



Best of Italy

Italy Sightseeing Tour of Rome, Lake Como, Sorrento, Capri, Venice and Florence

DAY1:26 APRIL 2022

Welcome to Rome

Ciao Roma! Explore this imperial city of emperors and senators, gods and goddesses, before joining your companions and Travel Director later for a Welcome Reception. Our introduction to the 'Eternal City' is an evening orientation drive to view some of the sights which await tomorrow.

Meal(s):Welcome Reception Hotel(s): Cicerone/Una

DAY 2: 27 APRIL 2022

Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City

The Holy City takes centre stage today as we join a Local Specialist for an included sightseeing tour in the Vatican Museums. Dive Into Culture and admire the Bramante staircase, created for Pope Julius II in the early 16th century, and Michelangelo's magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel. See the marble masterpiece of the Pietà, housed in St. Peter's Basilica before crossing the Tiber into Ancient Rome. Visit the famous Colosseum and see Circus Maximus, once the site of celebrated chariot races. This afternoon, enjoy free time to explore Rome. Indulge in an espresso in the Piazza Navona or clamber up the Spanish Steps.

Meal(s):Breakfast

DAY 3: 28 APRIL 2022

Explore the Ruins of Pompeii and Sorrento

We journey south to the well-preserved ruins of Pompeii. Here we join a Local Specialist who will share details of the devastation caused by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius as we wander through the ancient paved roads of a city that was frozen in time. Later, we arrive at our hotel in the clifftop village of Sorrento where we'll dine tonight.

Meal(s):Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel(s): Johanna Park/La Residenza

DAY 4: 29 APRIL 2022

A Day on the Isle of Capri We cross the Bay of Naples today by ferry to the glamorous Isle of Capri to visit some of its landmark sights. Wander past the chic boutiques and pavement cafés in Capri town in the company of a Local Specialist before taking your time to soak up the sophistication of this lovely island. Later, we return to the mainland.

Meal(s):Breakfast

DAY5:30 APRIL 2022

Onwards to Assisi

See the Benedictine Abbey of Cassino, which featured as the site of the Battle of Monte Cassino in 1944, before heading north to the slopes of Mount Subasio, we

arrive in the mystical town of Assisi, the birthplace of St. Francis, under whose protection this medieval city is said to remain. We join our Local Specialist on a walking tour to the Basilica of St. Francis, which we will have an opportunity to visit before some free time to explore this fascinating hilltop town. We'll stay at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories - a fully renovated old Franciscan monastery.

Meal(s):Breakfast, Dinner Hotel(s): Hotel Cenacolo Assisi

DAY 6: 01 MAY 2022

Discover Verona and Venice We journey through the glorious countryside of the Emilia Romagna region. This area is also renowned for its gastronomy and is credited with being the origin of tortellini, mortadella and parmesan cheese. Travel to Verona, the home of Shakespeare's starcrossed lovers, to admire the Roman arena and Juliet's Balcony. Arrive later in Venice, the 'Queen of the Adriatic', where we'll enjoy a Regional Dinner.

Meal(s):Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel(s): Biasutti/Viktoria Palace Lido



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DAY 7: 02 MAY 2022

St. Mark's and More in Venice
Cruise your way through Venice by private
launch to soak up the sights and sounds of
what was once one of the world's greatest
ports. 'Dive Into Culture' on Giudecca
Island, where talented tradesmen share their
centuries old glassmaking traditions.
Continue past the Bridge of Sighs and
Doge's Palace to St. Mark's Square to view
the impressive square and Basilica.
Consider an Optional Experience to see the
colourful fishermen's houses on the Island of
Burano or search for a cosy bacaro and
indulge in some tasty Venetian treats.
Meal(s):Breakfast

DAY 8: 03 MAY 2022

On to Milan and Scenic Lake Maggiore

Today we cross the lush green plains of Lombardy to sophisticated Milan, Italy's capital of design and fashion. An orientation tour takes us past the intricate Gothic Duomo, La Scala Opera House and the famous Galleria. Later arrive at Lake Maggiore where we'll enjoy dinner served tonight at our hotel.

Meal(s):Breakfast, Dinner Hotel(s): Hotel Simplon Lago Maggiore Baveno/Grand Dino DAY 9: 04 MAY 2022

Stroll around Lake Como

The glistening blue waters of Lake Como welcome us today. We'll enjoy some free time to explore the lakeside lifestyle and beautiful scenery which has enchanted visitors for centuries. Spend this morning exploring Como's historical quarter, indulge in the area's delicious gelato, take the funicular for spectacular views of the lake or consider a cruise on the lake. This evening we venture by private boat to a secluded island on Lake Maggiore where we'll Connect With Locals over dinner at a Be My Guest experience. Join Signor Telli for colourful stories of pirates and princes and a delicious local fare in this family run restaurant.

Meal(s):Breakfast, Be My Guest

DAY 10: 05 MAY 2022

Admire Pisa and on to Florence Tuscany lures us across the forested Apennine Mountains, past the marble quarries of Carrara to the famous city of Pisa and its Square of Miracles where we will enjoy an opportunity to view the Leaning Tower. Our next stop is Florence, the 'Cradle of the Renaissance'.

Meal(s):Breakfast

Hotel(s): Grand Hotel Mediterraneo Florence

DAY 11: 06 MAY 2022

Experience Art and Architecture in Florence

Delve into the extravagant legacy of the Medici family, whose legacy of art and architecture are explored in the company of a Local Specialist. The elegant Duomo dominates the skyline as we visit Piazza della Signoria with its exquisite statues and palazzi. Enjoy spectacular panoramic views of Florence and almost 700-year-old Ponte Vecchio from Piazzale Michelangelo. Later, learn about the quality and workmanship of two of this city's historic industries at demonstrations of Florentine leathercraft and 18-carat gold.

