

# Best things to see in Venice in one day

## Piazza San Marco (Saint Mark's Square)

The most famous and visited location in Venice. Piazza San Marco is the main public square of Venice. This square is rich of history and lot of important buildings are in this square, amongst which the church of Saint Mark, the Clock tower, and the old procuracies.

You can visit the church, clock tower, museums and most of the buildings in Piazza San Marco if you have the time, or you could also enjoy walking around it, taking in the atmosphere.



## Ponte di Rialto (Rialto's Bridge)

This is one of the most famous bridges in Venice. It is one of the only four bridges that span the Grand Canal and it's also the oldest. The bridge is very wide and is also famous for the rows of shops located along it. Close to the Ponte di Rialto there is also a beautiful viewpoint over the bridge and Grand Canal, it's called: "T Fondaco dei Tedeschi by DFS" and is a high-end luxury mall inside a historical building. When you walk in you can just head straight to the top floor, where access to the rooftop is free. Be prepared to be amazed by the view!



## Palazzo Ducale (Doge's Palace)

The Doge's Palace is a monumental piece of architecture and perhaps the most important site in Venice. The building was originally founded in the 14th and 15th century with other elements being added over the years. There are three main areas of the structure, the oldest being the closest to St. Mark's Basin (1340), the block facing St. Mark's Square took its present form in 1424 and the part facing the Grand Canal was built between 1483 and 1565.



## Ponte dei Sospiri (Bridge of Sighs)

The Ponte dei Sospiri is another extremely famous bridge in Venice. Its peculiar architecture and higher up location compared to the other bridges in Venice have drawn the attention of tourists to it. People often interpret the Sighs part of the name as a romantic feature, given the romantic nature of the city, the reality is however very different. The bridge connects the New Prison to the interrogation rooms in the Doge's Palace and it is said that prisoners would sigh when walking from the bridge to prison, sighing at their final view of the beautiful Venice harbour. While the reality of the bridge is very different from the common stereotype of it, it's still a beautiful bridge to see when visiting Venice.



## **Do a gondola boat tour!**

One of the first things most people think of when you say Venice, are the typical gondola boats. Yes it's touristy, but it's also awesome and definitely worth the expense. It gives you the opportunity to see Venice from a completely different angle and go down canals that you can't access on foot. As you walk around Venice you will find there are gondola parking spots all throughout the city and that they are all priced the same. A 25 / 30-minute gondola tour is 80 EUR and a 45 minute one is 120 EUR. You can choose to do a gondola tour from any part of Venice.

