TRENTO - HINTS FOR THE WEEKEND

Dear International Student, here are some suggested destinations that you can easily reach from Trento on foot, by train or by bus to experience the surrounding area in your spare time. We hope you will appreciate the tour!

PLACES TO EXPLORE

TRENTO

Spend a day strolling the capital of the Trento province that houses the main campus of the University of Trento. Be sure to check out the Science Museum (MUSE) and the Le Albere, as well as the Castello del Buonconsiglio, the Tridentum Roman Museum and walk up to Doss Trento for a spectacular valley view. Also remember to enjoy a cold drink and a typical Trentino dish at one of many restaurants or an “aperitivo” in Piazza Duomo!

More information
https://www.discovertrento.it/en/citta-di-trento

SARDAGNA (5 min. via cable car)

The Trento-Sardagna cable car gives you the possibility of ascending the lower slopes of Monte Bondone from very near the center of Trento. After ascending with the Trento-Sardagna cable car, you can enjoy the extraordinary view over the Adige Valley and the city of Trento. From there you can also reach the center of the inhabited area of Sardagna.

Cable car access: Via Marconi Guglielmo, 3 (Trento)

Time tables

DOSS TRENTO PARK (40 min. walk from the center)

Doss Trento is a small hill just above the city of Trento on the west bank of the Adige River. On the summit you can find the Cesare Battisti Monument, the National Historical Museum of Alpine Troops and an archaeological site (Paleo Cristiana Basilica). It is a public park from where you can enjoy a fantastic view of the city. Open every day from 09:00 am to 7:00 pm during the Summer and from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm during the Winter.
Access: From Piazza Duomo walk to the base of the cable car, cross the San Lorenzo Bridge over the Adige River and head straight at the roundabout. Then on your right follow signs to Doss Trento along the stairs and path that lead to the top.

More information
https://www.discovertrento.it/en/monte-bondone/trekking-trentino-dos-trento#.YNx5juzgzaHs

BUONCONSIGLIO CASTLE

Built in the 13th century, Buonconsiglio Castle in the city of Trento is one of the largest and most important of its kind in the Trentino-Alto Adige region. Today it hosts a museum with a rich collection of paintings, frescos and sculptures. At the southern end of the complex is Torre Aquila, where the famous Cycle of the Months paintings are conserved, one of the most fascinating secular paintings of the late Middle Ages.

More information

MUSE Science Museum

The Science Museum of Trento is the located in the Le Albera complex designed by the world-famous Italian architect Renzo Piano. It is a perfect place to spend a few hours learning about science and the natural history of the surrounding area with many interactive areas. This Museum also hosts a series of temporary exhibits related to the relation between humans and the environment.

More information
https://www.muse.it/en/Pages/default.aspx
NEARBY CITIES

ROVERETO (15 minutes by train)

Otherwise known as La Città della Pace (the City of Peace), Rovereto has a lot more to explore. Visit the Museo Storico Italiano della Guerra (Italian War History Museum) and the Campana dei Caduti (Bell of the Fallen), both in commemoration of the First World War. The museum of War is also situated within the Castle of Rovereto which dates back to medieval times. This is a city rich with art as it houses not only the MART but also the Casa d’Arte Futurista Depero, the only futurist museum in Italy!

More information https://www.visitrovereto.it/en/

BOLZANO (40 minutes by train)

Just north of Trento, Bolzano is the capital of the Alto Adige region. It is a town that looks and feels a lot more Austrian than Italian, as it was indeed a part of Austria until the end of WWI. In addition to Italian, German is commonly spoken here and all over the city your will see colorful houses and Viennese-style palaces surrounded by the mountains. You can enjoy a walk in the parks or visit the famous Iceman Ötzi at the Archeological Museum

More information www.bolzano.net/en/

VERONA (1 hour by train)

In the “city of love” you can visit the 2,000-year-old Roman Arena, the house of Romeo and Juliet, as well as many historical buildings and parks.

Verona tourist office www.tourism.verona.it/en
BOLOGNA (2.5 hours by train)

The perfect place for art and history lovers where you can visit numerous museums and art galleries, as well as admire the splendid palazzi and tiny old alleys. Bologna is definitely worth a two-day visit also to enjoy the intense night life in the city.

