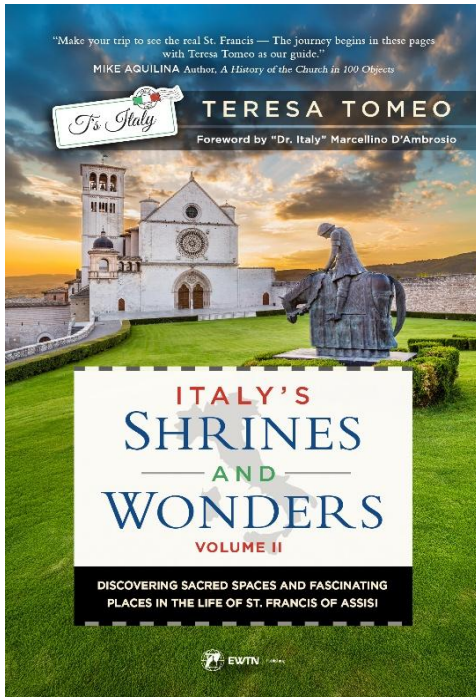




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***Italy's Shrines and Wonders:
Volume II
Discovering Sacred Spaces and
Fascinating Places
in the Life of St. Francis of Assisi***

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KEY TALKING POINTS:

- *Travel & Spiritual Guide of the important places St. Francis walked and lived throughout Italy.*
- *Walks the reader through the must-sees and must-dos along the way that help embrace the beauty of Italy's rich faith and culture.*
- *Pope Leo XIV has declared 2026 the Jubilee Year of St. Francis, as it is the 800th Anniversary of his death. This book will help you encounter the real St. Francis.*

Bestselling Italy expert, author, and travel consultant, **Teresa Tomeo**, walks with you in the footsteps of St. Francis of Assisi, one of the most beloved saints in history. You'll travel with Tomeo through the Italian countryside while she uncovers St. Francis' life as a mystic and miracle worker, and as the first recorded stigmatist. Learn about the inspiration and deep convictions behind St. Francis' founding the Franciscan Order and how he worked tirelessly to spread peace and rebuild the Catholic Church through his service to the poor. Journey through sacred spaces and fascinating places in Umbria with Tomeo to Francis' beloved Assisi, his hometown and burial place. Then, travel with her to Rivotorto and Spoleto, key places in Francis' conversion, then La Verna in the Tuscany Region, and Greccio in the Lazio Region, the birthplace of the first Nativity scene where you learn about Francis' deep love for the Incarnation.



COMPELLING SELLING POINTS:

This book is perfect for:

- All Travelers and Pilgrims to Italy
- Devotees & those with an interest in St. Francis of Assisi
- People with a general interest in Saints or Italy
- Any Christian who wants to follow in the footsteps of St. Francis
- Those taking Francis as their Confirmation or Baptism Name
- Whomever wants to better appreciate the beauty of Italy, and especially the one who gave us the beauty in the first place—God!

Target Markets:

- Travelers to Italy, Pilgrims, or for Pilgrimage Group Leaders
- Those interested in God's creation, animals, birds, and ecology
- Catholics and other Admirers of St. Francis
- Franciscans: Members of the clergy, religious, and lay people
- Those interested in deepening their faith in Christ like St. Francis
- Bible Study Groups during the Jubilee Year of St. Francis and beyond

Takeaways for the Reader:

- Get to know the real St. Francis with insights into his life's journey. He was more than just a man who loved birds, animals, and the earth—he was a peacemaker.
- Dive deep into the creating of the first live Nativity scene, in 1223.
- Be in awe learning about how St. Francis tamed a ferocious wolf. Villagers buried the wolf after its death in a tomb and erected a church!
- Discover amazing architecture, artifacts, Italian traditions, and sites — including the largest Christmas trees in the world, both on land and in water.
- Learn about Francis' companions and other amazing saints in these regions where St. Francis traveled, including Saints Clare and Agnes of Assisi, Rufino, Ubaldo, Bernardine, and Carlo Acutis.
- How to embrace and experience *La Dolce Vita*, the Sweet Life, by slowing down and truly absorbing the beauty in Italy.