

Go Slow in Tuscany

Naturetrek Tour Report

16th – 23rd April 2026



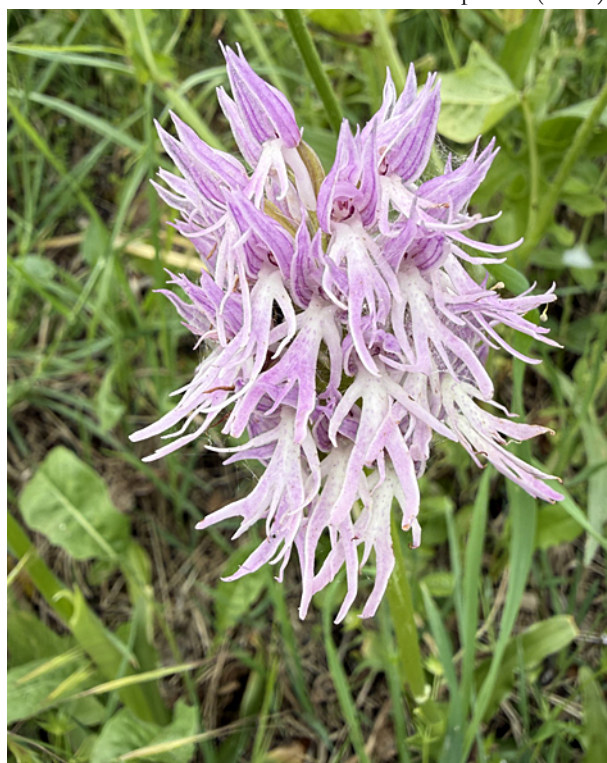
Audouin's Gull



Nine-spotted (moth)



Lady Orchid



Italian Man Orchid

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Summary

Tuscany is a wonderful holiday location, especially in early spring with the warm, sunny weather that we experienced this week. Cristina and her team at our hotel, the Fattoria Il Duchesco, gave us a wonderful experience of authentic Italian food, local wine and beer, and took great care to make us comfortable. It was a fun week.

We visited different habitats and saw a range of fauna and flora typical of the Mediterranean. Resident and passage birds and butterflies kept everyone interested and pleased. Singing Nightingales (common) and calling Scops Owls were daily treats, as were excellent views of other birds, colourful butterflies and a variety of orchids and other Mediterranean plants. We had a day in Siena and explored the remains of an Etruscan village, giving a cultural dimension to the trip. Our boat trip to Giglio Island was relaxing, and we were rewarded with fantastic, close views of a very uncommon gull.

There was much to give everyone great satisfaction throughout the week. The group left Tuscany with very fond memories and a desire to return for more.

Day 1

Thursday 16th April

Our flight from Gatwick landed at Pisa airport early, and after clearing security, we met with our Italian leader, Giacomo, and had a light lunch before heading off to San Gimignano. This would have taken seventy-five minutes, but an essential stop extended it a little. No, not for toilets, but to find orchids: several wonderful Lady Orchids (*Orchis purpurea*) in flower and a single Violet Limodore (*Limodorum abortivum*) in bud.

We reached the small town of San Gimignano, known as 'The Manhattan of Tuscany', which is rightly famous for its amazing medieval towers. There was enough time to wander within its walls to witness its charm, but not enough to explore in detail: that could wait for another day. As we drove south to Alberese, we passed through the luscious green Tuscany landscape. We saw so many magnificent Stone or Umbrella Pines (*Pinus pinea*) and Italian or Funeral Cypresses (*Cupressus sempervirens*), along with Giant Fennel (*Ferula communis*) and Judas Tree (*Cercis siliquastrum*). We spotted many birds too, including Hooded Crow, Buzzard, Common Kestrel, Jackdaw and lots of Cattle Egrets.

We arrived at our destination, Fattoria Il Duchesco, to a very warm welcome from our hosts, Cristina, Fabio, Matteo and the kitchen staff. They allocated us our rooms and then treated us to our first authentic Italian meal, made with local organic produce. There was plenty of wine to keep the conversations flowing. We heard a Hoopoe calling, and later Scops Owls. It had been a long day and we were ready for rest.

Day 2

Friday 17th April

We decided to enjoy a leisurely breakfast, with an amazing choice of hot and cold fare, before we left the hotel just after 9.30am. We made our first stop to see birds and were well rewarded: we saw Corn Bunting, Woodlark, Serin, Greenfinch, Goldfinch and Italian Sparrow.

We drove north, skirting the nearest town of Grosseto, then went along the coast towards a very pretty village, Castiglione della Pescaia. We turned right before reaching it, to arrive at our destination, the WWF Reserve of Oasi Diaccia Batrona. This is an extensive wetland with a sheltered picnic area, which we used for the first of many wonderful lunches. We heard Cetti's and Great Reed Warblers, hidden in the tall reeds of course. Zitting Cisticola and Savi's Warbler were also in good voice, but also stayed hidden.

We strolled on to the salt marsh and along a boardwalk to a nearby hide, from which we enjoyed fantastic views of Black-winged Stilt, Redshank, so many Greater Flamingoes, Avocets and Cattle Egrets. A pair of Ospreys was on a nest platform in the distance, but we had great views through the scope. Common Terns flew close by, Grey Herons were active, and a Yellow Wagtail was on the marsh.

We saw a number of plants, the diversity limited by the challenging nature of the salt-marsh habitat. Finds included Cardoon (*Cynara cardunculus*), Sea Purslane (*Atriplex portulacoides*), and Giant Reed (*Arundo donax*). Pink Oxalis (*Oxalis articulata*), a common garden escape, grew near the carpark.

