Toscanaccio, gourmet Italian takeaway in Lavapiés

Toscanaccio is a cute little Italian bakery and pizzeria situated on a side street in Lavapiés, opened a year and a half ago by Guillermo (Madrid) and Federico (Siena). Out of their small kitchen and sole oven comes authentic homemade bites from Tuscany, all lovingly crafted on site, from scratch and with prime ingredients.



While you'd think the creators of **Toscanaccio** hailed from a long line of Italian bakers, their story is rather unexpected. Guillermo and Federico met over a decade ago while studying in London, and have since travelled and lived around the world, always picking up new skills and game for new adventures along

the way.



Neither of them had planned on opening an Italian bakery. That is, until a few years ago when they decided to set out on a new venture in Madrid: a Tuscan-inspired takeaway joint in Lavapiés.

Before opening, they spent months training with a *señor* who's been hand-crafting authentic Italian baked goods for over 40 years. After learning from the best, they found a place and refurbished it practically by hand. And here they are!



Toscanaccio fits perfectly into the already diverse and eclectic neighborhood of Lavapiés, full of charming gems and

surprises scattered throughout its sloping, winding streets.



When you step into Toscanaccio, you'll immediately see a tempting display of prepared foods. Options range from savory bites like pizza, *focaccia, calzoni*, and *ciaccino ripieno* (sandwiches typical of Tuscany) to a wide selection of traditional cookies, cakes and pastries like *crostatines, tarta de la nonna,* and *panello de uva*. Depending on the day, you may even find brownies and carrot cake.



The *ciaccino* filled with brie, arugula and pesto is my new favorite go-to snack.



There’s also an assortment of homemade breads, with an additional daily special. Today’s was *pan de calabaza* (pumpkin bread). All the dough is made with different types of organic wheat, rye and spelt flour, made right here in the kitchen, in plain sight.



The space is quite tiny, but it’s all you need. If you want to sit, there are only two stools and a bench outside. Otherwise, it’s best to order to go. Luckily their hours are quite accommodating: they open from 11am-11:30pm every day, and until 3:30am on Fridays and Saturdays. Tuesday is their day off.

So thanks to these two guys, we’ve now got the perfect place to grab a delicious Italian bite on the go, almost any day of the week.

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- **Instagram:** @toscanaccio_
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- **Metro:** Lavapiés

- **Phone:** 912974729
- **Hours:**
    - Monday through Thursday 11:00 AM – 11:30 PM
    - Fridays and Saturdays open till 3:30 AM
    - Closed on Tuesdays