back.

1. UGLY BUT DELICIOUS

Brutti Ma Buoni is a very cosy bar pasticceria with an outside veranda. It is a pleasant place to stay outdoors, even in the winter months. It has great desserts, but also tasty *aperitivi* accompanied by "taglieri" cold cuts platters of different meats and cheeses. A real reference point for Viterbo pastry-making. (Via Luigi Rossi) **Danielli 14**, Monday-Sunday 07.00-22.00

2. THE CITY'S GREEN HEART

Prato Giardino is a villa located just outside of the mediaeval city walls. It is considered the small green heart of Viterbo, good for hiding from the heat in the shade of its trees during summer time or for a pleasant stop among geese, swans and turtles at its little pond. The park doesn't really have any particular or special feature, but we love it because it's basically the only one we have. Some might call this "settling for less", we like to call it pride. (Open every day from 08.00 until sunset hours)

3. THE IDEAL BEST FRIEND

Hungry in the middle of the night? Craving carbohydrates? Feeling bored? **L'Allegro Fornajo** is ready to heal you with its croissants, pastries, pizza and fried food. Alongside its quality, you will love their opening hours as well... They are literally always there for you in your times of need, open 24 hours a day, 7 days per week! (Via della Palazzina 49, Monday-Sunday)

4. A 3-D MUSIC BROWSING EXPERIENCE

If you belong to the category of analog music enthusiasts in the era of streaming, podcasts and Spotify, think about paying a visit to **Underground**. This well-stocked record shop offers quite a sought-after collection of both CDs and vinyls which is worth a browse. (Via della Palazzina 1, Monday-Saturday 9.00-13.00/16.00-19.30, Sunday 16.00-19.30)

5. DUMPLINGS LIKE IN CHINA

La Cna is a well-established family business, the first and oldest Chinese restaurant in Viterbo, where the staff is always ready to welcome you with a smile. Their steamed and grilled dumplings are a must-try! (Piazza Antonio Gramsci 43, Monday-Sunday 12.00-15.00/19.00-00.00)

6. MULTIPLE PERSONALITIES

8. ALL TIME CLASSIC

Located under the porticoes of Piazza della Rocca, **Caffè Grandori** is a great location to stop by at any time of the day. From the first morning cappuccino to the evening Happy Hour, famous throughout the province, the atmosphere is always friendly and bubbly. After dinner, weekend nights are set ablaze with music, shows and large crowds! (Piazza della Rocca, 32, Monday-Saturday 07.00-00.00, Sunday 07.00-23.00)

9. TURKISH PIT STOP

Isanbul Kebab is among Viterbo's landmarks when it comes to kebab shops. Simple and affordable, you are served with care, and the queue at peak times is basically proof of their quality. Excellent for take-away, so you can eat it while walking around the city. (Via della Cava 33, Monday-Sunday 11.00-22.30)

10. MALT TASTE

Tired of the usual beers? At **Beer Shock**, a teeny-tiny informal space, you'll sure be able to quench your thirst for novelty! They have a wide selection of national and international local, their draught beer menu usually includes beers from local breweries, carefully selected by the owner Remo. He will be very happy to guide you into finding one you might like and ease you into a nice conversation! (Via San Bonaventura 36, Tuesday-Saturday 18.00-01.00)

11. DJ SETS IN THE JUNGLE

Lab Restaurant & Drink is the perfect place to feel pampered and spoiled, sipping cocktails and enjoying finger foods surrounded by a modern and elegant atmosphere and a green aesthetic interior design. The beautiful green ceiling of hanging plants in the main room gives out a true jungle vibe! The place is also a music club which usually hosts DJ sets on Friday nights. (Piazza Giuseppe Verdi / Piazza del Teatro 5B, Tuesday-Thursday 18.30-01.00, Friday-Saturday 18.30-02.00)

12. FUN NIGHT AT THE CASTLE

Toto's, also known among its *oficinatados* as *Il Castello* (the castle), is the place to be for all those looking for a hectic, busy, loud and interactive evening. The overall theme of the pub is Scotland and the staff will do everything to make you feel right in the middle of the Highlands, starting from their kilt uniform. Every day of the week is dedicated to a different theme night, from quiz night to



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Be a little lazy

If a *Viterpese* needs to go somewhere in the city, there are just two possible ways: going by car or going by car. If we have a car, great. If we don't have it, we surely know somebody who owns one. Any other option isn't contemplated. Jokes aside, we do have a tendency to be pretty lazy when it comes to moving around and there has been quite some turmoil when, a few years ago, the municipality (rightfully so) started to regulate the access of cars to the mediaeval parts of the city centre. That forced many people to start walking more and many of us actually realised that we do enjoy it. But we still like to complain about it.

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Aperitivo time

At 18.00 (but better 19.00 because after all, we are always a little late) it is time for our favourite moment: finally it's *aperitivo* time! Choose the bar you like the most, preferably between the Piazza della Morte and Piazza San Pellegrino, sit down at a table and order your spritz, taste the appetisers that will be offered to you and, when you feel ready, you can easily start meeting new people. Our English may be a bit awkward and spotty, but by the second round of drinks we'll have more courage.

