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Pescara, the gateway to the rugged mountainous area of the Abruzzo region, is framed by the stunning snowy peaks of the Apennine Mountains. The land tumbles through the hilltop villages and down to the blue waters of the Adriatic Ocean. In the town of Pescara itself, the long ten-mile stretches of wide, clean and sandy beaches and superb food and wine explain why it is a favourite vacation getaway among Italian travellers seeking to enjoy both beach-side relaxation and mountain adventures.



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THE CITY



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Pescara is a relatively modern city, particularly given the history of other Italian centres. Yet, it makes up for its lack of history with its atmosphere, fantastic food and endless sunkissed sandy beaches.

The city was originally two small fishing villages, which were merged by the fascist government in 1927. The river Pescara that divides the city into North and South as it flows down from the mountains has also shaped the city's history.

For many, Pescara is a port or a train station on the way to another destination, and indeed you can catch a ferry from the city to Croatia, jump on a bus to Rome or head inland into the enticing Abruzzo countryside. However, after extensive redevelopment, the city is attracting an increasing number of visitors who enjoy swimming in the warm waters of the Adriatic and finding a tasty seafood lunch down by the harbour in one of the fisherman's huts/restaurants. Others adore picking up some designer names in the city centre, before reclining with a coffee in the elegant Piazza della Rinascita. And there are those who can barely wait for the sun to set before hitting the cocktail bar and the beach-side nightclubs.

DO & SEE



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Pescara has something to offer for everyone. Its long sandy beach invite for lazy days in the sun, the Old Town and city centre attract shoppers and history lovers who want to spend their days in museums and watching impressive buildings, and the surrounding area, with its beautiful natural landscapes, is made for trekking and biking and active travellers.

The Beach and Viale della Riviera



The ten-mile stretch of wide sandy beaches along the Adriatic coast is what makes Pescara a favourite holiday resort for thousands of Italian families and an increasing number of foreign visitors. The long promenade, Viale della Riviera, is the real heart of Pescara, and a stroll along the seafront is essential for any visit to the town. Along the beach you can also join one of the stabilimenti, clubs where you can find restaurants, playgrounds and permanent umbrellas to use on the beach.

Photo: Sonia Alves-Polidori / Shutterstock.com

Address: Viale della Riviera, Pescara

Basilio Cascella Museum and Picture Gallery



This historic art museum is dedicated to the work of Basilio Cascella and some of his family members, who were key figures in the Art

Nouveau movement. Stroll among the pieces of furniture, paintings, pottery, pictures and postcards in their former workshop and admire the creative genius of this influential family.

Photo: Natalia Zhekova / Shutterstock.com

Address: 45 Viale Guglielmo Marconi, Pescara

Opening hours: Daily 9am-1pm. Tue, Thu also 4pm-6pm

Phone: +39 085 428 3515

Museum of the People of Abruzzo



The Museum of the People of Abruzzo ("Museo delle Genti D'Abruzzo") displays the local traditions of the Abruzzo region. The

entrance fee includes an audio guide that will allow you to learn about the history and traditions of the region and of its local people while wandering around the museum.

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Address: 24 Via delle Caserme, Pescara

Phone: +39 085 451 0026

Internet: www.gentidabruzzo.com

Email: museo@gentidabruzzo.it

Piazza della Rinascita



Piazza della Rinascita is the centre of public life in Pescara, and as such is bursting with life both in its public space and in its elegant cafes. There are few better places in the city for people-watching,

admiring the facades of the surrounding palazzos and enjoying the afternoon sun.

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Address: Piazza della Rinascita, Pescara

Gabriele D'Annunzio's Birthplace



On Corso Manthoné lies the birthplace of the controversial poet Gabriele D'Annunzio: it is now a museum with a collection of his letters and documents. A follower of Mussolini, D'Annunzio helped shape the dictator's philosophy, and wrote poetry inspired by the Abruzzo region.

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Address: 116 Corso Manthoné, Pescara

Opening hours: Mon-Sun 9am-1.30pm

Phone: +39 085 603 91

Internet: www.casadannunzio.beniculturali.it

San Cetteo Cathedral



This cathedral is dedicated to the patron saint of the city, and it boasts some magnificent artwork, as well as the marble mausoleum of Gabriele D'Annunzio's mother. It was built in the beginning of the 20th century, although the façade had to be reconstructed after it was damaged during World War II.

Photo: Luca Aless / Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)

Address: 1 Piazza S. Cetteo, Pescara

Phone: +39 085 690 492

Internet: www.sancetteo.it

Email: parroco@sancetteo.it

Governmental Palace



On the façade of this governmental palace (Palazzo del Governo) you can see a collection of statues by Guido Costanzo, from Ortona.

The four large sculptures symbolise the Mines, Agriculture, the Sea and the River, the four foundation pillars of Pescara. In the Hall of the Provincial Council you can also admire large bronze busts of poet Gabriele D'Annunzio.

Photo: Ra Boe / Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)

Address: 30 Piazza Italia, Pescara

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8:30am-2pm. Tue, Thu also 3pm-6pm

Phone: +39 085 372 4500

Internet: www.provincia.pescara.it

Email: assunta.olivieri@provincia.pescara.it

Chieti



Located only twenty minutes from Pescara, Chieti is a pleasantly provincial hillside town. A magnificent Gothic cathedral looms over the

town, offering fantastic views of the surrounding mountains. The local Archaeological Museum (Museo Nazionale Archeologico di Antichità) is particularly intriguing. The museum is found in a villa surrounded by a park and contains various archaeological finds, such as Roman statues and tombs.

