

Inside the **Basilica of San Francesco**you can see a flooded crypt where many
goldfish swim! Dante Alighieri used to
spend much time here.

The **Dante Alighieri Theatre** is Ravenna's biggest theatre. It hosts theatre shows and concerts with international artists.

Museo Dante will teach you the history of Dante Alighieri through images and historical objects. This poet wrote a very important work for the Italian language, do you know its name?

Between Museo Dante and Piazza San Francesco is **Dante's Tomb**. The poet spend the last years of his life in Ravenna, and here he rests forever.

At CESTHA – the experimental centre for the protection of habitats, researchers and specia-

lists study and treat various kinds of marine animals, including sea turtles. Contact them if you want to take part in a boat tour for their release in the sea!

10 km away from
Ravenna is
Mirabilandia, Italy's
largest amusement park!
Thanks to many
attractions and shows,
you will surely have fun.
And don't miss
Mirabeach!

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- 9 The subsoil of Ravenna is full of surprises, like the special archaeological site of the **Domus of the Stone**Carpets: an ancient roman villa with wonderful mosaic pavements.
- When Venice took control of Ravenna, the Rocca Brancaleone fortress was built to defend the city from the enemies.

The Basilica of San Giovanni
Evangelista is one of Ravenna's most
beautiful religious buildings.
Here you can find mosaics telling the stories
of ladies and knights, and adventure of fantastic
animals. Find the mermaid!

The MAR – Ravenna Art Museum is a stop that you can't miss. With works by artists from all around the world, educational workshops and a collection of ancient and modern art, this museum is the perfect place for you to free your imagination. There are many contemporary mosaics and a funny unicorn!

The Classis Ravenna Museum tells the thousand-year-old history of the city with many archaeological findings (and also welcomes your four-legged friends!)



UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE MONUMENTS

- The **Mausoleum of Galla Placidia** is a treasure chest hiding a heart made of coloured mosaics, including the blue sky with golden stars of the dome. Here you can also see the Saint Lawrence's martyrdom. Find the flames and you'll know what happened to him.
- The **Basilica of San Vitale** puts together Eastern and Western architectures and mosaics. Thanks to the representation of Emperor Justinian and Empress Theodora, it has inspired many poets and travellers over time.
- The **Neonian Baptistery** is one of Ravenna's most ancient monuments. The main colour is blue, just like in the Mausoleum of Galla Placidia, of which it is a contemporary. Find Saint Peter, it is the oldest apostle, the one with white hair and beard!
- **St. Andrew Chapel (or Archiepiscopal Chapel)**was the bishop's private church. Here, you can see a
 large image of Christ dressed as a warrior. The mosaics
 hide countless different species of birds! Can you find
 them all?
- The mosaics of the **Basilica of Sant'Apollinare Nuovo** tell the story of Jesus, but are also a portrait of
 Ravenna in the 6th century, with the Port of Classe and
 the ancient palace of Theodoric. Watch out for what's
 behind the curtains...
- In the dome of the **Arian Baptistery**, you can see a mosaic representing the river Jordan and the procession of the 12 apostles.
- 7 The dome of the **Mausoleum of Theodoric** was built with a single and very heavy block of stone.

 Legend has it that Theodoric was killed by a lightning that struck him right through the dome.
- The **Basilica of Sant'Apollinare in Classe** celebrates the Patron Saint of the city, portrayed in the apse in a heavenly landscape.

 Did you know that the 12 white sheep represent the 12 apostles?