

# How to get to Perugia

## By train

Perugia's main station is below the town in the valley. Be sure to get off at "Perugia" and not the smaller suburban station "Perugia Ponte San Giovanni," which will be the first one you encounter when coming from the south (from Foligno or Rome) or "Perugia Università" (from the North/Florence). The main station is also called "Perugia Centrale" or "Perugia Fontivegge". Facing the hill with your back to the station, go to the closest bus stand to the station. Here you can take any bus that says Piazza Italia on it. Don't worry, it's the last stop.

## By Bus (from Fiumicino Rome airport to Perugia)

If you take the Sulga bus **from Rome airport (Fiumicino)**, or any other bus, you'll arrive in Perugia at Piazza Partigiani, the bus station. You might as well avail yourself of the timetable before you arrive (download it here: [www.sulga.it](http://www.sulga.it)). To find the Sulga bus to Perugia at the Fiumicino airport, go outside the arrivals terminal and walk to your right until the end of the terminal 3; You should see "T3 Entrance 6" as seen in the picture. The Sulga bus for Perugia waits around here (it says SULGA on the side) and tickets can be bought on board. Once you arrive at the airport bus station, on the electronic timetables you might not see the name Perugia, but don't worry, it's there. The oneway bus fare Rome Airport-Perugia or vice versa is around €22. Return fares work out cheaper but are only valid for one month. Once you arrive in Perugia you will be in **Piazza Partigiani**. Cross the street, go a little to your left, and follow everyone else up the scale mobili (escalators) and stairways through the bowels of the former Papal fortress, the **Rocca Paolina**. You'll end up at Piazza Italia.

## By Car

If you come from the North, you'll more than likely get off the Rome-Florence Autostrada A1 onto the "Raccordo Perugia Bettolle," the extension to Perugia. Get off at either the "Prepo" or "Piscille" exit and follow the signs to the center. Park near Piazza dei Partigiani and take the escalators up. From the South you can also take the E45 superstrada north from Orte to Perugia.

## By Plane

You may arrive to **Perugia's airport PEG** (S. Francesco Airport), down in the valley in the town of Sant'Egidio. There is a small Sulga bus to take you to Perugia historical center (Piazza Italia) and it is scheduled according to flight arrivals so you don't need to worry.

If you are landing in other close by airports, you'll have to make the three hour train ride from Pisa, Ancona, or Rome to Perugia.

**From Pisa airport** take the airport train to Firenze (Florence) and then a train to Perugia (you may have to change at Terontola- see the train section). **From Ancona airport**, take the train towards Rome (you may have to change trains at Foligno to reach Perugia).

**In Rome**, Ryan Air arrives at the secondary airport, **Roma Ciampino**. Ciampino airport is connected by shuttle bus to Ciampino railway station and Anagnina on the metropolitana (subway system). From there take a train to Perugia. You can also (and we recommend) take the efficient Terravision buses (see [www.terravision.it](http://www.terravision.it)).

More likely you'll fly through **Roma Fiumicino FCO** (also called Leonardo da Vinci). If you go by train, ask the train station employee to give you a ticket to Roma Tiburtina (€8) and then from Roma Tiburtina to Perugia (€10.12). If you say "Airport to Perugia" you'll pay the extortionary €14 from Fiumicino to Roma Termini (on the express train) and then €10.12 from Roma Termini to Perugia. **Don't arrive too late in Rome**: if you leave Rome after 20:00 you may not get the train to Perugia. There are also several **Fiumicino airport buses** every day operated by the Sulga company. They leave from right in front of Terminal C, from the big parking lot that all the other buses leave from. Look for "Sulga" on the side of the bus. It takes from three to three-and-half hours to get to Perugia but it saves you hauling your luggage on and off the train. Get the newest schedule online at [www.sulga.it](http://www.sulga.it) (no need to reserve). It's €24 one way.

**In Perugia** – Once you reach the center of Perugia, you will see the long main pedestrian street, Corso Vannucci, and the main piazza, Piazza IV Novembre. From the the Corso, go left around the Fountain and through the large portal indicated here. The stairs up to the Institute is on your right at the top of the ramp.



**Taxi** – Should you want to take a taxi in Perugia, call + 39 075.500.4888.