



WELCOME TO GENOVA

Handy guide for young tourists



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Located on a beautiful natural harbour and protected by the mountains, in the XI century Genoa became one of the strongest Marine Republics in the Mediterranean. Its merchants reached China and the Black Sea. In the XX century the city became the main Italian maritime pole and one of the most important industrial cities in Italy.



The harbour



Its natural harbor has been active since the V century B.C. Its importance grew in the XI century and nowadays it is the most important port in the Mediterranean sea.



The City Aquarium

It is a living museum that counts about 6,000 species of 600 types of sea inhabitants (fishes, sea creatures, shellfishes, reptiles and plants). Situated in the old harbour area it has 61 tanks that cover almost 10,000 squared meters.





The Bigo: projecting over the Old Harbour, this modern metal monument looks like, in a bigger scale, a big loading crane very similar to the ones used in the ships. It is an experimental design that has an underwater basement. The structure holds a paramount rotating lift.

The Lanterna



Situated on a hill, it is 76 metres high. This lighthouse is an essential instrument for the nocturnal navigation of all the ships outgoing and incoming and it is also one of the most beautiful landmarks of Genoa. In the past heather stems were burnt to create its signal, today it works thanks to a highly refined electronic equipment.

Porta Soprana



Together with the Lanterna, it is the most important landmark of Genoa. The monument was the main city gate from the XI century on for the traffics between the port and the economic core of Genoa.



Palazzo Ducale



One of the main historical palaces in Genoa, it was the “People’s Captain” residence. Today it is one of the most important museums in town, seat of arts exhibitions. Built in the XIII century, it was restored in 2001.

Built in the XII century, in its jails the Venetian explorer Marco Polo wrote his famous book “Il Milione”. Since 1903 it has been the seat of the National Port Authority.



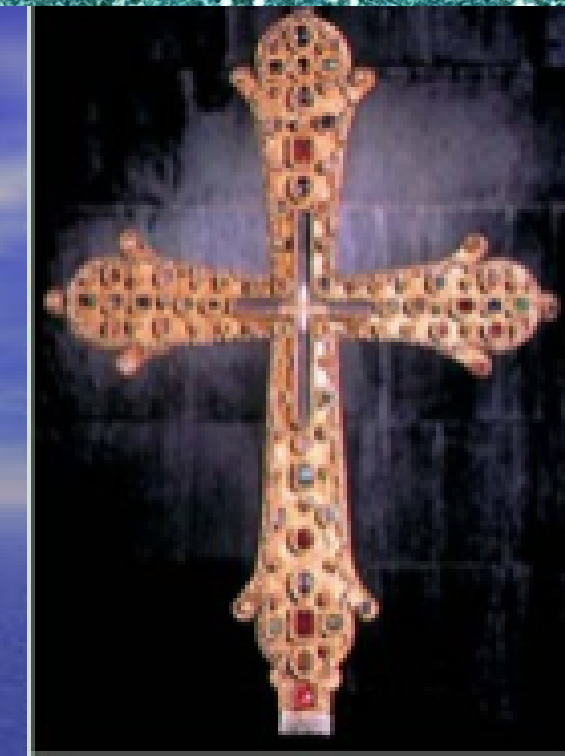
**Palazzo
San Giorgio**

Piazza De Ferrari



It is the principal circus of the city and one of the meeting points for young people. In the middle you can enjoy a wonderful fountain endowed with amazing sprinkles and waterworks.