Photo: Henryk Sadura / Shutterstock.com

Address: Chieti, Abruzzo

Lanciano



Many visiting Chieti will also take some time out to visit Lanciano, a small town rich in Renaissance history with particularly well-preserved historical quarters in the Abruzzo region, easily accessible by train. The town is famous for being the site of the first alleged Catholic Eucharistic Miracle to be recorded.

Photo: ermess / Shutterstock.com

Address: Lanciano, Abruzzo

Vittoria Colonna Modern Art Museum



The Museo d'Arte Moderna Vittoria Colonna is a small museum with a wide range of works by Italian and international artists. They have a permanent collection with paintings by Miró, Cascella, Michetti and Picasso, among others. The building was designed in the 1950s and the museum opened here in 2002.

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Address: Via Antonio Gramsci, Pescara

Opening hours: Daily 9:30am-12:30pm and 4pm-7pm

Phone: +39 085 428 3759

Email: museovittoriacolonna@muvi.org

D'Annunzio Pinewood



"Riserva Naturale Pineta Dannunziana" is a small natural reserve and park located in the south of the city, more commonly referred to by locals as

Parco D'Avalos. The citizens of Pescara love to take advantage of the vast green space and can often be seen jogging along the numerous

paths or resting in the grass, admiring the swans and turtles. Guided tours and activities are available.

Photo: Raboe001 / Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)

Address: Viale della Pineta, Pescara

Opening hours: Daily 7:30am-9:30pm

Internet: www.pinetadannunziana.it

Email: info@pinetadannunziana.it

Guardiagrele



The small town of Guardiagrele is another great option for a short day-trip, but it is not reachable by train, so visitors are advised to hire a car. It lies in the foothills of the Maiella mountain, and the stunning views of the surrounding region led Gabriele d'Annunzio to nickname the town "the terrace of Abruzzo."

Photo: adamico / Shutterstock.com

Address: Guardiagrele, Abruzzo

Sea Bridge



The impressive Ponte del Mare (Sea Bridge) is a pedestrian and cycle suspension bridge located right by the sea-front. It is the largest in Italy, and one of the largest in Europe. Visitors can stroll along its winding 466-metre length to get a great aerial view of the area and feel the refreshing sea-breeze on a hot day.

Photo: Bruno / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Lungomare Cristoforo Colombo, Pescara

Cascella's Ship



An evening stroll along Lungomare Giacomo Matteotti is a uniquely Pescara experience. With the beach on one side and a line of restaurants and cafes on the other, you will eventually end up at the interesting fountain Nave di Casella, designed by Pietro Cascella using marble from Carrara.

Photo: ::GIO::IAB:: / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Piazza I Maggio, Lungomare Giacomo Matteotti, Pescara

Aurum Art Space



This stunning building from the 1910s was once a bath-house for the wealthy of Pescara, as well as a liqueur distillery. Today it houses one of the best and most innovative art spaces in the city, hosting regular exhibitions, live performances and conferences. Its fancy name, "Aurum - La Fabbrica delle Idee", means "Gold - The Idea Factory".

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Address: Largo Gardone Riviera, Pescara

Phone: +39 085 454 9508

Internet: aurum.comune.pescara.it

Email: aurumfabbricadelleidee@gmail.com

DINING



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Pescara is right next to the sea, so seafood dishes are plentiful and of high quality at pretty much every restaurant - from the exclusive eateries to the beachside cafés. Pescarese people are also keen on cooking their dishes with chili or peperoncino, which, according to traditional belief, helps drive away evil spirits. One of Pescara's specialities is "Polpi in purgatorio", cuttlefish cooked in tomatoes, peppers and garlic.

For particularly cheap but tasty food, it's worth heading to Pescara port, where many fishermen have converted their waterside huts (trabocchi) into very small restaurants, often seating as few as five people. Try the recommended regional dishes, Brodetto - a fish soup with mussels, fish and tomatoes and a hunk of bread.

Lamb kebabs, known as arrosticini, are another Pescarini favourite. They are cooked on coals and served with bread and oil. To help wash down all this fine dining, sampling some local red wine, Montepulciano D'Abruzzo, is ideal.

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Photo: Bignai / Shutterstock.com

Address: 2 Piazza le Laudi, Pescara

Opening hours: Daily 12:30pm-2:30pm and 8pm-11pm

Phone: +39 085 618 09

Internet: www.lespaillotes.it

Email: info@lespaillotes.it

Pizzeria Pinguino



Pizzeria Pinguino boasts loads of charm and a great, romantic ambiance. It is located in the Old Town, not far from the harbour, but on a street that is closed off to traffic, making the outdoor seating a great option. The menu consists mostly of pizza and pasta and also features their specialty: homemade tiramisu.

Photo: Denizo71 / Shutterstock.com

Address: 36 Corso Manthoné, Pescara

Opening hours: Daily 7:30pm-11:30pm

Phone: +39 085 628 69

Vini e Oli



Vini e Oli is an atmospheric restaurant and bar found in the heart of the Old Town. In the evenings this area really comes to life and

Vini e Oli turns into a bar with DJ's, parties and occasional live music.

