Portico di Romagna

The Village:

Population: 400 persons

61 km 23 square miles Area: 301 msl 990 feet Altitude:

Distances: Forlì 35 km 21 miles Firenze 75 km 46 miles Faenza 50 km 31 miles Ravenna 65 km 40 miles Rimini 80 km 50 miles Bologna 85 km 52 miles

- 1. I giardini pubblici, the public park, where there is a play ground for the 14. Carabinieri, the local policestation, children and where the Summer townparties, organized by the local association the pro-loco, take place.
- 2. Language School "Academy Olmo"
- 3. The Hotel and restaurant "Al Vecchio Convento ***", Via Roma 7. In the hotel there's also a little shop where you'll findtypical local
- 4. The Bank and a cash dispenser- "Cassa dei Risparmi di Forlì e della Romagna", Via Roma 19.
- 5. Town hall of the Municipality of Portico and San Benedetto where you for example can get your fishing license or find the local Doctor (DMed. 23. The baker, open every morning from 6 o'clock. Laura Pezzi).
- **6. The gas station**, open 24-hours all week.
- 7. The farmacy, open from 8:00-12:30 and 16:30-19:30 (Thursday afternoon and all Sunday closed), via Tosco Romagnola 28.
- 8. The bar "Sport". Tobacco.
- 9. The Bar L'Angolo, Via Roma 1, where you also can buy bus tickets to Bus nr 127, that goes from the pass il Muraglione in direction Forlì and from Forlì in direction Firenze to Il Muraglione.

The busstop: direction Forlì.

- 10. The post office, open from 8-11:00 (Sundays closed), viaTosco Romagnola 18.
- 11. The Tobacco and Newspaperstand
- 12. Students apartments, Via Tosco Romagnola 9.
- 13. The old medieval bridge, Il Ponte della Maestà from the 13th Century

- via Tosco Romagnola 2, Tel: +39 054396 7237.
- 15. Tennis court and football field (calcetto-football) Beach tennis/beach volley.
- **16. The busstop:** direction Muraglione-Firenze. / Parking / Refuse bins.
- 17. The Church of via Roma
- 19. Students apartments, Old Mill.
- 20. The 'upper ' Church'.
- 21. Natural Swimmingpool with waterfall, "La chiusa".
- 22. The little town theatre
- 24. Rosanna's outdoor cafe, open only during Springtime and Summer and earlyAutumn, where you can drink a coffee or eat one of the typical dishes like the piadine. Always closed on Mondays.
- 25. The Butcher, il Macellaio Cappelli, open from 8:00-12:30 and on some afternoons from around 16:30-19:30 (Sunday closed), via Roma 3.
- **26. Students apartments**, Piazza Traversari 1.
- **27. Students apartments**, Old Tower.
- 28. Students apartments, Via Borgo al Ponte.
- 29. Host family, Via Maioli.
- 30. Students apartments, Via Borgo all 'Erta.
- 31. Host family, Via Mulino di Sopra.

How to arrive Portico di Romagna

By Bus

From Forlì you take the bus 127 at "" Punto Bus"" - the bus station just next to the central trainstation to Portico: 1:05 h.

You can purchase a bus ticket at the trainstation kiosk or bar, or (more expensive) in the bus. Bus 127, Forlì-Portico, time table (Sundays): 6.20, 14.15, 19.15 (But it ends in Rocca S. Casciano, 7 km from Portico, from where we will be happy to pick you up,- as long as you let us know in advance). Bus 127, Forlì-Portico, time table (Mondays to Saturdays): 6:20, 7:35 (Ends in Rocca S. Casciano, look above), 11:15, 13:15, 13:30, 13:45, 14:15, 16:10 (Ends in Rocca S. Casciano, look above), 18:35, 19:15 (Ends in Rocca S. Casciano, look above).

The school is happy to pick you up from Rocca S. Casciano, when the bus has it's endstation there (6 km from Portico); we just kindly ask you to advise us in as good time before as possible, to reduce the client's waiting-time.

Free transfer is furthermore offered by the school every Sunday from Forli trainstation at 17:00 (look below under transfer for more details).

From Florence we recommend to take the train to Forlì via Bologna. There is a more direct bus connection, but especially on Sundays it i's rare and you have to change bus at least 2-3 times. Furthermore we only recommend it to people who don't tend to get car sick, since the road is very curvy.

By car

From Bologna: about 1:30 h.

Motorway A14 Bologna-Ancona, towards Ancona, up to the exit sign Forlì. In Forlì take the SS67, in direction of Florence, drive past Castrocaro Terme until Portico (about 35 minutes).

From Florence: ca. 1:40h

Go to Pontassieve, then take the SS67, direction Forlì, via the "Muraglione" pass. It'' s a very curvy road.

By train

Bologna: with train to Forlì (1 hour). From Forlì you take the bus as described above. **Firenze**: we recommend the take via Bologna to Forlì. From Forlì you take the bus as described above.

By plane

Bologna: with the shuttlebus (every 15-30 minutes) to the station (about 20 minutes), then by train up to Forlì (1 hour) and from there (next to the railway-station) with the bus to Portico. – see bus description above.

Firenze: From the airport with the shuttlebus to the trainstation and from there you take the train to Forlì via Bologna. From Forlì you take the bus as described above.

Rimini: From the airport with the shuttlebus to the trainstation and from there you take the train to Forlì. From Forlì you take the bus as described above.

Transfer

Free Transfer

Every Sunday the school arranges a free transfer at 17:00 from just outside the trainstation in Forlì. If you want this free transfer, please advise the school at least 1 week in advance.

Transfer

If the transfer is wanted at another time or place than the above mentioned free transfer, then they aren't costless: transfers from or to Forlì (Euro 60), Bologna and Rimini (Euro 180), Florence (Euro 190). Please advise the school at least 1 week in advance.