5 minutes of walk



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Chalet Garbini is a small industrial style spot with a green cornered outdoor patio and young and dynamic staff. It is the ideal space to read and work in total relaxation during the day, while at night it transforms itself into a popular meeting point for university students. So it's great for mingling and meeting new people! If you want to treat yourself, get your morning conetto and ask them to fill it with a filling of your choice, from cream to jam, chocolate and much more! (Piazza Giansci 2, Monday-Thursday 6.30-00.00, Friday-Saturday 6.30-02.00)

7. A JOURNEY TO THE PAST

At the **Rocca Albornoz National Etruscan Museum**, exhibitions focus mainly on the discoveries of specific areas of Tuscia and the more ancient part of the Etruscan civilization. We are very proud of it, mostly because Etruscan came before the Romans (yeah, we are a bit competitive). The panoramic terrace with a view over the city and the reconstruction of the temple dedicated to Demeter are also beautiful and definitely worth a leisurely visit! (Piazza della Rocca 218, Tuesday-Sunday 08.30-19.00, last admission 18.30. Ticket prices €7 for adults, €2 for young people until 25 years old, free every first Sunday of the month)

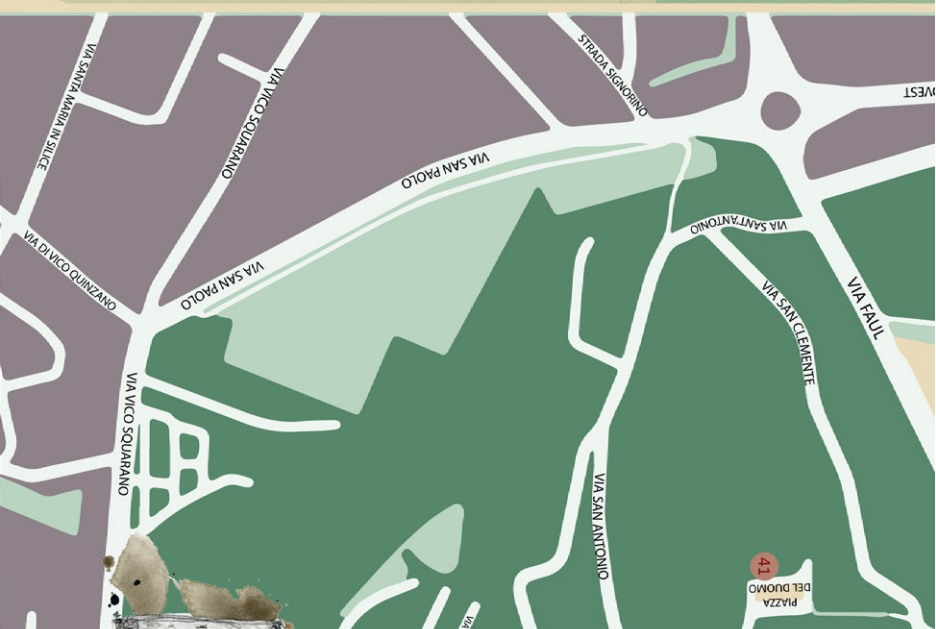
evening. The overall theme of the pub is Scotland and the staff will do everything to make you feel right in the middle of the Highlands, starting from their kilt uniform. Every day of the week is dedicated to a different theme night, from quiz night to karaoke or romantic meetups. Check out their Instagram to know when is what! Also, if you have an appetite, the portions here are massive, especially the burgers. (Via Genova 32/e, Monday-Sunday 12.00-15.30/18.00-02.00)

13. THE SARDINIAN CORNER

If going all the way to Sardinia is too expensive, then at **Forchetta Sarda**, you can find Sardinian wines and specialities, with excellent value for money. Their traditional myrtle berries liquor is superlative, providing you with that perfect warm and balsamic taste to help you digest all the food. Combine it with the dessert called *seadas* with honey, it's a real treat! (Via Giuseppe Mazzini 5, Thursday-Tuesday 12.30-14.30/19.00-22.30)

14. WOODEN DECOR & CRAFT BEERS

Sand Glass is a classic pub, completely furnished in wood, right in the centre of Viterbo. There is a large choice on the menu including pizzas, *piadine*, sandwiches, salads and strictly homemade desserts, and a wide range of beers. If you are looking for a place to have a meal quite late at night, this is one of the few ones which has a kitchen open till late! (Via Guglielmo Marconi 45, Sunday-Thursday 19.30-01.00, Friday-Saturday 19.30-02.00)



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15. THE OLDEST COFFEE

Caffetteria Capoccei is one of the Viterbo's favourite places when it comes to coffee. It has been there for almost a century, so they definitely know what they are talking about and consider the morning coffee a real ritual. Small, intimate and welcoming, the smell of coffee in the air and just outside of the café is inebriating! While you are there, check out their chocolate corner as well! (Via Marconi 53/55, Monday-Saturday 7.30 - 21.00)

