

**C1- Vinica - Varazdin -  
Trakoscan - Krapina -  
Varazdinske Toplice**

**SHORT-TERM EXCHANGES OF GROUPS OF  
PUPILS**

From 4th to 8th April 2022



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## Covid protocol

Indoor use of face masks is compulsory in Croatia in all indoor common rooms of the school building, as well as all public indoor places. Classrooms are set as bubble groups. If you feel sick please inform our principal Mrs. Mirjana Jambriško.

## Our school: Primary school Vinica

### Description



Primary school Vinica is located in a small village called Marčan, in the Municipality of Vinica, in the north-western part of Varaždin county, 17,2 km away from town Varaždin and about 11,2 km from the border with Slovenia.

Primary school Vinica has a long history of education. There are some traces of the first teachers in this area that date back into 1638, but there was no official contract. The first data on formal education can be found in 1784. In 1962 the school changed its location and from then on it is located at the current address. Today, the school has two branch schools; Branch School Natkrižovljan(4,7 km away) and Branch School Ladanje Gornje(2 km away). This year we have 245 pupils attending the school (including 2 branch schools), 17 classes, 49 people working in the schools (among them 31 teachers).

Digital technologies are at the core of our school. All the classrooms have a projector, a laptop and Internet connection.

### **Management board**

Principal: Mirjana Jambriško

School secretary: Marina Drvarić

Pedagogical Coordinator: Mateja Polančec

The School Board is the decision-making body in which all sectors of the educational community are represented: teachers, parents, administration and services staff, the Management Team and the City Council. Its members are elected every four years.

The main functions of the board are the approval, monitoring and evaluation of the projects that develop the educational activity of the school. It meets at least twice a month.

### **Dress code**

There is not a special dress code for our staff, but smart or casual clothes are usual in Primary School Vinica.

### **Useful information**

Address: Marčan, Vinička 10, 42207 Vinica

Phone: +385 42 208 475

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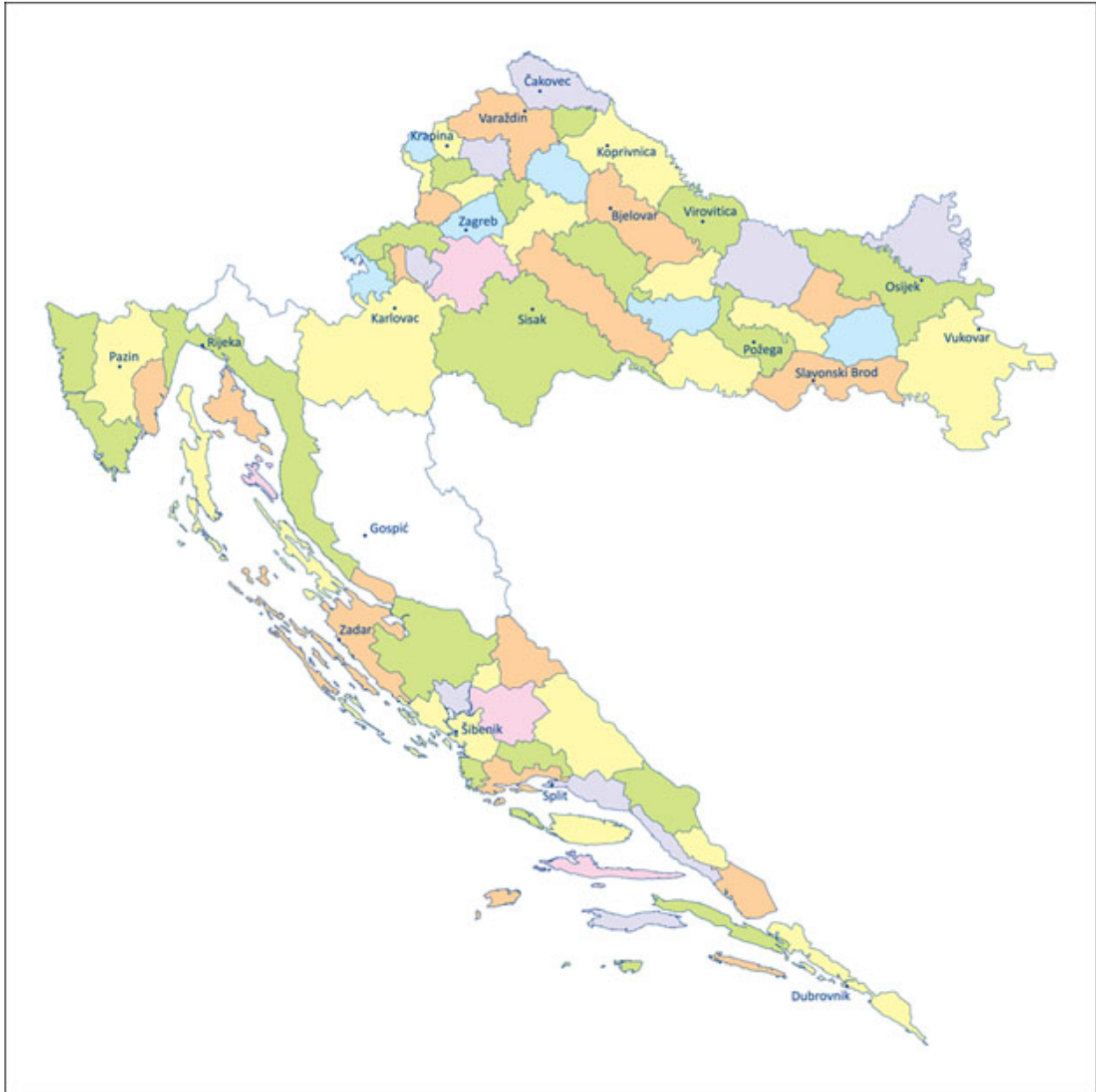
In Croatia you can perform all the payments by credit card (restaurants, coffee bars, shopping centers/shops). The local currency is kuna. The nearest [exchange office](#) is in the city center ([Currency exchange rate](#)).

