

BARS AND RESTAURANTS IN LUCIGNANO

Bars

Bar Bistrot Fuoriporta and **Café' du Monde**, located either side of Porta San Giusto are open to serve you your morning coffee and cornetto, lunch under the trees (Café Du Monde serves delicious panini and salads, Fuoriporta offers panini and also a great choice of more substantial meals). During the traditional passeggiatta (evening walk around 6:00pm) both bars fill up with people drinking Prosecco, Campari or Aperol Spritz. The bars will serve you lovely little snacks to accompany your drink. Great places to chat to the friendly locals or other tourists.

Just inside Porta San Giusto is the **Bar Tabacchi Leonardi** which is favoured by the locals and, according to many, serves the best caffè.

Caffè del Borgo also known as **Music Bar** further down Via Matteotti is a small, friendly bar that often plays live music to go with your aperitivo and is popular with visitors and locals alike.

Outside the main gate and across the main road, **Pasticceria Ischi** which has a wide range of freshly baked pastries is a great for a morning coffee.

Restaurants

1. La Rocca Gourmet

Piazza Ser Vanni, 1 Tel +39 0575 836775 Mail: info@laroccagourmet.com

Renowned for the carni di Chianina (Chianina beef), wild game and the rooftop terrace for al fresco dining in the warmer months. www.laroccagourmet.com

2. Ristorante Vizi e Virtù

Via Giacomo Matteotti, 88/90 Tel Massimo +39 3383466280

Closed Wednesday

Vizi e Virtù offers an traditional Tuscan fare, including vegan and gluten-free options and a fabulous terrace for a summertime evening meal. www.vizivirtu.it

3. Restaurant Osteria Le Botti

Via Giacomo Matteotti, 15/17 Tel +39 0575 836513

Tuesday closed

With a prime location just inside the Porta San Giusto entrance, Le Botti serves excellent pizza and a range of quality pasta and main courses. Be sure to book ahead, especially for the street-side tables during the busy period from late spring to early autumn.

www.osterialebotti.com

4. Ristorante Pizzeria Lo Schiccherò

Via Giacomo Matteotti 64. Tel +39 0575 837366

Monday closed

Located further along Via Giacomo Matteotti, Lo Schiccherò serves hearty Tuscan food including seafood at reasonable prices. The expansive outdoor terrace during the warmer months.

5. Ristorante Enoteca La Tavernetta

Via Roma, 15 Tel. +39 0575 836568

Tuesday closed

Situated close to Appartamento Monache along Via Roma, La Tavernetta is a family-run restaurant serving excellent Tuscan food. The large outdoor terrace offers al fresco dining during the summer months with panoramic sunset views of the countryside west of Lucignano. Operated by Elisabetta Salvini.

6. Pezzi Pizza

Via Prato 13. Tel +39 0575 837304

Located next to the petrol pump and bus stop on the Arezzo-Siena road, across from the park in front of Porta San Giusto. Great for take-away pizza at excellent value for those nights that you just feel like eating in.

7. Bar Pizzeria La Bella 'Mbriana

Via Porta San Giovanni, 2 Tel. +39 3925540904

Located just outside Porta San Giovanni, it serves Napolitan style pizzas with fabulous views over Val di Chiana.

8. Trattoria dal Gallo

Via Toti A., 2. Tel. +39 0575 165 7223

The best local beef and pork grilled by Davido on the open fire, plus a wide range of tasty Tuscan fare, dal Gallo offers great food at terrific value. The Tagliati is particularly delicious.

9. Gelateria C'era una Volta

Via Rosini 20

The best gelati in Tuscany!

In Summer, open 7 days a week until late at night. It is not uncommon to find a queue of people at midnight waiting to order a gelato. Unfortunately closed in Winter. Try the salted caramel or pistachio. The gelato is freshly made every day.

In addition to restaurants, there is an excellent **wine shop** located on Via Giacomo Matteotti.

Tuscan Dining Tips:

- Reservations may be necessary in the summer months.
- It is common practice to request and pay the bill directly at the cash register, except for the finer dining restaurants.
- Vino della casa (house wine) is usually of good quality and sourced locally.
- Tipping is not customary in Tuscany.
- Local Italians tend to eat late.