# Studentessa Matta

Vivi l'italia, parla italiano!

Where learning meets la dolce vita!



#### Where to Watch Italian TV and Films

Get out the popcorn — it's time to watch a movie. Who doesn't love a good movie flick? Watching movies is a fantastic way to keep your language skills thriving! These days, it is easier than ever to find Italian movies online and through film distribution services like Netflix and Amazon streaming.



- 1. <u>Rai TV</u> and <u>RAlplay.it</u> Enjoy TV shows like *II Paradiso delle Signore, L'Amica Geniale, Don Matteo,* and many other Italian comedies and soap dramas. *Read Matta Review.*
- 2. <u>Yabla TV</u> Immerse yourself in Italian TV shows with interactive learning tools. <u>Read Matta Review.</u>
- 3. <u>Netflix</u> Discover a large selection of original Italian movies & films, like *La guida astrologica per cuore infranti, La legge di Lidia Poèt,* and *7 donne e un mistero.* View original English shows in Italian by changing language settings. *Read Matta Review.*
- 4. <u>Repubblica TV</u> Watch short news videos and current events in Italian, streaming live online, accompanied by brief written descriptions. <u>Read Matta Review.</u>
- 5. <u>LingoPie.com</u> Watch TV online & learn Italian with interactive learning tools. <u>Read Matta Review.</u>
- 6. <u>Alma.TV.</u> Watch TV online & learn Italian with interactive learning tools. <u>Read Matta Review.</u>
- 7. <u>JustWatch.it</u> A site for viewing movies in Italian, like the film <u>lo non ho paura</u>

#### Italian Radio and Audio



Start your day by tuning into an Italian radio station, from classical to rock, golden oldies to Maneskin; with these links, you will find a favorite station to put you in the language learning mood.

- 8. <u>Matta Spotify Italian Playlist</u> Spotify Music Playlist featuring past & present Italian hits.
- 9. RaiRadio3 Portal for Italian Radio Stations and Podcasts.
- 10. <u>Italia.FM</u> Portal for Radio Stations.
- 11. Radio Capital Italian talk radio.
- 12. <u>LatteMiele</u> An Italian Radio Station that features only Italian music.
- 13. Radio 2 A Fumetti Radio Dramas featuring Dylan Dog, Tex & Diabolik. Read Matta Review.
- 14. News In Slow Italian Weekly Language Learning News Broadcast.
- 15. Radio Kiss Kiss Ascolta in diretta. Listen to Italian & American music directly online.
- 16. <u>Listing of the Top radio stations in Italy.</u>

### **Italian Learning Podcasts**

Stuck in traffic? Got a long commute? Don't waste your valuable time drumming your fingers on the steering wheel. Instead, you could keep yourself entertained and elevate your Italian skills by listening to an Italian podcast.



17. <u>Tutti Matti per l'Italiano</u> A podcast by la Studentessa Matta that explores all aspects of Italian culture, music, current events, and language learning tips. <u>Matta Theme song.</u>

18. <u>Italiano con Amore</u> by Eleonora Silanus from Umbria. <u>Read Matta Review.</u>19. <u>My Italian Podcast</u> by two Italians, Cristina (Cinqueterre) and Sabrina (Canada). <u>Read Matta Review.</u>

20. Langua Talk Italian: Una Storia ItaliAnna Learn with Anna from Venice.

#### Read Matta Review.

- 21. <u>L'italiano Vero</u> by Massimo Cubelli & Friends in Bergamo. <u>Read Matta Review.</u>
- 22. Learn Italian with Lucrezia by Lucrezia Oddone in Rome.
- 23. <u>ItalianPod101</u> The ItalianPod team walks you through dialogues, gives you transcripts, and reviews new words and grammar structures. There is a fee. This is for beginning to intermediate learners.
- 24. <u>Finestra sull'arte</u> Learn about famous Italian artists to better understand Italian art history. This podcast is for advanced learners.
- 25. Quattro Stagione A fun way to "tour" Italy from wherever you are. Read Matta review.
- 26. Podcast Italiano Over 100 episodes for beginners & intermediates.

#### Online and Brick & Mortar Italian Bookstores



Explore my curated list of bookstores for the best Italian language learning materials, tailored to enhance your fluency whether you prefer shopping online or in person.

