



Travel expert Rick Steves recently wrote a USA Today article recommending roaming through the beautiful Italian city after dark. Of course, his praise of night time Venice is absolutely correct. However, senior travelers should not forget safety rules there or anywhere else, especially at night. Watch your step and stay alert on streets, bridges and gondolas.

Violent crime against tourists doesn't happen often in Venice, but phony offers and potential pickpocketing are always nearby. Keep everything in buttoned pockets and handbags looped under arms in major tourist areas, especially while wandering San Marco Square after dark. And when a friendly vendor offers you a genuine Gucci bag at a bargain price, don't buy the phony product.