

## Venice

Like the tide that laps knee-high against its fine palazzos, Venice is ever-changing. Since its bog-like beginnings as a collection of mini islands in swampy marshland, the city has been forced to use its initiative. Today, faced with floods of day-trippers and *acqua alta* alike, it continues to rely on innovative ideas. Whether it's a museum with ground-floor channels to cope with high water levels or a theatre in a warehouse once used for stretching sails, it capitalises on its lagoon location and spouts ingenuity.

The Monocle Travel Guide to Venice looks beyond the teeming tourist traps to discover La Serenissima's true charms, from classical and contemporary architectural wonders to galleries brimming with both Venetian and international works of art. We've wended our way through the city's willowy *calli* to find the trattorias offering the finest seafood, as well as the best *bàcari* to visit when you're craving a spritz. Venice is made for walking so we've mapped out four neighbourhood trails that will show you the way, as well as our favourite independent shops and the plushest hotels.

A maritime city, Venice has long lured travellers to its shores. So what are you waiting for? Hop on board.

**Why don't you read the travel guide and let me take care of that?**



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... Oeh! Glide through the lagoon city's outposts of good food, design, retail and more. Andiamo! ...

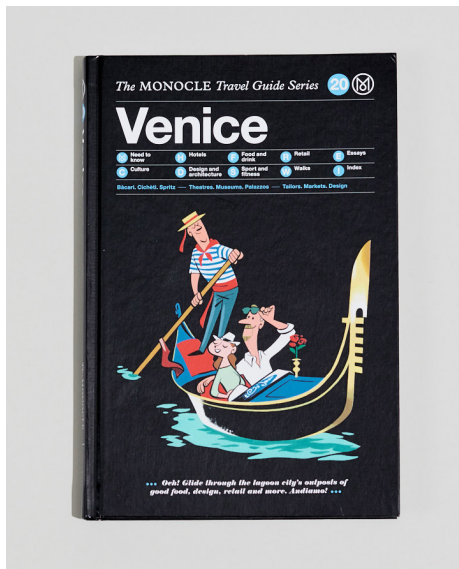


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**Amsterdam:** At first glance, horseshoe-shaped Amsterdam is a breeze to circumnavigate and its offerings seemingly obvious. But look closely and you'll find that this archetype of liberalism and diversity is forever reinventing itself and that there is much more to the city. Have a read, hop on a bicycle and discover everything it has to offer.

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