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Address: 30 Via Corfinio, Pescara

Opening hours: Sun-Thu 6pm-2am. Fri-Sat 6pm-3am

Phone: +39 085 660 92

Email: spillopresidente@inwind.it

Trieste Pizza



Trieste Pizza is a fairly basic restaurant on the seafront, complete with plastic chairs, but has made its name as one of the best places to taste pizzetta (mini pizza) in Pescara. You will definitely find your own favourite among the more than 20 different choices.

Photo: stocksolutions / Shutterstock.com

Address: 102 Lungomare Matteotti, Pescara

Opening hours: Daily 8am-2am

Phone: +39 085 421 4038

Internet: www.triestepizza.com

Email: info@trieste.pizza

Ristorante Del Porto



Ristorante Del Porto is located right on the Pescara harbour front and offers fantastically good value three-course meals complete with a jug of regional wine and coffee. This place is ideal for a long, leisurely lunch and a chance to try some local specialities.

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Address: 4 Via Andrea Doria, Pescara

Opening hours: Wed-Mon 12pm-3pm and 7:30pm-10:30pm

Phone: +39 085 691 305

Email: ristorantepizzeriadelpporto@gmail.com

Carlo Ferraioli



Carlo Ferraioli is claimed by many to serve the absolute best seafood in Pescara. Chef Carlo takes care of everything, from taking the customers' orders to handling payments at the cashier, and of course, preparing all the fabulous dishes.

Photo: JoannaTkaczuk / Shutterstock.com

Address: 79 Via R. Paolucci, Pescara

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 12:30pm-3pm and 8pm-11pm

Phone: +39 085 421 0295

Internet: www.carloferraioli.it

Email: ristorante@carloferraioli.it

Il Grecale



With several decades of combined catering experience, chefs Paquale and Fiorella run this small restaurant located just steps from both the beach and the city centre, in the nearby area of Francavilla al Mare. Fabulous pasta and seafood dishes are served in a combination of menus and paired with local wines.

Photo: FPWing / Shutterstock.com

Address: 3 Via Saline, Francavilla al Mare

Opening hours: Tue-Sat 12:45pm-2:30pm and 7:45pm-10:30pm. Sun 12:45pm-2:30pm

Phone: +39 085 421 5555

Internet: www.ristoranteilgrecalepescara.it

Email: ristoranteilgrecale@gmail.com

Taverna 58



Taverna 58 offers the very best of the traditional flavours of Abruzzo. Recommended dishes include salt cod carpaccio, mix salad with fruit and Tornareccio mozzarella, chitarrina with mushrooms and L'Aquila truffles, spelt with nettle shoots, and steak tartare, among others.

Photo: andrecastro / Shutterstock.com

Address: 46 Corso Manthoné, Pescara

Opening hours: Mon-Thu 12:30am-4:30pm and 8pm-10:30pm.

Fri-Sat 20-22:30pm

Phone: +39 085 690 724

Internet: www.taverna58.it

Email: taverna58@virgilio.it

Giappo



Giappo is constantly in search of high-quality raw materials for their dishes, bringing the best of Japanese cuisine and adding to them a uniquely Italian twist. The highly-recommended kaiseki menu, a small Japanese-course menu where the chef shows off her creativity and skill, is a unique experience. All options are paired with a wide choice of Italian and foreign wines, as well as green tea, sake and Japanese beers.

Photo: Prajak Poonyawatpornkul / Shutterstock.com

Address: 27 Corso Manthoné, Pescara

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 6:30pm-11pm

Phone: +39 085 692 2205

Internet: www.giappo.eu

Email: info@giappo.eu

L'Officina Della Pizza



The stylish L'Officina Della Pizza bakes exquisite pizza made from scratch in their large stone oven. Other dishes include bruschetta mista, cannelloni and mushroom ravioli, and their desserts, like the torta mimosa, pastiera napoletana and tiramisù, are also worth trying. Some weekends they also host some fun and lighthearted entertainment.

Photo: Monika Wisniewska / Shutterstock.com

Address: 40 Piazza Garibaldi, Pescara

Opening hours: Tue-Sat 12pm-3pm and 7pm-12am. Sun 7pm-12am

Phone: +39 085 608 26

Internet: www.pizzerianapoletana.pescara.it

New Chinatown Restaurant



Ristorante New Chinatown serves a mix of Asian cuisine, primarily Chinese, including noodles, rice, dumplings and even sushi. It is known in the city for having excellent value for money, generous portions and authentic Chinese cuisine.

Photo: Kzenon / Shutterstock.com

Address: 61 Via Firenze, Pescara

Opening hours: Daily 11am-3pm and 7pm-12am

Phone: +39 085 288 05

Pepper



Taking a page from certain sushi restaurants, the food at Pepper is placed on small plates on a revolving conveyor belt. On these plates visitors

can find enticing finger food, small burgers and sandwiches, side dishes and even desserts, making it impossible to say no to.

