



THE CATHEDRAL OF MODENA

CATHEDRAL, TOWER AND PIAZZA GRANDE UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE

Construction of **Modena's Cathedral** (or duomo) began in 1099. Consecrated by Pope Lucius III in 1184, the Cathedral is a masterpiece of the European Romanesque, notable both for Lanfranco's architectural design and for the marble reliefs on the façade sculpted by Wiligelmus. Modifications to the original project were undertaken between the 12th and 14th centuries by stoneworkers and builders known as the Campionesi Masters. The facade is divided into three areas that correspond to the nave and two aisles within. Below the rose window (12th century), the "Portale Maggiore" (main door), carved by Wiligelmus and additionally decorated by four stone panels containing stories from the Book of Genesis, opens into the Cathedral.

Two side gates - the Porta dei Principi ("Princes' Gate"), created by the so-called "San Geminiano Master" and by followers of Wiligelmus, and the Porta Regia in pink Verona marble - decorate the Cathedral's southern flank on **Piazza Grande**. The Porta della Pescheria is located on the northern flank and bears evidence of Burgundian influence. The Cathedral's interior includes a marble parapet with sculpted reliefs by Anselmo da Campione (dating to c. 1160-1180) and a terracotta crèche by the Modena-born sculptor Antonio Begarelli (1527). The Cathedral's crypt houses the tomb of Modena's patron saint, Geminianus, as well as the Madonna della Pappa, a crèche in polychrome terracotta by Guido Mazzoni (1480). Construction of the initial floors of the **Ghirlandina Tower** was finished by 1169 and building was completed in 1319 by the Campionesi Masters. Eighty-seven meters in height (about 285 feet), the Tower played a role in civic life from its very beginning: custodians signaled from the Tower for the opening or closing of the city's gates and kept watch over the commune's treasury.

The **Cathedral Museums** consist of two sections: the **Lapidary Museum** which houses numerous sculptural fragments belonging to the cathedral and to the previous buildings and the Cathedral Museum which displays precious works of art and furnishings related to the history of the cathedral.

<http://www.unesco.modena.it/en>

MODENA CITY TOUR

Walking guided tour of the city center of Modena
RESERVATION IS REQUIRED within the day
before the tour (03:00 pm)
The tour will be activated with a minimum of 10
participants
Adults: € 10,00 / Children: 0-12 years: free
COMPLETE TOUR SCHEDULE:
www.visitmodena.it



HOTEL BOOKING



DISCOVER FERRARI & PAVAROTTI LAND TOUR

The bus tour includes entrance tickets for the two Ferrari museums
of Modena and Maranello, entrance ticket to Luciano
Pavarotti House Museum, guided tours to the production
sites of Lambrusco wine, Balsamic Vinegar and the visit to the
charcuterie museum.
IAT Modena Tourist Office: +39 059 2032660 info@visitmodena.it

IAT - Modena Tourist Office www.visitmodena.it

- Information on Modena and Emilia-Romagna Region
- "UNICO" combo ticket to the Unesco World Heritage Site
- Tickets to the Balsamic Vinegar Production of the Town Hall
- Free bicycles rental
- Ducal Palace of Modena guided tours booking
- Tours & hotel booking center
- Art & Book shop with local handycraft products

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Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9.00 - 18.00
Sun 9.30 - 18.00
Closed: 25th Dec. & Easter

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WELCOME TO MODENA

A brief guide



PALAZZO COMUNALE (TOWN HALL)

From its position looking out onto Piazza Grande, the Palazzo Comunale is actually a series of annexed medieval buildings that were, beginning in the 1600s, "cloistered" within an arcade. The Palazzo also preserves the "stolen bucket" - plundered, as tradition holds, by the City of Bologna during the 1325 Battle of Zappolino. As a symbol of civic heroism, the bucket inspired Alessandro Tassoni's celebrated mock-heroic epic poem, "La Secchia Rapita" (The Stolen Bucket). The Palazzo's important attractions include the **Sala del Fuoco** (the "Fire Room") where a brazier once supplied live coals for heating and which contains frescoes by Nicolò dell'Abate dating to 1546, and the 17th-century **Sala del Vecchio Consiglio** ("Old Council Chamber"), where the Stalli dei Conservatori (a wooden bank of chairs for city elders) are found along with a processional standard painted by Ludovico Lana in 1633. The ceiling décor was created by Ercole dell'Abate and Bartolomeo Schedoni. The 18th-century tapestries in the **Sala degli Arazzi** recall the preparations for and signing of the Peace of Constance in 1183, a "manifesto" of autonomy for the free commune of Modena.

