

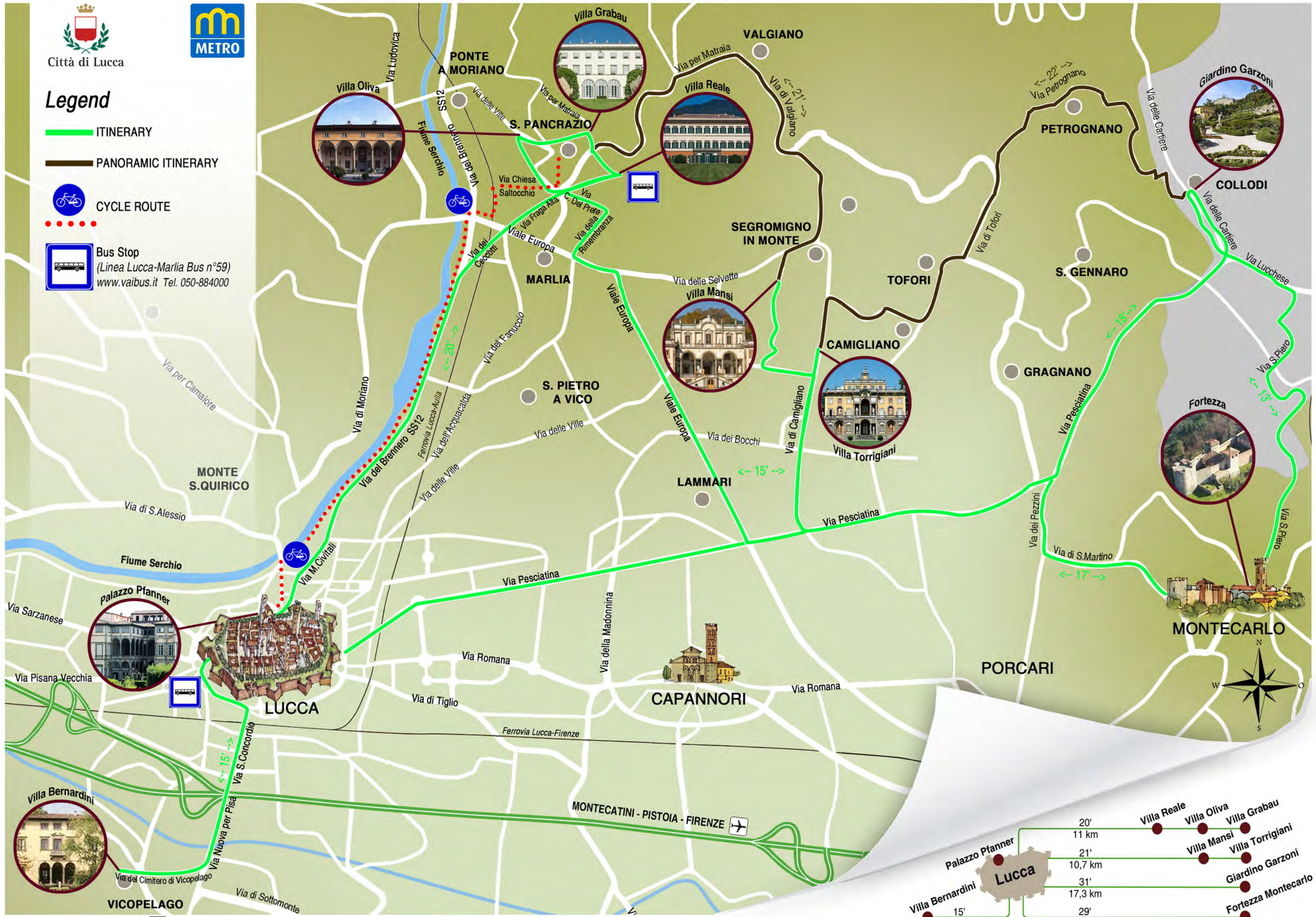


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Villa Bernardini

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Villa Bernardini, outstanding example of late-Renaissance architecture with a wonderful 8 hectares park, was built by Bernardo Bernardini in 1615 and has always been a family property ever since, only case among the villas of Lucca: this is the reason why it's a true house-museum, full of perfectly preserved furniture, paintings, tapestries and curiosities. To reaffirm the close bond between the family and its mansion, Bernardini's family coat of arms stands out, above the main entrance and it appears everywhere inside the villa: engraved on the furniture, embroidered on the fabrics, depicted on paintings and frescos.



Villa Oliva

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Villa Oliva was built between '400 and '500 and is one of the most prestigious monumental villas of Lucca area, belonged to the Buonvisi's, a powerful family of merchants and clerics died out at the end of '800. There is a curious story about the stables: master Buonvisi used to say that his stables were much better than any of Versailles' halls, so King Louis XIV sent an ambassador to see if it was actually true. The royal herald found the walls of the stable all covered in golden coins with the portrait of the Sun King, and in front of such a wonder he couldn't help but say that Buonvisi was telling the truth.



