

The Alps	A mountain range that covers several countries, including Northern Italy.
The Apennines	A mountain range that runs the length of the boot of Italy.
Valley	A low area of land between hills or mountains.
Invertebrate	An animal that has no spine e.g. a worm.
Vertebrate	An animal that has a spine e.g. a dog.

Physical features

Italy is dominated in the north by the famous **Alps mountain range** and also has the **Apennine mountains** running through the middle of the country. It's most famous **rivers** are the **River Tiber**, which runs through **Rome**, and the **River Po**, Italy's longest river which stretches through the **Po Valley** from west to east across the entire width of the country.



The Italian Alps

Western Europe's tallest mountain—Mont Blanc borders Italy and France.

Italy



Italy is a country in mainland Europe which borders France, Switzerland, Austria and Slovenia. It also includes the islands of Sicily and Sardinia. Italy is recognisable on a world map by it's distinctive boot shape which sticks out into the Mediterranean Sea!



Italy is famous for fashion, sports cars, football, food, the Romans and famous composers and artists such as Da Vinci, Michelangelo, Raphael and Donatello.

Italy is geologically active! It has lots of earthquakes as it is on a plate boundary. It also has Europe's most active volcano — Mt Etna