Hours:
Monday through Saturday:
9.00 - 19.00 (free admission).

Sundays and holidays including
Jan 31st: 9.30 - 12.30 (with
free admission)
and 15.00 - 19.00 (€ 2,00 or
Combo Unesco ticket € 6,00).

Closed on Easter Sunday,
Christmas Day and 1st January.

MODENA TOURIST OFFICE

The tourist office, located on
Piazza Grande 14, is hosted
inside one of the oldest part of
the town hall.

Tel: +39 059 2032660



PALAZZO DUCALE (DUCAL PALACE)

Roman architect Bartolomeo Avanzini designed the Palazzo Ducale, whose construction began in 1634. The Palazzo housed the **Este Court** for more than two centuries and is today the headquarters of the Italian **Military Academy**. A majestic stairway climbs upward from the Honor Court to a loggia that leads to three "apartments": the "Apartment of the Princes," the "Private Apartment" (site of the Military Academy's museum), and the "State Apartment," which contains frescoes and portraits of the Este family. The most spectacular rooms are the vast, elegant Hall of Honor and the 18th-century Golden Salon, where it is believed Duke Francis IV signed the death sentence of **Ciro Menotti**, the leader of an unsuccessful 1831 rebellion against Austrian dominance.

PALAZZO DUCALE

Open on selected Saturday
or Sunday with guided tours.
Reservation is required within
Wednesday before the tour.

INFO & BOOKING

Tourist Office:
Tel: (+39) 059-203-2660
visitmodena.it/palazzo-ducale
No more than 40 visitors
are allowed on each tour.
Guided tour: € 10

The Palazzo Ducale is the
headquarters of the Italian
Military Academy. Under
exceptional circumstances,
the Academy reserves the
right to cancel guided tours.



LAND OF MUSIC & OPERA SINGERS

Modena has always had an extraordinary relationship with music, which has grown through its schools, music institutes, its theatres and events, its love for singing and opera. Thanks to this vocation, this land has produced and welcomed high calibre names such as Raina Kabaivanska, Mirella Freni and Luciano Pavarotti, known as "The Maestro". Modena's opera tradition is kept alive today with the rich program offered by its **TEATRO COMUNALE LUCIANO PAVAROTTI** (1838).



The town is also the seat of important music and singing schools such as the Master classes by Raina Kabaivanska at the Vecchi-Tonelli Musical Institute. In this region there is also a long-life choral music tradition, also young Luciano, together with his father Fernando, used to sing in a choir, the Corale Rossini, still active today.

CASA MUSEO LUCIANO PAVAROTTI

Luciano Pavarotti was born in Modena on 12 October 1935. Just outside the town you can visit the Casa Museo Luciano Pavarotti, the residence in which the Maestro lived the final years of his life. **A tour of his home** will bring his memory alive and let visitors familiarize with his daily habits. You'll also find his most famous theatre costumes, the photos and videos that marked his artistic career, the countless awards and honours, the relics of a career that spanned over forty years in the opera theatres of the whole world. Pavarotti died on 6 September 2007 and his funeral ceremony was held in Modena cathedral, he now rests in the cemetery of Montale Rangone.

A bronze statue dedicated to Pavarotti, donated by the City of Pietrasanta (Lucca) made by sculptor Stefano Pierotti, was placed in 2017 outside the "Teatro Comunale".



