



Villages sheet

Name Village	MONTERIGGIONI
Province	SIENA
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Summary

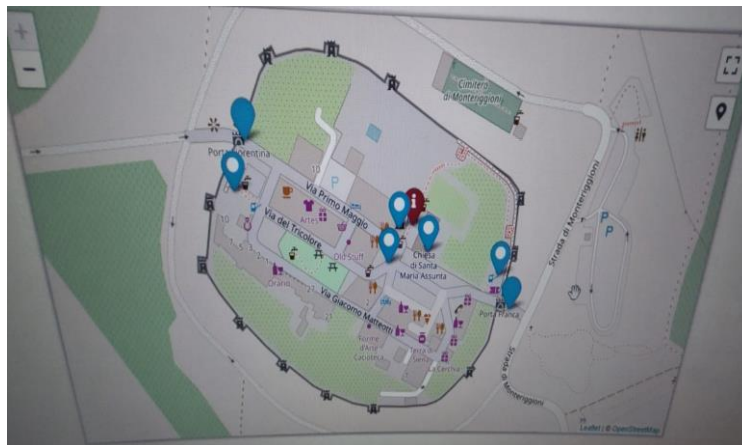
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Description

The castle of Monteriggioni dates back to the second twenty years of the thirteenth century and was founded by the Republic of Siena to defend the borders against the rival city, Florence; the two cities clashed for centuries, until the capture of the city of Siena in 1555. La fall of Monteriggioni, in 1554, anticipated that of the founding city; he was the Captain of the Sienese troops, Giovannino Zeti, to surrender to the Florentine army, which had besieged the base of the hill on which our fortress stands. The walls had resisted numerous sieges and attacks during its history, but from this moment on its defensive function was lost, as following the final surrender of the Republic of Siena withdrawn to Montalcino in 1559, all the Sienese territories passed under Florentine rule. The village of Monteriggioni develops within the city walls and is crossed by a main road that, passing through the Porta Franca or Romea (which looks in the direction of Siena), crosses the main square (Piazza Dante Alighieri), to rejoin the Porta San Giovanni or Porta Fiorentina (which looks in the direction of the Valdelsa). Inside the village you can see some cisterns, which in ancient times were used to collect rainwater. One of these is located in the main square. The characteristic structure of the village is given by the walls and in particular by the fourteen towers, whose grandeur must have been very remarkable even in the Middle Ages, so much so as to suggest to Dante a famous simile with the Giants placed in Hell: [...] *but that, as on the round circle / Monteriggion of towers is crowned, / so the pride that surrounds the well / towered half a person / the horrible giants [...]*" (Inf., XXXI, vv. 40-44)





How to reach Monteriggioni



By car	Monteriggioni can be reached from the Florence-Siena motorway junction, exit "Monteriggioni".
By plane	Florence Airport
Assistance service for people with disabilities	YES
Embarkation/disembarkation of passengers with reduced mobility	with courtesy chair and ambulift/finger
Tactile paths for the blind and visually impaired	YES
Present a local Accessible toilet with grab handles	YES
By train	The closest railway station to the Castle is " <i>Castellina in Chianti-Monteriggioni</i> " (loc. Castellina Scalo about 3 km away). Other railway stations in the municipal area: hamlet of Badesse.
Assistance service for people with disabilities	Not detected
Blue Hall Reference	Location Florence
Carriage access	with forklift/ramp
There is a toilet room in the station accessible with grab handles	YES
By bus	Main lines that pass near the Castle of Monteriggioni: nr. 130 Siena-Colle Val d'Elsa-Poggibonsi-San Gimignano and return. nr. 131 Siena-Colle Val d'Elsa-Poggibonsi-Florence and return (ordinary Florence). ATTENTION: not all journeys stop in Monteriggioni. It is advisable to consult the official website of the Tuscan bus lines. www.at-bus.it





Arrival at the village

Private/public parking

Presence of private parking	NO
Public parking nearby	YES
Type of flooring in the public car park	asphalt
Presence of parking space reserved for people with disabilities	YES no. 1 near the first car park
	

Pathway from the car park to the entrance

Route from the car park to the starting point	From the car park, continue for about 40 metres on a paved asphalt road with a maximum gradient of 5%.
Distance from parking to entrance	40 meters approx.
Type of trail surface	asphalt
There are indicators and tactile maps	NO





	<p>From the road that comes from the car park, continue turning right towards the Porta Franca, which can be reached via a road about 25 metres long, 2.5 metres wide with a gradient varying from 5 to 7.5%</p>
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Itinerary description

