



Royal Estates And Elegant Residences Between Lake Maggiore And Turin

PRICE PER PERSON IN DOUBLE-BEDDED ROOM STARTING FROM € 2280 , 00

06 days / 05 nights

VILLA TARANTO, LAKE MAGGIORE

01 day Landing at the airport and transfer to Verbania, on Lake Maggiore. Meeting with your qualified multilingual-speaking tourist guide and visit to VILLA TARANTO. The villa was bought by Neil Mac Eacharn, a Scottish captain, in 1931 and it was given the name Taranto as a homage to a family ancestor on whom the title of "Duke of Taranto" was conferred by Napoleon Bonaparte. The building belongs to the prefecture of the province Verbano Cusio Ossola and it is surrounded by a 16-hectare garden, above all in English style, dotted with fountains, trickles of water and characterized by numerous species of plants and flowers, coming from all over the world. Accommodation at the hotel late in the afternoon. Dinner at the hotel and overnight.

BORROMEAN ISLES, LAKE MAGGIORE

02 day Breakfast at the hotel. Meeting with your qualified multilingual-speaking tourist guide. Transfer to ISOLA MADRE by taxi-boat and guided visit to the biggest isle in the Borromeo Gulf. Fully covered by a botanical garden, renowned for its marvelous bloom of azaleas, rhododendrons, camellias and wisteria pergolas. Visit to XVI century palace, rich in furniture coming from the Borromeo Family's historic residences, and where a collection of puppet theatre is kept. Transfer to ISOLA DEI PESCATORI. Lunch at a restaurant.

In the afternoon transfer and guided visit to ISOLA BELLA. The construction of the Baroque Palace started in 1632 thanks to Carlo III Borromeo, who dedicated it to Isabella d'Adda, his wife. Their son Vitaliano carried on the project and he wanted the magnificent setting of its blooming terraced gardens. The palace boasts a precious collection of painting and rooms rich in tapestries, furniture and objects of art. Time at your leisure for shopping along "Vicolo del Fornello", with some prestigious brands of the so-called Made in Italy. Back to the hotel late in the afternoon. Dinner at the hotel and overnight.



ROCCA BORROMEO, ANGERA

03 day Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to Angera by private car. Meeting with your qualified multilingual-speaking tourist guide to visit ROCCA BORROMEO, a stronghold perched on a rocky spur, overlooking Lake Maggiore. Built by some Milan archbishops in XII century, the Torriani and the Visconti noble families competed for it for a long time. The Room of Justice, which houses a cycle of XIII century frescoes by an anonymous painter, is extraordinarily beautiful. The stronghold houses the Museum of the Doll and of the Toy. Individual lunch. Transfer to Turin by private car. Accommodation at the hotel. Dinner at the hotel and overnight.

PALAZZO REALE - PALAZZO MADAMA , TURIN

04 day Breakfast at the hotel. Meeting with your qualified multilingual-speaking tourist guide to visit PALAZZO REALE, the official residence of Savoia Monarchy, and an impressive example of Piedmontese baroque style. Worth a visit to Prince Umberto's apartment and the so-called "great staircase of the scissors", a masterpiece by Filippo Juvarra. Then on to the Royal Armoury, one of the most important in Europe, which lets you know the different technique steps of arms and armours in history. Individual lunch. In the afternoon visit to PALAZZO MADAMA, which tells 2,000 years of its history: it was projected as a Roman Gate (whose remains are still visible in the ground floor), then it became a fortress in the Middle Ages and between XVII-XVIII centuries it was transformed into the two Madame Reali's (Queens) home. In XIX century, it housed the first Italian Senate House. Back to the hotel late in the afternoon. Dinner at the hotel and overnight.

PALAZZINA DI CACCIA, STUPINI - REGGIA, VENARIA REALE

05 day Breakfast at the hotel. Meeting with your qualified multilingual-speaking tourist guide. Transfer to STUPINIGI by private car to visit the striking setting of PALAZZINA DI CACCIA (Hunt Cottage), a masterpiece by Filippo Juvarra, a great architect. In its rooms, richly frescoed and in its elliptic impressive ballroom, it keeps some XVII-XVIII-century pieces of furniture, coming from other Savoia residences, masterpieces of Piedmont and French cabinet work. Transfer to VENARIA REALE. Individual lunch and in the afternoon visit to the famous "Reggia", nicknamed Piedmont "Versailles Palace". It was built in mid-XVII century as a royal hunt cottage, nowadays surrounded by a luxuriant park. Back to the hotel late in the afternoon. Dinner at the hotel and overnight.

TURIN - AIRPORT

06 day Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the airport by private car.

The rate includes
 N. 05 overnights in a standard room at a hotel in the Lake Maggiore area and at Turin with half-board treatment (menu 3 courses - drinks not included);
 Private tourist guide as to the programme;
 Private transportation by car as to the programme;
 Transportation by taxi-boat on Lake Maggiore as to the programme;
 Entrance tickets to the monuments;
 Lunch at a typical restaurant on Isola dei Pescatori (menu 3 courses, drinks included).

The rate does not include
 Lunches on days 01, 03, 04, 05 and 06;
 City-tax;
 Tips, extras and all that not mentioned in the programme and in "the price includes".