# 10 historic food stores

In Florence there are many historic stores, where you can really relive the atmosphere of the past. Below is a selection of food stores, wine shops and emporiums, offered by the city of Florence, as a tasty and historical shop tour.

(Source: Il percorso tra gli antichi sapori: alimentari, mescite, empori – Comune di Firenze)



#### CASA DELVINC

A well-stocked wine shop, where you can choose from thirty Tuscan wines and nine hundred of labels from the world over. It's also a good place to taste crostini toscani, cold cuts and Tuscan cheeses.

- ♥ Via dell'Ariento, 16/r
  - www.casadelvino.it

## **B** CIVAIE MECHINI

Civaie is the Italian word used for dried legumes and seeds for human and animal consumption. Civaie have been sold here since 1892, when there were still fields and vegetable gardens in the city and many families kept chickens. Today, at Civaie Mechini, you can find traditional food products such as spelt, mushrooms and beans.

♥ Via della Spada, 52/r

#### GIULIANO GASTRONOMIA

At Giuliano Gastronomia you can find foods according to old-fashioned, natural methods, remaining loyal to the genuine flavors of Tuscan tradition.

♥ Via dei Neri, 5/r

#### **FIASCHETTERIA**

The Fiaschetteria is located on the ground floor of a fifteenth-century building. Founded as a wine shop, today you can enjoy both traditional foods and local wines.

Via dei Neri 17/r

#### PROCACCI PANINI TARTUFATI

Open since 1885, Procacci Panini Tartufati is famous for its truffle patè sandwiches. In 1925, the owner received a royal warrant and the right to display the Savoia coat of arms. Now owned by the Antinori family, the store offers a cellar of fine wines and a broad selection of gastronomic specialties.

♥ Via Tornabuoni, 64/r

• www.procacci1885.it

# **F** IL VINAIO

Open since 1925, it's the ideal place to stop for a quick bite. At the Vinaio, you can have a lampredottto sandwich, cold cuts and a glass of wine.

Piazza del Grano, 10

#### © OLD ENGLAND STORE

The Old England Stores was opened in 1924 to serve the large British community in Florence. Here it is possible to buy the finest products from the anglosaxon world, including salmon, soaps and clothing.

▼ Via dei vecchietti 28/r

## (H) NESI

A small fruit and vegetable store that has been in the Nesi family's hands since 1895 when it was located in Piazza della Repubblica. In the early years, it moved to Canto dei Nelli.

Canto dei Nelli, 8/r

# FIASCHETTERIA

The Fiaschetteria opened its doors at the beginning of the twentieth century. Here, you can buy the best Tuscan and Italian wine and olive oil, and the finest spirits and liqueurs.

♥ Via dei Serragli, 47/r

## **D** PEGNA

One of the most famous, and historic stores in the city, it has been located in a 15th-century palace since 1860 and offers a range of over 7000 items. Above all, Pegna is famous for its specialty foods from all over the world.

- ▼ Via dello Studio, 8
  - www.pegnafirenze.it
- Read more about Florence's historic shops here: www.esercizistorici.it



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