<p>Length</p>	<p>About 400</p>
<p>Along the itinerary there are maps and tactile signs for the blind</p>	<p>NO</p>
<p>Along the route there are information panels with QR CODE</p>	<p>NO</p>
<p>Description of the itinerary indicating if there are sections with a significant slope or the presence of steps</p>	<p>Departure from Porta Franca.</p>
	<p>After passing the Porta Franca, continue straight ahead. The stone block pavement is free of obstacles.</p>









	<p>On the right we find a gate with a step of varying height from 10 to 25 cm that directs us towards the stairs that lead to the first stretch of the path of the city walls</p>
	<p>Unfortunately, the walls cannot be reached by elevators but only by stairs. We then continue towards the square that has no obstacles.</p>
	
	<p>On the right side of the square we find the Parish Church of S. Maria Assunta, built during the thirteenth century with an original façade.</p>





	<p>The parish church is accessed via a ramp 81 cm long, 90 cm wide with a slope of 7%. Inside the church we find a threshold step of 1.5 cm.</p>
	<p>The church has a single room with a rectangular termination, and the interior has been renovated in modern times. The church houses a seventeenth-century painting with the Madonna del Rosario, to whom a heartfelt local festival is dedicated in October.</p>
<p>From the square, continue straight on Via Primo Maggio towards Porta Fiorentina</p>	
	<p>The street has a pavement of stone blocks without obstacles.</p>








	<p>Before Porta Fiorentina, we turn left and take a small path with a width of more than 100 cm. The path has a pavement of stone blocks.</p>
	<p>Halfway on the right there is a small entrance that leads us to the second section of the route of the wall circuit. At the entrance, turn left and you will find a first ramp with a length of 8 meters, width 120 cm, slope of 8.5%</p>
	<p>From the first ramp turn right and we find a second ramp with a length of 12 meters, a width of 120 cm and a slope of 8.5%</p>
	<p>Turn left and we find a third ramp with a length of 10 meters, width 120 cm and a slope of 8%. After the ramp there is a flat path. Unfortunately, even this stretch of walls cannot be reached by elevator but only by stairs.</p>





	<p>We continue straight ahead and turn left into Via del Tricolore</p>
	<p>The street has a flat pavement without obstacles.</p>
	<p>About halfway down, we turn left and take an alley that takes us back exactly to the main square in front of the Pieve.</p>




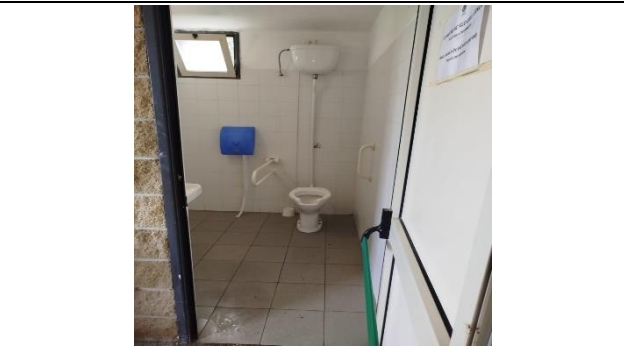
Any accessible bars/restaurants

<p>Eventual notes</p>	<p>The restaurants of the village have steps at the entrance. However, all restaurants have outdoor verandas where it is possible to eat with table service,</p>
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Toilets for guests with reduced mobility

Number of accessible toilets for guests with reduced mobility	1 outside the village near the parking lots
Bathroom location	Near the car park.
How to access the premises	From the car park, follow the signs for the sanitary toilets, which can be reached via an asphalt road with a curve and a maximum gradient of 18%. At the end of the road there is a grassy section and a pavement in tile blocks. Between the grassy tract and the tiles there is a small threshold of about 3 cm.
	
	
Usable width of the entrance door	Above 90 cm
Toilet height	50 cm
Toilet seat with open front tooth	NO
Support handles	to the right of the toilet

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Flexible shower on the side of the toilet	NO
Free space on the sides of the toilet	left 115 Cm right 26 cm frontal greater than 100 Cm
Electric doorbell/telephone	NO
Washbasin with space underneath for wheelchair approach	65 cm

Medical practices/healthcare facilities

Hospitals near the property	Rugani Hospital, SR 222 Chiantigiana - Monteriggioni, Tel +39 0577 578311 rugani@pec.casadicurarugani.it www.ruganihospital.it Multi-specialist hospital active since 1932. Affiliated with the National Health Service, it guarantees high quality medical, surgical and diagnostic services in the specialist branches of orthopedics, general surgery, ophthalmology, urology, otorhinolaryngology, motor rehabilitation, diagnostic imaging and outpatient care.
Other healthcare facilities	A.O.U – Policlinico Santa Maria alle Scotte, Via M. Bracci 11, Siena - Telephone +39 0577 585111 www.ao-siena.toscana.it Dialysis service on holiday https://www.regione.toscana.it/-/dialisi-in-vacanza-1

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