- 27. <u>The Matta Amazon Page</u> The Studentessa Matta curated Amazon Affiliate page offers an assortment of Italian novels, learning materials, gifts, games, and travel accessories.
- 28. Amazon.com and Amazon.it Order books and stream movies online.
- 29. IBS Online Italian Bookstore Buy Italian books online direct from Italy.
- 30. I Am Books Italian physical Bookstore in Boston. Order books online.
- 31. Valore Online Books Buy New & Used Italian Books online.
- 32. Alibris Online Italian Book Store.
- 33. Libreria Pino Italian Bookstore San Francisco. Read Matta Review.

#### Read an Italian Novel – Book Recommendations



Reading Italian novels enriches vocabulary, deepens cultural understanding, and improves language fluency through immersive storytelling. Start with simple children's stories. Then challenge yourself by reading things you know in English—like Harry Potter or your favorite English mystery writer.

- 34. <u>Matta Italian Book Club</u> Join the Matta Italian Book Club. Read an Italian novel and discuss in small groups or one-on-one with Melissa.
- 35. lo non ho paura by Niccolò Ammaniti (Matta Book Club Choice)
- 36. Quattro Metà by Martino Coli (Matta Book Club Choice)
- 37. Prima Regola: non innamorarsi by Felicia Kingsley (Matta Book Club Choice)
- 38. <u>Guida astrologica per cuori infranti</u> by Silvia Zucca (Matta Book Club Choice) <u>Read Matta Review.</u> Watch the Matta Book Club discussion <u>video with Silvia Zucca.</u>
- 39. Il risveglio di Isabella by Melissa Muldoon, Waking Isabella translated into Italian.
- 40. <u>Due Amiche</u> by Serena Capilli, Short stories with exercises and vocabulary lists. <u>Read Matta</u> <u>review.</u>
- 41. <u>Le avventure di Pinocchio</u> A dual language book by Jack Risos. <u>Read Matta review.</u>
- 42. <u>Il fascino discreto dell'amore</u> by Grazia Cioce <u>Read Matta Review.</u>
- 43. <u>Brodetto galeotto</u> by Christina Barbara Assouad, takes place in San Benedetto del Tronto in Le Marche.
- 44. Mia suocera è un mostro by Valentina Vanzini, takes place in Sicilia. Read Matta review.
- 45. Non puoi essere tu by Sonia Ognibene (Italian novels for A2-B1). Read Matta Review.
- 46. Fumetti and Fotoromanzo: Topolino, Julia, Tex, Diabolik, Dylan Dog, Julia, and Sogno can be found in Italian book markets. *Read Matta Review.*

#### Italian Audiobooks Improve Listening Comprension

Listening to audiobooks is an unparalleled method for enhancing listening comprehension skills. It offers a highly recommended, immersive learning experience.



- 47. <u>Audible.it</u> Audible.it offers a vast collection of Italian audiobooks, from bestsellers to classics, perfect for improving language skills and enjoying literature on the go.
- 48. <u>Audibile.com</u> The American Audible site has both English & Italian titles.
- 49. Audiobooks.com Audiobooks library has 450,000+ books.

#### Italian Online Magazines & Newspapers



Online magazines and newspapers are a great way for for practicing Italian. They offer real-time insights into culture, news, and language nuances.

- 50. <u>Vanity Fair</u> The Italian edition of Vanity Fair presents a blend of high-profile interviews, fashion insights, and cultural trends, all from an Italian perspective.
- 51. <u>Donna Moderna</u> Italy's leading magazine, offers a mix of lifestyle, health, beauty, and fashion content tailored to the modern Italian woman.
- 52. Il Post A news source that features current events in Italy.
- 53. <u>Corriere della Sera</u> Delivers in-depth news, analysis, and commentary on national and international events, embodying journalistic excellence.
- 54. <u>L'Espresso</u> Offers a sharp blend of investigative journalism, political analysis, and cultural commentary, capturing the essence of contemporary Italy.
- 55. <u>Allora</u> A magazine designed for Italian language learners, published by friend & Italian teacher Beatrice Massaro in Florence. *Read Matta Review.*
- 56. <u>Tutto Italiano</u> An audio magazine & a glossy magazine offering engaging content and language exercises to improve comprehension and fluency.

#### Italian Learning YouTube Channels



Learning Italian with YouTube channels offers dynamic, visual learning experiences, providing interactive lessons, cultural insights, and practical language usage from native speakers.