Villa Grabau

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Villa Grabau, located at the bottom of the hills surrounding Lucca, stands out in Tuscany for the magnificent 9-hectare Botanical Park, studded with centuries-old trees and rare plants from all over the world. The 17th century Limonaia, among the largest and most spectacular of the region, is also a true gem. The Villa, furnished with antiques, is a splendid example of Renaissance architecture. It was built in 1500 and belongs to the Grabau family since 1800. The property offers its space for weddings and events and proposes various accommodations in villas, private apartments and B&B.



Villa Reale

Via Fraga Alta 2 Marlia, Capannori (LU)

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Villa Reale is considered one of the most important historical properties in Italy: home to many noble families, in the 19th century to Napoleon's sister Elisa Bonaparte Baciocchi. The 16-hectare estate includes many surprises: The Park features a splendid Water Theatre (XVII), the world famous Green Theatre (where the composer Paganini often performed), pathways with Camellia flowers. It is embellished by a Lemon Garden (XVII) and a Spanish Garden in Art Deco style. Since 2015 the new owners take care of huge restoration regarding the historic buildings that enrich the experience: the Villa Reale and the Bishop's Villa (XVI) with its nymphaeum (Par's Grotto) and the Clock Palace (XVIII).



Monumental Villas

The Ville Lucchesi – Palaces with a loggia overlooking the countryside – were built on the hills just outside the city walls during the Renaissance period by families involved in silk trade who decided to invest in agriculture. Transformed over the following centuries into sumptuous mansions surrounded by gardens with fountains, grottoes and precious botanical species where the family would spend the good season while closely managing the farm production, many Villas are still owned by the descendants of those historic families. Visiting the Ville Lucchesi is a journey through history enjoining a charming and private atmosphere, along a road amidst the green landscape surrounding Lucca.



Palazzo Pfanner

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Thanks to its grace and to its perfect geometry, many famous cinema directors have chosen the garden of Palazzo Pfanner as a set for their costume dramas, like "Il Marchese del Grillo" with Alberto Sordi and "The portrait of a Lady" with Nicole Kidman. Besides the architectural and artistic beauties, in the main hall of the palace it is possible to admire the collection of medical-surgical tools and ancient medicine text books that belonged to Pietro Pfanner, surgeon, philanthropist and mayor of Lucca from 1920 to 1922.



Villa Mansi

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Villa Mansi is certainly one of the most representative of the historic Aristocratic Republic culture. Famous for the elegance of its architectural lines and the beauty of its gardens, the Villa dates back to the second half of the 16th century and was later transformed by the architect Muzio Oddi between 1634-1635. Under the Mansi family, the façade was revised by the Lucca born architect Giusti and the gardens renovated to design by Filippo Juvarra. Internally, the most interesting frescos are those found in the central hall thanks to the work of the neoclassical painter Stefano Tofanelli who created the two large side paintings depicting and the ceiling painting.



Villa Torrigiani

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This National Monument stands out in Tuscany for its scenic facade with statues and the imposing décor of the Salons, where Royals and Heads of State had been hosted. Location of great movies such as "Il Marchese del Grillo" starring Alberto Sordi, the Villa was built in the Renaissance as a country palace of the Buonvisi family. The Villa was purchased in the 17th century by the Ambassador Santini and transformed as his "petite Versailles". Still owned by his descendants, who became Torrigiani by marriage in the 19th century, it is the most preserved and renowned Villa of Lucca, awarded in 2018 as the "Most Beautiful Park of Italy".



Giardino Storico di Villa Garzoni

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Villa Garzoni is in Collodi, Pistoia province since 1927, but it has the typical style of a Lucchese villa. Its centuries-old story is connected to Lucca and to Carlo Lorenzini/Collodi, author of Pinocchio. Probably his parents knew each other at Villa Garzoni: his mother was lady's maid of the little marquis; his father was the cook for Count Garzoni, that married the noblewoman. The villa has a garden with an amazing Baroque structure, full of fountains, statues, stairs and a unique crystal architecture: the Butterfly House, where dozens of butterflies live free.



Fortezza di Montecarlo

Via Fortezza, 4 Montecarlo (LU)

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Located in a strategic position inside Montecarlo village, between Lucca and Valdinevole, Fortezza is a fortification with a long history: it was built during the XII century and has seen alternate different warlords, sirs and politicians such as Carlo IV and Cosimo De' Medici. There is a religious legend according to which on the night of January 24 in 1400, during a night attack by Pisans, Madonna del Soccorso appeared above one of the towers: the night became day and the scared enemies ran away. Since then the tower is called "Tower of the Apparition".