After a short drive, we and walked through a small Stone Pine forest to the beach. Along the winding path we took in many notable plants, including Mastic (*Pistacia lentiscus*), Myrtle (*Myrtus communis*), Maritime Pine (*Pinus pinaster*), Annual Scorpion Vetch (*Hippocrepis emerus*), Dorycnium (*Dorycnium hirsutum*) and Prickly Juniper (*Juniperus oxycedrus* subsp. *macrocarpa*). Tree Heath (*Erica arborea*), Mediterranean Buckthorn (*Rhamnus alaternus*) and more added interest. On the beach, we came across several specialist plants in flower: Sea Rocket (*Cakile marina*), Sea Medick (*Medicago maritima*), Sea Clover (*Trifolium squamosum*) and the invasive alien Hottentot Fig (*Carpobrotus edulis*). We noticed the leaves of Sea Holly (*Eryngium maritimum*) and Sea Daffodil (*Pancratium maritimum*), plants which flower later in the season.

The sea was quite warm, so a few jolly souls enjoyed a paddle, but we did not see many birds. Using binoculars and telescope, some managed to pick up shearwaters in the distance, looking across to the Argentario promontory. It was a hot and sunny day, which encouraged insects to be active. We identified a number of butterflies: Brimstone, Clouded Yellow, Green Hairstreak, Scarce and Common Swallowtails, and White Admiral. A Violet Carpenter Bee flew around us. Several Italian Lizards were scattered around the maquis. Those in the leading van saw a Grass Snake slither across the road, fortunately avoiding a crunchy moment. We did not take long to drive back to our base, where we arrived with plenty of time to enjoy tea and pastries, and to chill. We shared notes of what we had seen, before savouring another delicious dinner.

Day 3

Saturday 18th April

Most folks were up and ready for a pre-breakfast bird walk, which started with excellent views of two Roe Deer and a Hare. We then saw or heard Corn Bunting, Hoopoe, Common Kestrel, Zitting Cisticola and Crested Lark. About a dozen flocks of Cattle Egrets flew around. As we walked along the track, we took care to avoid stepping on Tongue Orchids, which we hoped would be flowering later in the week. We also saw or heard Woodlark, Golden Oriole, Nightingale and Stone-curlew. We were ready for breakfast, and thoroughly enjoyed it.

By 9.30am, we were ready to set off for a drive south to Orbetello Lagoon Oasi, another WWF nature reserve. It only took twenty minutes. We were welcomed by the ranger, who took our entrance fee and outlined the

background of the reserve. Giacomo translated the vernacular bird names on the sightings board from Italian to English, and off we went along mostly level, sandy paths. In places, they had been well churned up by Wild Boar.

A number of hides overlooked the adjacent lagoon, and we enjoyed great views of Ospreys on a nest and in flight. Everyone was rightly delighted, especially when one bird landed near the nest and ate a fish. We also saw Greater Flamingo, Avocet, Green Sandpiper, Shelduck, Garganey and Mallard. Watching a Marsh Harrier gave us great pleasure. We heard many Nightingales, Sardinian Warblers and Blackcaps: so loud, and so welcome!

We walked among several patches of blue-flowered Narrow-leaved Lupin (*Lupinus angustifolius*). Nearby were several patches of Smearwort (*Aristolochia rotunda*), a fascinating plant whose lineage emerged early in the evolution of plants. We identified Italian Catchfly (*Silene italica*), Small-flowered Catchfly (*Silene gallica*) and Purple Viper's-bugloss (*Echium plantagineum*).

It was a hot, sunny day, so many butterflies were flying around, including Clouded Yellow, Small Copper, Common and Scarce Swallowtails, Common Blue, Brimstone and Glanville Fritillary. White-spotted Rose Chafer beetles were feeding on the large yellow flowers of Smooth Golden Fleece (*Urospermum dalechampi*), with False Firefly Beetles also flying around.

We had earned a rest, and enjoyed it eating another delicious picnic lunch on trestle tables in the shade, back at the entrance to the reserve. There we admired Shrubby Germander (*Teucrium fruticans*), Jerusalem Sage (*Phlomis fruticosa*) and Tree Spurge (*Euphorbia dendroides*), and the many invertebrates that they attracted.

After lunch, we drove for ten minutes to our next venue, another WWF Reserve, Oasi Patanella. Here we walked through a pine wood, comprising both Maritime Pine (*Pinus pinaster*) and Stone Pine. Plants in the understorey included Mastic (*Pistacia lentiscus*), Rosemary (*Rosmarinus officinalis*), Sage-leaved Cistus (*Cistus salvifolius*) and Montpellier Cistus (*Cistus monspeliensis*), and Osyris (*Osyris alba*).

Common Terns were nesting on a platform on the lagoon, Grey Herons were flying across to a heronry and Yellow-legged Gulls were in the air. But birds were not common in the wood. So, after a leisurely circuit, we returned to our hotel to relax with tea and biscuits, although some fitted in a visit to Alberese first for ice cream.

Compiling a short checklist with wine was enjoyable, as was the dinner that followed. It had been a great day, with sunshine and much to see, but it was not over. Torches at the ready, we toured the hotel grounds following the hooting of two Scops Owls, seeing them briefly as they flew and perched. It was a fantastic ending to the day.

Day 4

Sunday 19th April

Before breakfast, we saw and heard several birds that we had seen earlier and, now that they were familiar, it was good to be able to recognise them quickly. The forecast was for another hot, sunny day, and it was already warm. We enjoyed breakfast.

It only took twenty-five minutes to drive south to the modern village of Ansedonia, where we visited the Roman remains of Citta di Cosa, an important settlement whose Etruscan origins date back to 273BCE. The massive, irregular stone blocks which fit together to form the fortress walls are most unusual, but the various plants growing

on them are more common. Pellitory-of-the-wall (*Parietaria judaica*), Navelwort (*Umbilicus rupestris*), Rustyback Fern (*Asplenium ceterach*) and others grew there.

