



# How to reach Mandali Retreat Center

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## By Plane:

The nearest airport is Malpensa Milano International airport (Mxp), which is 1 hour and 20 minutes drive from/to Mandali.

We discourage to fly to Linate or Bergamo Orio al Serio because they are further away by car and have difficult connections for public transport.

(A transfer from Linate Airport costs **250€ one way** and lasts approximately 2 hours).

From Malpensa airport to Mandali you can choose 2 options:

(1) We can organise a transfer service upon request:

➔ up to 3 people -> by car, **140€ one way** (only cash, euro currency);

➔ 4 to 8 people -> by minivan, **180€ one way** (only cash, euro currency).

(2) Shuttle bus from Malpensa to Gravelona Toce + transfer service from Gravelona Toce to Mandali, time 1 hour and 30 minutes in total, approximately.

The shuttle must be booked at least at 11.00am of the day before the departure.

For departures on Sunday and Monday, as well as for transfers on holidays and after holidays, the request must be made before 11.00 on Saturday.

You can easily book online at this link (preferably through Firefox browser):

<https://www.comazzialibus.com/ComazziAlibus/>.

The price for the shuttle bus is **13€ one way** to be paid directly online.

After booking your bus ticket, you will receive a confirmation email, please forward it to us in order to book your transfer from Gravelona Toce to Mandali and we will have you picked up there. The price is around **45€ one way**.

Following the timetable of the shuttle bus:

Malpensa	Gravellona Toce
Departure	Arrival
07:20	08:10
10:00	10:50
11:00	11:50
13:00	13:50
14:50	15:40
17:50	18:40
20:50	21:35

Gravellona Toce	Malpensa
Departure	Arrival
6:30	7:20
9:05	9:55
10:05	10:55
12:05	12:55
13:55	14:45
16:55	17:45
20:05	20:50

### By Train:

The nearest train stations are:

- ▶ Omegna train station, 9km from Mandali Retreat Center, you have to get out at Omegna along the train route Domodossola – Novara.

- ▶ Verbania - Pallanza train station, 19km from Mandali Retreat Center, you have to get our at Verbania along the train route Milano - Domodossola.

For train timetable and train connections please check the website of Italian railway: <https://www.trenitalia.com/en.html>

We will organise the transfer for you from Omegna station or Verbania - Pallanza station to Mandali Retreat Center.

Please send us an email at [info@mandali.org](mailto:info@mandali.org) with your arrival time and phone number and we will send you our driver to pick you up. You will find him outside in front of the train station. The price is around **35€ one way** for the route Omegna-Mandali and around **50€ one way** for the route Verbania-Mandali.

If you are coming from Switzerland and West Germany the rail connection is Brig to Domodossola. In Domodossola change the train and take the one to direction Novara and get off the train at Omegna station.

If you are coming from other parts of Switzerland or Europe you can take the train to Milano Stazione Centrale. From there you can reach Omegna with a train change in Novara (Milano Centrale to Novara: train direction Torino and the Novara to Omegna: train direction Domodossola) or you can reach Verbania with a direct train from Milano Centrale and then ask for the transfer from Verbania - Pallanza.

- **We kindly ask you to bring cash (euro currency) to pay the drivers, whatever option you choose. Please note that it will not possible to pay for the transfers in Mandali.**

## **By car:**

When you are staying more then 5 days at Mandali we recommend that you rent a car so you can also explore the surroundings of Mandali. At Malpensa there are various car rental companies, such as:

- ▶ Hertz
- ▶ Avis
- ▶ Auto Europe - Rent.it

If you have GPS navigation device, just write Mandali's address or "Mandali Retreat Center" and it will bring you here easily. Please find the address here:

[Via Belvedere 2, 28898 Quarna Sopra \(VB\).](#)

## **If you are coming from or via Switzerland:**

- ▶ Brig/Simplon pass: From Autobahn from Domodossola to Lake Maggiore, then take exit Gravellona Toce and continue to Omegna. From Omegna follow the sign to

Quarne, and drive 8 km uphill. you will reach the village of Quarna Sotto, continue uphill following the main road to the village of Quarna Sopra. at the entrance of the village turn right and follow the main road. You will find signs to 'Belvedere', just follow them and you will reach shortly Mandali parking area.

- ▶ Gotthard or San Bernardino: Drive pass Bellinzona and Locarno along Lake Maggiore. Drive along the lake and pass Intra, Pallanza, Fondotoce. Then continue to Gravelona Toce and the Omegna. From Omegna follow the signs to Quarne, and drive 8km uphill. You will reach the village of Quarna Sotto, continue uphill following the main road to the village of Quarna Sopra. At the entrance of the village turn right and follow the main road. You will find signs to 'Belvedere', just follow them and you will reach shortly Mandali parking area.

### If you rent a car at Malpensa Airport:

Take the highway A26/E62 to Gravelona Toce. Take exit Gravelona Toce and continue to Omegna.

From Omegna follow the signs to - [Quarne](#) - and drive 8km uphill. You will reach the village of Quarna Sotto, continue uphill following the main road to the village of Quarna Sopra. At the entrance of the village turn right and follow the main road. You will find signs to Mandali with our logo, just follow them and you will reach shortly Mandali parking area.