

A tour of Italian Carlton



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Carlton, known as Melbourne's 'Little Italy,' has had a rich Italian presence for many years. This tour of Italian Carlton sites honours Italian restaurateurs, café owners, merchants, artists and Italian-inspired architecture.

The Italian Carlton Self-Guided Tour and the Italian Carlton Online Presentation, both compiled by Dr Celestina Sagazio, are available for download via the QR code here and can be used together providing a unique Italian Carlton experience.



1. CO.AS.IT. Museo Italiano & Mural, 189 Faraday St
2. Brunetti, Lygon Court
3. Jimmy Watson's Wine Bar, 333 Lygon St
4. Readings Bookshop, 309 Lygon St
5. Tiamo, 303 Lygon St
6. King and Godfree, 293-297 Lygon St
7. Former Del Monaco's, cnr Lygon & Faraday Sts
8. Former Grinders Coffee House, 277 Lygon St
9. Former Angerame's Barber Shop, 330 Lygon St
10. Former Lygon Food Store, 263 Lygon St
11. University Café, 257 Lygon St
12. Donnini's, 320 Lygon St
13. Former Mondo Music Shop, 304 Lygon St
14. Former Borsari's Emporium, cnr Lygon & Grattan Sts
15. Former Cafe Sport, 262 Lygon St
16. Casa del Gelato, cnr Lygon St & Argyle Place North
17. Former Cera's House, 18 Argyle Place North
18. Piazza Italia in Argyle Square
19. Il Gambero, 166 Lygon st
20. Toto's, 99-101 Lygon St
21. Former Benvenuta (Medley Hall), 46-56 Drummond St
22. Royal Exhibition Building, Carlton Gardens
23. Former Sacred Heart Church, Rathdowne St

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