



Great Grapes Tours in Partnership with Moonstruck Vacations
is planning an



ITALIAN ADVENTURE
April 19-28, 2026

Day 1 (Sunday) – Venice

Morning arrival in Venice to meet your tour manager and be escorted by boat to your hotel. Enjoy a gondola ride to admire the majestic architectural masterpieces overlooking the canal.

The rest of your day is at leisure.

Included: Boat transfer to the hotel area and gondola ride

Day 2 (Monday) – Venice, Murano and Burano

In the morning we will enjoy a 2-hour walking tour of Venice. Relish the sites in and around St. Mark's Square including the Basilica, one of Europe's most beautiful Byzantine designs, Doge's Palace, and the architectural marvels that make Venice unique. We will also visit the Bridge of Sighs, built in 1600, it was one of the last views of Venice that convicts saw before their imprisonment.

In the afternoon, after lunch, we will depart on a Lagoon Islands boat tour to discover the colorful island homes of Venetian craftspeople. You will see how, across the waters from the crowded Piazza San Marco, time has stood still.

AM - we will visit Murano, which once upon a time, was the home of the only glassblowers in the world who knew how to make mirrors! Step into an authentic Venetian glassblower's workshop and see how he fires up his kiln, blowing and shaping the glass into a work of art. From glassware to jewelry, to large works of art, there is something for everyone.

PM- We will then hop back on our boat and head to Burano, a tiny island known worldwide for its colorfully huddled houses that line the narrow streets and canals, and its centuries-old lace-making tradition. A local guide will usher you through the bustling streets where we can watch the local ladies stitching lace in the traditions passed down through generations. We will learn of secret traditions, and explore secluded places, and local shops, including some offering local food delicacies.

Included: Venice guide (3 hours); Doge's Palace skip-the-line tickets; lunch, boat, and guide for Lagoon Islands (4 hours); Overnight, breakfast and lunch

Day 3 (Tuesday) – Bologna, Tuscany

Today we are off to Tuscany, with a stop in Bologna, for lunch and a walking tour in a 2-hour story-packed tour to experience the porticos, monuments, and towers of what UNESCO has defined as the best-preserved medieval center in the world. You will see the Piazza Maggiore, the Fountain of Neptune, the Two Towers, and more. We will enjoy lunch including local dishes and wine.

Included: Departure boat transfer to Tronchetto bus terminal; bus transfer, Bologna guide (2 hours) lunch with 3 courses and wine.

Day 4 (Wednesday) – Tuscany Region

AM – Take part in a hands-on pizza-making class at our Villa. Enjoy an introduction to the story of the pizza and its evolution. This three-hour engaging activity will have you making pizza like a Pizzaiolo (traditional Italian term for a Pizza Chef) and enjoying the ‘fruits’ of your labor for lunch.

After lunch, there is free time to relax. Enjoy the villa’s spa services, or take a walk on the gorgeous Villa grounds to help digest your pizza!

PM – Enjoy a guided tour of our noble Villa including the ancient wine cellars. We will finish our tour with an entertaining and informative wine tasting and an opportunity to taste the excellent oils produced along with some local products.

Included: Breakfast, pizza-making class, lunch with drinks, and a guided tour of the Villa wine cellar with wine tasting.

Day 5 (Thursday) – Florence (Capital city of the Tuscany region)

AM – Florence walking tour and PM at your leisure. Transfer to Florence to meet our private guide to follow the medieval streets to the most striking square in Florence, Piazza della Signoria, an open-air museum. Our walking sightseeing includes the majestic Duomo built in 1296, Giotto’s Bell Tower, and the Baptistery with its renowned “Gates of Paradise” doors. The tour ends with a visit to the Academia Gallery to admire many sculpture masterpieces, including the magnificent David by Michelangelo (reserved admission is included).

We will also stop at a few of Florence’s famous wine windows where you can taste and purchase wine. Enjoy your afternoon at leisure to relax, shop, or perhaps wine tasting before returning to the Villa.

Included: Round-trip transfer to Florence; Florence guide (3 hours); skip-the-line admissions Academia; overnight; breakfast.

Day 6 (Friday) – Tuscany Region

Day at leisure / Farewell Tuscan dinner. Today take the opportunity to live like a local exploring the town of Figline. You could also relax in the wellness center. Don’t miss your delicious Tuscan dinner!

Included: Breakfast, farewell Tuscan dinner (3 courses with wine)

Day 7 (Saturday) – San Gimignano, Rome

We are on our way to Rome but first, we are stopping in the enchanting tiny walled town of San Gimignano. It is famous for its numerous tall towers, frescoes, and other valuable works of art. Then enrich your experience with a wine tasting including a light lunch at Tenuta Torciano, a winery of 13 generations of wine producers. More than just a meal; it’s an opportunity to immerse yourself in the culture, history, and flavors that define Tuscany. In this charming estate, you will be transported to a time when life was simpler and meals were meant to be savored slowly, surrounded by friends and family. The atmosphere here is of rustic elegance, an escape from the hustle and bustle of everyday life.

Included: Bus transfer with stop; winery visit and light lunch with wines; breakfast, lunch

Day 8 (Sunday) – Rome

AM – Today we will discover the secrets of Ancient Rome. Your guide will bring you back in time as we view the spectacular Roman Forum and then enter the Colosseum, reliving the brutal entertainment of the gladiators and lions, refereed by the Emperor himself.

PM – at leisure

Included: Round trip transfer; Ancient Rome guide (3 hours); skip the line admissions for Colosseum; breakfast

Day 9 (Monday)- Rome

AM – Marvel at the grandeur of the Vatican Museums with a guided tour. Our visit culminates in the Sistine Chapel, the room where the Pope is elected. We will also visit the largest church in Christendom, St. Peter's Basilica, to admire Michelangelo's Pieta. You will then have some time to explore on your own.

PM – You can't leave Italy without hearing some opera! This evening enjoy a farewell festive opera dinner at a special restaurant serving Roman food and wine!

Included: Breakfast, round Trip transfer; Vatican guide (4 hours); skip-the-line admissions for Vatican Museums and Basilica; farewell opera dinner, 4 courses with wine;

Day 10 (Tuesday) – Departure home 🙄

Departure from Rome After breakfast, transfer to Rome Airport for your return flight home.

Included: departure transfer; breakfast

Hotels quoted (or similar):

VENICE: CA DEI CONTI **** 2 nights

TUSCANY: VILLA CASAGRANDE **** 4 nights

ROME: HOTEL MEDITERRANEO **** 3 nights

Meals included: 9 Breakfasts, 4 Lunches, and 2 dinners

Price: \$4599, based on double occupancy. Land Only.

The single supplement is \$1179.00. Single rooms are limited.

Pre/post nights can be arranged upon request.

Round-trip, nonstop, group air transportation, and trip insurance can be purchased for an additional charge. If flying separately, extra charges may apply to the arrival transfer from the airport to the hotel.

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