All the other expenses will be covered by the Travel agency and they will give you the invoice on the name of your school (for teachers and pupils together).

Bring comfortable shoes and various clothes since temperatures are expected to be lower in the mornings (especially in Trakošćan area surrounded by the forest), but warm during the afternoons.

## **Some useful information about Vinica, Varaždin, Trakošćan, Krapina and Varaždinske Toplice**

Vinica is a municipality in Varaždin County (county seat is the city of Varaždin), Croatia. Vinica is situated 17 km away from Varaždin and also 100 km away from the capital of Croatia, Zagreb.



It is situated in the north-western part of Varaždin County. It spreads across 32.14 km<sup>2</sup> with the population of 3747 people. People in this area work in industry, agriculture and viticulture. Vinica is a historical, administrative, religious, educational, economical and health center of the surrounding villages. It is one of the rare villages in Croatia with a secondary school, the school of agriculture named after the arboretum Opeka (one of the four arboretums in Croatia) situated in the village, about ½ km away from the Primary School Vinica.



Vinica has a moderate continental climate with cold winters (up to  $-10^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), fresh springs and autumns, and hot summers (up to  $35^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).

## Transfers from Zagreb international airport/bus station to Varaždin and Primary School Vinica

We will do our best to arrange airport pick-ups from the airport to your hotel, except for the guests from Slovenia who will come to Croatia by private cars. We will also arrange transport from the Hotel Varaždin (in Varaždin) to our school, while pupils will come to school with our school bus or our host-pupils.



For the guests that will come to Croatia before Monday, you can explore all that our beautiful Varaždin offers to the tourists on the next link <https://www.tourism-varazdin.hr/en/events/#> . Your hotel, hotel Varaždin (<https://hotelvarazdin.com/> ) is situated in the center of the town, so you probably won't need any extra transport, since there are many cafés, bars, parks, museums, restaurants (restaurants near your hotel: <https://angelus.hr/> ), small shops, but there

are also two bigger shopping centers in the suburb area in case you need something (one with a nice cinema, Lumini shopping center, <https://www.lumini.hr/> , where most shops are open on Sundays). You can take a taxi to the shopping center and the cost of it will be around 3 euros (taxi Cameo <https://cammeo.hr/hr/gradovi/varazdin>). One shop (with long working hours, open even on Sundays) is right across the hotel, on the east side of the hotel.

