

How to Get to Centro d'Ompio



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Centro d'Ompio is situated on a lovely site above Lake Orta, in the village of Pratolungo, Town of Pettenasco, Piemonte, Northern Italy, 70 km from the Swiss-Italian Border. We are reachable within a 30 min drive from Lake Maggiore.



Important General Notes:

- When planning your route to Centro d'Ompio, please read this document in full to find the most convenient travel option for you.
- It is critical to know that there is no late evening public transport service from Novara to Pettenasco. The last train from Milano Centrale that allows you to connect through to Pettenasco departs at 18:18. The last train in Novara to Pettenasco departs at 19:15. Please keep this in mind when planning your route. For Trains through Switzerland, please check [SBB Switzerland](#) website for connection times.
- For those who will arrive late at any Milano Airport and will not be able to make a full connection to Pettenasco using public transport services, we recommend to spend the night in Milano or take our Direct Taxi Service from the airport (see pg 5 for further details). If spending the night in Milano, in the morning catch an

appropriate train to Pettenasco with a train change in Novara (Milano Centrale to Novara: direction Torino, Novara to Pettenasco: direction Domodossola).

- From Pettenasco Train Station, it is a 3km hike up the steep winding mountain side. Centro d'Ompio can provide a taxi service at a cost of €5 one way per person. For booking the taxi service, please email in advance: cent with: your name, arrival date, and your pick up time.
- From Gravellona Toce, which is 14,2km from Centro d'Ompio, we can provide a taxi service at a cost of €35 for a car of max 3 persons. For booking the taxi service, please email in advance: centro@ompio.org with: your name, arrival date, and your pick up time.
- When traveling by train, Italian Railways can at times be on strike. Please check the situation at local train stations using Trenitalia or SBB Switzerland.

Arrival By Plane:

There are three airports in the area of Milan:

1. Milano Malpensa (International Airport)
2. Bergamo Orio al Serio
3. Milano Linate

Directions from these airports are as follows:

Milano Malpensa Airport:

Option 1 ROUTE: MALPENSA - NOVARA - PETTENASCO

- From Milano Malpensa Airport you can take a shuttle bus to Novara Train station. The Shuttle Service to Novara is called: [AutoLinea Novara Malpensa](#).
- Customers pay for their shuttle tickets on board the bus. You will need to exit the Shuttle Bus at Novara Piazza Garibaldi FS and walk across the street to the Novara Train Station (100m).

AutoLinea Shuttle Bus Departure Schedule								
Terminal 1	8:05	10:00	12:00	15:05	16:00	17:00	20:05	21:05
Terminal 2	7:55	10:10	12:10	14:55	16:10	17:10	19:55	20:55

- At Novara station you will take a train to Pettenasco train station (direction Domodossola) for €4,60.

Novara to Pettenasco Summer [Train Timetable & Booking](#)

Novara Station Departure & Pettenasco Station Arrival									
Dep.	5:38	6:38	12:23	13:50	15:18	16:33	17:32	18:18	19:18
Arr.	6:35	7:40	13:10	14:47	16:15	17:17	18:31	19:36	20:20

Travel time: Shuttle Bus Approx. 1hr, Train Approx. 1hr
 Expenses: Shuttle Approx €10, Train €4,60

[Option 2](#) ROUTE: MALPENSA - GRAVELLONA TOCE - CENTRO D'OMPIO

- From Milano Malpensa Airport you can book a Shuttle Bus from either Terminal 1 or Terminal 2 with [Comazzi Autobus](#) for €12.

Shuttle Bus locations:

Malpensa Terminal 1. Next to exit 3 bus stop 6

Malpensa Terminal 2. Bus stop 9

Arrival for transfer destination is at Gravelona Toce. Bus stop corso Marconi n. 22.

Malpensa Shuttle Departure & Gravelona Toce Arrival							
Dep.	7:15	10:00	11:00	14:50	15:55	17:50	20:50
Arr.	8:05	10:50	11:50	15:40	16:45	18:40	21:35

PLEASE NOTE You must book your trip, choosing from the set times, by 12:00 CET the day before the departure date. For departures on Sunday and Monday, the request must be received by 12:00 CET on Saturday. For transfers on public holidays and after the holidays, the reservation must be made by 12:00 CET noon on the day before the holiday. For any further questions regarding your booking of the shuttle bus, please, contact Comazzi's customer service at +39 0324 240 333 or comazzi@comazzibus.com

- From Gravelona Toce, which is 14,2km from Centro d'Ompio, we can provide a taxi service at a cost of €35 for a car of max 3 persons. For booking the taxi service, please email in advance: centro@ompio.org with: your name, arrival date, and your pick up time.

