

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER ITALIA!

# THIS MONTH

## News & Views

EMAIL US WITH YOUR QUESTIONS: [italia@anthem.co.uk](mailto:italia@anthem.co.uk), or write to us at our usual address on page 6.

### HAVE PETS, WILL TRAVEL?

**Q** We are thinking of a trip to Italy in 2021, but want to take our dog, who goes along with us everywhere. As the UK would have left the EU by then, I imagine the regulations might be changing. Is there any advice available yet?

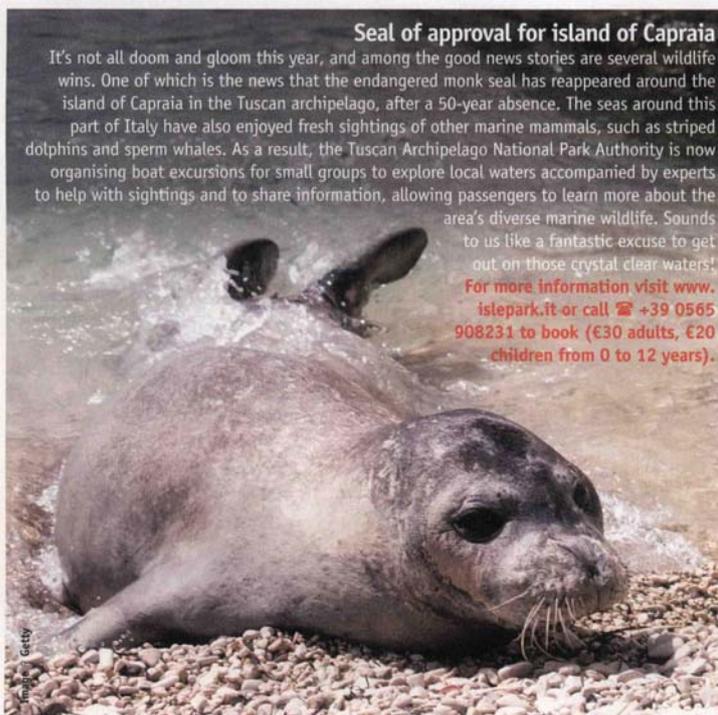
**A** You are right. The rules for travelling to EU countries (including Italy) with your pet will change from 1 January 2021. Depending on what category of country the UK becomes after that date, there will be different requirements, including microchipping, blood tests and up-to-date vaccinations and new documentation, superseding the existing pet passport. On the UK Government website, [www.gov.uk/guidance/pet-travel-to-europe-after-brexite](http://www.gov.uk/guidance/pet-travel-to-europe-after-brexite), the advice is to start the process at least four months before you intend to travel, so your query is very timely. As always, contact your own vet to get the latest advice.

**If you need more advice, you can email [pettravel@apha.gov.uk](mailto:pettravel@apha.gov.uk) or call ☎ 0370 241 1710, Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 5pm (closed on bank holidays).**



**Laura Protti** is away this month. As the founder of LEP Law, she is dual-qualified as an Italian avvocato and English solicitor, and specialises in assisting British and Italian clients with matters relating to Italian law. Visit her website at [www.leplaw.co.uk](http://www.leplaw.co.uk)

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### Seal of approval for island of Capraia

It's not all doom and gloom this year, and among the good news stories are several wildlife wins. One of which is the news that the endangered monk seal has reappeared around the island of Capraia in the Tuscan archipelago, after a 50-year absence. The seas around this part of Italy have also enjoyed fresh sightings of other marine mammals, such as striped dolphins and sperm whales. As a result, the Tuscan Archipelago National Park Authority is now organising boat excursions for small groups to explore local waters accompanied by experts to help with sightings and to share information, allowing passengers to learn more about the area's diverse marine wildlife. Sounds to us like a fantastic excuse to get out on those crystal clear waters!

**For more information visit [www.istepark.it](http://www.istepark.it) or call ☎ +39 0565 908231 to book (€30 adults, €20 children from 0 to 12 years).**

### Italia! recommends

As Italy begins to open up again, so do its hotels, old favourites and new launches...



#### HOTEL CONTINENTALE FLORENCE

[www.lungarnocollection.com](http://www.lungarnocollection.com)

Lungarno's Hotel Continentale has now reopened in Florence, with views of Ponte Vecchio and the Duomo. [La Terrazza](#), the stunning rooftop bar at the hotel is now open too, offering sublime cocktails in a relaxed socially-distanced setting. Pre-booking is essential.



#### NEW VEGETARIAN HOTEL, SOUTH TYROL

[www.paradiso-pure.com](http://www.paradiso-pure.com)

The newly opened Paradiso Pure Living Hotel is the first 100% vegetarian hotel in Seiser Alm, South Tyrol. It's a place to relax and recharge in a beautifully designed, sustainable environment and enjoy an organic and local vegetarian menu. Double rooms start from €150.



#### FLAVOURS OF AUTUMN

[www.attabadia.org](http://www.attabadia.org)

Experience the food of the Dolomites this autumn with a tasty festival in September. Always a spectacular region this time of year, the mountain huts on the peaks will be open for gourmet feasts of seasonal local food, plus you can walk off the calories on the way back down.