TEATRO COMUNALE LUCIANO PAVAROTTI

www.teatrocomunalemodena.it
Corso Canalgrande 85
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Guided Tours only by
reservations, min. 10 pax.
+39 059 2033003

PAVAROTTI Modena Casa Museo



CASA MUSEO PAVAROTTI (PAVAROTTI HOUSE MUSEUM)

Stradello Nava 6 - Modena
Tel: +39 059 460778
Open all days: 10.00 - 18.00
Christmas and Jan.1st: closed
Ticket: € 10,00 (Reduce € 8,00
over 65 years old & 12 to 18
years old)
Free entrance: under 12 years
www.casamuseolucianopavarotti.it
The museum is located approx.
10km from the city center.

The museum entrance ticket is
included in the "Discover Ferrari
& Pavarotti Land Tour".

PAVAROTTI STATUE

At Teatro Comunale, via Goldoni
corner with C.so Canalgrande

PALAZZO DEI MUSEI (MUSEUMS PALACE)

It hosts the main cultural institutes of the city.

Galleria Estense (Estense Gallery)

The Estense Gallery is among the most important Italian art collections and demonstrates the interest of the Este Dynasty not solely in painting and sculpture, but in archeology and traditional arts and crafts. Bernini's marble bust of Francis I d'Este, a Velasquez portrait of Francis I, Cosmè Tura's Saint Anthony of Padua, Correggio's Madonna and Christ Child, an El Greco triptych, and a crucifix by Guido Reni are particularly noteworthy.

Biblioteca Estense Universitaria (Estense Library)

The library's holdings include printed books, incunabula, and a large assortment of illuminated manuscripts from the 14th to the 16th centuries. The centerpiece of the collection is the Bible that belonged to Borso d'Este, a 15th-century masterwork of illuminated miniature from the Ferrara school.

Musei Civici (City Museums of Modena)

The City Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology houses the earliest evidence of human occupation of the Modena area. Materials from the Neolithic, the Copper Age, the Bronze Age, and the beginning of the Iron Age are accompanied by items attesting to Etruscan, Celt, and Gallic dominion over the city as well as from the era of Roman control. The ethnological collections include textiles, decorative objects, weapons, and ceramics from New Guinea, pre-Columbian Peru, South America, Africa, and Asia. The collections of the City Museum of Art include painting, ceramics, musical and scientific instruments, and weaponry that document the transformations the city has undergone between the Middle Ages and the modern era.

Archeology On the ground floor of Palazzo dei Musei is the **Museo Lapidario Estense**, a collection of sarcophagi, reliefs and inscribed stone slabs, from Roman times up to the Renaissance and the **Museo Lapidario Romano** with vestiges of ancient Mutina, founded in 183 B.C. including the altar of Vetilia Eglote. At the **Novi Ark Archaeology Park**, close to the Museum Palace, visitors can walk along an ancient Roman road unearthed during the construction of the Novi Park underground car park. Just a few km from Modena you'll find the Archaeological Park and Open-air Museum of **Terramara di Montale Rangone** (Bronze Age).

THE BENEDICTINE ABBEY OF SAN PIETRO

The abbatial church as it stands today was consecrated in 1518 and the wonderful Cloister of the Columns was added in subsequent years. The wealth of art works from the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries inside the church include six large terracotta sculptures depicting the Virgin Mary of Conception and various saints by Antonio Begarelli, together with his last work, the Apogee Begarelliano in the ninth chapel, and the Pietà. The sixteenth-century organ by Giovanni Battista Facchetti is worthy of note, as is the particularly fine sacristy with frescos by Girolamo da Vignola. Adjacent to the church is the Monastic Dispensary and vinegar production.

palazzodeimuseimodena.it

GALLERIE ESTENSI

Galleria Estense, Biblioteca Estense, Museo Lapidario Estense

Largo Porta Sant'Agostino 337
info: tel. 059 4395711
Openings and ticket info:
www.gallerie-estensi.beniculturali.it

MUSEI CIVICI

(City Museums of Modena)
info: tel. 059 2033125
www.museicivici.modena.it

Inside Museums Palace:

Museo Civico Archeologico Etnologico / Museo Civico D'Arte

Hours: Tuesday - Friday: 9.00 - 12.00
Saturday, Sunday and Public
Holidays: 10.00 - 13.00 e 16.00 -
19.00. Closed on Monday.
Dec 24th afternoon, Dec 25th morning,
Dec 31st afternoon, Jan 1st: closed.