The small museum was closed for refurbishment, but fortunately the toilets were still open. And we were still able to walk around the site to view the architectural remains. It was also interesting botanically. We saw Rosy (*Allium roseum*) and Naples Garlics (*Allium neapolitanum*), Sicilian Snapdragon (*Antirrhinum siculum*), Branched Asphodel (*Asphodelus ramosus*), White Ramping Fumitory (*Fumaria capreolata*) and more. Cretan Blue Hound's-tongue (*Cynoglossum creticum*) was in early flower.

There were several species of butterfly on the wing. We noted Common Swallowtail, Common and Small Blues, Small Copper, Red Admiral and Brown Argus. European Nettle Tree (*Celtis australis*) was in fresh leaf, and older leaves showed the eponymous shape. However, there was no sign of Nettle Tree Butterfly. Giacomo chased after a tiger moth, after walking around with a Nine-spotted moth on his glasses! We also saw or heard Pheasant, Green Woodpecker, Blackcap and Sardinian Warbler.

After admiring the view towards the Argentario promontory, we drove a short distance to a beach, which was busy, this being a Sunday afternoon. We set up our picnic, looking out over the Mediterranean. It was a challenge to find Blue Rock Thrush having heard it, and we saw Alpine and Common Swifts, Swallow, House Martin and Rock Dove.

Along the bank of a small dyke, we passed Hedge Mustard (*Sisymbrium officinale*), Tree Mallow (*Malva arborea*) and White Mignonette (*Reseda alba*) in flower. Bears' Breeches (*Acanthus mollis*) and Wild Carrot (*Daucus carota*) were ready to flower. A sheer cliff was covered in vegetation, including Sweet Alysum (*Lobularia maritima*), White Henbane (*Hyoscyamus albus*) and a dandelion-like *Hyoseris radiata*. We discovered Neptune's Balls (the remains of Sea Grass (*Posidonia oceanica*)), washed ashore and rolled into hard, kiwi-fruit like 'eggs'. Sea Purslane (*Atriplex portulacoides*) was on the sides.

We decided to return to the hotel in good time to have tea, and to be ready for our spa session (and massage for some). What a great way to relax after a fascinating day! Well-chilled, we met to compile our list of observations for the day, enjoy another delicious dinner and retire to our rooms: but not before some excitement with a pair of Scops Owl. We found a pair in a conifer tree and watched them for about ten minutes. The male flew off and returned with an offering for the female. It was a House Gecko: the female grabbed the gecko with her claws and swiftly swallowed it. It was a totally thrilling sight.

Day 5

Monday 20th April

Our early morning bird walk was great. We heard, and then briefly saw, a male Golden Oriole. We also heard Bee-eaters, but did not see them. We were grateful for these observations because they marked the return of both migrating species. We also had great views of Hoopoe, Serin, Corn Bunting, Swallow, House Martin and Crested Lark. A Hare was in the vineyard, and a single Italian or Field Gladiolus (*Gladiolus italicus*) looked splendid in the long grass.

After a leisurely breakfast, we drove to the medieval city of Siena, just over an hour away. We collected a city map at the information centre in the Piazza Duomo, opposite the amazingly decorated Duomo (cathedral) and its

towers. We had three hours to explore the city and to see its remarkable medieval buildings, starting with a visit to the magnificent cathedral and nearby tower. It overlooks the city and Il Campo, a very large square which hosts the biannual Palio, the famous, fiercely-contested horse race. There was plenty of time to wander along the narrow, winding streets, to investigate the many shops, and to visit cafés. We saw a few birds too: Jackdaw, Magpie, Buzzard, Common Kestrel, Hooded Crow, White Wagtail, Common Swift and Chaffinch.

We held-over the daily checklist and enjoyed dinner. Another successful day ended, with Scops Owl calling, Fireflies glowing, and sleep awaiting.

Day 6

Tuesday 21st April

There was no bird walk this morning because we needed to leave at 9.00am to drive to Porto Santo Stefano, to be at our small boat for shortly after 9.30am. The port sparkled in the warm sunshine as we arrived. Dharma, our host, took us to a small, modern boat moored in the harbour. By 10.00am, we cast off and headed west to Giglio Island. It took about an hour to sail across; we were looking over the sea all the time. Through the day we had several stops to see wildlife on the water, in the air and on the cliffs. We saw a good range of birds. Our key target was to see the very uncommon Audouin's Gull.

The crossing, in relatively calm conditions, yielded distant views of Yellow-legged Gulls and one Scopoli's Shearwater. We scanned the cliff faces once close enough to the island in search of Audouin's Gulls. We were delighted to see many in the air, mixed in with the more numerous Yellow-legged Gulls. The smaller size of the Audouin's Gull, its agility, very neat plumage and dark red bill were clear to see. The breeding colony of this gull here, of at least forty pairs, is a rare find: and it was a real treat to see these birds. So too was seeing a pair of Peregrine Falcons in flight, and perched on a rock face. Single Shags flew across, a small group of egrets was perched on a large rock, and a Purple Heron flew over.

We did not land, so we identified plants from the boat as best we could. We recognized Phoenician Juniper (*Juniperus phoenicea*), Prickly Pear (*Opuntia ficu-indica*), Tree Spurge (*Euphorbia dendroides*) and Dwarf Fan Palm (*Chamaerops humilis*). We easily picked out Shrubby Everlasting (*Helichrysum stoechas*) by its yellow flowers. There was much more that needed a closer view to identify in the garrigue and maquis on the island, but the skipper advised that we should return to port to avoid a change in weather.

After forty minutes, we drew to a halt to have coffee and look for birds. We heard Sardinian Warbler and Great Tit in the bushes. Then, as we set off on the final leg of our trip, we spotted shearwaters. The skipper adjusted course towards a crowd of gulls, and there we found good numbers of both Scopoli's and Yelkuan Shearwaters. We had a fantastic few minutes admiring these graceful birds in flight and on the sea. It was difficult to leave but, with the prospect of Italian ice cream back at port, we did! We had already enjoyed bruschetta, pasta, wine, coffee and fruit in the warm sunshine. So this sweet treat capped off a calm, relaxing and most rewarding trip.