Tap water is of high quality in all of Croatia, especially in Varaždin County, so there will be no need for you to buy bottled water.

We sincerely hope there will be no need for the next information, but just in case, here are emergency numbers for our country. 112 is the common emergency number, 192- police and 194 is the number of emergency medical help. If in need for medicine, the nearest pharmacy is 200 meters from Hotel Varaždin.

<https://www.ljekarna-vzz.hr/o-nama/ljekarne/ljekarna-centrala-varazdin.html>)

Some useful information on prices:

1 euro is 7,57 kunas

**PRICES:**

Pizza - 4,5-6 euros

Coffee - 1-2 euros

Snacks - 1-2 euros

Cola, Fanta, Sprite...(3 dl)- 1-2 euros in shops, 2-2,5 euros in bars

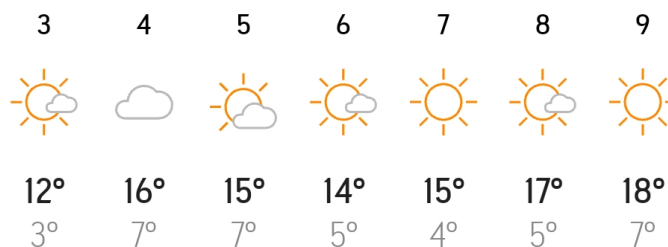
Cinema ticket- 4,73 euros

McDonald's - 5,20-6,60 euros (small menu)

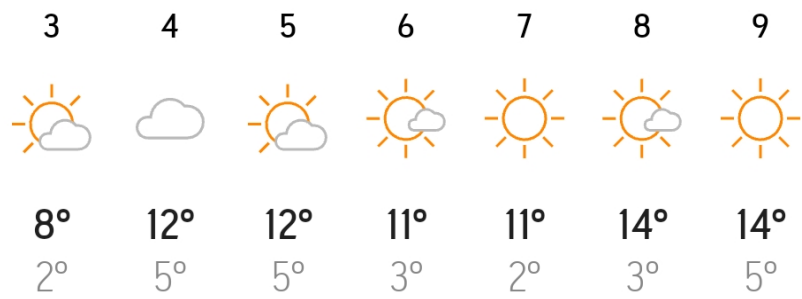
Taxi -0,62 euros(1 km)

## Weather forecast

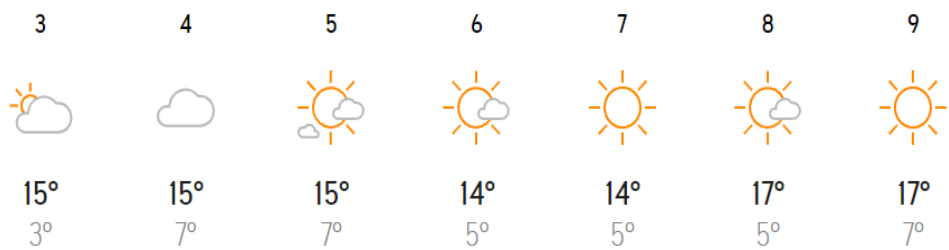
### Varaždin



## Vinica



## Krapina



## Some useful information about Varaždin





The City of **Varaždin** is located in the North of Croatia on the southern bank of the River Drava.

Varaždin has approximately 50,000 inhabitants, and is the cultural, educational, economic, sporting and tourist center of Northwestern Croatia.

Varaždin represents the best preserved and richest urban complex in continental Croatia. The Old Town (fortress) is an example of medieval defensive buildings. Varaždin cemetery dates back to 1773 and it was an ordinary place until 1905, when Herman Haller had an idea to make it more park-like with large trees and alleys for citizens to stroll through. The town has many baroque palaces, churches and monasteries. A baroque music festival has been held annually in Varaždin since 1971, and attracts some of the finest musicians and their fans from Croatia and the world. Recommended to visitors is also the historical street festival [Špancirfest](#) every August.