16. THE VOICE OF THE RIVER

Viterbo is crossed by a river called Urtimio, however, if you haven't seen it so far it's not because you're hallucinating, but simply because it was made completely underground and invisible after the first World War. A **site-specific installation** was made to honour it and placed in the middle of a green traffic aisle in Piazza del Sacratio. It looks like a metal funnel in the middle of the grass and, if you don't mistake it for a trash can and put your ear next to it, you should be able to hear a reproduction of the noise of the river coming from it. This extremely secret installation is very difficult to spot and most locals don't even know that it is there. So here's definitely a little tidbit you might want to brag about with locals! (Piazza Martin d'Ungheria / Piazza del Sacratio)

17. EVERYONE DESERVES A SWEET STOP

Traditionally in Italy, if you're invited somewhere for a Sunday lunch, you'll bring your guest a *cabanot di pasate* (a tray of small bite-sized pastries). If this happens in Viterbo, most locals would go to **Pasticceria Casarini** to get it. The family business expanded and you will be able to find another one just outside the city walls. Both premises offer a rich showcase of colourful and delicious pastries and biscuits. Lately, they started to add many vegans and gluten free options too! (Via Canoli 27, Tuesday-Saturday 07:00-20:00, Sunday 07:00-19:00)

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At the **Osteria Tanta Robba**, the cuisine definitely honours its name (*tanta robba* is a slang expression for "lots of yummy stuff", often used to show appreciation towards something - or someone too). Few selected menu options, simple and tasty homemade food and big portions. If you want to try something typical from Viterbo, then their pasta dishes are a must!

(Via Santissima Maria
Liberatrice 47, Wednesday-Sunday
12.30-14.30/19.30-22.00)

19. THE GIANT OF VALLE FAUL

If you look down from the viewpoint at the end of Piazza del Sacraio, you will see something that looks like a giant man trying to free itself from the grass and come out from underneath the earth. The installation is a copy of **The Awakening**, a sculpture by American artist John Seward Johnson Jr., which has been placed in one of the few green areas of the city as a symbol of cultural awakening. Sadly, the installation looks pretty trashed now, with some uninspired graffiti and love declarations scribbled over most of the giant's limbs and his open mouth and nostrils are often being used as trash bins. Please, in this case feel free not to act like a local and leave the poor guy alone. We are pretty sure you wouldn't like it if a random person would come and shove an empty beer can up your nose. So just don't.

(Viale Faul)



5 MINUTES OF URBAN LEGENDS

La Bella Galiana

Behind the scenes of Viterbo's coat of arms

The legends say that the city of Viterbo was born from a settlement of refugees coming from the city of Troy. So yeah, before the whole Romolo and Remo founding Rome. To honour their glorious origins, the citizens worshipped a white sow (a female boar) to whom a virgin from the city was offered as a sacrifice every year on Easter Sunday. One year the chosen girl was **Galiana**, a girl known for her beauty and friendliness. On the day of the sacrifice, when the sow was about to tear her to pieces, a lion emerged from the forest, killed the beast and saved the girl, freeing the whole town from the obligation of sacrifice. From that moment on, the lion became an integral part of the town's coat of arms.



Anna from Viterbo

Taking "bragging" to the next level

We have already mentioned how things tend to get a little "heated" when it comes to the topic Etruscans vs Romans. There is however someone who brought this feud to a whole new level: One of Viterbo's most famous historical characters is **Annio da Viterbo**, a friar and well-respected scholar, back in the 15th century. He was acclaimed for his 17-volume work called *Antiquitatum Variarum* through which he theorised and preached the superiority of Viterbo over Rome, collecting and showcasing a large series of very ancient documents and exhibits. Around the 18th century, doubts were raised as to the authenticity of his works and, through study and research, it was discovered that he pretty much invented all of it. He manipulated written texts, produced numerous archaeological forgeries, basically going down in history as one of the most famous and prolific fake news content-makers. Maybe that escalated just a bit too much.

Pio Fedi

Bringing Viterbo style all the way to the Big Apple!

Among many well-known artists coming from Viterbo through history, you can find **Pio Fedi**, a sculptor from the 19th century. He trained at the renowned Academy of Fine Arts of Florence, where he lived and created some of his most famous art pieces. One of them is a statue called *La Libertà della Poesia* (The Freedom of Poetry). The statue depicts a young woman with a crown on her head, lifting a broken chain in one hand, symbolising the freedom of thought, and holding a laurel wreath with her other hand... If the image sounds kinda familiar you're not mistaken, as it appears that this piece might have actually been Frédéric-Auguste Bartholdi's main inspiration for his most iconic work: America's symbol par excellence, the Statue of Liberty! What a trend setter! If you want to see a glimpse of Fedi's masterful work in Viterbo, make sure to check out the glorious marble lions adorning the fountain of Piazza delle Erbe! To have a sneak peek, you can also take a look at the cover of this USE-IT map.