Photo: Ozphotoguy / Shutterstock.com

Address: 22 Lungomare Papa Giovanni XXIII, Pescara

Opening hours: Daily 7am-11pm

Phone: +39 348 069 4000

Karma Ristorante Vegetariano



Though much of the region's cuisine centres around meat and seafood, vegetarian and vegan options abound, and Karma Ristorante

Vegetariano is a prime proponent. Light salads and more substantial vegetarian meals, including wonderful pasta dishes, are served in fine fashion.

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Address: 28/30 Via dei Bastioni, Pescara

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 7:30pm-11pm

Phone: +39 085 451 1395

CAFES



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Few experiences are as typically Italian as sipping on an espresso shot from a curb-side cafe and watching the world and afternoon sail by. For light snacks and coffee, most cafés are found on and near the Piazza Rinascita or along Corso Umberto or the seafront promenade. Indulge in

strong Italian coffee, delectable pastries, and of course, creamy gelato.

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Address: 2 Piazza le Laudi, Pescara

Opening hours: Daily 12:30pm-2:30pm and 8pm-11pm

Phone: +39 085 61 809

Internet: www.lespaillotes.it/

Email: info@lespaillotes.it

Caprice di Fabrizio Campalone



The pastry chefs at Caprice di Fabrizio Campalone have polled among the best in Italy, and their creations are a testament to their skill and dedication. They offer a great range of pastries, cakes, muffins and chocolates, as well as typical Italian ice cream, all of which can be accompanied by flavourful espresso.

Photo: Africa Studio / Shutterstock.com

Address: 29 Piazza Garibaldi, Pescara

Opening hours: Mon-Sun 6:30am-22pm

Phone: +39 085 691 633

Internet: www.fabriziocampalone.eu/caprice

Email: info@fabriziocampalone.eu

Saquelle Caffè 1856



For more than a century Saquelle has refined its coffee-making craft. They pride themselves on a selection of the best coffee blends, and use the latest technologies at all stages of production and distribution. They are constantly bringing on their quest to the ineffable delight of true Italian espresso coffee.

Photo: bogdanhoda / Shutterstock.com

Address: 24 Via Torretta, Pescara

Phone: +39 085 432 171

Internet: www.saquelle.it

Email: info@saquelle.it

Gelateria Rivareno



Italian ice cream, "gelato", is famous all over the world for being one of the best. Gelateria Rivareno, in Via Venezia, offers a wide selection of flavours served in a unique way, at a higher temperature than normal for a creamier consistency. Come here for a cone or cup, but be prepared: you might have to come back - this place is said to be one of the best ice cream-bars in town.

Photo: enchanted_fairy / Shutterstock.com

Address: 14 Via Venezia, Pescara

Opening hours: Sat 12pm-01am. Tue-Fri and Sun

12pm-12am. Mon 12pm-11pm

Phone: +39 085 270 01

Internet: www.rivareno.com/en

White Bakery



White Bakery is one of the stylish cafés on Corso Umberto I, with all its shops and boutiques. The interior is inspired by an American Diner and the menu also has a selection of American specialities. Choose from American pancakes, layer cakes, toast and hamburgers.

Photo: rkratchada / Shutterstock.com

Address: 22 Piazza Sacro Cuore, Pescara

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7:30am-12am. Sat 7:30am-02am.

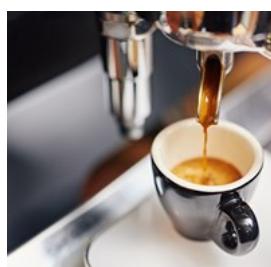
Sun 8am-12am

Phone: +39 085 842 4844

Internet: www.whitebakery.it

Email: whiteway@live.it

Rosy's Cafè



Rosy's Cafè is a sleek and modern cafe-bar with a red and black decor theme and a penchant for flavourful coffee. The pastries are fresh and expertly prepared and the food menu covers everything from breakfast to dinner and light snacks. It is also a popular night venue that offers cocktails and screenings of football matches.

Photo: mavo / Shutterstock.com

Address: 170 Via Benedetto Croce, Pescara

Opening hours: Wen, Fri, Sat 07am-02am. Tue, Thu, Sun,

Mon 07am-22pm

Phone: +39 085 451 0374

Vintage Café



Vintage Café is a pastry-lover's delight. The displays are covered in croissants, muffins and danishes, as well as sandwiches and other snacks. They also have great finger food platters that include different types of ham, cheese and bread, perfect for a group snack over a strong Italian espresso.

Photo: MR.MITR SRILACHAI / Shutterstock.com

Address: 68 Via Firenze, Pescara

Opening hours: Mon-Thu 7am-8:30pm. Fri-Sat 7am-9pm

Phone: +39 320 779 9040

Caffè Excelsior



Caffè Excelsior is an institution in Pescara. Owner and manager Carlo has been serving fresh coffee to the people of the city since the

1960s, and faithful customers still prefer to come here for their espresso shots than to try some of the newer coffee houses.

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Address: 23 Corso Umberto I, Pescara

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 7am-11:30pm. Sun 8am-11:30pm

Phone: +39 085 421 2407

Email: caffeeexcelsior@ticertifica.it

101 Caffè



101 Caffè is a coffee retail shop that specialises in packs and capsules from a wide range of roasting companies from around the country. You can have a taste of the different blends, taking a coffee tour of Italy without

leaving the shop. They also offer other beverages, such as tea, chocolate and ginseng.