You can explore things to do in Varaždin by clicking on the link: <https://www.tourism-varazdin.hr>

## Some useful information about Trakošćan Castle and Museum



Built in the 13th century, **Castle Trakošćan's** cultural heritage is protected as a historical entity, which consists of the castle, the building next to the castle and a breathtaking view on the forest park with an artificial lake. Today the castle is one of the few facilities in Croatia which has preserved its own constitution, historically closely related to the architectural framework and the life of its owners. In 1953 the museum was established with its permanent display. Museum is owned by the Republic of Croatia.

More information you can find on the link <https://trakoscan.hr/history-of-castle-trakoscan/>

## Some useful information about Varaždinske Toplice



Varaždinske Toplice is the oldest thermal spa in Croatia, which in its center preserves one of the most important continental archaeological complexes, the excavations of the Roman thermal baths, which served its purpose for four centuries. The water here springs from a depth of almost 1800 meters to the top where the temperature is 58°C. At the beginning of the last century, Varaždinske Toplice was one of the most reputable Central European health resorts, and today it is a valued thermal riviera with a variety of health and recreational facilities within the Special Hospital for Medical Rehabilitation. Read more at: <https://www.turizam-vzz.hr/destinacije/varazdinske-toplice>

## Museums

## The Museum of Krapina Neanderthals



It is located on the site of Hušnjakovo with which it forms a unique unit for sightseeing. Architecture evokes the habitat of prehistoric man semi-cave. Here you can find out who were these people older than 30 or almost 300 thousand years, how they were discovered and what do we know about Stone Age people.

Find more at: <https://mkn.mhz.hr/>

## The Varaždinske Toplice Heritage Museum



The museum is located on the ground floor of the Old Town in the center of Varaždinske Toplice. It contains an archeological, balneological, ethnographic, cultural-historical, numismatic and historical collection, as well as an art collection. The museum takes care of the Aquae lasae Archaeological Park and the traditional 1801 house located in the city center, which keeps the ethnographic collection. The traditional house is a valuable monument of Croatian traditional architecture, and is therefore under the protection of the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Croatia. One of the most valuable museum exhibits is the widely known marble statue of the Roman goddess Minerva from the 2<sup>nd</sup> century BC.

Link: <https://zmv.t.hr/muzej/>

## **The Archaeological Park Aquae lasae**



The ancient complex consists of the baths area of the building, baths with pools and bath basilica that was later used for Christian rituals, a forum with circular porches on which the well known spring of thermal curative water and capitolium have been located from Roman times up to the present day. The temples dedicated to Minerva, Jupiter and Juno have been preserved.

All the parts of this complex, whose walls have been preserved to a height of 2 to 3 meters, are richly equipped with exceptionally well preserved technical, civilisation and cultural – artistic content of the time: Roman catchments of thermal spring water, system of canals for supply and discharge of medicinal water, heating, quality floors, stone thresholds, wall frescos, carvings and sculptures.

Link: <https://www.bernarda-tourism.eu/en/varazdinske-toplice/arheological-park-aqua-iasae/>

Source: Barcelona.de

## Things to do in Varaždin in your free time

If you have got some free time to explore the city, check out the following links:

- [Things to Do in Varazdin](#)
- [20 great things to do in Varazdin](#)
- [How to spend a day in Varazdin](#)
- [10 Best restaurants in Varazdin](#)

## Annex: detailed plan of the week

**Venue:**

4/4/2022 - Osnovna škola Vinica (<https://bit.ly/35HHMPU>)

5/4/2022 - Osnovna škola Vinica, Varaždin

6/4/2022 - Trakošćan Castle - the architectural monument, museum and culture park

7/4/2022 - The Krapina Neanderthal Museum, The Varaždinske Toplice Heritage Museum;

