

Notes on A Florence Visit

For Great Views of Florence without the Steps

Roof of the Rinascente Department store
Roof of the Ospedale degli Innocenti
Upper floor of the Orsanmichele Church
Piazzale Michelangelo – take the #12 or #13 bus
Roof of the Oblate Library – 2 blocks from Duomo
Take the bus from San Marco up to Fisoletto
Trattoria Le Mossacce

Videos to View

The Medicis – on Netflix
Rick Ruggiero on Road Scholar's Virtual Lecture
Medici: Godfathers of the Renaissance -PBS
YouTube – 3 hour walking tour of Florence
Room With a View
Secrets of Florence (on Hoopla)

Books To Read

Brunelleschi's Dome – Ross King
The Lives of the Artists – Vasari
The Stones of Florence – McCarthy
Birth of Venus – Dunant
Looking at Painting in Florence – Paterson
The Light in the Piazza - Spencer

Places Not to Miss

Mercato Centrale –Market, Food Court, Cooking School
Grom Gelato
Badia Fiorentina - for Night Vespers
Duomo – inside without line – side entrance for English
Mass on Sat. PM or Sun.
Amici Card at the Uffizi for immediate entry
Officina Profumo-Farmaceutica di Santa Maria Novella
Ognissante Church – tomb of Botticelli
Giotto Crucifix
Pazzi Chapel next to Santa Croce
Leather School and Factory behind Santa Croce
Vasari Corridor – expected to be opened this year
Galileo Museum
San Miniato Church
Santissima Annunziata Church – painting of Mary completed by an angel
Museum of Precious Stones
Riccardo- Medici Palace – Chapel of the Magi
San Maria dell Carmine Church -Braccacci Chapel
Santo Spirito Church – Michelangelo's Crucifix

Frescoes of the Last Supper in Florence

Refectory at San Marco
Refectory at St. Maria del Carmine
Refectory of Ognissante Church
Refectory at Santa Maria Novella -painted by a nun- Sister Nelli
Refectory at Santa Croce
Refectory of San Salvi
Refectory at Sant'Apollonia
Cenacolo of Fuligno