

USEFUL ARTICLES ON ITALY

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Note: The *New York Times* has a special travel feature titled “Affordable Europe” on the second to last Sunday of April each year. There is almost always at least one article on Italy.

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Italian Farm in Sicily.” Mar./Apr. 2004. <www.transitionsabroad.com>

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Woodyard, Anne. "Learn Italian Regional Cooking at an Agriturismo in Tuscany." May/June 2002. <www.transitionsabroad.com>

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