

Bologna

Bologna is an exciting town, but there's another reason why it's called "the electric" city. Since the 17th century, giant steps toward mastering electrical energy were taken here, including 1909 Nobel Prize winner Guglielmo Marconi's invention of wireless telegraphy -- a.k.a. radio communication.

Pesaro

Pesaro is the hometown of opera composer Gioacchino Rossini (1792-1868). Rossini left all he had to this city in Italy's Marche Region. That legacy is evident in the local Rossini Museum and the Rossini Theatre, but especially in Europe's second largest music event. The Rossini Opera Festival attracts world famous singers and thousands of music lovers to Pesaro each August.

Ravenna

Ravenna is a picturesque dream. The city that inspired Dante, Boccaccio, Byron, and Klimt is surrounded by the grandiose beauty of its natural environment. There is magnificent pinewood inland and a sandy lido that stretches kilometers along the Adriatic Sea. There are no fewer than nine seaside resorts, equipped with every comfort and characterized by a tradition of hospitality.

Verona

Verona is the home of Romeo and Juliet. This town of the Montagues and of the Capulets, with its arena and its famous balcony, is a beautiful location from which to explore the northern Italian lakes.