Meal(s):Breakfast

DAY 12: 07 MAY 2022

Treasures of San Gimignano and Return to Rome

This morning we stop at the Florence American Cemetery and Memorial. Continuing south, we visit the charming Tuscan hill-town of San Gimignano, within whose city walls, one finds extraordinary examples of medieval architecture and history. Venture to the centre of town to view its Piazza del Duomo, surrounded by medieval towers and stroll along the town's 13th-century city walls. This evening in Rome we enjoy a Farewell Dinner spent in the

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DAY 13: 08 MAY 2022
Farewell Rome
Our discovery of the best of Italy has come to an end.
Meal(s):Breakfast

HIGHLIGHTS

- VIP ADMISSION to the Vatican Museums
- Explore Rome, Pompeii, Capri, Assisi and Florence with a Local SpecialistDiscover Venice, Milan and San Gimignano.
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel and the Colosseum in Rome, the excavations at Pompeii, the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi, a glassblowing factory in Venice, Lake Como and the Florence American Cemetery and Memorial
- View Juliet's Balcony in Verona, St. Mark's Basilica in Venice, the Cathedral and La Scala Opera House in Milan, the Leaning Tower of Pisa the Duomo in Florence.







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INCLUDED

- 12 breakfasts
- 7 dinners (including Be My Guest) with local wine
- Audio Headsets for flexible sightseeing
- Daily breakfast and an average of 50% of evening meals
- Luxury air-conditioned coach with WiFi in most countries
- All tried and trusted hotel accommodation
- Optional Experiences (\$) and free time
- All porterage and restaurant gratuities
- Must-see sightseeing and surprise extras
- An expert Travel Director and professional Driver
- All hotel tips, charges and local taxes
- Hand-picked Trip Highlights and VIP entry to many sights
- Rome airport/hotel transfers (subject to air schedule)
- Gratuities to the Travel Director, Driver and Local Specialists

FLEXIBLE CHANGE OPTION

We understand these are uncertain times and to give you peace of mind and more time to make decisions about your future travel plans, you're free to change your travel plans until 30 days before your trip.

If for any reason you change your mind, you can choose new dates and/or a new destination without penalty on the land portion of your trip (airlines impose different change policies and penalties). Ask your travel consultant for full details on this limited time promotion.

Notes

- Additional nights are possible pre or post tour.
- Airfare is estimated at \$1000 -\$1400 per person based on 2021 rates. Air can not be confirmed until approximately 9
 months prior to departure.
- Upgrade options for premium economy, business class or first class airfare may be possible
- You may also prefer to arrange your own airfare for those travellers who have frequent flyer points or airline credits.
- Although Trafalgar offers a flexible change or cancel policy, Travel Quest strongly recommends you have cancellation insurance.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED: Airfares (unless otherwise stated), passports and applicable visa fees, charges imposed by third parties, laundry, phone calls, items of a personal nature, beverages, meals and sightseeing not detailed on the itinerary, excess baggage, travel insurance. Travel Insurance is highly recommended. Ask your travel consultant for further details.

PRICE: The advertised price is in Canadian dollars, per person twin share.

DEPOSIT: A non-refundable deposit of \$300 is required at time of booking. The breakdown of the deposit is \$200/Trafalgar and \$100/Travel Quest FINAL PAYMENT: The balance of monies due for the trip must be paid by 60 days prior to departure. Payments after this date may incur a late fee payment. CANCELLATION FEES: In the event you have to cancel your booking, cancellation fees will apply. For full details of cancellation fees, contact your Travel Agent or Group Leader. For a limited time, there is a flexible cancel or change policy. Please speak with your travel consultant.

AMENDMENTS: Fees may apply to any change made to your booking once confirmed.

REFUNDS: No refund is available if cancellations occur after the trip has commenced or in respect of any sightseeing, accommodation, meals or any other services not utilized.

ITINERARY CHANGES & TRIP CANCELLATION: Prices

are based on costs, charges, tariffs, taxes, levies and exchange rates at the time of publication. In the event that such fluctuations affect the price to be paid for services, we reserve the right to adjust the price as necessary at any time. Trafalgar reserves the right to vary itineraries should circumstances dictate, as well as cancel or reschedule any trip departure in accordance with operating requirements, or circumstances beyond its control. The advertised trip requires minimum numbers to depart. Should these not be met, Trafalgar reserves the right to alter or cancel arrangements.

PASSPORT AND VISAS: You must have a valid passport with 6 months validity from date of return. For Visa requirements, contact your Travel Consultant or Group Leader.

HOTELS: The hotels listed in the itinerary are listed as a guide only and are subject to change.

PORTERAGE: for one suitcase is included in the trip price on arrival and departure from each trip hotel.

TRANSFERS: Your travel agent can provide details of arrival

and departure transfers.

DOCUMENTATION: Documentation will be provided to your travel agent approximately 2 weeks prior to departure from Canada.

ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS: apply to this special departure. Full terms and conditions are available from Trafalgar. Refer also to the Trafalgar website at www.trafalgar.com/en-ca/know-before-you-go-europe

ROOMING ARRANGEMENTS: All pricing is based on twin share accommodation. If a single room is required, the appropriate single supplement will need to be paid. Single rooms are subject to availability. Triple rooms may be available on request.

COACH USE: In most cases individual guests will travel with your group on this trip. Please refer to your Travel Agent or Group Leader for more details.