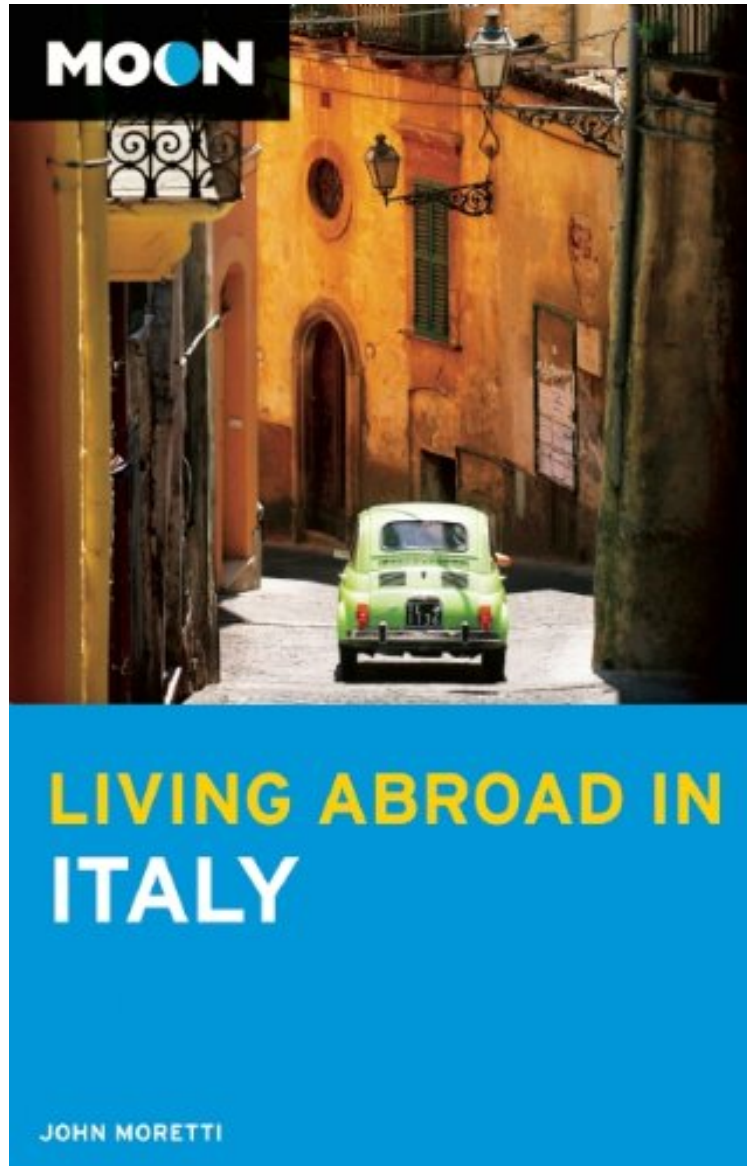


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When John Moretti left his job as a small-town reporter in Vermont for an extended vacation in Rome, he realized he didn't want to go home—so he relocated to Milan instead, where he remained for four years. In *Moon Living Abroad in Italy*, Moretti offers straightforward, knowledgeable advice so businesspeople, students, teachers, retirees, and professionals can make a smooth transition to living in this charming, culturally rich country. *Moon Living Abroad in Italy* is packed with essential information and must-have details on setting up daily life in Italy, including obtaining visas, arranging finances, gaining employment, choosing schools, and finding health care—plus practical suggestions for how to rent or buy a home for a variety of needs and budgets, whether it's an apartment in downtown Milan or a villa in the Tuscan countryside. With extensive color and black and white photos, illustrations, and maps, *Moon Living Abroad in Italy* is sure to help you find your bearings as you settle into your new home and life abroad.

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in Giovanni Soldini's trimaran, sledding with huskies by the Slovenian border, skiing the summit of Mount Etna hours before it erupted, celebrating Easter with friends in the Maremma... and enjoying long lunches alfresco.