

Local Focus:
La Corsa alla Spada and the Palio of Camerino

UNICAM
Università di Camerino
1336

Libraries, Internationalization and Advanced Training Area

WP5
KreativEU
Knowledge-creation and design network on Smart Sustainability

KreativEU
Knowledge & Creativity European University

Co-funded by the European Union

Corsa alla Spada e Palio Camerino

Archeoclub d'Italia APS

Marca di Camerino

GREENATHON 2026

A Bridge between the Humanities and Technology

COMING TO CAMERINO?
We've Got You Covered!

Camerino 1 - 4 December 2026



GREENATHON 2026

A Bridge between the Humanities and Technology

Camerino, 1 - 4 December 2026

Co-funded by the European Union

Contact

Greenathon Event Coordinator

Lisa Ricchiuto

Libraries, Internationalization and Advanced Training Area

University of Camerino (UNICAM)

lisa.ricchiuto@unicam.it

Corsa alla Spada e Palio Camerino

Marca di Camerino

photo Corsa alla Spada e Palio
Alessandro Marsili

cover photo
Bianca Marucci

graphic design
Area Comunicazione e Public Engagement UNICAM
ottobre 2026



What you'll find in this guide

Discover the charm of a historic university town,
enjoy a coffee break in the city centre,
explore centuries of history
and take in the beautiful hills surrounding Camerino.

CONTACTS 2
CAMERINO AND THE AREA 4
GETTING HERE 5
GETTING AROUND 5
WHERE TO STAY 6
FOOD AND DRINKS 7
PRACTICAL TIPS & LOCAL INSIGHTS 8



Camerino and the area

Welcome to Camerino - a small town with a long history and a very big view.

Perched on a hill in the heart of the Marche, Camerino sits between the Chienti and Potenza valleys, surrounded by rolling countryside and the Sibillini Mountains. It is the kind of place where **medieval streets**, **historic buildings** and **mountain views** all come together - sometimes within the same five-minute walk.

The town centre still reflects its **long history**, from the powerful Varano family and the Renaissance to the many traces of its **academic tradition**.

And then there is **UNICAM. Founded in 1336**, the University of Camerino has been part of the city for almost seven centuries, making student life a natural part of **the town's identity**.

Camerino is not a big city - and that is part of its charm.

It is compact, **surrounded by nature** and easy to explore at your own pace, whether you are looking for a quiet coffee, a local dinner, a night out or just a good viewpoint.

The area is also worth exploring beyond the town itself: the Sibillini Mountains, historic castles and small villages are all part of **the landscape around** Camerino.

And, of course, there is **food** - including local specialities such as Camerino's traditional torrone and fresh egg pasta.

So take your time, look around, and **enjoy Camerino** beyond the university.



GETTING HERE

FROM ANCONA AIRPORT (AOI)

Airport > Fabriano
The Castelferretti–Falconara Aeroporto railway station is just a 3-minute walk from the airport. Take a direct regional train to Fabriano, approx. 1 hour

Fabriano > Camerino
From Fabriano, take the Contram bus to Camerino (approx. 50–55 min).

FROM ROME FIUMICINO AIRPORT (FCO)

Recommended option - By train and bus

1. Take the Leonardo Express train to Roma Termini (approx. 32 minutes).
2. Take a train to Foligno.
3. From Foligno, take a regional bus to **Camerino**.

The journey takes approximately 5 hours, depending on connections.
Check timetables in advance.

Check the websites:
Trenitalia and Contram buses.

Alternative - By **FlixBus**
FlixBus also operates a service from Fiumicino Airport to Muccia, taking approximately 4 hours and 25 minutes. From Muccia, you will need to arrange onward transport to Camerino, as local connections may be limited.

GETTING AROUND

Local and regional buses are operated by Contram, connecting Camerino with nearby towns.
Timetables can vary, so plan your journey in advance.
Check routes, stops and schedules at Contram Mobilità



WHERE TO STAY

RELAIS VILLA FORNARI
Località Calvie 1
Hotel & restaurant · In the countryside

UNICAM GUEST HOUSE
Vicolo Fiorenzuola 10
University accommodation · Historic centre

COMFORT E NATURA SUI SIBILLINI
B&B · Via Scalzino area, Historic Centre

When booking,
we recommend contacting
the accommodation
by email and mentioning
that you will be attending
the Hackathon
at the University
of Camerino.
Also, please indicate
any **food intolerances**
or allergies!