20. A 30-YEAR-OLD PASSION FOR COLLECTING

Fumetteria Carta Viva is the reference point for all the nerds and geeks in the city. Beside the vast collection of comic books and manga available, they also sell all sorts of board and card games. If you are a collector, make sure to check out their gadgets section, full of action figures, miniatures, model kits and t-shirts! *(Via Marcel Gattesco 46/48, Monday 16.00-19.30, Tuesday-Saturday 09.30-13.00/16.00-19.30)*

21. A DIFFERENT SHAPE OF PIZZA

When you enter **Ghost Chili Pizza**, forget all about the very well known image of round pizza. Here pizza is served *alla pala*, in a whole long stripe on a sort of wooden paddle, and you are also given the chance, if you wish, to combine on the same *pala* two different kinds of pizza! They pay close attention to the seasonality of the products, that's why you will find different items according to the time of the year you'll visit on the menu. If you find it, try the ones with marinated lemon among the ingredients! *(Corso Italia 38, Monday 17.00-21.30, Tuesday-Saturday 11.00-15.00/17.00-21.30)*

22. INSTAGRAM LIKES IN...

Located in a secluded little street, **Il Giardino del Peperone** would be easy to miss. But if you are willing to invest your energy into searching for it, you'll be greatly rewarded. Nothing says "charming and romantic" more than a summer dinner at one of the tables in their cosy back garden surrounded by trees and medieval walls. Here you will find wonderful Italian food served with a lot of attention and care to visual details, so basically a paradise for all the foodies out there on Instagram! *(Via del Giglio 3, Wednesday-Sunday 19.45-22.30, Sunday 12.30-14.30)*

23. ONCE UPON A TIME THERE WERE A PIZZA FRITTA & A FELINE BOSS...

Plata Nova is one of the most recent venues in the city, but it has quickly become one of the most hit spots for an evening out. A lively environment with excellent fresh cocktails and delicacies. Their *pizza fritta cacio e pepe* (small fried pizzas with cheese and pepper) is addictive and definitely a must-try when stopping by for an *aperitivo*. If you feel in the mood for a more intimate atmosphere, check out their small vintage back room! But above everything: when you are there, never forget to pay your homage to Tito, the black and white cat and Plata Nova's

26. TEA ON STAGE

Bistrot del Teatro gave new life to the premises of the long neglected Teatro San Leonardo, transforming it into one of Viterbo's main cultural hotspots. The theatre itself was renovated and now hosts all sorts of events, lately including stand up comedy shows and open mic evenings (all in Italian for now). The rest of the space is divided between a chilled and quiet bistrot and a bookshop, which makes it a favourite hideaway for students to study and generally a great spot to relax and slow down. Explore their sought-after selection of teas and infusions from all over the world and enjoy sipping them in front of the giant window glasses overlooking the theatre stage. *(Via Camillo Bersò Conte di Cavour 9, Monday-Friday 12.00-20.00, Saturday-Sunday 15.00-20.00)*

27. AN "EMOTIONAL" ICE-CREAM

Taverna Etrusca is one of the most beloved and appreciated restaurants/pizzerias in the city, famous for its interior design made of Etruscan decorations and frescoes, and, above all, for a very specific and absolutely unconventional menu item: their homemade, "emotional ice-cream". The theory behind it is that scents and flavours are linked with memories which then trigger emotions, supposedly bringing the ice-cream eating experience to a whole new level. Aren't you dying to find out which memories and emotions will be triggered by trying out their gorgonzola cheese or salted peanut flavoured ice-cream? Since it is quite small inside and usually very busy, booking is recommended especially during weekend nights. *(Via Annio 10, Monday-Saturday 12.00-15.00/19.00-23.00)*

28. PASTA PARADISE

Spaghetteria is a large, cool restaurant divided into several rooms. If you are an indecisive person, this might be an extremely dangerous place for you to be in. There are legends about people who entered and are still there, trying to make up their mind among the 300 types (no, we are not joking) of spaghetti on the menu. Sure, we could say which ones are our favourites, but then we'd be making your life easier... and where would the fun be? Jokes aside, if you are in doubt close your eyes, take a breath and a leap of faith: they are all cooked to perfection, plentiful and worth trying. *(Via Aurelio Soffici 61, Tuesday-Saturday 12.30-14.30/19.30-22.00, Sunday 12.30-14.30)*

29. WHEN A PICTURE IS WORTH A

31. THE OLD MEETS THE NEW

Santa Maria in Gradi is a former convent which dates back to the early 13th century and now houses the main headquarters of the Tuscia University, bubbling with students from all around. Exploring the buildings, you will be able to find many historical traces maintained by the restaurateurs done, especially two very suggestive courtyards which are the most spectacular example of the Viterbo that once was - and also a great location to take some serious Hogwarts vibes selfies, especially with the sunset light! *(Via Santa Maria in Gradi 4, Monday-Friday 08.00-20.00)*

32. SOMETHING GOING ON AT THE CITY GATE

Red Rose Café is a cosy and informal place, animated by an extremely friendly staff who is always willing to crack a joke. Their outdoor space, right by the gates of one of the main porte (doors) in the old city walls, provides the perfect angle to admire the flow of Viterbo's daily life. It's also one of the best spots to observe the assembling process of the *Marchion di Santa Rosa* during summer, which is a very exciting event. Check the *Once a Year* section if you want to know more! *(Via Giuseppe Garibaldi 63, Monday-Tuesday-Thursdays 06.00-23.00, Friday-Saturday 06.00-00.00, Sunday 06.00-13.00)*

