

Save Vernazza eNewsletter aims to inform and inspire. Become a Friend of Vernazza, Cinque Terre, Italy and help rebuild, restore, and preserve Vernazza's town and territory!



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In the spirit of the holidays, we dedicate this newsletter to you: our generous, caring donors! Save Vernazza is a grassroots non-profit and you are the roots: the foundation upon which we depend to grow our projects and make a difference in Vernazza.

When we founded Save Vernazza in response to the natural disaster that devastated Vernazza on October 25, 2011, we were just a few American women with a dream to help this magical village. Two years later, we are so thankful to be on the road to recovery supported by 2,000 compassionate people like you!

Thanks to you, Save Vernazza's projects are making a difference in improving the lives of Vernazzans and visitors, increasing safety, preserving the territory, educating travelers, and creating a sustainable future. Your generosity made it possible for Save Vernazza to:

- Donate the final design plans for The Renaissance of Vernazza project to restore Vernazza's public spaces (Construction begins in early 2014! You can donate a named bench or tree!)
- Complete the first season of Voluntourism Excursions: 314 voluntourists, 36 excursions, 16 landowners, and 5 part-time jobs to help local farmers restore our fragile territory
- Build dry stonewalls to prevent further landslides
- Donate a new Salt Spreader to Vernazza's volunteer Emergency Management Corps to keep Vernazza's only access road safe

None of this would be possible without your generous support!

Have you ever dreamed of living in Italy as part of a small community? Have you ever dreamed of walking through an olive grove or harvesting grapes in a vineyard overlooking the Mediterranean? Your donation to Save Vernazza lets you live this dream: in 2014, come to Vernazza and touch what you have helped to build with The Renaissance of Vernazza project or join our Voluntourism project.

Your contribution did make a HUGE difference and we appreciate it. Thank you for believing in us!

Mille grazie,

Ruth Manfredi and Michele Lilley
Save Vernazza Founders

P.S. In 2014, we continue to need your generosity to rebuild the Fontanavecchia zone, the area of Vernazza that is still a muddy mess.

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