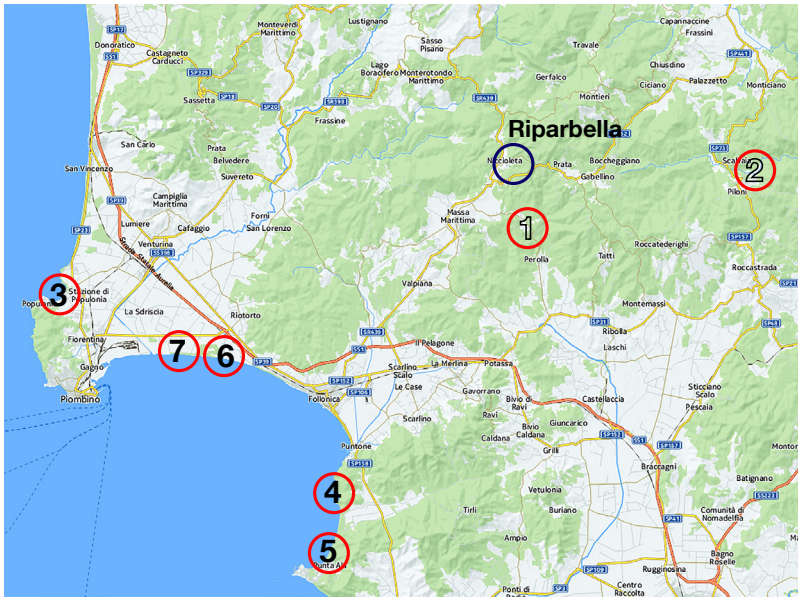
Podere Riparbella

Lake, river or sea?



Loungers and parasols can be hired at all the beaches mentioned.
There are free beaches everywhere, too.

1 Lago dell'Accesa

17 km from Riparbella, a lovely bike ride.

Lago dell'Accesa is a small lake and nature reserve fed by an underground spring. Always particularly quiet and impressive in the morning and evening. Access to the lake: in La Pesta, after the first house on the right, turn sharp right onto the unpaved lane (before the restaurant). Food and drink: bar and restaurant "La Pesta". Return via Le Capanne, a beautiful primeval forest and an almost abandoned mine.

2 In the rock pools of the Farma river

30 km from Riparbella.

A lovely bike ride, the last stretch by mountain bike or on foot.
See the separate route description in the hiking book.
Combine with a visit to San Galgano and Montesiepi. Food and drink available in Torniella.

3 Golfo di Baratti

50 km from Riparbella, north of Piombino!

A wonderful bay with umbrella pines (shade) and the chance to visit the Etruscan tombs on the other side of the road. You can take a water taxi to a small beach and be picked up again, or book a boat trip. The restaurant "Canessa" is at the very end of the few houses of Baratti: a large terrace and a wonderful view of the bay. Up in Populonia, the tour of the excavations is also a wonderful walk with far-reaching views. The tower offers a magnificent panorama, too.

4 Cala Violina

35 km from Riparbella, on the road to Castiglione della Pescaia.

A beautiful small cove with a sandy beach. 5 km after Puntone, look out for the turn-off on the right signposted "Cala Violina". An unpaved road leads to the car park, then it is about 20 minutes on foot through the woods. From Cala Violina, a half-hour walk north takes you to Cala Martina, where you will find the most beautifully patterned stones...
In summer there are a few refreshment stands in the woods behind the beach. But then the little cove is very crowded and the car parks are full by the morning! From June 2021, access by reservation only.

5 Civinini

40 km from Riparbella, the long straight before Punta Ala.

The long straight before Punta Ala. The most beautiful pine forest right by the sea and a long sandy beach. Never very crowded, as the number of parking spaces is limited. Also worth mentioning is the atmospheric restaurant in the woods at the start of the straight! There is also a freshwater shower.
For walkers, see the separate description "Coastal walk". N.B. Punta Ala is not worth a visit, but Castiglione della Pescaia is.
Civinini has a self-service restaurant (www.casettacivinini.it).

6 Torre Mozza and Carbonifera

37 km from Riparbella

Take the Superstrada towards Livorno and leave at the Follonica Nord exit. Continue a short way towards Livorno, then take the signposted turn-off "Torre Mozza". Follow the lane north until you reach the Carbonifera / Il Pino car park. Two restaurants right by the sea.

7 Mortelliccio

40 km from Riparbella

As above, but one exit later: Vignale Riotorto.
From there, head to the sea towards "Mortelliccio".
Use the Mortelliccio car park, or drive past it along the unpaved road heading south. There you will find a second one with a lovely stretch of beach and shade.