

Greetings and Small Talk for your Persona: Italian

Modern Italian to enhance your in-persona experience

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|---|---|--------------------------------|
| Hello | Buongiorno | Good day |
| Hi | Ciao! | |
| Goodbye | Ciao | Bye! |
| | Addio | Farewell, implied forever |
| | Arrivederci | Implies you'll see them again |
| Welcome | Benvenuto | |
| Good morning | Buongiorno | |
| Good evening | Buonasera | |
| Good night | Buona notte | |
| Please | Per favore | |
| | Prego | |
| Thank you | Molte grazie, grazie mille | Many thanks, a thousand thanks |
| Thanks | Grazie | |
| You're welcome | Prego | |
| Yes | Sì | |
| No | No | |
| Maybe | Può essere, forse | It could be, perhaps |
| My name is ____ | Mi chiamo ____ | I am called |
| I come from ____ | Vengo ____ | * see guide below |
| Can I offer you something to eat? Perhaps some nibbles? | Posso offrirti qualcosa da mangiare? Forse alcuni stuzzichini? | |
| Cheers! | Saluti! | |
| | Cincin | |

*** Kingdoms and Lands**

Forms of address (directly to the person):

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| the Kingdom of Ansteorra/Glen Abheann/Atlantia/Trimaris/Meridies/etc. | da/dalla/dall' Ansteorra/Glen Abheann/Atlantia/Trimaris/Meridies/etc. | Your Majesty | Sua Maestà |
| France | dalla Francia | Your Highness | Vostra altezza |
| England | dall'inghilterra | Your Excellency | Vostra Eccellenza |
| Italy | dall'italie | Master | Maestro, Messer (SCA-approved) |
| Spain | dalla Spagna | Mistress | Maestra |
| Scotland | dalla Scozia | Sir (Knight) | Signore, Signora; Signore il Cavaliere, Signora la Cavaliere |
| Wales | dal Galles | My lord | Mio signore |
| Ireland | dall'Irlanda | My lady | Mia Signora |
| Germany | dalla Germania | Good gentle(s) | Buoni gentili |
| The Netherlands | da Paesi Bassa | Rome | da Roma |
| Flanders/Belgium | dalle Fiandre | Paris | da Parigi |
| Portugal | dal Portogallo | London | da Londra |
| | | Edinburgh | da Edimburgo |

<http://heraldry.sca.org/titles.html>

<http://www.ipachart.com/>

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Help:IPA/Italian>

<https://web.stanford.edu/~jrb/reference/italian.html>

Quick guide:

C

C followed by o, a, or u: K sound

C followed by e or i: ch sound (as in "chess")

Ch: K sound

Chi+vowel: K+y+vowel sound

G

G followed by o, a, or u: hard g (as in "got")

G followed by i or e: soft g (as in "general")

Gi + another vowel: J (as in "John") + that other vowel. E.g. "Giovanni" is "Jovahny"

Gh + a vowel: hard g (think "Ghiradelli")

Gl: special pronunciation in Italian. Try saying "Glee" without making the G hard, but still moving your tongue.

Gn: Ñ (gnocchi)

Double consonants (ll, mm, nn, ss, etc.) are held for longer.

Pene is a very different word from penne.

R - single-tap trill

RR - true trill