

ITALY - CULTURE AND BEAUTY

Classic Group Tour

TOUR SAMPLE - 7 NIGHTS



Melded from Greek, Etruscan, Roman and Middle Eastern civilization, Italian culture has influenced, more than any other, Western breakthrough in art, music, literature and political thought.

Creativity, craftsmanship, architecture, beauty and artistic energy linger throughout the whole territory, reflecting the ancient splendour, still visible nowadays.

SAMPLE ITINERARY

Day 0 - Departure - Travel day

Day 1 - VENICE

Upon arrival, meet and greet by an English-speaking local tour guide, who will accompany you along the whole Itinerary. Transfer to the hotel and check-in. Depending on the flight arrival schedule, is possible to do panoramic tours in the surrounding of Venice (we can visit important artistic places such as Padova, Treviso, Vicenza, or beautiful minor rural areas such as the Prosecco Hills or Bassano del Grappa, or Asolo, etc.)

At the end of the afternoon visit, you will return to the hotel and enjoy a group set dinner and overnight in the Venice area.

Day 2 - VENICE

After breakfast at the hotel, You will meet with your local guide for a guided tour in Venice, enriched by a glass blowing demonstration, a guided walk in the historical island and possibly a boat trip in the Venetian Lagoon or a romantic Gondola Ride. Let Yourself be enchanted by the glamour of Venice, with its Byzantine Gothic and middle eastern touch. At the end of the day, you will return back to the hotel and overnight in Venice area.

In Venice we can organize special activities, among which the possibility to sing in Saint Mark's Basilica or visit it when it is closed to the public.

Day 3 - VENICE - FLORENCE

After breakfast you will depart with bus to Florence. On the way, we could stop and visit some attracting places such as Verona, Pisa or any other well known places along the way. Once you arrive in Florence, you will check-in at the hotel, then possible group dinner and overnight.



Day 4 - FLORENCE

After breakfast, enjoy a full or half day walking guided tour in Florence, the birthplace of the Renaissance. This wonderful city was one of the most important medieval European trade and finance centre, which soon became the heart of the artistic, philosophic, scientific production of those times. The Historic Centre of Florence has been declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1982.

During the guided tour you can visit some of the most important museums such as Academia (with Michelangelo's David), Uffizi, Bargello, Galileo's Science museum, Pitti Palace and many more.

Dinner and overnight in Florence.

Day 5 - FLORENCE - SIENA - FLORENCE

After breakfast, departure to Rome with an en route stop in Siena (or the Chianti area). You will visit the medieval centre and its beautiful Duomo.

Then you will resume the road to Rome to overnight in the eternal City.

Day 6 - ROME

After breakfast, enjoy a full or half day guided sightseeing tour of Rome historical center, walking through the beautiful city and visiting the most well known areas: Navona Square, Pantheon, Trevi Fountain, Spanish Steps. Dinner and overnight in Rome.



Day 7 - ROME

After breakfast, enjoy a full or half day guided tour in Christian Rome. You'll visit the Vatican Museums and Saint Peter's Basilica.

In the afternoon, you may decide to continue visiting the Roman Catacombs or other important Patriarchal Basilicas, such as Saint Mary the Major, Saint John in Lateran and the Holy Steps, Saint Paul outside the Walls, or you can enjoy your free time relaxing and discovering the city on your own.

Farewell dinner with music and overnight in Rome.

Day 8—ROME

After breakfast, in due time transfer to Fiumicino airport to depart with your return flight.





POTENTIAL PLUS

Might your tour last more, or might you have some special wishes and some extra days, the upper mentioned "classic 7 nights sample tour" may be extended and revised by adding some precious pluses.

Here some ideas:

NORTHERN ITALY

In northern Italy we suggest TRIESTE, VERONA, GARDA LAKE, the DOLOMITES and their pearl CORTINA D'AMPEZZO, MILAN and its surroundings, TURIN, LAGO MAGGIORE, CINQUE TERRE etc.

CENTRAL ITALY

In central Italy we suggest BOLOGNA, SAN GIMIGNANO, VOLTERRA, LUCCA, PISTOIA, the CHIANTI hills, with pleasant stops in wineries where it is possible to enjoy special meals and wine tasting, Northern Tuscany, medieval Tuscany, etc.

SOUTHERN ITALY

In southern Italy you can add a few days in the AMALFI COAST, NAPLES, the VESUVIO area, SORRENTO, POMPEII, ERCOLANUM, PAESTUM, MATERA, etc.

Do not forget the possibility to organize a tour in Sicily, by visiting Taormina, Etna, Siracusa (Syracuse), Villa Armerina, Agrigento and its Greek marvelous temples, Palermo and Monreale.

During the whole tour we can organize special activities and events, among which performing concerts in prestigious venues, special meals in elegant restaurants or in unusual places or make this tour a real EXPERIENCE EUROPE TOUR.

There is the possibility to add theme activities such as cooking lessons, wine tasting, concerts, etc.

We can always "customize" your itinerary by attending your personal peculiar requests, as our tour operator specializes in "tailor made" tours, which is our distinguishing mark.

We look forward to your requests. It will be an honor for us to work together in building your individual or group trip!