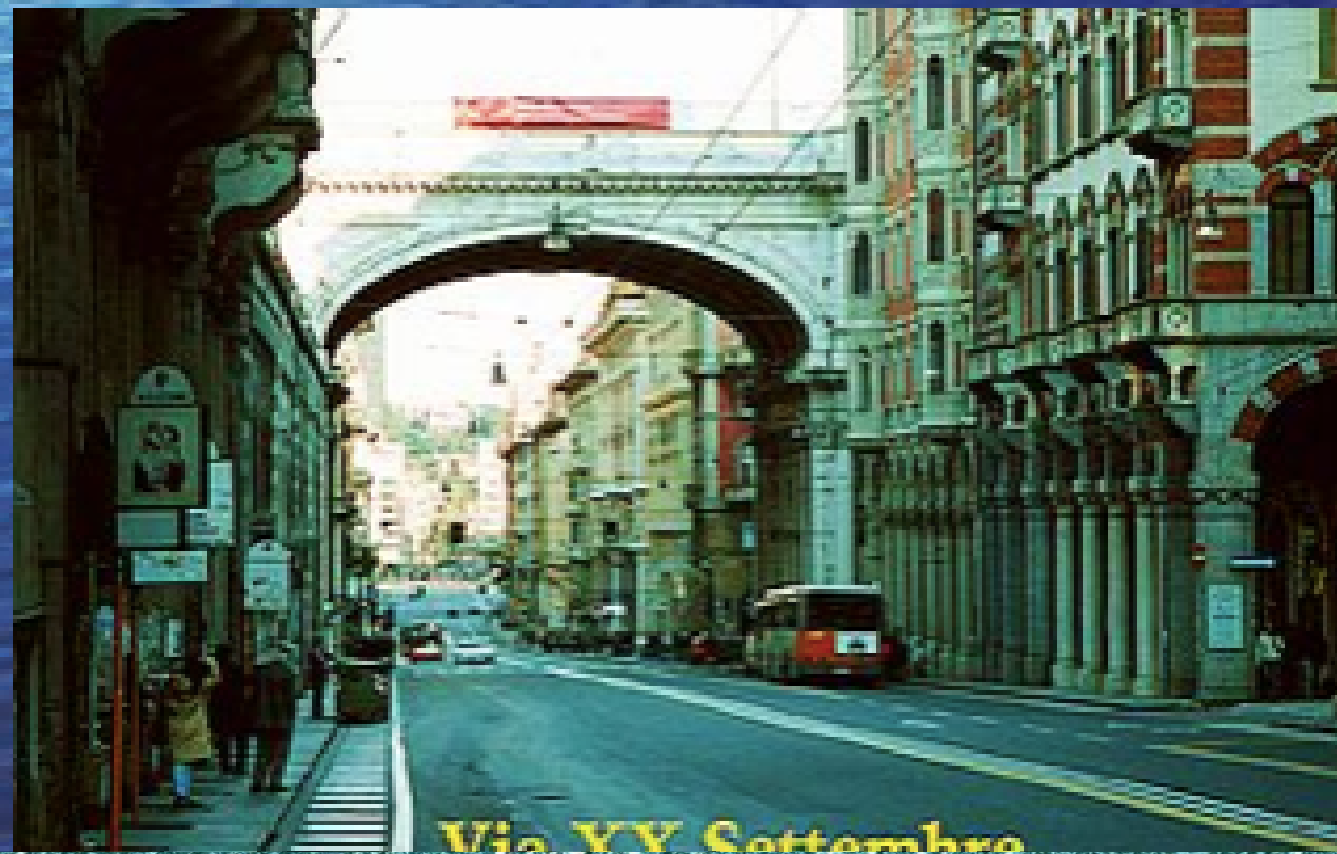
San Lorenzo Cathedral



It was built in the XI century in Romanesque style and partly completed in the XIII century with Gothic elements. Inside the cathedral you can see the marvellous treasure museum, with the Saint's relics.

Via XX Settembre

It is the main avenue and shopping place in Genoa, crowded and always busy. You can get a beautiful overview of the avenue from the "Ponte Monumentale".



Via Garibaldi

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Patrimonio
dell'Umanità
UNESCO



It is the main historical street in town, as the Unesco World Heritage declared it, and the seat of the most important palaces in Genoa (many museums and the Town Hall).

Boccadasse



It is a picturesque and romantic fishermen's village in the east of the city where you can taste a wonderful ice-cream. It is worth a visit!

Nervi



Just off Genoa, its paved promenade on the cliffs overlooking the sea is worth a few minutes train journey. Not to be missed!



**Come and
visit Genoa!!!**