Bologna tourist office www.bolognawelcome.com/

VENICE (2.5 hours by train)

An Italian motto says: “See Venice and then you can die!” You can reach Venice in 2h 30 mins with the regional trains (Rovereto-Verona / Verona-Venezia). Visit the Piazza San Marco, take a gondola ride in the canals, and enjoy typical Venetian cicchetti (small appetizers) and a cold spritz in a beloved bacaro (venetian pub)!

Venice tourist office www.en.turismovenezia.it/Tourist-information-offices-366024.html

MILANO (2.5 hours by train)

The world capital of art and design is a terrific place if you are looking for a city escape. While it’s known as a perfect place for shopping and fashion enthusiasts, Milan also houses numerous museums and galleries. As Italy’s most modern city you will find it’s a melting pot of all cultures. Don’t miss out on seeing the Duomo, the historical Teatro alla Scala, and medieval Castello Sforzesco.

Milan is easy to reach with regional trains (Trento-Verona/Verona-Milano).

More information https://www.comune.milano.it/
The region of Trentino-Alto Adige is packed with breathtaking natural sights, especially lakes and mountains. And lucky for you Summer is the best period to enjoy these marvels!

**LAKE TOBLINO** (40 min. by bus)

At Lake Toblino you can stroll around the lake and eat local dishes of the region inside the Toblino Castle.


**LAKE CALDONAZZO** (30 min. by train)

Lake Caldonazzo is perfect for water-sports lovers or an *aperitivo* on the lake shore! You can swim, rent a small boat or ride a bike on the bike path. Lake Caldonazzo can be easily reached with the train for Bassano del Grappa which leaves from Trento train station or, if you are staying in San Bartolameo dormitory, you can take the same train directly from the S. Bartolameo train station. The name of the stop for Caldonazzo Lake is “Calceranica.”

**GARDA LAKE** (1 hour by bus)

Garda Lake is a perfect destination if you want to relax or have a walk by the lake, and at the same time visit a town with a rich history and fantastic views. It is also possible to rent a bike or boat and hire a guide to climb a via ferrata!

From Riva del Garda you can easily reach other beautiful towns on the Lake by bus, such as Malcesine. Bus timetables: [www.gardatrentino.it/it/Orario-linea-autobus-Riva-Malcesine-Garda/](http://www.gardatrentino.it/it/Orario-linea-autobus-Riva-Malcesine-Garda/)

From there you can get on a ferry-boat to the village of Limone (famous for its lemon products), tucked between the Lake and the mountains, or you can decide to go back to Riva del Garda. Ferry boat timetables: [https://www.navigazionelaghi.it/Risultati?lake=garda](https://www.navigazionelaghi.it/Risultati?lake=garda)
If you go to Limone, make sure you do not miss the return ferry-boat unless you want to spend a night in the charming little town 😊

Garda Lake is also a great place for sports... kayaking, windsurfing, kitesurfing, scuba-diving, you name it!

**REGIONAL BUSES (extra urbano)** are the blue longer-distance ones, leaving from the bus station to the left of the train station: [https://www.trentinotrasporti.it/en/travel-with-us/city/trento](https://www.trentinotrasporti.it/en/travel-with-us/city/trento)

**TRAIN:**

**Regional trains:**
When looking for a train timetable, remember to also check the “regional” options instead of “all trains.” Regional trains are usually the cheapest option, although also the slowest. **Regional tickets must be validated each time before getting onto the train** by inserting the ticket into the small machines on the walls of the station. Each regional ticket can only be used once and within 4 hours of validation.

**ATTENTION:** If you forget to validate your ticket you will be charged a heavy fine!

**Other trains:**
High-speed, Inter-city and most other long-distance train tickets can be bought on-line through the Trenitalia website. These tickets will usually be sent to you via e-mail as a PDF. Generally, you do not need to validate these types of tickets before you get on the train as they will be checked and scanned by personnel after boarding.

**Tourist Information Office**
For more extensive information and details about traveling within the Trentino-Alto-Adige region, please visit the Tourist Information Office at Piazza Dante, 24 [https://www.discovertrento.it/en/citta-di-trento](https://www.discovertrento.it/en/citta-di-trento)

**REMINDER:** festivo means Sundays and holidays, while feriale means all the other days of the week (Saturdays included).

**BUS:**
Trento urban buses (urbano) are either orange or the newer white and green ones.

Trento bus schedules [https://www.trentinotrasporti.it/en/](https://www.trentinotrasporti.it/en/)