

# My Perfect Day

## What is your favorite Roman neighborhood and what do you love about it?

I love Trastevere on a Sunday afternoon. Trastevere is generally too touristy and busy for my liking, but on a quiet Sunday afternoon it is my favorite place in Rome because it's the oldest and most picturesque neighborhood in the city. You feel like you are living in history!



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## On an ideal day, where would you go for breakfast?

One of my favorite things to do in Rome is going to my local café and chatting with the staff while having my breakfast, so I'd have to say my favorite is the café near my house, Cafe Cantù [Piazza Cesare Cantù, 10]. It's a charming café run by the cutest couple, Francesca and Andrea. Andrea makes the best cappuccino in the city, and they have amazing pastries and even pancakes!

## Which exhibition or museum would you visit?

Galleria Borghese [p54]. The Bernini sculptures there take your breath away!

## What is your favorite place in the city to have lunch?

Il Margutta RistorArte [Via Margutta, 118],



## Marsha De Salvatore

[Actress and Comedienne]

Ohio native and veteran of Second City of Chicago, Marsha de Salvatore moved to Rome over a decade ago and quickly noticed the city was lacking one essential element: stand-up comedy. She opened Rome's first and only comedy club, presenting an evening of riotous laughter every last Friday of the month.

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an art deco restaurant with a fabulous lunchtime vegetarian buffet. Afterward, I'd stop for a coffee at Caffè Canova-Tadolini [Via del Babuino, 150a/b], which is also a museum. Via Margutta is definitely my favorite street in Rome. It's off the beaten track and has small, elegant galleries and shops.

## What are your favorite shopping areas and what would you buy?

The neighborhood of Monti with its trendy, fashionable, and unique boutiques run by local designers, as well as plenty of vintage shopping. You can find everything from



wild jewelry to puffy '50s-style skirts to funky shoes. [Pictured below: tango shoes by Kaja, Via degli Zingari, 62.]

## Where would you stop for a drink?

My favorite bars are in the Pigneto neighborhood. Co. So [Via Braccio da Montone, 80] [pictured] has amazing American cocktails (they make the best Bloody Mary in the city!), and Necci [Via Fanfulla da Lodi, 68] has a lovely outdoor space.



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## Where would you have dinner?

In Rome that is such a complicated question so I would say it depends on what I feel like eating. For pizza, I'd pick Formula Uno [Piazza degli Equi, 13] in the San Lorenzo district; for seafood I'd go to Fish Market [Vicolo della Luce, 2] in Trastevere [pictured]; and for pasta Maccheroni [Piazza delle Coppelle, 44] near the Pantheon. For a good old-fashioned trattoria, La Taverna dei Fori Imperiali [Via della Madonna di Monti, 9] in Monti gets my vote.



## Where would you go for some late-night fun?

I love music and art exhibitions. The MACRO Testaccio [p54] and Circolo degli Artisti [Via Casilina Vecchia, 42] usually have great events.