

# Learn Local - English Together - Lesson 27 - Cala de' Medici

## VIDEO TRANSCRIPT

**Svolgi due esercizi di listening: per prima cosa guarda il video cercando di concentrarti sul suo significato generale. Poi riascoltalo leggendo la trascrizione qui riportata. Infine, leggi il testo ad alta voce elicitando vocabolario e pronuncia.**

Today's lesson of Learn Local - English Together is at Cala de' Medici, a **tourist port/marina** between Castiglioncello and Rosignano Marittimo, at the heart of the Etruscan Coast.

The marina is equipped with 650 **berths** and a 4000-square-meter **shipyard** where boats are **stored, built** and **repaired**.

What are the key elements of Cala de' Medici? It consists of a number of **docks/wharves** where boats are **moored**. The verb (*to*) *moor* means to tie up a boat to something on land or to the surface underwater to keep it in place. There are **breakwaters** protecting the **harbour** from big waves, and an **office tower** that is home to the Yacht club. All around the marina is a shopping center of over 3,000 sqm with a variety of shops and guest houses.

According to the Italian Law, **ships/vessels** can be of several different types: A **small craft** ("natante") is a **sailboat** or **motorboat** not exceeding 10 meters in length.

**Pleasure** or **recreational boats** ("imbarcazioni da diporto") are larger boats falling into 3 different categories:

- **Maxiyachts** are 24-to-30-meter-long yachts.
- **Megayachts** are yachts that are generally equal or longer than 50 meters (up to 100 meters)
- **Gigayachts** or are as long as 100 meters or more.

While the Cala de' Medici **sailing club** is constantly holding prestigious regattas and **sailing races**, the square near the shopping village is used weekly as a **venue** for events of every kind: from live music gigs to book fairs and workshops for kids.