

## Montesilvano

Montesilvano, a city of over 47,000 inhabitants in the metropolitan area of Pescara, mainly concentrates on welcoming tourists and hosting conferences. These take place in the various hotel complexes which can accommodate up to 4000 guests and the first class conference and entertainment facilities, the majority of these facilities are situated near the mouth of the river Saline. The main conference building has a hall with a seating capacity of 3000.

The environmental factor contributes greatly to encourage tourists here. Montesilvano boasts a seafront of over eight kilometers which includes a cycle path, shaded by palm trees and other types of vegetation. The seafront lies next to a golden sandy beach with bathing establishments to meet a tourist's every need. Other environmental places of interest include the nature reserve of the Pineta of Santa Filomena.

Behind the city centre, on a hill framed with pine trees where the original city centre used to be, several artistic and historical buildings can be found, including the church Madonna della Neve which dates back to the XIII century.

Other economic components of the city include numerous small and medium-sized businesses, all different types and sizes of shops and local craftsmen which all together lend a helping hand to the vitality of Montesilvano, easy to see due to the constant presence of heavy traffic in the industrial area.

Montesilvano can be reached using the A14 motorway (Pescara Nord exit) or via the Adriatic railway line. Staying here a tourist has the possibility to relax on the beach and at the same time get to know a proactive and hardworking community, intent on improving its standard of living.

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