

Wind and sea: a powerful combination

Where the bora blows: 130 km of coast, 23 marinas, 25 docks, 15,000 berths and 100 nautical events during the year

From the mouth of the Tagliamento to the marina of Porto San Rocco in Muggia, via long sandy beaches and the splendid Grado and Lignano lagoons, all the way to the Gulf of Trieste which has one of the most intriguing rocky shorelines in the Adriatic, Friuli Venezia Giulia stretches for a whole **130 km along the coast**. If, on the other hand, you prefer the open sea, the region's **23 marinas** and over 25 docks offer you a total number of berths which is among the highest in the Mediterranean, making this the ideal starting point for any kind of boat trip. The regional facilities offer many services, equipped moorings for mega yachts too and all kinds of entertainment and comforts.

Friuli Venezia Giulia is the perfect destination for sea lovers. Sailors or yachtsmen, beginners or old salt, when you dock in the regional marinas you have a properly organised system with the highest quality standards at your disposal. Boating enthusiasts will find **15,000 berths**, services and fully equipped moorings for **boats of all sizes**, and specialised boatyards. Friuli Venezia Giulia also means safety for yachtsmen: not only sailing on calm waters, but also having at your disposal a network of businesses and craftsmen specialized in building and repairing all kinds of crafts, from large cruisers to high-performance hulls and wooden boats, providing suitable assistance to the boat lovers who want to venture into seas frequented by **the most famous skippers who ever navigated around the globe**.

Not by chance all over the year more than **100 important nautical events** take place in the region.

Nautical events not to be missed

- ✓ **International Three Gulfs Week** – Sailing and entertainment events take place in Muggia and in the Gulfs of Izola and Portoroz in Slovenia. The week includes the “borderless” *Muggia-Portoroz-Muggia* regatta between Italy and Slovenia.
- ✓ **Vela e Vela** – an event dedicated to sailing enthusiasts that takes place in Muggia (Porto San Rocco) in April
- ✓ **Barcolana - Autumn Cup** – On the second Sunday of October the Gulf of Trieste becomes the stage for the world's largest regatta (from the point of view of the number of participants). A spectacle that fills the gulf with 2,000 boats of all sizes, from hi-tech hulls to the tiniest sailing boats. www.barcolana.it
- ✓ **Nautilia – Second hand Boat Show** – This event takes place in Aprilia Marittima di Latisana at the end of October. The special feature of this show is that the boats are in dry dock; the event brings together over 15,000 visitors and dozens of boat dealers from Italy and abroad. www.nautilia.org
- ✓ **Graisana** – Two events in one: on the one hand, the traditional regatta, on the other a date for your yachting diary. The two are linked by a rich programme of cultural and food and wine events.
- ✓ **Barcamania** – an event dedicated to leisure boating that takes place in March in Lignano Pineta. www.barcamania.org

Did you know that...

- ✓ **Trieste** is the call&home port of unforgettable **cruises** in the Mediterranean Sea.
- ✓ Enjoy water sports in Friuli Venezia Giulia! Discover the nautical village of Lignano, kitesurf in Grado and challenge the *bora*, Trieste's typical wind, sailing along the coast of Barcola; dive and explore the seafloor of the wonderful WWF Marine Reserve of Miramare Castle and of Sistiana bay.



Porto San Rocco – Muggia



Kitesurf



Barcolana



Jet ski