Branch school Gornje Ladanje

8/4/2022 - Osnovna škola Vinica

Monday 4/4/2022	Tuesday 5/4/2022
<p><b>08:30 Arrival of Delegations</b>                      Location: <a href="#">Primary school Vinica</a>                      Pick up of teachers at <a href="#">Hotel Varaždin</a> at 08:00</p>	<p><b>08:30 Departure to Osnovna škola Vinica</b>                       Pick up of teachers at Hotel Varaždin at 08:00 <i>(included in budget)</i>   <i>(Location: <a href="#">Hotel Varaždin</a>)</i></p>
<p><b>8:30 Formal Welcome</b>  <b>Mrs. Mirjana Jambriško</b>, headmistress                      Osnovna škola Vinica  <i>(Meeting point: School lobby)</i></p>	<p><b>8:30 TEACHERS</b>  <b>Exchange of good practices</b>                      Agreement on workshops arrangements  <i>(Location: English language classroom)</i>  <b>PUPILS</b>                      Sharing the ideas, social skills development  <i>(Location: School, Math classroom)</i></p>
<p><b>9:15 TEACHERS and STUDENTS</b>  <b>Formal Welcome</b> by pupils of Osnovna škola Vinica  <b>Mr. Branimir Štimec</b>, mayor of municipality   <b>The Welcome Ceremony</b>  <i>(Location: <a href="#">The Municipality Hall</a>)</i></p>	<p><b>9:30 Learning activities</b>  <b>Workshop</b>  <b>Preparatory activities:</b> creation of storyboards  <i>(Location: Math classroom)</i>   <b>Coffee break</b> <i>(complimentary)</i></p>



<p><b>10:15 Introduction of schools</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction of teams</li> <li>• Introduction of schools</li> </ul> <p>(Location: The Municipality Hall)</p>	<p><b>11:00</b> (Location: Teachers - English Language classroom; pupils– School library)</p>
<p><b>11:00 Coffee break</b> (complimentary)</p> <p>(Location: Teachers - English language classroom; pupils–School library)</p>	<p><b>11:30 Learning activities Workshop</b></p> <p><b>Project output preparation:</b> creation of puppets in plasticine and film sets in recycled materials. Recording the stop-motion videos.</p> <p>(Location: Math classroom)</p>
<p><b>11:30 Classroom observations</b></p> <p>(Location: <a href="#">Osnovna škola Vinica</a>)</p>	<p><b>14:00 Lunch</b> (included in budget)</p> <p>(Location: Teachers - English language classroom; pupils -Cafeteria)</p> <p><b>15:00 Departure from Vinica</b> (included in budget)</p> <p><b>15:30 Guided study visit to <a href="#">Varaždin</a></b> - the city of baroque and flowers</p> <p>(included in budget)</p> <p>(Meeting point: School lobby)</p>
<p><b>12:30 TEACHERS' Meeting</b></p> <p><b>Preparation of activities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Introduction to coordinator's handbook</li> <li>•Project overview</li> </ul> <p><b>Setting of protocols</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Setting of protocol for project meeting's organisation</li> <li>•Agreement on event arrangements</li> </ul> <p>(Location: English language classroom)</p> <p><b>STUDENTS</b></p> <p>Sharing the ideas, social skills development, team building activities</p> <p>(Location: Math classroom)</p>	
<p><b>14:00 Lunch</b> (complimentary)</p> <p>(Location: Teachers - English language classroom; pupils– cafeteria)</p>	
<p><b>15:00 Self guided visit around Vinica</b></p> <p>(Meeting point: School lobby)</p>	<p><b>19:00 TEACHERS</b></p> <p><b>Dinner</b> (not included in budget)</p> <p>(Location: <a href="#">Verglec</a>)</p>
<p><b>18:30 Dinner in restaurant</b> (not included in budget)</p> <p>(Location: <a href="#">4M</a>, Petrijanec)</p>	<p><b>19:00 PUPILS</b></p> <p><b>Departure to Vinica</b> (included in budget)</p> <p>Pick up by hosting families</p> <p>(Meeting point: <a href="#">Osnovna škola Vinica</a>)</p>

