



Italy

## The Retailers of Italia

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# Habits & Terms

## Italian Habits

- ❖ Kissing on cheeks
- ❖ Saying goodbye lasts forever
- ❖ Drinking lots of coffee

## 10 Italian Phrases You Need To Know

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|------------------|-----------------------|
| ❖ Ciao!          | Hello/Goodbye         |
| ❖ Scusi          | Excuse me             |
| ❖ Grazie         | Thank you             |
| ❖ Parla inglese? | Do you speak English? |
| ❖ Non capisco    | I don't understand    |
| ❖ Quanto costa?  | How much is it?       |
| ❖ Quando apre?   | When does it open?    |
| ❖ Mi dispiace    | Im sorry              |
| ❖ Si/No          | Yes/No                |
| ❖ Arrivederci    | Goodbye (formal)      |

# Contributions

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- Climate & Natural resources
- Steel production (Earrings)
- Consumption
- Editing
- Current event article
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- Culture
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- Editing

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- Technology
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- Export trade policies & practices
- Editing
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- Editing
- Fashion current event article

# Things to Know

Italy has a vast history of iron and steel production that dates back to the early 1900's. The steel industry played a significant role in the Italian workforce specifically in the 1950's where the labor output was at an all time high. Although steel isn't Italy's number one resource it still plays a pivotal role in the history of the country's overall economic growth.

(Brandon Coreas)

Italy is a large European country with a land border stretching 1,116 miles in length. The four countries that border Italy include Switzerland, France, Slovenia, and Austria (Kiprop et al., 2021). Out of the four countries, Switzerland holds the longest border while Slovenia has the shortest land border. Recently, the border between France and Italy has been modified ("espaces-transfrontaliers.org: Border factsheets," 2021). Recently the government has restricted crossing the Italian borders due to COVID-19. The permit to entry is issued upon clearance.

(Rokiatou Bah)

Italy's employment & labor practices are followed and understood under a *code law*. "Code law countries require that every action fit within a pre-existing law. France and Italy are examples of code law countries, in which registration determines ownership. Tradition, past practices, and legal precedence influence a common law country's decision. Common law changes as society changes" (Sternquist, 2018). The employment laws are divided into categories, European Union Law, Italian Law, Collective labor agreements.

(Nicole Fortune)

# Fashion Current Event



**Figure1. Milan Fashion Week Picture**

## Milan Fashion Week

Recently, in September 2021, one of the most important fashion events of the year took place in Italy. It was the Milan Fashion Week for the 2022 spring-summer season, which brought together fashion editors and fashion bloggers. Milan Fashion Week is one of the "big four" major events in the fashion world. Its program includes fashion shows of all major Italian brands, such as Giorgio Armani, Fendi, Etro, Versace, Prada, Moschino, Roberto Cavalli, and others (Pieri et al., 2021). For the first time since the pandemic, the fashion week was held in real format and 42 brands showed their collections offline. Nevertheless, there were considerable online shows given that 19 brands preferred to demonstrate fashion trends to the public virtually (Conlon & Jones, 2021). In addition, within the program, The World of Vogue Talents and CNMI Sustainable Fashion Awards recognized aspiring designers and brands who are taking steps to reduce their negative impact on the environment (Nast, 2021). This aspect highlighted how stakeholders in this industry are increasingly recognizing the significance of environmental sustainability and its implications on fashion.

# Current Events



## “A Black-Italian Designer Aims to Change Italy’s Fashion Industry”

This article describes how this designer is looking to make a significant impact on the history of Italian fashion. According to voanews.com “Stella Jean is a Haitian-Italian clothes designer who is trying to change the Italian fashion industry by working with African designers” (“voanews”, 2021). Jean is also the only Black member of the Italian national fashion chamber, which is a non-profit group that supports Italian fashion. Jean also wants the world fashion system to value sustainable production methods so in turn she created an event to build relationships between Italian fashion companies and African fashion designers and artisans. It’s safe to say that internationally Black designers are often times underrepresented although Black culture has had a huge influence on the fashion industry.

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