Rome Transport Guide

Getting Around Rome

Navigate the Eternal City like a gladiator! From metro lines connecting ancient wonders to historic trams through cobblestone streets, Rome's transport brings history to life.

Main Transport Options:

Metro

Three-line subway system covering key areas of Rome, including major tourist attractions.

- Daily: 5:30 AM 11:30 PM (Fridays/Saturdays until 1:30 AM)
- Line A (Red): Vatican, Spanish Steps, Termini
- Line B (Blue): Colosseum, Termini, EUR district
- Line C (Green): Newer line serving southeastern Rome

Pro Tip: Buy Roma Pass for 48/72 hours - includes unlimited transport and museum entries!

Buses & Trams

Extensive network of buses and historic trams connecting all areas of the Eternal City.

- Regular service: 5:30 AM 12:00 AM
- Night buses: Limited routes on weekends
- Historic Tram 8: Scenic route through Trastevere
- Express buses to major attractions

Pro Tip: Use Moovit app to track real-time arrivals - Roman buses can be unpredictable!

Regional Trains

FL lines and regional trains connecting Rome to suburbs, airport, and nearby cities.

- Leonardo Express: Direct to Fiumicino Airport (32 mins)
- FL1: Connects both airports via city center
- Regional trains to Tivoli, Frascati, Ostia
- Integrated with metro and bus tickets

Pro Tip: Take FL1 for cheapest airport connection - stops at Trastevere and Ostiense!

Passes & Tickets:

Roma Pass

48 or 72-hour tourist pass including unlimited transport and museum entries

Best for: First-time visitors with museum plans

- Unlimited public transport
- Free entry to first 1-2 museums
- Skip-the-line access to many sites

Weekly Pass (CIS)

7-day unlimited travel pass for all ATAC transport within Rome

Best for: Longer stays and frequent travelers

- 7 days unlimited travel for €24
- · Valid on metro, bus, and trams
- Not valid for airport trains

Daily Pass (BIG)

Single day unlimited travel on all public transport

Best for: Day-long sightseeing adventures

- 24 hours from first validation
- All metro, bus, and tram lines
- Great value for active days

Navigation Apps & Tools:

Moovit: Best for Rome with real-time updates and route planning

Citymapper: Excellent journey planning with multiple transport options

ATAC Mobile: Official app for tickets and timetables

Google Maps: Reliable for walking directions between ancient sites

Most Instagrammable Transport Spots:

Metro to Colosseo Station

Line B directly to the Colosseum - emerge from underground to ancient Rome

Tram 8 through Trastevere

Historic tram through cobblestone streets and charming neighborhoods

Metro Line A to Spagna

Spanish Steps and luxury shopping district perfect for fashion photos

Bus to Vatican Museums

Capture St. Peter's Basilica dome from various angles during the journey

Train to Ostia Antica

Day trip to ancient Roman ruins without the crowds

Insider Tips:

Validate tickets every time - even with passes, you must stamp them!

Avoid rush hours (7-9 AM, 5-7 PM) - buses get extremely crowded

Metro closes early - last trains around 11:30 PM on weekdays

Download offline maps - cell service can be spotty in metro tunnels

Bus stop announcements are rare - use GPS to track your location