- 57. <u>Studentessa Matta Youtube Channel</u> The Studentessa Matta YouTube channel offers fun and engaging Italian language lessons, cultural insights, and travel tips to help learners become fluent through immersion.
- 58. <u>Sgrammaticando</u> Fiorella focuses on Italian grammar for Italians. It is also rich with helpful grammar insights for Italian language learners! <u>Read Matta Review</u>
- 59. Italiano Automatico Learn Italian with Alberto and sometimes his nonna!
- 60. <u>Learn Italian with Lucrezia</u> Lucrezia lives in Rome and records short, fun weekly videos to help you learn Italian. *Read Matta Review Video Lucrezia visited me*.
- 61. <u>LearnAmo</u> Graziana and Rocco bring Italian language learning to life with interactive lessons on grammar and vocabulary tailored for learners of all levels.

62. <u>Weilà Tom</u> Offers a personal approach to learning Italian, featuring lessons on idiomatic expressions, grammar, and cultural insights for all proficiency levels.

63. <u>One World Italiano</u> Veronica, from Sardena combines comprehensive Italian language lessons with cultural insights.

64 <u>Peppa Pig</u> A children's cartoon series offering entertaining content for young and old at heart that will improve beginning language skills. <u>Read Matta Review.</u>

65. My Italian Circle Anna offers immersive Italian language lessons, cultural explorations, and advanced comprehension techniques to enhance fluency and understanding.

66. <u>Italy Made Easy by Manu</u> Offers tailored Italian language lessons for English speakers, focusing on practical communication skills from an Australian perspective.

67. <u>Dolce Vita</u> Luca & Marina celebrate Italian culture and language through engaging stories, travel tips, and lessons, inviting viewers to experience the sweet life of Italy.

#### Italian Language & Culture Websites



Subscribing to and following Italian language and culture blogs offers continuous exposure to the languag and deepens cultural understanding

68. <u>Studentessa Matta</u> Where learning meets la dolce vita! Award-winning blog about Italian language and culture. New posts in Italian every week!

69. <u>Italian for My Girlfriend</u> Combines hand-drawn designs and illustrations with language lessons, offering a visually engaging and memorable approach to

learning and remembering Italian words. Read Matta Review.

70. <u>I Draw Italian</u> A Facebook page showcasing hand-drawn designs and illustrations creatively supporting learning and memorizing Italian words.

71. <u>Italian StackExchange</u> A question and answer site for those wanting to discuss in depth the finer points of the Italian language.

72. <u>Becoming Italian Word by Word</u> Dianne Hales, author of "The Bella Lingua", blogs in English highlighting Italian culture and vocabulary. <u>Read Matta Review.</u>

73. <u>Giallo Zafferano</u> A culinary treasure trove, offering a vast collection of authentic Italian cooking and baking recipes to delight food enthusiasts. <u>Read Matta Review.</u>

#### Online Italian Language Instruction



Learning Italian with an online teacher provides personalized guidance, flexible scheduling, and targeted lessons to accelerate your language proficiency and cultural understanding.

74. <u>Studentessa Matta Italian Lessons</u> Learn Italian online with la Studentessa, tailored lessons designed to improve your language skills. <u>Sign up for Lessons</u> with Melissa.

75. <u>Coffee Break Italian</u> Online Italian Language courses for all levels, magazines & audio lessons. *Read Matta Review*.

76. <u>Babbel</u> Beginner grammar courses, vocabulary lessons.

77. Rocket Italian Online Italian Language Courses with Audio training. Read Matta Review.

78. <u>Cyber Italian</u> earn Italian online with Maura Garau's teachers based in Rome. <u>Read Matta</u> Review.

79. <u>Eli Macanni Italian Coach</u> Individual or Group language sessions with Eli from Rome. <u>Read</u> Matta Review.

80. Best Italian Classes Advanced courses with Irene from Umbria. Read Matta Review.

#### Italian Online Language Training Sites & Apps



Using online Italian apps for conjugation and vocabulary retention offers a convenient, interactive way to strengthen language skills and ensure long-term memory through repetitive practice and engagement.

81. <u>Studentessa Matta Quizlet Site</u> Online Italian vocabulary training through flashcards and interactive games. <u>Watch the Matta Video about Quizlet.</u>

82. <u>Linguno</u> Efficient language learning tools, customizable conjugation

exercises, adaptive listening, daily crossword puzzles & study guides. Read Matta Review.