As we parked at the hotel, distinctive calls announced the presence of Bee-eaters. They had been seen by one of the group in the morning, and everyone now admired some fifteen of them. We also spotted four Short-toed Snake Eagles. Wow!

Before dinner, we completed a checklist for the previous two days. While the species list for each day was not extensive, quality made up for quantity. This had been another thoroughly enjoyable day, for so many reasons.

Day 7

Wednesday 22nd April

For our last day in the field, we chose to visit the Parco Regionale della Maremma, whose wooded hills we had observed behind our hotel every day. Along the entrance road to the park, we passed fields of Maremma cattle and horses, with attendant Cattle Egrets.

A slow amble along the sandy track in the pine woodland took us to a dyke, across which a cave in the limestone was reached. Evidence of Neanderthal Man has been collected here, but the evidence we found was more contemporary: a Badger latrine.

We heard Turtle Doves and lots of frogs, and saw different plants, including *Petrorhagia dubia* (a delicate, one-flowered pink), the very curious Pygmy Cudweed or Evax (*Filago pygmaea*), Common (*Helianthemum nummularium*) and Spotted Rock-roses (*Tuberaria guttata*). Biennial Flax (*Linum bienne*), Tongue Orchid (*Serapias lingua*) and Tassel Hyacinth (*Muscari comosum*) added interest, while Holm Oak (*Quercus ilex*) was dominant. Birds included Collared Dove, Wood Pigeon, Short-toed Snake Eagle, Jay, Sardinian Warbler, Blackcap and Chaffinch, while Nightingales skulked in the bushes, singing away.

We drove to the start of a different trail (A5) behind the village church, and took advantage of a purpose-built stone circle to host our picnic. The trail at first was on lower ground, with little climbing and good paths. Italian Lizards skittered everywhere, and sawfly larvae abseiled down from a Holm Oak above the stone circle. We were delighted to find a single, bright, male, black and yellow Owl Sulphur (an owl-fly) (*Libelloides coccajus*), which posed for photographs. Over the day we saw a good range of butterflies: Small Heath, Common Swallowtail, Clouded Yellow, Small Copper, Wall Brown, Speckled Wood, Cleopatra, Common and Holly Blues, Red Admiral, Orange-tip, Painted Lady and Small Heath.

We saw interesting plants too: Jerusalem Thorn (*Paliurus spina-christi*), Narrow-leaved Cistus (*Cistus monspeliensis*), Musk Storks-bill (*Erodium moschatum*), Wide-winged Vetch (*Lathyrus ochrus*), Pink Convolvulus (*Convolvulus cantabrica*), and Strawberry Tree (*Arbutus unedo*). Borage (*Borago officinalis*), Milk Thistle (*Silybum marianum*) and a host of vetches added colour.

We stopped at a small café in Alberese for toilets, and to enjoy coffee and ice cream. Then, as we returned to Il Duchesco, we made a final stop to look at plants on the road verge. Orchids! Although they were starting to go over, they were still resplendent in the sunshine: Pink Butterfly (*Anacamptis papilionacea*), Long-lipped Tongue (*Serapias vomeracea*), Bumblebee Orchids (*Ophrys bombyliflora*), and a hybrid. There were a few Italian Gladioli (*Gladiolus italicus*) to be admired too.

We wanted to have a slightly shorter day, to have time for a special extra event: making pasta! Cristina, Matteo and Rana (the new cook) carefully took the seven eager volunteers through the steps, and each produced very impressive pasta: *tagliatelle* and *maremmano tortello*. It was a great experience which, hopefully, they will replicate back at home. Dinner comprised fish dishes, and was roundly enjoyed.

Day 8

Thursday 23rd April

There was no time for an organized early bird walk, and no time for breakfast at the hotel. We wanted to arrive early in Pisa to be prepared for any delays in passing through airport security. So, Cristina and Matteo provided breakfast packs and we left at 6.17am. It was a dark and cold start to the day as we said goodbye, after a thoroughly wonderful week. But we kept birdwatching, and saw Buzzard, Hooded Crow, Barn Swallow, Starling, Collared Dove and Jackdaw along the way.

The roads were quiet and our journey went well. We said our farewells at the airport, and all went smoothly for the journeys home.

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Species lists

Birds (H=heard only)

I= introduced		April 2026							
Common name	Scientific name	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Common Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓		
Garganey	<i>Spatula querquedula</i>		✓						
Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>		✓	✓				✓	
Common Pheasant - I	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymarptis melba</i>			✓	✓		✓		
Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Great Spotted Cuckoo	<i>Clamator glandarius</i>				✓				
Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Common Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Water Rail	<i>Rallus aquaticus</i>			✓					
Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	✓	✓					✓	
Great Crested Grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>			✓					
Greater Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus roseus</i>		✓	✓					
Eurasian Stone-curlew	<i>Burhinus oedicnemus</i>				✓	✓	✓	✓	
Eurasian Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>			✓					
Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>		✓	✓					
Pied Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>		✓						
Eurasian Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>		✓						
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>			✓					
Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>		✓						
Spotted Redshank	<i>Tringa erythropus</i>		✓	✓					
Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>			✓					
Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>		✓	✓					
Black-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>			✓					
Audouin's Gull	<i>Ichthyæetus audouinii</i>						✓		
Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus michahellis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Scopoli's Shearwater	<i>Calonectris diomedea</i>		✓		✓				
Yelkouan Shearwater	<i>Puffinus yelkouan</i>		✓			✓	✓		
Northern Gannet	<i>Morus bassanus</i>								
Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓		
European Shag	<i>Gulosus aristotelis</i>						✓		
Northern Bald Ibis - I	<i>Geronticus eremita</i>				✓			✓	
Eurasian Spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>			✓					
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>		✓	✓					
Western Cattle Egret	<i>Ardea ibis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>						✓		
Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>		✓	3					
Short-toed Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>		✓	✓		✓	4		
Western Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>		✓	✓			✓		
Red Kite	<i>Milvus milvus</i>	✓					✓	✓	
Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>	✓			✓	✓			✓
Little Owl	<i>Athene noctua</i>					✓		✓	
Eurasian Scops Owl	<i>Otus scops</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Long-eared Owl	<i>Asio otus</i>								

