

FAQ

How do I arrive to Panicale?

By Plane:

The most convenient airport is Rome-Fiumicino (FCO) with most international flights. We can organize a car service to pick you up (please email us at info@rastrello.com). The cost depends on the amount of passengers and luggage (starting at €200). It is a two-hour drive to Panicale.

The closest airport is Perugia San Francesco d'Assisi (PEG). We can organize a car service to pick you up (please email us at info@rastrello.com). The cost depends on the amount of passengers and luggage (starting at €70). It is a 40-minute drive.

By Train:

There are many fast trains from Florence or Rome. Look on the **Trenitalia** website to find the best one for your plans. *https://www.trenitalia.com/en.html*

The best train station is Chuisi-Chianciano. It is a 20 minute drive from Panicale.

If you have a rental car and want to spend the day in Florence, we suggest you drive to the Castiglione del Lago Train Station and leave your car there to take the train to Florence. This is the most comfortable way to spend the day in Florence.

If you are planning on visiting Rome for the day, we suggest that you go from and to the Chusi-Chianciano Train Station.

By Car:

A1 south-bound (from Florence): exit at VALDICHIANA, direction PERUGIA, after about 15-20 minutes, exit right to CASTIGLIONE DEL LAGO, continue direction CHIUSI, after about 15-20 minutes, exit PANICALE, continue direction PANICALE, then up the mountain until you arrive.

A1 north-bound (from Rome): exit at FABRO, direction PERUGIA/CHIUSI, after about 25 minutes, take the roundabout direction CASTIGLIONE DEL LAGO, continue about 20 minutes, exit right to PANICALE, continue direction PANICALE, then up the mountain until you arrive.

From Siena: E73 (toward A1), continue RA6 Siena-Perugia for 12 miles; exit right to CASTIGLIONE DEL LAGO, continue direction CHIUSI, after about 15-20 minutes, exit PANICALE, continue direction PANICALE, then up the mountain until you arrive.

Are there taxis at the Chuisi-Chianciano Train Station?

Yes, there are. There is a taxi stand directly in front of the exit. Taxis are white. There are no Uber/Lyft/car z in our area.

There is no taxi service at the Castiglione del Lago Train Station. However, you can ask at the bar in front of the station and they can call one for you.

How can I rent a car near Panicale?

Most guests rent from the Fiumicino, Perugia/Assisi, Florence, Pisa, or Milan airports and use their rental cars until their return flights.

If you need to rent a car while in Panicale:

Aesse Rent www.asserent.it (right in front of the train station) Piazza Dante 22, 53043 Chuisi (SI) Tel. 39 0578 227993. Cell + 39 346 504 40412 aesserent@gmail.com

Avis +39 0578 226878 Via L Da Vinci 3 https://www.avisautonoleggio.it/guidacon-avis/località-nole-gio-auto/europa/italia/foggia/stazione-centrale-foggia? map=GoogleMyBusiness-A9Q

Europcar Chuisi +39 0578 222012 Via Oslavia 67 https://www.europcar.it//it-it/stazioni/italia/chiusi?utm_-source=local&utm_medium=organic&utm_campaign=IZUC03

Can I hire a driver and car for touring the area?

Yes, we can highly recommend a chauffeur (with car) that we have used for over 18 years. Please email us at info@rastrello.com and we can help you reserve this service.

How do I arrive to Rastrello Boutique Hotel?

In car: after arriving in Panicale, continue to drive around the town's outer wall to the lake-side (traffic is one-way around town, counter-clockwise). Rastrello's easiest entrance for unloading luggage is at the gray door, right after the garden gate and the cantina window. This entrance takes you straight to our elevator, for an easy access to the reception and check-in. Via Marconi 18, Panicale (PG) 06064.

Walking from the Piazza: walk from the main Porta, past Bar Gallo, take the first street to the right, which is Via Grossi. Rastrello Boutique Hotel entrance is Via Grossi 10. Rastrello Giardino & Cantina entrance is the blue/green gate at Via Grossi 8. Our Giardino & Cantina is open to the public when the gates are open. There is also a lower Giardino & Cantina entrance from Via Marconi. Again, the Giardino & Cantina is open to the public when the gate is open.

Wheelchair access: The easiest access is directly from your car into the door at Via Marconi 18, Panicale 06064. That way, there is direct access to the elevator and the reception level.

Where can I park? How much does it cost per night?

Since Panicale is a small town, traffic is not allowed within the historic walls. Therefore, it is easier if you unload your luggage at the Via Marconi 18 entrance. You can leave your car parked in the marked loading space. After check-in, we will escort you to the free parking lot, which is below the town's school. After you park, you will ride in our Piaggio back up to the hotel. Please note that we can only transport two people in our Piaggio.

In times of the year when there are not as many visitors in Panicale, it is also possible to park in the designated free spaces along the town walls. One of these areas is on the hotel side of town. Other parking spaces that have the restricted sign, are for residents only and you will get a ticket.

How do I enter the hotel after 11:00 p.m.?

Please make sure to advise us of your estimated check-in time. That way, we can receive you the best way possible. If you have a problem and can only arrive after 11:00 p.m., please contact us via email or WhatsApp and we will receive you at the hotel entrance on Via Marconi 18.

What is the temperature like in Panicale?

Here is a good website to see the average temperatures in Umbria throughout the year: https://www.holiday-weather.com/umbri_it/averages/

Besides at the Rastrello Giardino & Cantina, where can I eat in Panicale?

Here are some recommendations in town. Please let us know if we can help with a reservation. There are other restaurants a short car ride away. Please let us know if you would like us to give you more recommendations.

- Il Gallo nel Pozzo +39 075 837285 www.ilgallonelpozzo.it
- Lillo Tattini +39 075 837771 http://www.lillotatini.it
- Masolino +39 075 837151 www.masolino.it
- Cucina 5.0 +39 393 417 92a73 Piazza Umberto 1

What services can I find in Panicale?

There is a small market that has surprisingly almost everything you may need. It is called Bottega Marconi / Conad and is located on the Via Filatoio 18.

Pharmacy

MTA

Post Office

Tourist Information Office

Tabaccheria

How can I plan my time in Panicale?

Please let us know (info@rastrello.com) what your interests are and we will be more than happy to help you come up with a plan.

Some activities that we directly organize are: (many activities depend on the season)

Truffle Hunting & Foraging with a cooking class afterwards

Participating in the Olive Harvest

Olive Oil Tasting

Cooking Classes

Italian Cocktail Classes

Wine Tasting

Gardening Class

Art Tour (Panicale, Perugia, Assisi, Arezzo)

Massages (only upon request)

Yoga (only upon request)

Trasimeno Lake Boat Tour

Do you have other hotels to recommend in Florence, Rome, etc.?

Please let us know if you are looking for other boutique hotels during your visit to Italy.

We have some great recommendations. info@rastrello.com