- 83. Makes you Fluent Practice conversation with AI tutor. It's fun! Read Matta Review.
- 84. Parola del Giorno Learn a new Italian word that is sent to your email daily.
- 85. <u>Reverso Conjugator</u> Italian conjugations at your fingertips. <u>Read Matta Review.</u>
- 86. <u>Italian Verb Blitz</u> An app for Smartphones that helps you master Italian Conjugations.
- 87. <u>Italian Verb Conjugator</u> This app for Smartphones features 500 Italian verbs/18 tenses.
- 88. Conjuu App for Smartphones helps you learn over 900 Italian verbs
- 89. <u>DuoLingo</u> Free app that makes a game out of language learning. <u>Read Matta Review.</u>

- 90. <u>bab.la</u> A rich resource for reference tools, including an Italian dictionary, conjugation support, quizzes, and games.
- 91. <u>Memrise</u> Flashcards augmented with mnemonics. <u>Read Matta Review</u>
- 92. Anki A spaced repetition flashcard program. Create your own mnemonic cards.
- 93. <u>lang-8.com.</u> Language exchange social networking website geared towards learners. Post text for the community to correct.
- 94. HiNative.com Ask native speakers quesions about language. Read Matta Review.
- 95. Impariamo l'Italiano Italian grammar learning portal with exercises.
- 96. <u>Fluent Forever</u> Pronunciation & Audio practice. <u>Read Matta Review / Listen to interview founder</u> Gabriel Wyner.
- 97. <u>LingQ Learning</u> Listen and read, grow vocabulary from anything on the web. <u>Read Matta</u> Review.
- 98 <u>Surface Language</u> Practice and learn the pronunciation of the 500 most commonly used words in Italian.
- 99. <u>LingoClip</u> Lyrics training App for Smartphones for learning Italian by listening to Italian music <u>Read Matta Review.</u>
- 100. <u>Matdid</u> Didactic learning materials, grammar drills, and videos curated by Roberto Tartaglione of Scud.it, an Italian school in Rome.

#### Italian Online Dictionairies, Translators, Grammar Books



Utilizing Italian language reference tools facilitates quick access to reliable information, enhances understanding of grammar and vocabulary, and supports accurate language use.

- 101. <u>Italian: A Self-Teaching Guide</u> by Edourdo A. Lebano, Print Book. Italian grammar explained with exercises and answers.
- 102. Reverso Context. Search for Italian expressions used in actual content on the

internet. Read Matta Review.

- 103. Reverso Translator Online language translator.
- 104. <u>Word Reference Forum</u> A great place to ask scholarly questions and get answers from native Italians.
- 105. <u>Dizy Italian Dictionary</u> An Italian dictionary with pictures and descriptions. <u>Read Matta Review.</u>

- 106. Garzanti Linguistica Dizionario Italiano Online Italian dictionary.
- 107. <u>Treccani</u> Italian encyclopedia.
- 108. <u>Fraze.it</u> Provides a comprehensive database of Italian phrases and sentences, offering context-rich examples to enhance language learning and understanding.
- 109. <u>Learn In Your Car Language Grammar CDs</u> by Penton Overseas, audio CDs help you master Italian verb tenses.
- 110. <u>English Grammar for Students of Italian</u> by Sergio Adorni. Refresh your knowledge of what a pronoun is and what an indefinite article is! This is the perfect guide to help you decipher both languages.
- 111. <u>il Congiuntivo</u> by Daniela Mancini (my friend and teacher from Rome. Learn the tricky congiuntivo with explanations in Italian, with exercises. <u>Read Matta Review & Interview with Daniela</u>
- 112. The Matta Amazon Page Italian Books, Dialogues, Work Books & Learning Materials.

#### Instagram Accounts. Jump into Insta & Learn Italian

Following Italian language learning Instagram channels combines fun visual content with educational snippets, making the journey to fluency both enjoyable and engaging through daily, bite-sized lessons.



- 113. <u>Studentessa Matta Instagram</u>
- 114. <u>Chicche Grams</u> <u>Read Matta Review.</u>
- 115. <u>Italy Alfresco</u>
- 116. Italian Speakers
- 117. Verso il Successo.ita
- 118. Italiano Automatico
- 119. Learn Italian with Caterina
- 120. <u>Italiano Avanzato</u>
- 121. Italiano con Gloria
- 122. Italiano with Grace
- 123. The Minoo
- 124. Federico Sambati
- 125. Teacher Stefano
- 126. Casa Surace
- 127. <u>Italiano con Saretta</u>

#### **Italian Pronunciation Practice**

Recording yourself speaking a target language is a highly effective method for self-correction and improvement; simply use your smartphone to record daily tasks or readings in Italian for insightful progress.

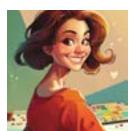


128. Forvo Listen to native speakers pronounce Italian words to improve diction.

129. <u>Transparent Language EveryVoice</u> Record your voice and compare it to native speaker pronunciation.