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Common name	Scientific name	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Tawny Owl	<i>Strix aluco</i>							✓	
Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Roller	<i>Coracias garrulus</i>							✓	
European Bee-eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>						30+		✓
European Green Woodpecker	<i>Picus viridis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>						✓		
Eurasian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>				✓	✓		✓	
Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Eurasian Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Western Jackdaw	<i>Coloeus monedula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus corone cornix</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Eurasian Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Woodlark	<i>Lullula arborea</i>		✓					✓	
Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata</i>				✓				
Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>								✓
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Western House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Cetti's Warbler	<i>Cettia cetti</i>		✓	✓					
Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>			✓	✓			✓	
Great Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>		✓						
Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Eurasian Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Sardinian Warbler	<i>Curruca melanocephala</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	✓		✓	✓				
European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	✓							
Common Nightingale	<i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>			✓	✓	✓		✓	
European Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>			✓					
Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>					✓			
Common Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>					✓			
Blue Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>					✓			
Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>			✓					
European Stonechat	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>			✓					
Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>					✓	✓	✓	
Eurasian Tree Sparrow	<i>Passer montanus</i>					✓			
Italian Sparrow	<i>Passer italiae</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Western Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>		✓			✓			
Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>								
White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>				✓	✓			
Eurasian Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>				✓			✓	
European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>					✓			
European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
European Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓		
Corn Bunting	<i>Emberiza calandra</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

Mammals

S=signs		April 2026							
Common name	Scientific name	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
European Hare	<i>Lepus europaeus</i>		S	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Crested Porcupine	<i>Hystrix cristata</i>		S						
Western Hedgehog	<i>Erinaceus europaeus</i>						✓	✓	
Western Roe Deer	<i>Capreolus capreolus</i>		S	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Wild Boar	<i>Sus scrofa</i>		S	S				✓	
Red Fox	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>							✓	
European Badger	<i>Meles meles</i>		S					S	

Amphibians & reptiles

		April 2026							
Common name	Scientific name	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Edible Frog	<i>Pelophylax kl. esculentus</i>		✓	✓					
Western Green Lizard	<i>Lacerta bilineata</i>			✓					
Common Wall Lizard	<i>Podarcis muralis</i>			✓		✓	✓		
Italian Wall Lizard	<i>Podarcis siculus</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Western Whip Snake	<i>Hierophis viridiflavus</i>		✓						
Hermann's Tortoise	<i>Testudo hermanni</i>		✓						
European Pond Terrapin	<i>Emys orbicularis</i>							✓	

Fishes

		April 2026							
Common name	Scientific name	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Saddled Bream	<i>Oblada melanura</i>						✓		
Salema Porgy	<i>Sarpa salpa</i>						✓		
Damselfish	<i>Chromis chromis</i>						✓		

Butterflies

		April 2026							
Common name	Scientific name	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Scarce Swallowtail	<i>Iphiclides podalirius</i>		✓						
Common Swallowtail	<i>Papilio machaon</i>		✓	✓					
Common Brimstone	<i>Gonepteryx rhamni</i>		✓	✓				✓	
Cleopatra	<i>Gonepteryx cleopatra</i>			✓					
Cleopatra	<i>Gonepteryx cleopatra</i>		✓						
Large White	<i>Pieris brassicae</i>		✓	✓				✓	
Small White	<i>Pieris rapae</i>		✓						
Common Orange-tip	<i>Anthocharis cardamines</i>							✓	
Sooty Copper	<i>Lycaena tityrus</i>			✓					
Small Copper	<i>Lycaena phlaeas</i>		✓	✓					
Green Hairstreak	<i>Callophrys rubi</i>		✓						
Brown Argus	<i>Aricia agestis</i>							✓	
Adonis Blue	<i>Polyommatus bellargus</i>			✓					
Common Blue	<i>Polyommatus icarus</i>			✓					
Southern White Admiral	<i>Limenitis reducta</i>		✓						
Red Admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>		✓					✓	
Small Tortoiseshell	<i>Aglais urticae</i>		✓						

		April 2026							
Common name	Scientific name	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Glanville Fritillary	<i>Melitaea cinxia</i>			✓					
Small Heath	<i>Coenonympha pamphilus</i>							✓	
Speckled Wood	<i>Pararge aegeria</i>	✓		✓				✓	
Wall Brown	<i>Lasiommata megera</i>		✓	✓				✓	

Moths

		April 2026							
Common name	Scientific name	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
a bagworm moth sp	<i>Psychidae</i> sp.							✓	
Six-spot Burnet	<i>Zygaena filipendulae</i>			✓					
Hummingbird Hawk-moth	<i>Macroglossum stellatarum</i>						✓		
Yellow Shell	<i>Camptogramma bilineata</i>			✓					
Nine-spotted	<i>Amata phegea</i>		✓						
Silver Y	<i>Autographa gamma</i>		✓						

Damselflies & dragonflies

		April 2026							
Common name	Scientific name	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Migrant Spreadwing	<i>Lestes barbarus</i>			✓					
Common Bluetail	<i>Ischnura elegans</i>		✓					✓	
Common Darter	<i>Sympetrum striolatum</i>		✓						