Travel time: Shuttle Bus Approx. 50 mins, Taxi Approx. 25 mins
Expenses: Shuttle Bus €12, Taxi €35 *for max 3 persons

Bergamo Orio al Serio: ROUTE: BERGAMO ORIO AL SERIO - MILANO CENTRALE - NOVARA - PETTENASCO

- If arriving to Bergamo Orio al Serio Airport the recommended connections are to take a Shuttle bus to Milano Centrale (Main Train Station) or take our Direct Taxi Service from the airport (see pg 5 for further details).

You have two Shuttle Bus options from Bergamo Orio to Milano Centrale

1. [Orio Shuttle](#)
2. [Terravision](#)

- At Milano Centrale Train station you can take a train to Pettenasco with a train change in Novara (Milano Centrale to Novara: direction Torino, Novara to Pettenasco: direction Domodossola).

Travel Time: Shuttle Approx. 1 hr, Train Approx. 2 hrs
Expenses: Shuttle €5, Train €5-15, Taxi €5

Milano Linate: ROUTE: MILANO LINATE - MILANO CENTRALE - NOVARA - PETTENASCO

There are a few flights to this airport.

- If arriving to Milano Linate Airport the only recommended connection is to take a Shuttle bus to Milano Centrale (Main Train Station) or take our Direct Taxi Service from the airport (see pg 5 for further details).
- You can book your Shuttle Bus from Milano Linate to Milano Centrale with [Malpensa Shuttle](#) using Air Bus Linate. The Bus From Linate (found at Arrivals No. 6) has its first departure at 6:30 then every 30 minutes until 23:30 for €5 one way or €9 return.
- At Milano Centrale Train station you can take a train to Pettenasco with a train change in Novara (Milano Centrale to Novara: direction Torino, Novara to Pettenasco: direction Domodossola).

Travel Time: Shuttle approx. 30 mins, Train Approx. 2 hours

Expenses: Shuttle €5, Train €5-15, Taxi €5

Direct Taxi Service From All Airports:

Departure From	Single trip max 3 pers.	Single trip 4-7 pers.
Milano Malpensa	€95 per car	€115 per car
Bergamo Orio al Serio	€220 per car	€250 per car
Milano Linate	€180 per car	€200 per car

PLEASE NOTE that we can only guarantee these prices if the taxis are booked through contacting our office at: centro@ompio.org. Please email us in advance with your name, arrival date, location, and pick up time. When you submit your request, we will do our best to group passengers into one car to share costs of car. Please understand that this cannot be guaranteed and is based upon passengers advanced booking information.

Rail Travel:

From Switzerland and West Germany

- The rail connection from the above mentioned locations is Basel-Bern-Brig-Simplon-Domodossola.
- Then take the local Italian train from Domodossola to Pettenasco (Connections either Domodossola-Novara or Domodossola - Borgomanero).
- From Pettenasco Train Station you can book a pick up service to Centro d'Ompio.
see general notes on page 1

From Eastern Europe, Germany, Austria, and Switzerland:

- From The above mentioned locations you can take the train to Milano Centrale.
- At Milano Centrale Train station you can take a train to Pettenasco with a train change in Novara (Milano Centrale to Novara: direction Torino, Novara to Pettenasco: direction Domodossola).

- From Pettenasco Train Station you can book a pick up service to Centro d'Ompio.
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Arrival By Car:

Take a look at the [Interactive Map & Route Planner](#) that we have provided on our [website](#).

From or Via Switzerland:

- Via Lötschberg (Autoverlad) and the Simplon Pass: Autobahn from Domodossola to the Gravellona Toce exit. Then to Omegna and along Lake Orta to Pettenasco.
- Via Gotthard or San Bernardino: drive past Bellinzona and Locarno along Lake Maggiore to Verbania, Gravellona Toce, Omegna, and finally to Pettenasco.

From the South and East Via Milan:

- Take the Milano Tangenziale Nord towards Gravellona Toce/Confine del Stato. Take the Arona exit and then drive on to Borgomanero, Gozzano, Orta (Lake Orta) to Pettenasco.

From Pratolungo:

- Arriving in Pratolungo, Drive up the hill on the road 'Via Pratolungo'. You will see Camping Royal on your right hand side. On the right side of the road on the telephone pole is a rectangular sign that says: "Centro d'Ompio." The sign indicates to take your first sharp left into a small blacktop (paved) lane. Continue up the road until you find a sign that says: "Private Property." At this point you will have house number 38A on the left hand side and a field on the right hand side. Ignore the private property sign and continue driving straight through. Follow the paved road up and you will come up a sign that says: "Welcome to Centro d'Ompio." Continue up the paved road until you reach the main building.