Gipsoteca "Graziosi"

Opens on demand

Lapidario Romano

Hours: Mon - Fri: from 7.30 to 19.30
Saturday from 8.00 to 19.30
Sunday and holiday from 9.45 to 19.15

Archeology in Modena and surroundings:

- Novi Ark Archeological Park
24h / free entry. 300mt from the
Museum Palace.

**- Archeological park and openair
museum "Terramara di Montale"**
ca. 10km from Modena
info / hours www.parcormontale.it

Abbey of San Pietro

Via S. Pietro, 7 Modena
Info: +39 059 214016 or
+39 059 223032 (Dispensary)
www.monasteromodena.com



MOTORVALLEY

The spirit of enterprise, a passion for mechanics and the myth of speed are the ingredients of the motoring vocation thanks to which Modena and Emilia Romagna region have been dubbed the "Motorvalley".

MUSEO ENZO FERRARI

Set in the house where the Grand Prix legend was born in 1898, it features an ultra-modern, yellow-aluminium exterior designed to resemble the hood of a car designed by architects J.Kaplický and A.Morgante. Along with Ferrari's birthplace, hosting the museum of Engines, under the yellow bonnet you'll find a futuristic automotive design gallery, with an exhibition of Ferrari cars and other brands connected with its history and temporary exhibitions. High-definition projectors take visitors on a virtual timeline showing 100 years of motoring in Modena, as well as the story of Enzo Ferrari. The Enzo Ferrari Museum is connected to the Ferrari Museum in Maranello with a shuttle bus or with the "Discover Ferrari & Pavarotti Land" tour.

MUSEO FERRARI MARANELLO

The museum tells the Ferrari story by delving deep into the Prancing Horse's extraordinary roots and taking visitors on a magnificent journey via its most famous and successful F1 cars, legendary sports prototypes and GTs, and, of course, the road cars that have set the benchmark for the entire car industry.

MASERATI FACTORY & SHOWROOM

Maserati was founded in 1914 in Bologna and transferred to Modena in 1937, to the current plant located a short distance from Modena's historic center and from the Enzo Ferrari Museum. In the Maserati showroom and Store you can admire the cars currently in production and the "loop", the semi-suspended ring designed by Ron Arad. Factory tours are occasionally available, only upon request.



PANINI MOTOR MUSEUM

Visit the most important classic Maserati private collection in the world, hosted by a chese dairy, producing organic Parmigiano Reggiano cheese. The collection includes also an exhibition of classic scooters and motorcycles.

PAGANI FACTORY AND MUSEUM

The brand new Pagani Factory is waiting for you, to share the birth of its supercars, which represent "made in Italy", design and technology at its best! The factory also hosts a museum, a shop, and a meeting room.

The Pagani Factory tour, which also includes a visit to the "Horacio Pagani" museum, can only be made upon reservation. The museum can be visited from Monday to Friday (excluding holidays) without reservation from 9.30am to 12.30pm and from 2.30pm to 5pm.

PRIVATE COLLECTION "MUSEO STANGUELLINI"

A private collection of historical cars produced by Stanguellini and other car companies.

MOTOR VALLEY TOURS

Info & Booking:
Modena Tourist Office
Ph: +39 059 2032660

MUSEO ENZO FERRARI

Via Paolo Ferrari 85 - Modena
Tel. 059 439 7979

MUSEO FERRARI MARANELLO

Via Dino Ferrari 42 - Maranello
Tel. 0536 949713

The Ferrari Museums are open
every day from 9.30 to 18.00
(from 1/4 to 31/10 until 19.00)
Closed on Dec.25th and Jan.1st
Information on prices and current
exhibitions: www.musei.ferrari.com

VISIT THE MOTORVALLEY!