Photo: janno028 / Shutterstock

Address: 221 Corso Vittorio Emanuele II, Pescara

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 10am-8pm. Sun 10am-1pm and 4pm-8pm

Phone: +39 085 867 6181

Internet: www.101caffè.it/stores/pescara-en

Email: pescara@101caffè.it

Cremeria Bresciana



Cremeria Bresciana is a lovely cafe in its own right, but what really makes it stand out are the delicious maritozzi, special buns filled with rich and fluffy whipped cream. The maritozzi here are probably the best in town, packed to the brim with their delicious homemade cream. Paired with a cappuccino, there's hardly a better place for breakfast in Pescara.

Photo: Marzia Giacobbe / Shutterstock.com

Address: 96 Via Trento, Pescara

Opening hours: In Summer: Mon-Sat 8:30am-1pm and 5:30pm-8:30pm. In Winter: Wed-Mon 8:30am-1pm and 4:30pm-8pm

Phone: +39 085 421 2302

Internet: www.cremeriabresciana.it

Email: cremeriabresciana@libero.it

Pasticceria Bar Turchi



Pasticceria Bar Turchi in Pescara is elegant and stylish. The displays might make you think you're in a museum rather than a cafe, and the seating area looks more like an exclusive club, but don't let the lavish looks scare you away from this beautiful tea and coffee house.

Photo: Shebeko / Shutterstock.com

Address: Viale Nettuno, 2, Francavilla al Mare

Phone: +39 085 810 275

Internet: www.pasticceriabarturchi.it

Email: tuliberato@libero.it

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Pescara is essentially a holiday town, so there are plenty of places along the seafront to have a drink, intermingled between the multitude of pizzerias and seafood restaurants. The other key area to head to is the Old Town, where in the balmy summer evenings the bar crowds spill out onto the streets.

During the summer, the beach is packed with partygoers, with many nightclubs having outside venues on the beach itself. Those looking for the chance to dance need do no more than drive or walk along the beach and listen for whatever takes their fancy.

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Address: 2 Piazza le Laudi, Pescara

Opening hours: Daily 12:30pm-2:30pm and 8pm-11pm

Phone: +39 085 61 809

Internet: www.lespaillotes.it/

Email: info@lespaillotes.it

Vini e Oli



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Address: 30 Via Corfinio, Pescara

Opening hours: Sun-Thu 6pm-2am. Fri-Sat 6pm-3am

Phone: +39 085 66092

Email: spillopresidente@inwind.it

Temple Bar



The inevitable Irish bar pops up in Pescara. It has the honor of being the first Irish bar in the Abruzzo region, and as such it offers all the Irish goodies one would expect, such as a pint of Guinness, occasional live traditional Irish music, and screenings of top sports events.

Photo: ChameleonsEye / Shutterstock.com

Address: 3 Via Rigopiano, Pescara

Opening hours: Daily 8pm-2am

Phone: +39 393 199 8088

Email: irishpubtemplebar@gmail.com

Athenee



Athenee is a large and very popular nightclub spread over two levels, located near the town of Pianella, about 25 kilometres from Pescara.

It features frequent thematic party nights and the DJ's regularly play reggae, house and all the current commercial hits.

Photo: Pressmaster / Shutterstock.com

Address: 153 Via Aldo Moro, Pianella

Phone: +39 348 523 0055

Internet: www.athenee.it

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Photo: mavo / Shutterstock.com

Address: Via B. Croce, 170, Pescara

Opening hours: Sun-Tue, Thu 7am-10pm, Wed, Fri-Sat 7am-2am

Phone: +39 085 451 0374

Internet: www.rosyscafe.com

Email: info@rosyscafe.it

Blue Moon Lounge Bar



An elegant and refined lounge-bar in the centre of Pescara, Blue Moon has a dark and moody ambiance of blues and blacks, where guests can enjoy great aperitivi, colourful cocktails, friendly service and good company.

Photo: Aleksandar Mijatovic / Shutterstock.com

Address: 80 Corso Manthoné, Pescara

Opening hours: Daily 6pm-3am

Phone: +39 340 328 4515

Internet: www.bluemoonpescara.it

Email: info@bluemoonpescara.it

Mirò American Bar



Located a ways to the north of Pescara, beachside Mirò American Bar is a cool and breezy place where groups of young friends gather for drinks in the stylish and sleek facilities of the bar.

Photo: Monkey Business Images / Shutterstock.com

Address: 133 Via Ambrogio Rossi, Silvi Marina

Phone: +39 388 845 8751

Enoteca Visaggio



Enoteca Visaggio is one of the best and most ambient wine bars in town. They offer unlimited aperitivi all night during your visit, and the list of wines and cocktails is extensive.

Photo: likebw / Shutterstock.com

Address: 44 Via Clemente de Cesaris, Pescara

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 6pm-1am

Phone: +39 340 356 4958

La Prora



La Prora is one of the city's foremost lidos, a beach-side entertainment complex that is primarily restaurants by day and bar/nightclub by night.

Food, drink and entertainment await at any time of day, but after dark is when it really comes to life with fun-seeking party-goers.

