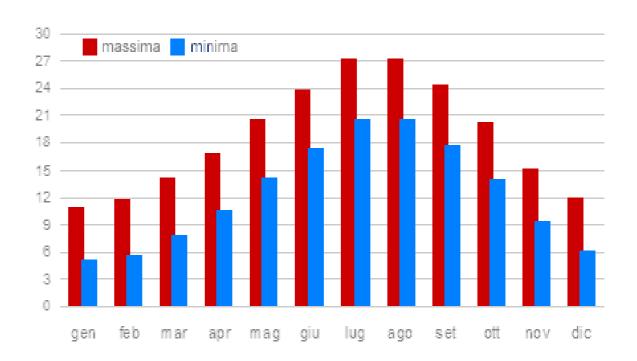
Climate of Genoa



Genoa is located in the Liguria Region. This curved region faces the Liguria Sea; on one side and the Maritime Alps and Liguria Apennines on the other.

The geographical position is in the Mediterranean climate zone with a mild climate.

Average yearly temperatures are 15° C in January and 23° C in August. The climate is Mediterranean, temperate, and without wide fluctuations in temperature. The average annual temperature ranges between maximum and minimum temperatures of just 5.4 degrees Celsius, one of the lowest in all of Italy.



There are a lot of places that have been abandoned and it favors erosion of the soil; which makes the territory exposed to lands slides and other damages.





-The local people built "Dried Walls" (laying stones to form walls without mortar, mud or cement). The terraces created permitted the cultivation of Olive Groves, vineyards and some vegetables. The work of the farmers helped to maintain this territory and hinder erosion.





When I play the drums, I feel free, because I can play my emotions, for example, if I'm angry as a tiger, I kick on the snare and the two toms really loud.



Today a large percentage of this territory has been abandoned and the lack of its maintenance and that of streams, rivers has accented the geological instability of this area.

480 mm in 6 Hrs. in October, 2011- Cinque Terre.

500 mm in 5 Hrs. in November, 2011-Genova.

Floods



The climate has been changing and Genoa saw this one year ago, when heavy rainfalls generated flooding that destroyed several sites of the city. This year there was another demonstration because it was very warm until the end of December and suddenly the climate became very cold.

The most beautiful places in Liguria













I love sunny days, because I can feel the sun on my face and see the sunshine, but I adore rain, because it's like being in the swimming pool or when you're having a shower, simply because water falls down.

AROMATICS HERBS, SPICES AND SEEDS

Mediterranean cuisine adds flavour to food by

using garlic, onions and lots of aromatic herbs and spices.



DOP GENOESE BASIL

The cultivation of Genoese Basil dates back centuries ago and it's the symbol of Ligurian Region and cuisine: simple and fragrant.

Basil is the basic ingredient of the recipe of Genoese Pesto

The basil grown around Genoa has received the DOP trademark by the European Community for distinguishing itself from other farm grown products in a non-traditional way.





Thyme is used to cook meats, fish, soups, vegetables and sauces.





Rosemary is used to season meats, fish and legumes recipes.

Sage is an aromatic herb commonly used in many recipes. Leaves can be used fresh or dried.

Laurel is best with meat and fish.





- Sometimes it happens to me I can smell things and foods even far away from me.
- I can smell smells like bread, or the grass, when it's cut, or otherwise I can smell the smoke of the cars, or scooters, or for example, the smell of the newspapers when I walk in front of a newsagent's.
- When I smell these things, I just feel different sensations and I can remember experiences already made, for example when I smell bread, I remember my mum's bread when she makes it for us at home, or the newsagent's that reminds me when I was little and I always and always wanted to buy a toy or something as a CD.
- When it's windy, I can smell for example, some smells that are far far away from me, as when a bus is passing.

Artichokes

Artichokes are often used in Ligurian cuisine in winter. They are grown in gardens or on terrace farm areas, especially along the western coast line.



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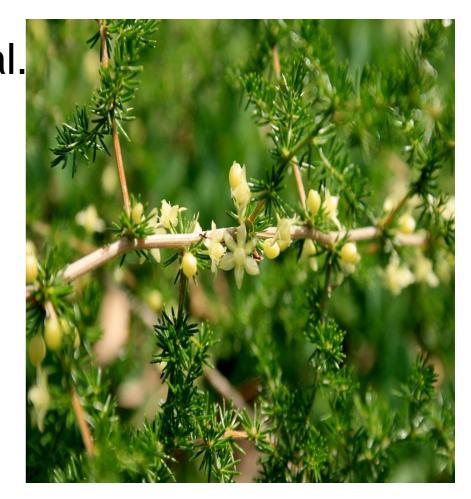
It is an evergreen perennial.

It's a typical plant of the

Mediterranean and grows
in bunches of thirty stalks.

They are a treat in

springtime.



It's not difficult to do it, I mean, to smell things you just don't realize it because you use your eyes to see the world.

NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE!

Quotes from the Paris Climate Talks.

-Britain's Prince Charles

"Every year the problems are getting worse. we are at limits, if I may use a strong word I would say that we are at the limits of suicide."

-A USA Governor

"We are the first generation to feel the impact of climate change, and the last generation that can do something about it."

