

Italian Dinner Trivia – Oct. 16, 2026

1. What is the name of the volcano that destroyed Pompeii?
2. What Italian city was the birthplace of the Renaissance?
3. What sculptor carved the famous statue of David?
4. What is the smallest independent state in the world that is located in Italy?
5. What Italian inventor and painter designed flying machines and tanks?
6. Name an Italian drink made with espresso and steamed milk
7. What soup is made with vegetables, beans and pasta?
8. What Italian composer is known for his Four Seasons violin concerto?
9. What famous spot in Rome collects 2 million Euro each year to be used for soup kitchens, food pantries, hospitals and other needs?
10. What date is associated with Julius Caesar's assassination?
11. What is the meaning of the phrase. "La Dolce Vita"?
12. In what Italian city was pizza originated?
13. What wealthy family dominated Renaissance Florence?
14. In Roman mythology, what are the names of the twin brothers who discovered the city of Rome?
15. What amphitheater in Rome was used for gladiator contests?
16. What Leonardo da Vinci masterpiece resides in Milan?
17. What Italian explorer gave his name to the Americas?
18. Name the Italian cheese made from Buffalo milk and known for its soft, creamy texture.
19. Who is the patron saint of Italy?
20. Where in the world are the Spanish steps?

In case of a tie:

Name the river that flows through Rome. **Tiber**

What major American city is on the same latitude as Rome?

Atlanta, Washington DC, **Chicago**, Los Angeles

What sea borders the east side of Italy? **Adriatic**; The West side? **Tyrrhenian**

Name the explorer who travelled to China and served at the court of Kubla Khan. **Marco Polo**

In what year did Italy become a unified kingdom? 1492, 1815, **1861**, 1918