33. DON'T JUDGE A BOOK BY ITS COVER

Opened and managed by Majed and Khatar through a start-up program supporting refugee businesses, **Ghena Food** is the first Kurdish-Syrian restaurant of Viterbo. The place is named after Majed's young daughter, Ghena, which in Arabic means "richness" and there is definitely not a better word to describe what you can find behind their simple banner. The place may look extremely basic, but the taste and smell of their *Kibbeh baba gannoush* and a whole lot more of their other specialties can make your mind travel to far away places, all for very affordable prices. Enjoy having Majed guiding you through all the history and facts of each dish and make sure to leave some room to try also some of the many sweet treats available. *(Via Cardinal la Fontaine 109, Monday-Sunday 12.00-15.00/18.00-22.00)*

34. "LIFT AND HOLD"

The highest honour for a *Viterbese* is to be chosen to be part of the team of 100 *focchini* (porters) who have the responsibility and privilege to carry

36. A GOOD OL' HAVEN

Da Ludo e Afrisco a historical after extensive wine cellar and a wide selection of craft beers, run (thoroughly) by the bartender with a passion for quality of the city's main Rixx club (the *no tanks and drunk up!*) is well known not that unusual to find people table-top games at the tables in the room and then. Also, get ready for tunes - so if you're in search of a quirky music vibes beware! *(Via San Rocco-Monday 17.30-01.00)*

37. NEW ENCOUNTER CERTAINITIES

Green Pub is a "relatively" good beers are served and constantly new fantasy/themed shots (among all we recall of *Chihuahua!*). The barman, ideal person to engage in a chat and Dragons, the city, the weight of crowds, the pigeon problem anything that comes to mind, bring what the pigeon problem need to go there and find out! *(6, Tuesday-Sunday 18.00-01.00)*

38. IKEA STYLE BURGE

Whether you are a person who feels extremely picky about what you eat, **Street Food da Tony Cicc** make everybody happy. Beside offer, the place is famous for giving opportunity to make up their own burgers, choosing from ingredients available. Get ready to enjoy an impressive variety of (from pork to beef, turkey, even horse!) and vegetarian options up by their special homemade ones is guaranteed to reappear every now and then! *(Via Cardinal Wednesday-Monday 12.00-01.00)*

39. BUBBLES FOR EVERYONE

Just a stone's throw from the Diocesan Palace, **Winter Garden** is a meeting point for after-dinner locals and Etruscan students: their cliché such as mini *crostoni*, salads and sandwiches your "bubble of choice", from w

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24. FIFTY SHADES OF ICE CREAM
Gelart sells ice cream combining an offer of traditional, local and unexpected flavours, so you will be able to find pistachio, raspberry from the nearby Monti Cimini and basil, all next to each other. The outdoor tables give you the opportunity to enjoy your gelato while being able to admire the beautiful Fontana dei Leoni, which dominates the square. Also, for all those who struggle with gluten, their products are all gluten-free certified! *(Piazza delle Erbe 16/17, Monday-Sunday 11.00-23.00)*

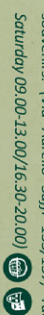


25. ROLLED UP SPECIALITIES
Ideal for a quick and light lunch or dinner, **Piadineria** and come mostly from local businesses. Feeling hungrier? Either check out the piadina specials in the menu or, for a small extra charge, you can choose to have your piadina roll style and it will come with double filling! During winter time make sure to ask them also about their super tasty soups of the day. *(Piazza del Plebiscito / Piazza del Comune 17, Tuesday-Thursday 12.00-15.00/19.00-21.30, Friday-Saturday 12.00-15.00/19.00-22.00, Sunday-Monday 12.00-15.00)*



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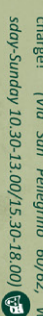
29. WHEN A PICTURE IS WORTH A THOUSAND WORDS
Liberia Staff is a small, cute independent bookstore in the historic centre of Viterbo with a timeless atmosphere. If you don't speak Italian but are passionate about illustrated and silent books, comic books and graphic novels, you have very high chances to spot something peculiar that will catch your attention. They also have a number of fascinating wooden games which make perfect little souvenirs. *(Via Aurelio 50ff 133/137, Tuesday-Saturday 09.00-13.00/16.30-20.00)*



30. HAIL TO THE MILK!
Antica Latteria is hands-down one of the best ice-cream places in Viterbo. As you might guess by its name which literally means "the old milk shop", here all dairy-related flavours are the main protagonists. If you don't worry about cholesterol, ask for a *doppio panna* ice-cream, meaning that you will get a cone with your main chosen flavours, served with whipped cream both below and above, with no extra charges. What a time to be alive. Have fun trying to figure out the story behind the name of one of their most famous flavours, "the Pope's slip", and get ready for endless queues during the summer period. During winter times, the hot chocolates are also excellent. *(Via della Verità 25, Monday-Sunday 10.00-20.00)*