Photo: Pressmaster / Shutterstock.com

Address: 46 Lungomare Matteotti, Pescara

Opening hours: Daily 7am-12am

Phone: +39 347 118 1360

Internet: www.laprora.it

Email: info@laprora.it

Utopia Pub



Montesilvano's Utopia Pub may not look like much from the outside, but what it lacks in pizzazz it more than makes up for in

personality and charm. Regulars keep coming back for the great selection of beer and the fantastic food, not least for the frankly enormous sandwiches.

Photo: bogdanhoda / Shutterstock.com

Address: 28 Via G. Verrotti, Montesilvano

Opening hours: Daily 7pm-3am

Phone: +39 338 295 9980

Post Bar



Post Bar is a quirky bar with a pretty unique clientele. It is a place where many of the town's alternative youths sip on cocktails and imported spirits surrounded by an artsy interior decor.

Though it is more a place to have a drink, mingle and converse, local DJs are sometimes invited to play, as well.

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Address: 25 Via Catone, Pescara

Opening hours: Daily 7pm-3am

SHOPPING



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Italian fashion is definitely the most sought after purchase in Pescara, with numerous boutiques carrying trend-setting examples from the country's many prolific designers. But the city also affords visitors the chance to take home some local food products and wines from different shops and markets, as well as antiques, knick knacks and souvenirs.

City Centre



For designer boutiques, shoppers should head to Corso Umberto I and then to Piazza Rinascita to enjoy a coffee in the stylish cafés. The centre also offers a wide range of well-known chains, and since Miss Sixty jeans are produced locally, you will find the brand popping up in many shops.

Photo: Ra Boe / Wikimedia Commons

Address: Corso Umberto I, Pescara

Chieti



For an even greater selection of well-known brands, in nearby Chieti there is a large new out-of-town shopping centre. If you venture out into the nearby inland villages, you can find more traditional shops that sell vintage jewellery and handicrafts such as lace.

Photo: Zitumassin / Wikimedia Commons (image cropped)

Address: Chieti, Abruzzo

Sambuceto



If you are opting for self-catering accommodation or need to stock up on supplies before heading off on an expedition into the mountains, the best places to go are two huge hypermarkets, Auchan and Ipercoop, in the nearby town of Sambuceto.

Photo: S_Photo / Shutterstock.com

Address: Sambuceto, Abruzzo

Supermarkets



There are Lidl locations at 11/5 Strada Colle Renazzo, Pescara, and in the nearby town of Montesilvano: here you can find a good range of foreign biscuits, cereals and other snacks. There is also a Chinese supermarket next to Pescara train station.

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Train Station Bookshop



For non-Italian reading material, you can visit the Rusconi bookshop inside the train station of Pescara Centrale. There are also foreign newspapers and magazines at the station kiosk.

Photo: Yulia Grigoryeva / Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Stazione Ferroviaria, Pescara

Opening hours: In Summer: daily 8am-10pm. In Winter: daily 9am-8pm

Phone: +39 085 373 159

Città Sant'Angelo Outlet Village



North of Pescara you can find the Città Sant'Angelo Outlet Village. Here you will be able to purchase your favourite brands, such as Levi's, Miss Sixty, French Connection and Guess, for up to 70% less. The architecture of this huge shopping centre is inspired by a traditional Italian borgo, with a warm atmosphere and fancy facades.

Photo: MediaGroup_BestForYou / Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Moscarola, Città Sant'Angelo

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-8pm. Sat-Sun 10am-9pm

Phone: +39 085 950 302

Internet: www.cittasantangelovillage.com

Email: info@cittasantangelovillage.com

Megalò Shopping Centre



Shoppers can find more than 100 stores, such as Zara and Pimkie, at the Megalò Shopping Centre in Chieti. The mall also offers bars, restaurants, a cinema and more than 2,800 parking spots.

Photo: Pressmaster / Shutterstock.com

Address: Località Santa Filomena, Chieti Scalo
Opening hours: Daily 9am-9pm
Phone: +39 0871 540 010
Email: info@megaloweb.it

101 Caffè



101 Caffè is a coffee retail shop that specializes in packs and capsules from a wide range of roasting companies from around the country. You can have a taste of the different blends, taking a coffee tour of Italy without leaving the shop. They also offer other beverages, such as tea, chocolate and ginseng.

Photo: janno028 / Shutterstock

Address: 221 Corso Vittorio Emanuele II, Pescara
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 10am-8pm. Sun 10am-1pm and 4pm-8pm
Phone: +39 085 867 6181
Internet: www.101caffè.it/stores/pescara-en
Email: pescara@101caffè.it

Don Gennaro



Don Gennaro is a wine bar with a wide selection of wines, beers, sparkling wines and spirits, showcasing the best of both local and imported vintages and brews. It is also possible to sample different drinks alongside some tasty appetizers.

Photo: Christian Draghici / Shutterstock.com

Address: 116 Via Cesare Battisti, Pescara
Opening hours: Tue-Sat 9am-1pm and 4:30pm-10pm
Phone: +39 085 442 9259
Email: dongennaro1918@gmail.com

Pescara Nord Shopping Centre



Centro Commerciale Pescara Nord is one of the largest shopping centres in the area and as such has everything one would expect: all kinds of clothing stores, a big supermarket, homeware and tech goods, as well as dining options and cafes.