MUSEO ENZO FERRARI (Modena)
MUSEO FERRARI (Maranello)
MASERATI FACTORY SHOWROOM (Modena)
HOMBE - UMBERTO PANINI COLLECTION (Modena)
MUSEO STANGUELLINI (Modena)
AUTODROMO DI MODENA (Modena)
PAGANI FACTORY (San Cesario Sul Panaro - MO)
RICHINI COLLECTION (Parzanò - Castelfranco - MO)
LAMBORGHINI FACTORY & MUSEUM (San'Agata B. - BO)
MUSEO FERRUCCIO LAMBORGHINI (Fino di Aregola - BO)
DUCATI FACTORY & MUSEUM (Borgo Panigale - BO)

MASERATI FACTORY & SHOWROOM

Via Divisione Acqui 17 - Modena
Showroom open from Monday to
Friday (holidays and august closed):
9.00-17.00 Free admission.

For guided factory and showroom tours
factorytour@maserati.com
+39 059 220022 (Modenatur)

The tours are available only upon
availability and reservations.
Admission upon a fee.

The showroom is open to the
public for short tours on selected
Saturdays. Info and opening
schedule: +39 059 220022

PANINI MOTOR MUSEUM

c/o Azienda Agricola Hombre
Via Corletto Sud 320 - Modena
Mon - Fri from 9:00 to 12:30 and
from 14:30 to 18:00
Saturday from 9:00 to 12:30
From December to February (included)
and on April 25th, May 1st, June
2nd and sundays, closed.
Booking and visiting informations:
www.paninimotormuseum.it

PAGANI FACTORY AND MUSEUM

Via dell'Industria 26 - San Cesario
sul Panaro (MO)

The **Pagani Factory tour**, which
also includes a visit to the "Horacio
Pagani" museum, can only be
made upon reservation:
<https://pagani.modenatur.it/>

The **museum** can be visited from
Monday to Friday (excluding holidays)
without reservation from 9.30am to
5.00 pm. Saturday from 9.30am to
12.30pm. (admission upon a fee)

STANGUELLINI COLLECTION

Via Emilia Est 756 - Modena
Open upon reservation.
info@visitmodena.it

CONTEMPORARY ART, PHOTOGRAPHY AND STICKERS

The Modena Visual Arts Foundation (FMAV) was set up in 2017 by the Modena Municipal Council and the Fondazione di Modena, merging the Modena Civic Gallery, the Modena Photographic Foundation and the Museum of Stickers into one institution while keeping alive the legacy and cultural heritage of all three. The FMAV is a centre for cultural production and professional training and education that aims to promote contemporary visual art and culture. It manages various exhibition venues and organises exhibitions and advanced courses, workshops, performances and conferences.

In addition to these initiatives, which can be viewed at www.fmav.org, the **Museum of Stickers Collection** in Palazzo Santa Margherita is open to visitors.

This collection was donated to the Modena Municipal Council in 1992 by Giuseppe Panini, founder of the company that bears his name, together with his brothers Benito, Franco Cosimo and Umberto. It numbers over 500,000 small coloured printed exhibits that include the stickers themselves plus other items similar for their technology and function like matchboxes, envelope seals, paper money, menus, small calendars, and albums. Alongside a permanent exhibition of some 2,500 items, which include stickers, albums, cigarette cards and many other different objects, a glass cabinet houses temporary exhibits.

Sedi espositive di FONDAZIONE MODENA ARTI VISIVE:

FMAV - Palazzo Santa Margherita
Corso Canalgrande, 103 -
Modena
Tel. +39 059 2033166

FMAV - Palazzina dei Giardini
Corso Cavour, 2 - Modena
Tel. +39 059 2032919

FMAV - MATA
Via della Manifattura dei Tabacchi,
83 - Modena
Tel. +39 059 6138098

FMAV - Scuola di alta formazione
Via Giardini, 160 - Modena
Tel. +39 059 224418

www.fmav.org
Orari e giorni di apertura variano in
base alle mostre in corso.
Per informazioni consultare i
rispettivi siti web

AGO - MODENA FABBRICHE CULTURALI

AGO Modena Fabbriche Culturali is a project that groups together as a system the cultural institutions whose headquarters overlook Largo Porta Sant'Agostino in Modena: Palazzo dei Musei, the former Estense Hospital, the church of Sant'Agostino, and the former Sant'Agostino Hospital.