Other invertebrates

		April 2026							
Common name	Scientific name	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Italian Locust	<i>Calliptamus italicus</i>							✓	
Owly Sulphur	<i>Libelloides coccajus</i>							✓	
a sawfly (larvae)	<i>Symphyta</i> sp.								
Minotaur Beetle	<i>Typhaeus typhoeus</i>							✓	
a jumping spider	<i>Carrhotus xanthogramma</i>			✓				✓	
a nursery-web spider	<i>Pisauridae</i> sp.							✓	
a funnel-web spider	<i>Agelenidae</i> sp.							✓	

Plants

E=endemic, I=introduced/planted		
Scientific Name	Common Name	Location/Notes
Aspleniaceae	Spleenwort Family	
<i>Asplenium ceterach</i>	Rustyback Fern	Citta di Cosa
Dennstaedtiaceae	Bracken Family	
<i>Pteridium aquilinum</i>	Bracken	woodland, common
Polypodiaceae	Polypody Family	
<i>Polypodium interjectum</i>	Intermediate Polypody	Citta di Cosa
Cupressaceae	Juniper Family	
<i>Autographa gamma</i>	Prickly Juniper	maquis
<i>Juniperus phoenicea</i>	Phoenician Juniper	maquis
<i>Cupressus sempervirens</i>	Italian Cypress	roadsides, common
Pinaceae	Pine Family	
<i>Pinus pinaster</i>	Maritime Pine	coastal strip
<i>Pinus pinea</i>	Umbrella Pine	common and planted
Aizoaceae	Fig-Marigold Family	
<i>Carpobrotus edulis - I</i>	Hottentot Fig	Giglio Island, beach
Arisolochiaceae	Birthwort Family	
<i>Aristolochia rotunda</i>	Smearwort	Oasi di Orbetello
Adoxaceae	Moschatel Family	
<i>Sambucus nigra</i>	Elder	Oasi di Orbetello
Amaranthaceae	Goose-foot Family	
<i>Atriplex portulacoides</i>	Sea Purslane	Diaccia Botrona
<i>Sarcocornia fruticosa</i>	Shrubby Glasswort	Diaccia Botrona
Anacardiaceae	Sumach Family	
<i>Pistacia lentiscus</i>	Mastic Bush	maquis, common
Apiaceae	Carrot Family	
<i>Aegipodium prodragaria</i>	Ground Elder	Citta di Cosa
<i>Eryngium maritimum</i>	Sea-holly	beach
<i>Echinophora spinosa</i>	Echinophora	Maremma Park
<i>Ferula communis</i>	Giant Fennel	roadsides, common
<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i>	Fennel	woodland
<i>Sanicula europaea</i>	Sanicle	woodland
<i>Tordylium apulum</i>	Hartwort	roadsides, common
Araliaceae	Ivy Family	
<i>Hedera helix</i>	Ivy	on trees
Betulaceae	Birch Family	
<i>Corylus avellana</i>	Hazel	woodland
Boraginaceae	Forget-me-not Family	
<i>Borago officinalis</i>	Borage	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Cynoglossum creticum</i>	Cretan Hound's-tongue	Citta di Cosa
<i>Echium plantagineum</i>	Purple Viper's Bugloss	Maremma Park
<i>Myosotis arvense</i>	Field Forget-me-Not	Maremma Park
<i>Myosotis ramosissima</i>	Early Forget-me-Not	hotel
<i>Myosotis sylvatica</i>	Wood Forget-me-Not	Maremma Park
Brassicaceae	Cabbage Family	
<i>Alliaria petiolata</i>	Garlic Mustard	roadsides, common
<i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i>	Shepherd's Purse	hotel
<i>Cardamine amara</i>	Greater Bitter-cress	hotel
<i>Cardamine flexuosa</i>	Wavy Bitter-cress	hotel
<i>Bombylius sp.</i>	Wild Raddish	Oasi di Orbetello

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Scientific Name	Common Name	Location/Notes
<i>Sisymbrium officinale</i>	Hedge Mustard	very common
Caprifoliaceae	Honeysuckle Family	
<i>Centranthus calcitrapa</i>	Annual Valerian	Citta di Cosa
<i>Lonicera implexa</i>	-	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Viburnum tinus</i>	Laurastinus	Maremma Park
Caryophyllaceae	Pink Family	
<i>Cerastium glomeratum</i>	Sticky Mouse-ear	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Petrorhagia dubia</i> (P. <i>velutina</i>)	a Pink	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Silene dioica</i>	Red Campion	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Silene gallica</i>	Small-flowered Catchfly	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Silene italica</i>	Italian Catchfly	Maremma Park
<i>Silene latifolia</i>	White Campion	woodland
<i>Silene otites</i>	Spanish Catchfly	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Spergularia media</i>	Sea Spurrey	beach
<i>Sellaria holostea</i>	Greater Stitchwort	Maremma Park
<i>Stellaria media</i>	Chickweed	common
Cistaceae	Rock-rose Family	
<i>Cistus x incanus</i>	Hybrid Pink Cistus	Maremma Park
<i>Cistus monspeliensis</i>	Narrow-leaved Cistus	Maremma Park
<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i>	Common Rock'rose	Maremma Park
<i>Tuberaria guttata</i>	Spotted Rock-rose	Maremma Park
Compositae (Asteraceae)	Daisy Family	
<i>Bellis annuus</i>	Annual Daisy	Maremma Park
<i>Bellis sylvestris</i>	Southern Daisy	Maremma Park
<i>Centaurea cyanus</i>	Cornflower	Citta di Cosa
<i>Chamaemelum nobile</i>	Chamomile	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Dittrichia viscosa</i>	Stink Aster	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Filago (Evax) pygmaea</i>	Evax	Maremma Park
<i>Galactites tormentosa</i>	Galactites	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Glebionis coronaria</i>	Crown Daisy	beach
<i>Hyosotis radiata</i>	—	Diaccia Botrona
<i>Jacobaea maritima</i> (<i>Senecio cineraria</i>)	Silver Ragwort	beach
<i>Senecio vulgaris</i>	Groundsel	hotel
<i>Silybum marianum</i>	Milk Thistle	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Urospermum dalechampii</i>	Smooth Goldenfleece	Oasi di Orbetello
Cornaceae	Dogwood Family	
<i>Cornus sanguinea</i>	Dogwood	Oasi di Patanella
Crassulaceae	Stonecrop Family	
<i>Umbilicus rupestris</i>	Navelwort / Wall Pennywort	Citta di Cosa
<i>Sedum telephium</i>	Orpine	Citta di Cosa
Ericaceae	Heath family	
<i>Arbutus unedo</i>	Strawberry Tree	Argentario Promontory
<i>Erica multiflora</i>	Tree Heath	Argentario Promontory
Euphorbiaceae	Spurge Family	
<i>Euphorbia amygdaloides</i>	Wood Spurge	Maremma Park
<i>Euphorbia dendroides</i>	Tree Euphorbia	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Euphorbia dulcis</i>	Sweet Spurge	Diaccia Botrona
<i>Euphorbia helioscopia</i>	Sun Spurge	Maremma Park
<i>Euphorbia paralias</i>	Sea Spurge	beach
<i>Mercurialis annua</i>	Annual Mercury	Maremma Park