34. "LEFT AND HOLD!"
The highest honour for a *Viterbese* is to be chosen to be part of the team of 100 *faccini* (porters) who have the responsibility and privilege to carry on their shoulder the 30-metres-high-5-thousand-kilos-heavy *Mocchina di Santa Rosa*. They parade through the streets of the city on the patron's saint day. Right in the heart of the city, the **Museo del Sodalizio dei Faccini di Santa Rosa** is the place where you get to discover everything about this very special celebration and what it means and takes to be a *faccino*. Free of charge! *(Via San Pellegrino 60/62, Wednesday-Sunday 10.30-13.00/15.30-18.00)*



35. RAINBOW IN A GLASS
If your heart roots for the cocktail team, **Al Settantasette** is definitely the place for you! Every few months they enrich their menu with special seasonal mixes which stand alongside their lineup of beloved classics (among which we recommend the *Italians Do it Bitter* with its surprising spicy kick or any of the "Swing" series - Orazio, Tiaolo or Seneca). The owner Manfredi is a cocktail wizard and if nothing of what you see on the board will intrigue you enough, you can bet he will make it his life mission to tailor make for you something you will enjoy! The place is also one of the Tuscia Pride (a local NGO supporting LGBTQIA+ rights) favourite location for events and theme parties, so if you are in search of a queer-friendly environment, you might be able to find your tribe here! *(Via San Pellegrino 24, Monday-Saturday 18.00-01.00)*



meeting point for after-dinner locals and Erasmus students and their cliché such as mini *quacchioni*, salads and sandwiches your "bubble of choice", from wines, beers and spirits. *(Piazza Monday-Sunday 17.00-01.00)*



40. HEAVEN IN SMALL
It may easily go unnoticed in already crowded square, but **Bianca** is a little corner of heaven on Earth just can't say no to a tasty treat time of the day, they always have what will make you feel like there is something in your stomach after all, especially tartlets. *(Via dei Pellegrini 2, 09.00-21.00, closed on Tuesday 09.00-00.00)*

41. HOSPITALITY VITERBO
Piazza San Lorenzo is known famous square in Viterbo, stands dominates the city, which has setting in a multitude of national movies and tv shows. The location of both **San Lorenzo's Palace of the Popes** because wondering, yes, for a few centuries, Viterbo has been the residence... until we got up cardinals were taking a very long who the next pope was going to be locked them in the palace to be

MEETS THE NEW

radì is a former convent which in the early 13th century and now headquarters of the Tuscia University students from all around the world. You will be able to find places maintained by the restaurant - especially two very suggestive are the most spectacular example at once was - and also a great me serious Hogwarts vibes selfies, sunset light! (Via Fontaine 109, Monday-Sunday 12.00-20.00) 📍🌅📱

GOING TO THE CITY GATE is a place where you can enjoy a drink and a snack. Staff who is always willing to crack jokes and a bit of fun. (Via Fontaine 109, Monday-Sunday 12.00-20.00) 📍📱

JUDGE A BOOK BY ITS COVER is a program supporting refugees and immigrants. The place is named after the book "The Kibibeh, Baba and there is definitely not a description what you can find behind the place may look extremely different. The place may look extremely different. The place may look extremely different. (Via Fontaine 109, Monday-Sunday 12.00-20.00) 📍📱

36. A GOOD OLD HAVEN Da Lucio e Alfredo a historical after-dinner pub with an extensive wine cellar and a wide selection of spirits and craft beers, run (thoroughly) by Lucio, an experienced bartender with a passion for quality drinks. It's the home of the city's main Risk club (the motto "withdraw the nuts and drink up" is well known in the trade) and it's not that unusual to find people playing board and tabletop games at the tables in the back room every now and then. Also, get ready for some heavy metal tunes - so if you're in search of a quiet-chilling-jazzy-classy music vibes beware! (Via San Pellegrino 11, Wednesday-Monday 17.30-01.00) 📍🎸📱

37. NEW ENCOUNTERS AND OLD CERTAINITIES Green Pub is a "relatively" new place, where good beers are served and where there are constantly new fantasy/horror/nerdish etc. themed shots (among all we recommend the "The Call of Chulhu"). The barman, Flavio, is also the ideal person to engage in a chat about Dungeons and Dragons, the city, the weather, the psychology of crowds, the pigeon problem and, in short, anything that comes to mind. If you are wondering what the pigeon problem is, well you just need to go there and find out. (Via San Pellegrino 6, Tuesday-Sunday 18.00-01.00) 📍🐦📱

38. IKEA STYLE BURGERS Whether you are a person who enjoys being very creative when it comes to your food or one who feels extremely picky about what ends up on your plate, **Street Food da Tony Cook** is guaranteed to make everybody happy. Beside their official menu offer, the place is famous for giving customers the opportunity to make up their very own sandwiches and burgers, choosing from a rich series of ingredients available. Get ready to choose between an impressive variety of tasty burger patties (from pork to beef, turkey, boar... sometimes even horse!) and vegetarian options, all topped up by their special homemade sauces - the ginger one is guaranteed to reappear in your dreams every now and then! (Via Cardinal La Fontaine 7, Wednesday-Monday 12.00-01.00) 📍🍔📱

