

Friday the 26th of June 2009



La Spezia seen from the sea

Now we continue further on to La Spezia. La Spezia is a town in Liguria and the capital in the province La Spezia. The town is one of the biggest Italian military and commercial port towns.

La Spezia is a very modern town; almost all buildings are from after 1920.



Liguria's coat of arms



The province of La Spezia's coat of arms



Before we leave Genua we take a picture of the statue of Christopher Columbus, which is standing right outside the railway station in Genua



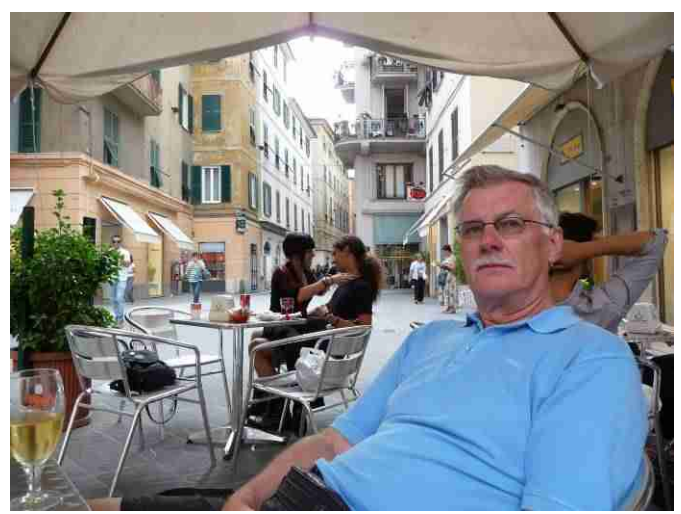
In La Spezia we were going to stay at Hotel Birillo



Here we are sitting at a cafeteria in La Spezia before we go to the hotel (Hotel Birillo) and check in



Here we are having lunch at a restaurant right beside the hotel



Here we have a break after strolling around in the city, finding nothing interesting to take pictures of.



In the evening, eating at a pizza restaurant

Saturday the 27th of June 2009

This day we go to the nearest town in Cinque Terre that is named Riomaggiore. Cinque Terre is the name of five fishing villages straight west of La Spezia. The whole Cinque Terre area has status as a national park, and is on the list of UNESCO's world heritage sites. The five villages are Riomaggiore, Manarola, Corniglia, Vernazza and Monterosso al Mare



To get to the village from the railway station we have to go through this tunnel



There were many wall paintings in the tunnel



Here we have come down to the small harbour



The boats are pulled on to dry land when they are not in use



Here we take pictures of the village from a viewpoint



The only main street



No comments



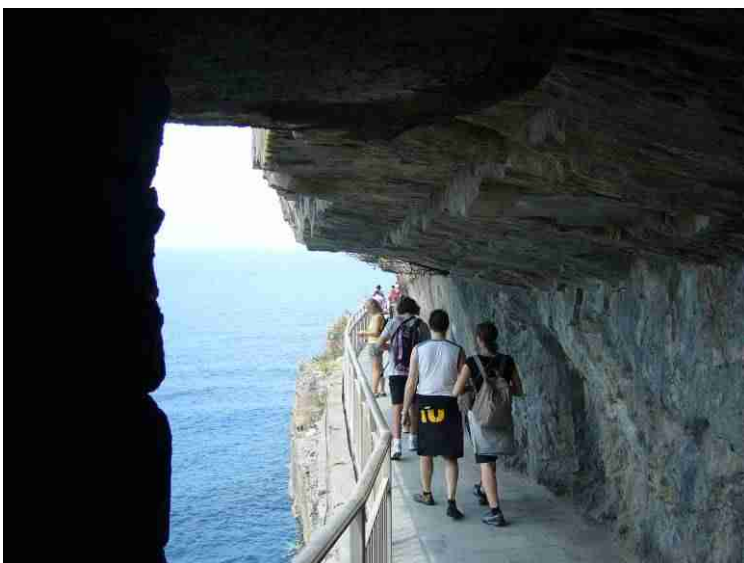
There is a large painting just outside the tunnel



There are paths between the villages. Here is the start of the path between Riomaggiore and Manarola



The path is partly cut out of the mountain and supported by concrete





The were also some flowers



Here we have arrived in Manarola. This is the restaurant where we met a Swede the last time we were here in 2007.



The boats are kept on land



Here the path is continuing from Manarola to Corniglia.



Here we are looking back to the harbour in Manarola



It is not the biggest of harbours



There are sightseeing boats between the villages



A last view back on Manarola



The path is narrower here



Here we look in the direction of Corniglia



Some stretches are more exhausting



Here it is easy again



Here we look back in direction Manarola



In the evening we went to take pictures from the harbour of La Spezia

Sundag the 28th of June 2009 – This day we just relaxed