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Scientific Name	Common Name	Location/Notes
Fagaceae	Oak & Beech Family	
<i>Fagus sylvestris</i>	Beech	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Quercus ilex</i>	Holm Oak	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Quercus pubescens</i>	Downy Oak	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Quercus suber</i>	Cork Oak	Oasi di Orbetello
Gentianaceae	Gentian Family	
<i>Blackstonia perfoliata</i>	Yellow-wort	Maremma Park
Geraniaceae	Geranium Family	
<i>Erodium cicutarium</i>	Common Stork's-bill	hotel
<i>Erodium moschatum</i>	Musk Stork's-bill	hotel
<i>Geranium columbinum</i>	Long-stalked Crane's-bill	hotel
<i>Geranium dissectum</i>	Cut-leaved Crane's-bill	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Geranium lucidum</i>	Shining Crane's-bill	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Geranium molle</i>	Dove's-foot Crane's-bill	hotel
<i>Geranium robertianum</i>	Herb Robert	Maremma Park
Lamiaceae	Dead-nettle Family	
<i>Mentha spicata</i>	Garden Mint	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Prasium majus</i>	Prasium	beach
<i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i>	Rosemary	frequent
<i>Salvia verbenaca</i>	Wild Clary	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Stachys byzantina</i>	Lamb's-ear	Maremma Park
<i>Teucrium fruticans</i>	Shrubby Germander	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Thymus polytrichus</i>	Wild Thyme	woodland
Leguminosae (Fabaceae)	Pea Family	
<i>Anthyllis barba-jovis</i>	Jupiter's Beard	
<i>Astragalus monspessulanus</i>	Monpellier Milkvetch	Argentario Promontory
<i>Bituminaria bituminosa</i>	Pitch Trefoil	Argentario Promontory
<i>Cercis siliquastrum - I</i>	Judus Tree	roadsides, common
<i>Dorycnium hirsutum</i>	Dorycnium	beach
<i>Hedysarum coronarium</i>	Italian Sainfoin	roadsides
<i>Hippocrepis (Coronilla) emerus</i>	Scorpion Vetch or False Senna	Argentario Promontory
<i>Lathyrus ochrus</i>	Winged Vetch	Maremma Park
<i>Lathyrus vernus</i>	Spring Pea	Maremma Park
<i>Lupinus angustifolia</i>	Narrow-leaved Lupin	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Medicago arabica</i>	Spotted Medick	Maremma Park
<i>Merdicago maritima</i>	Sea Medick	beach
<i>Medicago minima</i>	Bur Medick	Maremma Park
<i>Medicago polymorpha</i>	Toothed Medick	hotel
<i>Robinia pseudoacacia - I</i>	False-acacia	roadsides, common
<i>Spartium junceum</i>	Spanish Broom	roadsides, common
<i>Trifolium campestre</i>	Hop Trefoil	frequent
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	White Clover	frequent
<i>Trifolium squamosum</i>	Sea Clover	beach
<i>Trifolium stellatum</i>	Starry Clover	Maremma Park
<i>Buff-tailed Bumblebee</i>	Cultivated Vetch	common
<i>Vicia villosa</i>	Fodder Vetch	common
Linaceae	Flax Family	
<i>Linum bienne</i>	Biennial Flax	Oasi di Orbetello
Malvaceae	Mallow Family	
<i>Malva arborea</i>	Tree Mallow	beach
<i>Malva sylvestris</i>	Common Mallow	common