The Anatomical Theatre was built at the end of the eighteenth century thanks to Antonio Scarpa, who taught anatomy and surgery after the university reform brought in by Duke Francis III d'Este. The theatre is entirely built in multi-colour wood, with a central section in which cadavers were dissected for the anatomy lessons.

The historic pharmacy in the former Sant'Agostino hospital dates back to the second half of the eighteenth century and a painting on its cloister vault depicts men of science and a large open hand with the Latin motto of the Opera Pia "Patet omnibus", which means that assistance is available to all those who need it. The original shelves in maple wood are still preserved inside the pharmacy.

Dating back to the 1300s, the **church of Sant'Agostino** was chosen for the magnificent funeral service held for Francis I in 1659 and in subsequent years the Dukes transformed it into the Pantheon of the Estensi. The church is home to works by Tomaso da Modena, Antonio Begarelli, Francesco Stringa, Lattanzio Maschio, Olivier Dauphin, and Adeodato Malatesta.

AGO - Modena Fabbriche Culturali
Largo Porta Sant'Agostino, 228
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<http://www.agomodena.it>

Information on visiting methods
and times and on all AGO
exhibitions or events on:
www.agomodena.it



FOOD & WINE

Modena is the province richest in PDO (Protected Designation of Origin) and PGI (Protected Geographical Indication) products and is synonymous with fine food the world over. Its long standing status as a food capital is due to its commitment to authenticity, its regard for tradition and guardianship of local flavours. The area boasts a wealth of food and wine as well as extensive culinary experience offered by a network of restaurants, trattorias and osterie, as well as farms and artisans that have achieved worldwide recognition thanks to their efforts to safeguard and enhance local products and flavours.



FOOD & WINE EXPERIENCES

- Visit **ALBINELLI MARKET** inaugurated in 1931, where you can buy all the local traditional products. Open in the morning from Monday to Saturday and on some Saturday afternoon.
- Visit a **VINEGAR FACTORY** that produces Aceto Balsamico Tradizionale di Modena DOP and/or Aceto Balsamico di Modena IGP
- Visit the **BALSAMIC VINEGAR MUSEUM** in Solimberbo
- Visit the **"ACETAIA COMUNALE DI MODENA"** (it Palazzo Comunale)
- Visit a **PARMIGIANO-REGGIANO CHEESE DAIRY**
- Visit a **WINERY** to taste Lambrusco di Modena DOP
- Visit a factory that makes **PROSCIUTTO DI MODENA DOP** (Modena Ham)
- Visit the Museum of Charcuterie **"MUSA"**
- Join a **COOKING CLASS!**

ACETAIA COMUNALE

A small balsamic vinegar production is hosted by the Town Hall (Palazzo Comunale).



ALBINELLI HISTORICAL MARKET

The market was opened on October 28th, 1931. During the construction of the market, big attention was given to the aesthetic aspect, as revealed by the elegant iron scrolls that connect the pillars, as well as the beautiful fountain of the "little girl with a basket of flowers", by the sculptor and painter Giuseppe Graziosi. Today the market is a very important place for the citizens of Modena and for foodies from around the world, where to find top quality local products!

ACETAIA COMUNALE

Guided tours (in italian):
friday 15.30 and 16.30
Saturday and Sunday: 10.30
and 11.30; 15.30 e 16.30
Closed on Eastern, Christmas
and new year's day.
Entrance fee: € 2,00 or
UNESCO "COMBO" TICKET €6,00

MERCATO ALBINELLI

Via Albinelli - Modena
Tel: 059/211218
Hours: from Monday to Saturday
7:00 - 15:00
Saturday 16.30 - 19.30
Closed: Saturday afternoon from
June 1st to mid September and
sundays
Friday and Saturday: food
corner open from 18.00 to 24.00
www.mercatoalbinelli.it