130 <u>iOS Voice Memo App.</u> Smartphone App lets you record your voice while speaking or reading aloud and evaluate yourself.

#### Italian Games Make Learning "un gioco!"



Playing games in Italian not only makes learning fun and engaging but also enhances language skills through interactive storytelling and problem-solving.

131 <u>Scriveremo Pocket Puzzles</u> Puzzles and quizzes enhance vocabulary. <u>Read</u> *Matta Review* 

132 Italian Word Search Puzzles Print and Play Word Puzzles.

- 133 <u>Learn Italian by MindSnacks</u> Helps you learn vocabulary, phrases, and verbs.
- 134. Barzellette Jokes in Italian. Discover your inner comedian. Learn more. / Watch Matta Video.
- 135. Parole Vietate The Italian version of Taboo.
- 136. <u>Tombola</u> Italian Bingo.
- 137. Kloo Learn to Speak Italian Game.
- 138. Scopa Develop critical thinking in Italian.

#### Join a Conversation Group / Find a Language Partners



Finding a language partner or a private tutor is crucial for breaking through inhibitions and gaining comfort in speaking; it's the best way to improve conversation skills, enunciation, word emphasis, and phonetic recognition.

739. <u>Italian Conversation with Melissa</u> Sign-up for ONE-hour Zoom Italian chat sessions with Melissa on the Matta website.

140. <u>i talki</u> Connect with online teachers and native-speaking language partners. <u>Matta Review / Listen to the Podcast</u>.

141. <u>Preply</u> A site designed to help students find a native speaking language teachers. <u>Read Matta</u> Review.

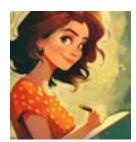
142. <u>Interpals</u> Find language partners with whom you can chat via text, Skype, email, or snail mail if you feel old-fashioned.

143. WyzAnt Find expert tutors at affordable prices in your area.

144. <u>Hello Talk</u> A social app for finding and making friends to help learn a language. <u>Read Matta Review.</u>

145. <u>MeetUp Italian Groups</u> Join an Italian group in your area. If you are in Austin, Texas come join the <u>Join the Matta Italian Meetup Group in Austin, TX!</u>

#### Write in Italiano. Discover your inner author!



Develop a daily writing practice in Italian. Keep an old-fashioned journal and jot down a couple of sentences about your day — it could be as simple as a short paragraph describing an activity or the weather, even a grocery list. In so doing, you work on new vocabulary and improve your grammar skills. It's time to get creative and let those words fly — digitally or on paper!

146. Matta Facebook Page Join the Matta Facebook community and interact with others to practice your writing skills daily on the Matta Facebook page and

on the Matta website where you can leave comments in Italiano!

147 MattaTwitter Feed Tweet in Italian — just a couple words a day keeps you in practice!

148. Keep a daily journal.

149. Write short stories, movie reviews, and even a "To Do List" in Italian.

#### Host a Foreign Exchange Student



Hosting an Italian language student enriches cultural exchange, accelerates language learning through daily conversation, and fosters lifelong friendships across cultural boundaries.

150. <u>AFS Study Abroad — Host an exchange student</u>. I've hosted three Italian students, and all three experiences were extremely rewarding. <u>Read Matta Review / Listen to Podcast</u>

#### Study in Italia



Joining a small group language program and studying in Italy immerses you in authentic language and culture, accelerates learning, and fosters close-knit connections with fellow learners.

151. <u>Matta Small Group Italian Language Immersion Programs</u> Join me for a small-group language program.

152. <u>Italian Homestay in Italy</u> Enjoy an Italian language homestay and live and learn in the home of an Italian teacher in Italy.

153. <u>Study at Lucca Italian School in Lucca</u> I partner with Lucca Italian School for my small group programs. Tell them Melissa sent you receive a special welcome! <u>Read Matta Review of Lucca</u>

154. <u>Study at Cultura Italiana Italian School Arezzo</u> I partner with Cultura Italiana in Arezzo for my small group programs. Tell them Melissa sent you receive a special welcome! <u>Read Matta Review of Arezzo/Learn about the Joust Video.</u>

155. <u>Study at Il Sasso in Montepulciano</u> I partner with il Sasso for my small group programs. Tell them Melissa sent you receive a special welcome! <u>Read Matta Review of Montepulciano</u>.
156. <u>Love Italian Bologna</u> I partner with Love Italian in Bologna for homestays. Tell them Melissa sent you receive a special welcome! <u>Read Matta Review of Bologna</u>.



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