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Moraceae	Fig Family	
<i>Ficus carica</i> - I	Fig	common, planted
Myrtaceae	Myrtle Family	
<i>Myrtus communis</i>	Myrtle	common
Oleaceae	Olive Family	
<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>	Ash	frequent
<i>Phillyrea (varieabilis) latifolia</i>	Broad-leaved Pillyrea	beach
Orobanchaceae	Broomrape Family	
<i>Orobanche minor</i>	Common Broomrape	Oasi di Orbetello
Oxalidaceae	Wood-sorrel Family	
<i>Oxalis acetosella</i>	Wood Sorrel	Maremma Park
<i>Oxalis articulata</i> - I	Pink Oxalis	roadsides
Papaveraceae	Poppy Family	
<i>Corydalis cava</i>	Bulbous Corydalis	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Bombus pratorum</i>	Common Fumitory	Maremma Park
<i>Papaver rhoeas</i>	Corn Poppy	frequent
Plantaginaceae	Plantain Family	
<i>Antirrhinum latifolium</i>	Snapdragon	Citta di Cosa
<i>Plantago coronopus</i>	Stag's-horn Plantain	hotel
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	Ribwort Plantain	hotel
<i>Plantago major</i>	Greater Plantain	hotel
<i>Veronica persica</i>	Common Field Speedwell	Maremma Park
Plumbaginaceae	Thrift Family	
<i>Limonium etruscum</i> - E	Etruscan Sea-lavender	beach
Polygonaceae	Knotweed Family	
<i>Rumex bucephalophorus</i>	Horned Dock	Oasi di Orbetello
Primulaceae	Primrose Family	
<i>Anagallis arvensis</i>	Scarlet Pimpernel	common
Ranunculaceae	Buttercup Family	
<i>Anemone ranunculoides</i>	Yellow Anemone	Maremma Park
<i>Ranunculus acris</i>	Meadow Buttercup	common
<i>Ranunculus muricatus</i>	Large-leaved Buttercup	Maremma Park
<i>Ranunculus repens</i>	Creeping Buttercup	hotel
Resedaceae	Mignonette Family	
<i>Reseda lutea</i>	Mignonette	Maremma Park
Rhamnaceae	Buckthorn Family	
<i>Paliurus spina-christi</i>	Christ's or Jerusalem Thorn	Maremma Park
<i>Rhamnus alaternus</i>	Mediterranean Buckthorn	beach
Rosaceae	Rose Family	
<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	Hawthorn	common
<i>Prunus avium</i>	Wild Cherry	
an 'Orange' Bumblebee	Bramble	Oasi di Patanella
Rubiaceae	Bedstraw Family	
<i>Galium aparine</i>	Cleavers	common
<i>Sherardia arvensis</i>	Field Maddar	common
Salicaceae	Willow & Poplar Family	
<i>Populus tremula</i>	Aspen	planted
Santalaceae	Sandalwood Family	
<i>Osyris alba</i>	Osyris	Oasi di Patanella

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Scientific Name	Common Name	Location/Notes
Sapindaceae	Maple Family	
<i>Acer campestre</i>	Field Maple	Oasi di Patanella
<i>Acer monspessulanum</i>	Montpelier Maple	hotel
<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>	Sycamore	hotel
Scrophulariaceae	Figwort Family	
<i>Verbascum sinuatum</i>	Wavyleaf Mullein	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Scrophularia peregrina</i>	Nettle-leaved Figwort	Maremma Park
Solanaceae	Nightshade Family	
<i>Hyoscyamus albus</i>	White Henbane	Diaccia Botrona
Thymelaeaceae	Mezereon Family	
<i>Daphne gnidium</i>	Mediterranean Daphne	village, roadsides
<i>Daphne laureola</i>	Spurge Laurel	beach
Ulmaceae	Elm Family	
<i>Ulmus canescens</i>	Mediterranean Elm	roadsides
Urticaceae	Nettle Family	
<i>Parietaria officinalis</i>	Eastern Pellitory	common on walls
<i>Urtica dioica</i>	Common Nettle	common
<i>Urtica urens</i>	Annual Nettle	common
Amaryllidaceae	Daffodil Family	
<i>Allium roseum</i>	Rosy Garlic	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Allium triquetrum</i>	Three-cornered Leek	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>a Tiger Beetle</i>	Sea Daffodil	beach
Araceae	Arum Family	
<i>Cicindela sp.</i>	Italian Lords-and-Ladies	woodland, roadsides
<i>Asparagus acutifolius</i>	Wild Asparagus	Bosco di Patanella
<i>Leopoldia (Muscari) comosa</i>	Tassel Hyacinth	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Ornithogalum umbellatum</i>	Common Star-of-Bethlehem	Oasi di Orbetello
Aspodelaceae	Asparagus family	
<i>Asparagus acutifolius</i>	Wild Asparagus	Oasi di Patanella
<i>Asphodelus ramosus</i>	Branched Asphodel	Citta di Cosa
Cyperaceae	Sedge Family	
<i>Carex flacca</i>	Remote Sedge	Carex remota
<i>Schoenus nigricans</i>	Black Bog Rush	Diaccia Botrona
Iridaceae	Iris Family	
<i>Gladiolus italicus</i>	Field Gladiolus	roadsides
<i>Iris pseudacorus</i>	Yellow Flag	roadsides
Juncaceae	Rush Family	
<i>Juncus acutus</i>	Sharp Rush	Diaccia Botrona
<i>Luzula pilosa</i>	Hairy Woodrush	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Scirpoides holoschoenus</i>	Round-headed Clubrush	Maremma Park
Orchidaceae	Orchid Family	
<i>Anacamptis papilionacea</i>	Pink Butterfly Orchid	Alberese roadside
<i>Orchis italicus</i>	Italian Man Orchid	Alberese roadside
<i>Ophrys bombyliflora</i>	Bumblebee Orchid	Alberese roadside
	Bumblebee x Sawfly Orchid	Alberese roadside
<i>Orchis purpurea</i>	Lady Orchid	near San Gimignano
<i>Serapias lingua</i>	Tongue Orchid	hotel, Alberese roadside
<i>Serapias vomeracea</i>	Long-lipped Tongue Orchid	Maremma Park
Poaceae	Grass Family	
<i>Aegilops ovata</i>	Goat Grass	Argentario Promontory
<i>Ammophila sp.</i>	a Marram	beach

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<i>Arundo donax</i>	Giant Reed	Diaccia Botrona
<i>Avena sterilis</i>	Winter Wild Oat	hotel
<i>Briza maxima</i>	Great Quaking Grass	Maremma Park
<i>Briza minor</i>	Small Quaking Grass	Maremma Park
<i>Catapodium rigidum</i>	Fern-grass	Maremma Park
<i>Hordeum murinum</i>	Wall Barley	common
<i>Lagurus ovatus</i>	Hare's-tail Grass	Oasi di Orbetello
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	Reed Canary Grass	Diaccia Botrona
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	Common Reed	Diaccia Botrona