39. BUBBLES FOR EVERYONE Just a stone's throw from the Duomo, in the heart of the city, **Winegarten** is a popular spot and meeting point for after-dinner drinks for both locals and Erasmus students alike. You can try their cliché such as mini quiches, mealbals, crostoni, salads and sandwiches, while enjoying your "bubble of choice", from white, rosé and red

up the process, rationing their food and eventually also taking off the roof. The next pope was elected but somehow didn't feel like sliding around and a few years later the residence was moved back to Rome. We wonder why. (Piazza San Lorenzo / Piazza del Duomo) 📍

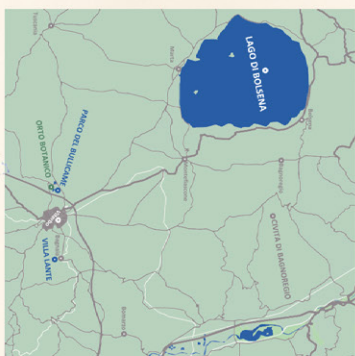
42. A SECRET "GREEN" CRUSH Did you ever have one of those high-school crushes you were so hopelessly in love with that you never actually managed to pluck up the courage to go and talk to them and ended up only admiring from a distance? This is exactly the vibe you're going to get when you bump into **Parco del Paradossio**. Hidden in the middle of the medieval Pianoscara district, the little park with its round elegant fountain, palms and willow tree, truly is a right-out-of-a-dream view. However, the park is an integral part of the premises of the nearby restaurant Estremo, so technically only accessible to its customers... will you feel brave enough to maybe try and sneak in for a closer look during opening hours or will you be content by gazing at it from the little nearby bridge? (Via delle Capriocce) 📍🌳

43. A CULTURAL MELTING POT **Il Comonata** is a lively and creative *circolo culturale*, a place devoted to carry out and promote cultural and artistic activities and events. You can look at their FB page for info on the latest happenings, from exhibitions, live concerts, book presentations and film screenings. It's a melting pot of people of all kinds and ages. There you can easily find old people playing cards, groups running arts and crafts workshops, students enjoying a break from the books in the hidden back garden filled with aromatic plants, all coexisting in a weird fascinating equilibrium. It is the perfect place to stop by at any time of the day or night, whether it is just to get a glimpse of the local fauna or to enjoy the tasty homemade cuisine and welcoming ways of the owners, Checco and Gegè. (Via dei Giardini 11, Monday-Saturday 11.00-00.00) 📍🍷📱

44. TIME DILATION BETWEEN THE MARKET STALLS Every Saturday morning, the district of Pianoscara becomes an explosion of colours, sounds and flavours thanks to the local **farmers' market**, a true meeting point for the whole community. You can find everything, from vegetables and fruits to cheeses, eggs, honey, jams, bread... all the finest organic products from across Viterbo and the nearby towns. Be careful to pass through

Parco del Bullicame

Parco del Bullicame is a natural area of sulphurous hot spring waters that can be found outside of Viterbo's walls. The city is actually pretty famous for a big fancy spa facility, **Terme dei Papi**, while this park could be considered instead a more free-spirited, hippie young sibling. Here the access is free and you'll literally find yourself in the middle of a field, with no infrastructure but a fenced perimeter. The park has two pools, one around 50°C and the other around 38°C. It's very atmospheric and we love it! Rumor has it that this scenario inspired Dante's description of the gateway to hell in the 14th canto of his Divine Comedy's Inferno. Big stuff. Definitely a must try if you're in for an unconventional bathing experience! (Strada Bullicame, 01100 Viterbo, Monday-Sunday 07.30-19.00)



AROUND THE CORNER

Located just outside Viterbo in the nearby fraction of Bagnola and reachable with the line number 6 of our local public transport, **Villa Lante** is an extraordinarily well-preserved 16th-century villa. With its beautiful fountains, water features and lush gardens, the park unfolds over four different levels and makes a great place to spend a few peaceful hours. An unmissable spot especially for anybody with an interest in photography! (Via Jacopo Barozzi 71, Bagnola, Tuesday-Saturday 08.30-16.30, Sunday 08.30-14.00. Opening times might change according to the time of the year.



Botanical Garden

A truly special place that not everyone knows about for all the plant people and lovers out there! **Giardino Botanico "Angelo Rambelli"** is home to a large quantity of plants from all over the world, beautiful greenhouses with cacti, wonderful roses, and so much more! Ask for the illustrated map at the ticket office to better navigate and explore all the different areas and spots of the garden. (Strada del Bullicame, Bagni di Viterbo, Monday-Friday 08.00-13.00. €5 ticket for adults, €3 for all those under 25)



Also, don't forget that from Viterbo, with a bit of luck or a car, you can reach Lake Bolsena. It doesn't matter in which town you decide to stop, Montefiascone, Marta, Capodimonte or Bolsena, but from any of these places you will have amazing views over the lake and a pleasant walk guaranteed.

ONCE A YEAR

Viterbo is great to visit at any time of the year, but some times are undoubtedly more special than others!