We strongly
recommend booking
your accommodation
as early as possible,
as availability is limited.

VERY IMPORTANT
Camerino is a small town, and **accommodation options** in the historic centre are **very limited**. Among the recommended options, **Villa Fornari** offers the largest number of available beds (and breakfast is included).
Although the hotel is located outside the town centre, a **shuttle service** has been arranged to take participants from the centre back to the hotel at around 21:30/22:00.
In the morning, the **CONTRAM local bus** stops at the hotel at 08:47 and reaches the town centre at approximately 09:00, in time for the start of the Hackathon activities.
Rooms for 3 or 4 people may be available, with male and female participants accommodated separately. You may arrange to share a room with participants from other universities; otherwise, the hotel staff will assign roommates, grouping participants from the same university where possible.





Coffee is part of everyday life in Italy. Stop at a local café for an espresso, cappuccino, fresh pastry or gelato. Perfect for a quick break between activities or a relaxed start to the day.

Looking for something easy between sessions? Local cafés and bars are good places to look for sandwiches, panini and light lunch options when you need a quick and convenient meal.

Aperitivo is a classic Italian way to wind down at the end of the day. Find a bar in the town centre, enjoy a drink and spend some time chatting with fellow participants.

For an informal dinner with friends, look for local pizzerias and casual restaurants. **Pizza** and other relaxed dining options are a convenient way to enjoy an evening together after a full day of activities.

Discover the flavours of the Marche region through traditional Italian dishes, **homemade pasta** and seasonal local ingredients. A great opportunity to experience the area's food culture!

FOOD AND DRINKS

COFFEE/BRUNCH

- Pop Cafè > Via Le Mosse, 22/D
- Bar Gelateria Diana > Via Madonna delle Carceri, 12
- Bar Civico 28 > Via M. Santoni, 28
- Pasticceria Braghetti > Via Andrea D'Accorso 6/A

PUB

- Dada Zen > Via Le Mosse, 26G
- Nirvana Pub Camerino > Via Vincenzo Ottaviani, 2a

RESTAURANT/PIZZERIA

- ENJOY Pub Pizzeria > Via Le Mosse, 24
- Piz Zero > Via Ridolfini, 36
- Ristorante Pizzeria La Saporita > Via Madonna delle Carceri
- Osteria Spartacus > Via Girolamo di Giovanni, 41
- Etoile Ristorante Pizzera > Via Le Mosse, 68

A special light lunch surprise awaits you during the Hackathon!





PRACTICAL TIPS & LOCAL INSIGHTS

Explore the historic centre

Camerino is a charming hilltop town with **historic streets and beautiful views**.
You may notice scaffolding and construction sites around the centre: reconstruction following the **2016 earthquakes** is still ongoing.
Despite this, the town retains its distinctive character and is well worth exploring.

Camerino's History & the Corsa alla Spada e Palio

Camerino has a rich history shaped by the powerful **da Varano dynasty**, which ruled the city from the 13th to the 16th century, during the Middle Ages and Renaissance.
This heritage lives on through the **Corsa alla Spada e Palio**, a historical festival inspired by traditions dating back to the 13th century. Held **every May** in honour of Saint Venantius, the city's patron saint, the event celebrates Camerino's history, **local identity and strong sense of community**.

WHAT TO PACK

Although Camerino is not at high altitude, winter temperatures can be quite cold, especially outdoors.
We recommend bringing warm layers, a heavy jacket and comfortable walking shoes to explore the historic centre and move around comfortably during the event.

Please bring your own laptop for the Hackathon activities.

A glimpse into the past: Rocca Varano

A medieval landmark just outside Camerino

Perched above the surrounding landscape, **Rocca Varano** is a medieval fortress closely connected to the history of the Da Varano family.
Its historic walls offer a glimpse into the past and the cultural heritage that makes this area unique.

Keep an eye out for this remarkable place during your stay in Camerino!