

Rome Transportation Tips

Public Transportation



Rome has an integrated public transportation system. ATAC is the one and only public transportation system throughout the commune of Rome. Each ATAC ticket will work on all metro, buses, and trams in the urban area and some railways (FR). Tickets (biglietti) can be bought from tabacchi (look for the 'T' signs outside of convenient stores), newsstands, and at metro stations. You can also buy ATAC tickets from the JFRC lobby at reception. Regular tickets cost €1.50 and are valid for 100 minutes from the moment they are first stamped on the bus/metro. Within these 100 minutes, you are entitled to use any combination of buses, trams, and one Metro journey. You will need to stamp your ticket in the yellow machines when getting on the bus or tram, and/or put it through the turnstile when entering the Metro. A month pass costs €35 and allows for an unlimited number of journeys for that calendar month. A year pass costs €250 and allows for an unlimited number of journeys for 365 days from the date of purchase. If you are a full year student, purchasing a year pass is worth an investment.

Metro



Rome's subway system (Metropolitana) has three lines and is marked by red M signs on city maps. The two lines, Lines A (red) and B (blue), intersect at Termini Station. Subway Line A connects the Vatican with Anagnina, the central bus terminal for routes to other cities in Lazio. Line B extends from Rebibbia to EUR. A recently inaugurated Line C connects area of Via Casilina to Pantano. Subway service begins at 5:30am and concludes at 11:30pm. Try to avoid the rush hours and beware of pickpockets.

The nearest metro station to the JFRC is on the A line at Cipro. This metro Cipro stop can be reached by foot (31 minutes) or public bus (25 minutes). When you are traveling AWAY from the JFRC, you will be traveling towards the direction of Anagnina (remember going AWAY from campus = Anagnina). When you are returning to our neighborhood, you will be coming BACK in the direction of Battistini (remember going BACK to campus = Battistini).



Buses



The most commonly used form of transportation in Rome is the bus. Rome's extensive bus routes connect the JFRC and Balduina neighborhood to the historic center and extend far into the surrounding suburbs. Bus stops, departure schedules and route information are found on well - marked signs throughout the city. Orange, red/silver or green ATAC city buses and trams run from 5:30am to midnight. However, be aware: these are estimated running times. Some lines provide night buses (indicated with an "N"). Due to constant route modifications, students should always check the hours of operation for a specific route before departing. For more detailed ATAC schedules and information, check their site www.atac.roma.it or call 800 43 17 84.

There are three main buses that serve the JFRC neighborhood: 990 & 913 & N6 night bus

The 990 runs only during the day from 05:30am to midnight, the 913 runs 24 hours a day, and the N6 runs from midnight to about 5:30am.

A few useful central routes to get you started:

- 990/913 – These buses will take you to Piazza Cavour. This is a good starting point to access the city center with another bus, or simply walking to the different historical locations. You can also catch a bus to the airport from this Piazza.
- 40 Express – From Termini to Piazza Pia (Castel Sant'Angelo) along via Nazionale, Piazza Venezia, Largo Argentina (for the Pantheon), corso Vittorio Emmanuele (for Piazza Navona), to Piazza Pia (for Castel Sant'Angelo, St Peter's).
- 64 – From Termini to Stazione San Pietro, following much the same route as the 40, but with more stops, and terminal at the Stazione San Pietro. For St Peter's, get off at the stop after the tunnel once you have crossed the river.

Taxis

TAXI Taxis are (by law at least) not allowed to pick you up by being hailed on the street. Taxis wait at taxi stands and can also be called by the porter's desk, in which case you will be charged a small supplement. The meter starts approximately at €4.50 during the day and at €6.50 during the evening. At times there are supplemental charges for service on Sundays and holidays, as well as for each piece of baggage if the driver assists you with it. Avoid unmarked or unmetered cabs (numerous at airports and train stations), whose drivers actively solicit your trade and may demand illegal fares. Use only licensed, metered yellow or white cabs, identified by a numbered shield on the side and an illuminated taxi sign on the roof. The closest taxi stand to the JFRC is at Piazza Balduina.

To call a taxi: dial: 06-3570

When you call a cab, give the operator the address where you want to be picked up. Do your best to pronounce the address as clearly as possible. Stay on the line until the operator gives you the name and the number of the car (e.g. Bologna 66 or Pisa 50) and the estimated arrival time of the car (3 minuti). Then hang up and wait for the taxi to arrive. The porter's desk can help you reserve a taxi in advance when going to the airport or train stations early in the morning.

Official Rome website: <http://www.agenziamobilita.roma.it/it/servizi/muoversi-in-taxi/tariffe-taxi.html> provides information about Roman taxi services, fees, consumer rights and complaint procedures. Most drivers are agreeable, manage a bit of English, and are honest with the meter. However some drivers, and this is usually the case at the airport, can be unpleasant and unscrupulous. Even if the meter is on, tricks include setting it to the after 10pm or "out of town" (extra-urbana) tariffs unjustifiably. If it sounds absurd, protest, take down the license number, and/or ask for a receipt (ricevuta). There is no need to tip the taxi driver unless you wish to reward particularly good service, although it is usual to round up to nearest euro.