

Food

Portofino has some of the best food in Italy, including Pesto Genovese, minestrone and focaccia. Because Liguria is on the coast, seafood and fish are a big part of the diet there, and many of the region's famous foods and recipes were first invented, or eaten, on ships or by fishermen.

Architecture

Portofino is a fishing village on the Italian Riviera coastline. With Pastel-coloured houses, high-end boutiques and seafood restaurants fringe its Piazzetta, a small cobbled square overlooking the harbour. A path leads from the Piazzetta to Castello Brown, a 16th-century fortress and museum with art exhibitions and panoramic views of the town and the Ligurian Sea.

Climate

During the entire year, the rain falls for 130 days

July is the warmest month in Portofino, with an average high-temperature of 25°C and an average low-temperature of 16°C

Population

The population of Portofino has decreased because the population in 2006 was 521 and now the population is 416 and the time when the population was highest was 2005 when it was 541.

History

The Romans founded the town and named it Portus Delphini, or Port of Dolphins, because of all the dolphins that lived in the area, but others say it was claimed by Benedictines from a nearby Abbey of San Fruttuoso, and then passed onto Republic of Genoa in 1414.

