

# 9 Days Italian Treasures

## Day:1

Welcome to Rome!

Upon arrival at Rome Fiumicino Airport, our representative will greet you and transfer you to your hotel, a family resort. If your room is not for early check-in, your bags may be stored in the mini-van or at the reception desk.

Time for a quick bite nearby. Your driver will have suggestions.

Later, a local guide will lead you on a panoramic tour of Rome, seeing the renowned Colosseum, the Roman Forum, and Piazza Venezia.

Get dropped off in the heart of the city for a walking tour to the Trevi Fountain, Piazza di Spagna with its Spanish Steps, the Pantheon, and Piazza Navona.

Afterwards, we'll return you to the hotel to freshen up before dinner at a typical Roman restaurant this evening with local wines and dishes.

## Day: 2

Dine on a traditional Italian breakfast before getting started with your day.

Our driver/guide will be at your disposal. We highly suggest a visit to the Vatican Museums, where you can explore this historic and invaluable museum with an audio-guide, as well as the famous St. Peter's Basilica.

From here you can also visit the nearby Castel Sant'Angelo and Tiber River.

In the afternoon take some free time to visit the Colosseum and Roman Forum or other museums and sites.

Enjoy a lovely evening to enjoy the Roman nightlife. You can check with your guide for suggestions.

## Day: 3

Following breakfast we'll say farewell to Rome and depart for Sorrento and the Amalfi Coast

Upon arriving in the Bay of Naples, with Mt. Vesuvius as the backdrop, begin your journey towards the Amalfi Coast, with stops in Positano and Ravello with time to enjoy lunch at one of its many restaurants.

Try some of the local gelato or limoncello at one of the many stops along the way!

Arrive in Sorrento, check in at hotel, and take a stroll down its charming colorful and panoramic streets.

Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant this evening by the port area with beautiful views of the Bay of Naples.

#### **Day: 4**

Today visit the nearby island of Capri with a local guide. Start off with a scenic ferry ride from Sorrento, and then explore both Capri and Anacapri, along with its scenic squares and beautiful boutiques.

Stop for lunch at one of the many pizzerias or trattorias (suggestions will be provided). You may also choose to visit the lush Gardens of Augustus, overlooking the Amalfi Coast in after lunch.

Venture back towards Sorrento in the afternoon with time for shopping and an afternoon passeggiata, as the Italians do.

Free time this evening for dinner.

#### **Day: 5**

Following breakfast we'll say farewell to Sorrento and depart for Tuscany, enjoying a scenic drive across 4 of Italy's most picturesque regions: Campagna, Lazio, Umbria, and Tuscany!

Before arriving at your hotel, make a stop in Siena, one of Tuscany's most spectacular hill towns. A local guide will help you discover the beauty and culture of this city, with visits to the shell-shaped Piazza del Campo, the cathedral or Duomo (entrance optional), and other historic gems.

Head towards Figline Valdarno and check into your hotel in the beautiful Renaissance city.

Your Tuscan dinner this evening will be served in a nearby restaurant, featuring some of the region's best dishes and Tuscan wines.

#### **Day: 6**

Spend the day in Florence, where you'll meet a local guide and visit the main attractions, such as the Piazza della Signoria, Piazza del Duomo, the Ponte Vecchio, and the city's great handicraft and food markets.

Visit Michelangelo's David at the Accademia Museum during your free time (optional).

Enjoy lunch at one of the many restaurants in the heart of the city before returning to your hotel (suggestions will be provided).

Evening at leisure to enjoy the resort and its many attractions or you will have the opportunity to visit the town center, nearby.

**Day: 7**

After breakfast, head to Venice this morning, but first make a stop at a winery in the Chianti region to learn about the prized wines produced in this world-famous region. A wine tasting will also be offered accompanied by locally-produced olive oils on toasted Tuscan bread.

Make a rest stop en route for lunch (not included).

Arrive Venice, your home for two nights, and check into your hotel.

The hotel staff will help you get acquainted with this magical place and give you information on how to get around.

**Day: 8**

After breakfast, a local expert this morning that will take you on a Vaporetto (boat) ride along the Grand Canal and introduce you to places like St. Mark's Square, the Doges Palace (entrance optional), the Rialto bridge, and tucked away places between bridges and canals.

Enjoy the rest of the day to visit such places as Murano (optional), famous for its glassworks, one of the city's main museums, or simply shop along its many tiny streets.

Dinner this last evening will be served at the hotel's restaurant.

**Day: 9**

Enjoy one final breakfast in Italy before your guide/driver transfer you to the Venice International Airport for your departing flight.

From USD

# \$1610

Per person for 2 travellers

## Includes

- English-speaking driver/guide for days 1 to 7
- Private transportation, including arrival and departure transfer, in Mini-van for 7 passengers
- 1 double and 1 triple room in private cabins with private bathroom, kitchen and bedroom and common areas: 2 nights Rome, 2 nights, Florence, 2 nights Venice
- 1 double and 1 triple room in standard 3-star hotel in Sorrento Peninsula
- Locally guided tours in Rome, Capri, Siena, Florence, Venice
- Entrance to: Vatican Museums, Ferry Service to Capri
- Breakfast daily
- 4 dinners (with at least 1 beverage) and 1 aperitivo (before dinner drink with finger food)
- Wine and olive oil tasting in Tuscany
- Visits to Positano, Ravello, Sorrento, Siena, Florence, and Venice

## Excludes

- Gratuities for bellman, porters, restaurant servers, driver/guide, local guides
- Hotel City Tax per person (due at time of checkout at each hotel)
- Meals not indicated as being included (such as lunch)
- Entrances to museums and activities other than those listed above in included section.
- Travel insurance

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- Superior hotel
- Flights
- Private guide and driver

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