Photo: Monkey Business Images / Shutterstock.com

Address: 140/142/144 Via Leonardo Petruzzi, Città Sant'Angelo
Opening hours: Daily 9am-9pm
Phone: +39 085 958 22
Internet: www.pescaranord.it
Email: pescara.nord@klepierre.com

Adriana Boutique



Adriana Boutique is a historic boutique in the centre of Pescara that carries some of the most prestigious luxury brands from Italy and the rest of the world, including Giorgio Armani, Malo, PAROSH, Missoni, Zanellato, Schimmel and Fendi, among many others.

Photo: Nick Starichenko / Shutterstock.com

Address: 248/250 Via Nicola Fabrizi, Pescara
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9:30am-1pm and 4:30pm-8pm
Phone: +39 085 421 1615
Internet: www.adrianaboutique.com
Email: adrianaboutique@email.it

Le Gabrielli



For over 30 years Le Gabrielli has been affording elegant and classy clothing and accessories for every occasion to the women of Pescara. Brands found here include Etro, Armani, Lamberto Losani and Donna Karan New York.

Photo: Syda Productions / Shutterstock.com

Address: 274 Via Nicola Fabrizi, Pescara

Phone: +39 085 361 53

Internet: www.legabrielli.it

Email: nfo@legabrielli.it

Markets



There are food markets and flea markets open all year on the streets of Pescara and Montesilvano. They offer traditional products of the Abruzzo region, including wine, oils, cheese and meats, as well as antiques, furniture, home decor and jewellery.

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Ohlala Pescara



Ohlala Boutiques boasts a more joyful, colourful and quirky collection than most fashion boutiques. They have clothes, shoes, jewellery, bags and more, all showing off that special Ohlala flare, even in their children's clothes.

Photo: VannPhotography / Shutterstock.com

Address: 108/110 Via Giosuè Carducci, Pescara

Phone: +39 085 896 2089

Email: ohlalapescara@gmail.com

TOURIST INFORMATION



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Abruzzo International Airport



Pescara International Airport of Abruzzo (PSR) is located 3 kilometres from the Pescara city centre. To get to the city you can take bus no. 38,

which departs every 15 minutes. The bus leaves from outside the airport terminal to the railway station in Pescara's city centre. The trip takes about 10 minutes, and tickets are sold in automatic machines in the Arrivals Area. The buses are run by the company GTM: www.gtm.pe.it

If you prefer to take a taxi, there is a rank outside the airport terminal. The ride to the city centre takes about 10 minutes.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Abruzzo International Airport, 100 Via Tiburtina Km 229, Pescara

Phone: +39 895 898 9512

Internet: www.abruzzoairport.com/default.aspx?lang=en

Passport / Visa



Italy can be visited visa-free for up to 90 days by citizens of most European countries, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Malaysia, Israel, UAE and most countries in America. If you are unsure whether or not you need to apply for a visa, we recommend contacting the embassy or consulate in your country. International (non-Schengen) travelers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the Schengen zone. Citizens of Schengen countries can travel without a passport, but must have a valid ID with them during their stay.

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Best Time to Visit



The best seasons to enjoy Pescara are probably spring and summer. In July and August it can get quite hot (rarely more than 86°F), but the weather is perfect for days at the beach and long swims, and the nightlife is vibrant. If you're planning to visit the city and the nearby areas, and maybe to do some excursions, go in May, June or September, when the weather is fine and nature is at its best.

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Public Transport



Pescara itself is fairly small, so it is unlikely visitors will need to use the bus system. But if you do, you can buy tickets from newsagents around town.

The bus station is found next to the train station, Stazione Centrale. There is a direct bus line to Rome (Roma Tiburtina) via Pescara Centrale, taking about two and a half hours. Buses also leave for Naples from here.

You also find three main train stations from where you can travel to an array of Italian destinations: Pescara Centrale, Pescara Porta Nuova, Pescara San Marco. Porta Nuova is mainly used for ferry connections.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

Taxi



Traffic can be a problem in Pescara, but if you need to hail a taxi look for the white or yellow cars with a taxi sign on the roof. Before leaving make sure that the meter is turned on. Be warned that a number of Pescara taxis charge a night supplement.

Photo: ArrivalGuides

Post



If you only need to buy stamps, you can find them at a tabacchi - small tobacco shops found all over town. You can recognise them by the 'T' sign outside. If you are in need of other postal services, you can find one of several post offices at:

Photo: Andy Fuchs

Address: 7 Via Potenza, Pescara

Phone: +39 085 427 9525

Internet: www.poste.it

Photo: Jardson Almeida

Electricity

220 volt, 50 Hz



Photo: Stirling Tschan

Pharmacy



Pharmacies ("Farmacia") are open from approximately 8:30am to 12:30pm, and then from 4pm to 7:30pm, from Monday to Saturday.

Details of all night pharmacies are found in the local papers. One of the pharmacies with extra-long opening hours is Farmacia Signorini at:

Photo: Gemma Garner

Address: 24 Piazza Garibaldi, Pescara

Phone: +39 085 690 829

Population

119 000

Currency

Euro, 1€ = 100 cents

Opening hours

Shops are usually open from Monday to Saturday; some shops may be closed on Monday. General opening hours are from 9am to 1pm and from 4pm to 8pm. Banks are open until around lunchtime and then they reopen in the afternoon for an hour, closing at 2.15pm. Larger supermarkets are open 9am-9pm.

