San Marco & North Center



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San Marco & North Center: what belongs together, when the area becomes difficult, and how to use it as a practical part of a Florence day.

Terra Routes

Before your visit

Guide

Read the area before you commit

Area identity

Treat San Marco & North Center as a working part of the city: San Marco Museum, Accademia Gallery and Stibbert Museum have different jobs, not equal checklist weight.

Best for

Best when you want to connect San Marco Museum with Stibbert Museum while keeping one main commitment and one genuine pause.

Main constraint

Plan around Accademia Gallery. Check access first and leave a buffer for the real crowd pattern: Museum-time peaks.

Role in the day

Use it as a Half day block. Protect the final stop instead of adding another distant pin.

Build the visit in four moves

The order is a planning tool, not a demand to complete everything.

San Marco Museum

Begin with San Marco Museum; it gives the clearest orientation before the day becomes crowded.

Accademia Gallery

Make Accademia Gallery the main commitment. Verify official access, tickets or opening hours before fixing the rest.

Piazza Santissima Annunziata

Use Piazza Santissima Annunziata to lower the pace. It should absorb delay, hunger or weather rather than create a second deadline.

Stibbert Museum

Finish at Stibbert Museum. If energy drops, this is the stop to protect while trimming earlier extras.

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Route logic: what works and what does not

Works well

- Fix the one timed or official anchor first.
- Use Piazza Santissima Annunziata as a recovery point, not another major commitment.
- End at Stibbert Museum; do not cross the whole city again.

Avoid this squeeze

- Do not treat all four stops as equal priorities.
- Do not promise yourself quiet during Museum-time peaks.
- Do not ignore Good fallback in rain; it changes the useful order.

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Route

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Duomo Core

Signoria & Uffizi Core

Save a coherent version of the day

Keep the main anchor, a real buffer and a finish you can still enjoy.

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