Not for the faint hearted breakfast! On Easter Sunday, you absolutely can't miss the breakfast organized in the neighbourhood of Pianoscara: it will be quite likely one of the heaviest breakfasts of your life, with "concretella" (small animal organs), salami and pizza di pasqua (a kind of cake, neither sweet nor savoury, which we usually prepare for this holiday), but in the end it is only once a year! It is prepared by people from the neighbourhood in collaboration with local companies, dairies and bakers, and served for free to whoever passes by and wants to be part of this moment of sharing and collective celebration. You just have to show up by the Fontana del Piano around nine o'clock and let the magic happen!

Sono fatti gli investimenti! The days between the 2nd and 4th of September are the most important days of the year for us: the celebration of the patron saint of the city, **Santa Rosa**. The celebration consists of parading around the city, carried on the shoulder by a group of 100 men, a huge tower called **Macchina di Santa Rosa** which culminates with the statue of the saint. Already in July, when we start to assemble the tower, anticipation starts to build and everything is to be postponed to "after Santa Rosa". Where to see the parade from is the most serious business ever, with everyone having a different theory of which is the best spot, and some people who start camping from early hours to claim their spot and protect it throughout the day. You will see flags hanging from balconies, the colours red, yellow and blue will invade the streets and many initiatives will revolve around this event: from the typical dinners with the *facchini* in the square, the historical procession, the transport of *la macchina*, the fair... The whole community comes together and the phrase you will hear most during these days will be "sono tutti de'n sentimento", which literally translates into "we are all united/part of the same feeling!".

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Monday-Sunday 17.00-01.00)

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 will make you feel like there is still some room left
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 wondering, yes, for a few years during the 13th
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 locked them in the palace to help them to speed

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 it if you made other plans, as there are very high
 chances that, before you know it, you will find
 yourself having a spontaneous improvised late
 breakfast or lunch, sitting on the sunny steps

of the fontana del Piano, mesmerised by
 the view of the locals chatting and
 bargaining, and realising that 2 hours
 have just gone by without you noticing.
 (*Via della Polveriera, inside Porta del*
Carmine, Saturday 08.30-13.00)

MOZZARELLA WORTH QUELTING FOR

Open since 1958 and run by 4 generations of the
 ultimate friendly ladies, **Casaffio Cotti**, is
 definitely one of the gastronomic landmarks of
 the city, home of Viterbo's famous "*mozzarella par*
excellence". If you truly want to blend in with the
 locals, when a *Viterbese* asks you what you like
 most about the city, answer "Cotti's
mozzarella" and that will grant you
 their uttermost respect. And if you're sceptical (first
 of all, shame on you), try and ask for the *collegine*
 (small round mozzarella bites) and see if those
 don't win you over! It is not unusual to find people
 queuing in the alley just outside the little shop,
 waiting to get served and purchase their favourite
 fresh products, but we can assure you that the wait
 is definitely worth it. (*Via San Carlo* 14,
Monday-Saturday 08.00-13.30/15.00-17.00)



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 of November, the day dedicated to *Santi Andrea*, who was known as the protector of fishermen and the saint to whom a
 beautiful church in Pianosciano is dedicated. On that day in Viterbo we traditionally give chocolate fishes to one another as
 a wish for abundance and prosperity.

PRACTICAL INFO

You can find **Ufficio Turistico di Viterbo** in Piazza Martiri d'Ungheria for maps and tourist information. (*Monday-Saturday*
09.00-13.00/15.00-18.00, Sunday 09.00-14.00)

When it comes to youth-friendly **hosting facilities**, we have to admit that Viterbo isn't exactly shining
 in that department. In the city there are many options for guest houses, AirBnB, Bed & Breakfasts,
 but no hostels. We know, it's a bummer.

You can reach Viterbo **by train** from two main locations: Rome from the south (there are trains running every hour
 05.00-22.00) and Orte from the east (approximately every two hours 06.00-20.00).

We still haven't found a *Viterbese* able to tell for sure how many lines of public transports there
 are in Viterbo, where they go and, most of all, at what time. That's because, as you will soon find
 out yourself, everything within the city walls is very reachable maximum with a 15-20 minutes walk.
 However, we do have a public transport system called **Francigena** which operates through small
 orange buses. Tickets cost 1€ (1.50€ if you buy them directly on the bus from the driver) and are valid
 for 90 minutes.

Viterbo is also connected to the nearby towns and cities, including Rome, through our regional bus line called **Central**.
 The main terminal in the city, Rialto, from which all the big blue buses depart is located outside the city walls. The price
 of the tickets change according to your final destination and can be purchased at every *tobacchi* shop or newsstand.

If you are in need of a **taxi**, be aware that there aren't many around. However, you can reach them
 24h/7 through the number +39 0761 18 76 or through their website www.taxiviterbo.it
 Shops usually take an afternoon break, approximately between 13.00 and 16.00, and may be closed on Mondays or
 Thursdays. Bars follow a continuous schedule. Pubs in the city centre close by 1.00 am. Typical Italian meal times are
 13.00-15.00 and 20.00-22.00.



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