SUNSHINE GUIDE TO RIMINI AND THE RIVIERA DEL SOLE, ITALY

LOCATION: Rimini is located in northeastern Italy. The city is situated on the shores of the Adriatic Sea at the southeastern tip of the Po Valley lowlands. Behind the city, the rocky crags of San Marino can be seen. The city lies at the center of twelve miles of sandy beach, the Riviera del Sole. Elevations are close to sea level in the city proper, but rise quickly into the uplands behind the city.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:19	10:27	11:54	13:25	14:44	15:26	15:09	14:01	12:34	11:03	9:42	8:58
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	4:38	5:20	5:55	6:52	8:10	9:17	10:44	10:27	8:05	5:52	4:35	4:05
AREA OF BLUE SKY	44%	45%	44%	45%	49%	53%	64%	67%	59%	48%	44%	42%
LOW FOR MONTH	23°	27°	31°	38°	46°	53°	57°	58°	52°	44°	35°	27°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	32°	35°	40°	46°	53°	60°	64°	64°	59°	52°	43°	35°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	44°	48°	55°	63°	70°	77°	82°	81°	73°	66°	55°	47°
HIGH FOR MONTH	55°	58°	65°	73°	79°	86°	91°	91°	82°	75°	65°	58°
FROSTY MORNINGS	51%	35%	14%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	9%	37%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	7%	6%	1%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	80%	76%	69%	67%	69%	64%	65%	62%	66%	73%	78%	82%
SEA TEMPERATURES	52°	51°	51°	56°	61°	68°	72°	74°	71°	66°	60°	55°
DRY DAYS	75%	76%	69%	65%	69%	75%	87%	81%	77%	65%	65%	68%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	87%	87%	84%	82%	84%	86%	91%	88%	86%	79%	79%	84%
TOTAL PRECIPITATION	2.1"	1.8"	2.2"	2.0"	2.0"	1.9"	2.1"	2.3"	2.7"	3.4"	3.2"	2.3"
SNOWY DAYS	4%	3%	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%
THUNDER DAYS	1%	1%	1%	6%	13%	19%	18%	17%	11%	6%	2%	1%
FOGGY DAYS	16%	16%	9%	6%	4%	3%	3%	2%	5%	6%	12%	19%

COMMENTS: Unless overwhelmed by passing storms, there is a regular daily alternation of land and sea breezes along the coastline, and for a short distance inland. During the day, the winds are off the sea. These sea breezes start before noon and will reach a peak in the late afternoon, when the temperature contrast between the land and the sea is greatest. Before midnight, the gentler land breezes start and blow from the land out to sea. They will reach their peak just about sunrise. This timing accounts for the common practice of sailing ships leaving port at dawn.

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