

1 EURO HOUSES

Where to start and **how**
to navigate 1€ houses
projects in **Italy**



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HOW DID THE 1€ HOUSES PROJECT START?

Imagine yourself sitting on a balcony overlooking a small Italian village, sipping on fine wine in good company and with great entertainment nearby. And what if that is not just a hotel balcony, but the balcony in your very own home?

The 1€ Houses project started on the premise that many share this exact dream. In 2009, Giuseppe Ferrarello, the mayor of Gangi, a small village in Sicily, drafted the first project. The idea was simple:

1. Sell, renovate and rebuild abandoned and run down houses at a low price.
2. Repopulate the rural areas of Italy.
3. Bring economic and demographic growth to small Italian villages and towns.

Over the following years, other Italian municipalities with similar dreams picked up on the idea and started developing their own 1€ houses projects.

Today, 1€ houses can be found not only all over Italy, but even in other European countries such as Spain, France and the UK.

With many successful sales and renovations, the 1€ Houses project – born of the aspirations of a mayor in Sicily – has become a reality for over 40 Italian municipalities, sparking media attention worldwide.

Over the years, the project attracted many new residents, moved millions of investments, and even repopulated several villages across the Peninsula.

Most importantly, it realized the dream of many to start a new life in Italy, to savor its rich gastronomy and relish the quiet, happy life the country is renowned for. This dream can be yours, too.