

April 25th

SPAIN

Saint Mark (local festivity in Noia)

Next 24th, 25th and 26th April, the famous festivities of San Marcos are going to be celebrated in Noia council. On Friday 25th, about 2 in the afternoon, we are going to have fireworks, and at night, we are having a street party with the participation of the bands Gran Parada and Abanico.

Saturday offers more activities among which we will stand out the open air painting competition, the Buggies park at “Campo da feira” (Fair Field), the classic taming exhibition, a flamenco show, a horsing show in Curro street, and it is essential to attend the street party at this night with the bands Paris de Noia and Olympus.

On Sunday 26th, don't forget to go to the horsing show and the horsing race at Testal beach.

ITALY

Liberation day

Many countries around the world celebrate a day of liberation, and as the name suggests it marks the day when a place is liberated by an occupying army of some kind. In Italy, April 25, 1945 was the day when the Allied troops finally were able to liberate Italy - and today, it commemorates not just that liberation but also is a date when Italians honor their fallen soldiers.

In particular, Liberation Day is a day on which to honor the fallen partisans of the Italian Resistance who fought the Nazis as well as Mussolini's troops throughout World War II.



These days, April 25th in Italy is a day when you'll see gatherings in towns of every size, large and small, some with marching bands and some with big flags, some with political rallies and some with music concerts. While some things may still be open - especially in more touristy areas - April 25th is also a day you may find things like

museums, shops, banks, restaurants, and monuments closed up tight and some public transportation running much less frequently.

If your vacation in Italy in April will be over the 25th, you'll just want to confirm that anything you were planning to do/see that day will be open - or if it won't, you'll need to make other plans. Check with the front desk at the hotel or hostel where you're staying, and with the websites of any of the museums or monuments you're going to visit. They'll almost always have a list of public holidays during the year when they're closed.