

**How expensive is it to live in Rome?**

Rome is a large city and direct comparisons of prices can depend on how easily you adapt to local ways of doing things. Public transport is still relatively cheap and for one euro you can travel around the city for an hour and 15 minutes. Open air and covered markets are plentiful and offer great quality and value. Accommodation is not particularly cheap especially near the historic centre but if you are prepared to commute it is reasonable.

**Can Byron organise accommodation for trainees for the duration of the course?**

We offer homestays and apartment accommodation. Sharing a house with an Italian family is an excellent choice if you already speak a little Italian and you can usually choose to eat with the family or have use of the kitchen. If you want an independent apartment we can house you with other course participants or with local students.

Upon request, we can find you a small one room/studio apartment but this will normally be through an independent agency and carries a higher cost although it will usually be in the historic centre.

**Do I have to use your accommodation service?**

Not at all, please feel free to look for alternatives. There are numerous agencies that provide short term accommodation, we suggest you check the conditions carefully as they may differ from ours.

**Does Byron offer trainees general assistance during the course?**

Our welfare co-ordinator will provide you with a welcome pack and be a point of reference at all stages of the course. If you need help with any aspect of your stay she will be on hand to give you advice or organise things for you if you have limited knowledge of Italian.

We pride ourselves on our professional, friendly office staff who are bi-lingual and are familiar with the city and can be relied on to assist you at all times.

**How should I pay?**

We accept payment by credit card (Visa or MasterCard, but not American Express), or bank transfer (bank transfer expenses are charged to you) or by Pay-Pal.