Wednesday 6/4/2022		Thursday 7/4/2022	
08:30	<b>Departure from Varaždin</b> Pick up of teachers (included in budget)  (Location: <a href="#">Hotel Varaždin</a> )	07:30	<b>Departure from Varaždin</b> Pick up of teachers (included in budget) (Location: <a href="#">Hotel Varaždin</a> )
09:00	<b>Departure to Trakošćan castle</b> (included in budget) (Location: <a href="#">Osnovna škola Vinica</a> )	8:00	<b>Departure from Vinica</b> (included in budget) (Location: <a href="#">Osnovna škola Vinica</a> )
10:00	<b>Arrival to Trakošćan</b> – the architectural monument, museum and culture park (Location: <a href="#">Trakošćan, Bednja</a> )	09:20-10:30	<b>The Krapina Neanderthal <a href="#">Museum</a></b> (Location: <a href="#">Krapina</a> )
12:00	<b>Lunch in restaurant</b> (included in budget) (Location: <a href="#">Hotel Trakošćan</a> )	11:00	<b>Departure to Varaždinske Toplice</b> (included in budget)
13:45	<b>Departure to Vinica</b> (included in budget) (Location: <a href="#">Hotel Trakošćan</a> )	12:30	<b>Lunch in a restaurant</b> (included in budget) (Location: <a href="#">Bernarda</a> )
14:30	<b>Arrival to Vinica</b> (Location: <a href="#">Osnovna škola Vinica</a> )	14:00 -16:00	<b>Guided study visit around Varaždinske Toplice</b> The Varaždinske Toplice Heritage <a href="#">Museum</a> The Archaeological Park <a href="#">Aquae Iasae</a>
14:45	<b>Learning activities</b> <b>Workshop on Stop-Motion Studio or Google Slides</b> <a href="#">Link to Stop-Motion Studio</a> tutorial <a href="#">Link to Google Slides</a> (Location: Math classroom)	16:30	<b>Departure to Vinica's Branch School Gornje Ladanje</b> (Location: Branch school Gornje Ladanje)
16:15	<b>Coffee break</b> (included in budget) (Location: Teachers-English Language classroom; pupils-School library)	17:00 - 18:00	<b>Guided visit around school</b> Presentation on traditional school's workshop-Licitar heart (gingerbread heart) (Location: Branch school <a href="#">Gornje Ladanje</a> )
		18:00	<b>Departure to Vinica</b> Pick up by hosting families (Meeting point: <a href="#">Osnovna škola Vinica</a> )  <b>TEACHERS</b>

17:30	<b>Departure to Varaždin</b> Pick up of teachers (included in budget) Pick up of pupils by hosting families (Location: <a href="#">Osnovna škola Vinica</a> )	18:30	<b>Departure to Varaždin</b> (included in budget) <b>Dinner in a restaurant</b> ( <i>not</i> included in budget) (Location: <a href="#">Hotel Varaždin</a> )
19:30	<b>Dinner in restaurant</b> ( <i>not</i> included in budget) (Location: <a href="#">August</a> )		

Friday 8/4/2022			
09:00	<b>Arrival of Delegations</b> Pick up of teachers at Hotel Varaždin at 08:30 (included in budget) (Location: <a href="#">Osnovna škola Vinica</a> )	11:30	<b>Assessment and evaluation of the week</b> (Location: <i>English language classroom</i> )
9:30	<b>Exchange of good practises</b> <b>Workshop on Metaverse</b> <a href="#">Link to download Metaverse app</a> <b>Presentation of Stop-Motion videos</b> (Location: <i>Math classroom</i> )	13:00	<b>Lunch</b> ( <i>complimentary</i> ) (Location: <i>Teachers - English language classroom; pupils- cafeteria</i> )
11:00	<b>Coffee break</b> ( <i>complimentary</i> )	14:00	<b>Farewell to delegations</b>
		19:00	<b>Dinner in restaurant</b> ( <i>not</i> included in budget) (Location: <a href="#">Santa Maria</a> )