Newspapers

Corriere della Sera (has an online section in English at www.corriere.it/english).

La Repubblica

La Stampa

Il Centro (local paper)

Emergency numbers

112 – Carabinieri – one of the two Italian police forces
113 – Polizia – Italian state police
115 – Fire Department
118 – Medical emergencies

Tourist information

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301 Corso Vittorio Emanuele II, Pescara

+39 085 42900212

Telephone



Country code: +39 Area code: 085 (also dialled in Pescara). When calling Italy from abroad you must always dial the "zero" digit in the area code (do not omit it as it is the general practice when making international telephone calls): e.g. +39 085 , followed by the phone number.

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	Via dei Bastioni	B3 B4	Via Piave	A2
Asse Attrezzato	A4 Via Dei Marsi	C4	Via Pigafetta	C2 C3
Corso Umbreto I	A2 Via dei Maruccini	B3 B4	Via Plauto	D4
Lungomare Christoforo Colombo	C2 D3 Via dei Peligni	C4	Via Poerio	A2
Lungomare Giacomo Matteotti	B2 Via dei Pretuzi	C4 D4	Via Primo	D4
Lungomare Papa Giovanni XXIII	C2 D3 Via dei Sabini	C4	Via R. Rossetti	C2 C3
Piazza Alessandrini	B4 Via del Circuito	A4	Via Raffaele Paolucci	B3 C2
Piazza Caduti del Mare	C2 Via di Tullio	C3 D3	Via Rieti	A3 B3
Piazza dei Grue	C3 Via d'Arca	C3 D3	Via Rigopiano	A3
Piazza del Sacro Cuore	A2 Via E Jasonni	D3	Via Roma	A2
Piazza della Rinascita	A2 Via Elettra	D4	Via Sacco	A4
Piazza Duca d'Aosta	B3 Via Enzo Ferrari	A3	Via Saline	B4
Piazza I Maggio	A2 Via F de Sanctis	A2	Via Salvatore Tommasi	D3
Piazza Italia	B3 Via Filomusi	C3	Via San Comizio	C2 C3
Piazza Rizzo	C2 Via Firenze	A2	Via Sangro	B4
Piazza S Luigi Gonzaga	C4 Via Francesco Ferdinando d'Avalos	C3 D3	Via Silvio Spaventa	C3 C4
Piazza Salvo d'Acquisto	D3 Via Galilei	A2	Via Socrate	C4
V Vasco de Gama	C3 Via Genova	A2	Via Spalti del Re	B3
V. Candeloro	C3 Via Giacomo Puccini	B2	Via Spartaco	C4
Via A de Gasperi	A3 Via Giovanni	C3	Via Tassoni	A2
Via Alfonso di Vestea	C3 Via Giovanni Mezzanotte	D3	Via Tavo	B4
Via Ancona	B3 Via Giulio Mazzarino	C4 D3	Via Teramo	A3
Via Andrea Doria	C2 C3 Via Gramsci	A2	Via Thaon di Revel	C2 D2
Via Aterno	A4 Via Gran Sasso	A3 A4 B4	Via Tibullo	C4
Via B Buozzi	B2 Via Italica	B4 C4	Via Torquato Tasso	B2
Via Balilla	B2 Via Lago di Campotosto	B4	Via Trento	A2
Via Bardet	C3 Via Lazio	B2 B3	Via Trieste	A2
Via Bari	A2 B2 Via Leopardi	B2	Via Trigno	B4
Via Barnabei	D3 Via Lucania	B2	Via Trilussa	A2 B2
Via Benedetto Croce	C3 C4 Via M Delfico	C3 C4	Via Tronto	B4
Via Bologna	B3 Via M Forti	A2	Via U Cagni	C3
Via Caboto	B3 Via Magellano	C3	Via Ugo Foscolo	B2
Via Caduta del Forte	B3 Via Manzoni	B2	Via Umbria	A2
Via Campania	A2 B2 Via Marco Polo	B3 C3	Via Valignani	D4
Via Caracciolo	C3 Via Mazzini	A2	Via Valle Roveto	A4
Via Carducci	A2 Via Milano	A2 A3	Via Venezia	B2 B3
Via Cerulli	C3 D3 Via Milli	C4	Viale Amerigo Vespucci	C3
Via Chiarini	D3 Via Napoli	A3	Viale Gabriele d'Annunzio	C4
Via Chieti	B3 Via Nazionale Tiburtina Valeria	B4	Viale Guglielmo Marconi	C3 C4
Via Conte di Ruvo	B3 B4 Via Nicola Fabrizi	A2 B2	Viale Pindaro	D4
Via Conti	D3 Via Nora	A4 B4	Viale Regina Elena	A2
Via Coppa Zuccari P	C3 Via Orazio	B4	Viale Regina Margherita	A2
Via d Caserme	B3 B4 Via P. M. Virgilio	C4	Viale Vittoria Colonna	B3 B4
Via da Brescia	B4 Via Palermo	B2 B3	Viale Vittorio Pepe	D3 D4
Via Dante	B2 Via Passo Lanciano	A3 A4	Vittorio Emanuele II	A3
Via de Nino	D4 Via Petrarca	B2		