

Italian Holiday

7 Days | 2 Countries | 10 Meals | Balanced Activity

Unlock the best of Italy with priority access to the Vatican, dining amidst Tuscan vineyards and olive groves and admiring must-sees including Pisa's Leaning Tower. You'll even discover the local secrets of Venetian glassblowing.



Key

- Start
- End
- ① Overnight
- Sightseeing

Day 1 Ciao Rome Indulge all your senses in the imperial city of Rome, your introduction to a memorable encounter with Italy which will have you returning for more. Spend your afternoon relaxing after your journey, or explore the ancient city streets before joining your Travel Director and travel companions for a Welcome Dinner. This evening, we take an orientation drive past Rome's most magnificent sights which we will have an opportunity to explore tomorrow. **(D) Hotel: Crowne Plaza St. Peter's**

Day 2 Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Our encounter with Rome begins in the Holy See as we **Dive Into Culture** with a visit to the Vatican Museums in the company of a **Local Specialist** to admire the masterpieces that have been collected by Popes throughout the centuries. Gaining priority admission, we admire the magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and then visit St. Peter's Basilica, the greatest cathedral in Christendom, to see Michelangelo's sorrowful Pietà. Crossing the Tiber, we venture into Ancient Rome to view the Circus Maximus, once the site of thrilling chariot races. Spend a leisurely afternoon exploring Rome. Admire the Spanish Steps or toss a coin in the Trevi Fountain to secure your speedy return. **(B)**

Day 3 Journey to the Floating City of Venice This morning we venture north through the valley of the Tiber into the green and golden landscapes of Umbria. We pass the hilltop towns of Orte and Orvieto, traveling past Tuscany's terraced olive groves and across the Apennine Mountains bound for Venice, the 'Queen of the Adriatic'. **(B, D) Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana**



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Learn about the history and ancient skill of Venetian glassblowing, playing your role in ensuring the survival of this traditional craft through your visit.

Day 4 Onwards to Verona Cruise by private launch into the heart of Venice this morning, where we will see the city's most celebrated sights including the Bridge of Sighs, St. Mark's Square, St. Mark's Basilica and the ornate Doge's Palace. Enjoy a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience learning the intricate craft of glassblowing. Soak up the pageantry and elegance of Venice before continuing to Verona, home of Shakespeare's ill-fated lovers Romeo and Juliet, where we'll spend the night. **(B) Hotel: Leopardi**

Day 5 Admire Pisa and on to Florence Pisa's UNESCO-listed Square of Miracles is our first stop today, where we will have the opportunity to view the Leaning Tower before traveling on to Florence. Explore the birthplace of the Renaissance and home of the Medici dynasty, whose penchant for beautiful art and architecture created one of the cultural centers of the world. Tonight we **Connect With Locals** at a **Be My Guest** experience set against the backdrop of Tuscan vineyards and olive groves. **(B, D) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo**

Day 6 All Roads Lead to Rome We join a **Local Specialist** today to delve into the rich medieval and Renaissance history of Florence. Our sightseeing tour will take us to Piazza della Signoria with its impressive sculptures and imposing *palazzi*. We'll wander the narrow streets, passing by the multi-colored marble Duomo, the famous Baptistery, and the almost 700-year-old Ponte Vecchio. Admire this spectacular feat of engineering dating from the Middle Ages which is today lined with jewellers. Continuing our journey through Umbria and the valley of the Tiber River, we return to Rome where our holiday concludes. Toast to a memorable trip with newfound friends at a Farewell Dinner. **(B, D) Hotel: Grand Tiberio**

Day 7 Farewell Rome After breakfast, it's time to say a fond *arrivederci* to Rome, Italy and your travel companions as you return home with wonderful memories of this magnificent destination. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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Year-round

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Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Rome and Florence with a Local Specialist

Discover Venice, Verona and Pisa

Visit St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel in Rome, the Vatican Museums and a glassblowing factory in Venice

View the ancient sites of Rome, the Byzantine St. Mark's Basilica in Venice, the Leaning Tower of Pisa and Santa Croce Basilica and the Duomo in Florence

Be My Guest Enjoy a Traditional Tuscan Buffet at the 12th-century Castle of Trebbio



"The Italian Holiday was the perfect combination. I highly recommend this tour and can't wait to go back!"

- Jennifer Lang

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As rated by Past Guests

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**

Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: ITIH/WTIH

Rome and Tuscan Highlights

9 Days | 2 Countries | 13 Meals | Balanced Activity

An idyllic Italian retreat, bringing all your Tuscan dreams to life. When you're not spending time with sisters Sandra and Antonella on their agriturismo overlooking vineyards, you'll get to delve into the life of Leonardo da Vinci and soak up the healing waters of Montecatini spa.



Day 1 Welcome to Rome Ciao Roma! Spend the afternoon exploring the city before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Dinner. Embark on an orientation drive past some of Rome's icons and unexpected highlights. **(D)**
Hotel: Barceló Occidental Aurelia

Day 2 Journey to the Tuscan Hills Our journey through Rome begins in the center of Christendom, where we join a **Local Specialist** on an included sightseeing tour to visit St. Peter's Basilica and Michelangelo's much-admired Pietà. This afternoon, we enjoy a leisurely drive through the scenic Tuscan hills to the thermal spa resort of Montecatini, the largest and most famous spa town in Italy and your home for the next six nights. Join an Optional Experience to a delightful regional restaurant set among the pines and cypress trees. Here a feast of gastronomic specialties awaits, accompanied by song and music. **(B)**
Hotel: Columbia

Day 3 Explore Renaissance Florence Your **Local Specialist** will reveal the history of Renaissance Florence during your walking tour. View the magnificent Duomo and visit Piazza della Signoria. In your free time, perhaps take a walk across the beautiful Ponte Vecchio. In the 16th-century, a decree mandated that the only businesses allowed to ply their trade on this bridge were goldsmiths and jewellers, and to this day, they remain. Or, enjoy an insight into the world of Michelangelo and his masterpiece, David, during a visit to the Academy of Fine Arts with a **Local Specialist**. **(B, D)**

Day 4 Montecatini Your Way You have a full free day to relax in the spa atmosphere of Montecatini or join an Optional Experience to Cinque Terre, whose pastel-hued villages cling to the rugged Ligurian cliffs. With a **Local Specialist**, you'll visit the Bay of Poets and the beautiful Porto Venere, gateway to the UNESCO-protected Cinque Terre. **(B)**

Day 5 Discover Pisa and Vinci Journey to Pisa where we join a **Local Specialist** to view the famous Leaning Tower, the finely sculpted marble Cathedral and the ornate Baptistery, said to be the largest in Italy. We continue through Tuscany, arriving in Vinci where we'll **Dive Into Culture** with a **Local Specialist** at Museo Leonardiano. Admire Leonardo da Vinci's machines and models, his sketches and handwritten notes, as well as interactive exhibits during your visit. Tonight, **Connect With Locals** at the Agriturismo Borgo Vigna Vecchia, where you'll enjoy an exclusive **Be My Guest** dinner surrounded by vineyards and olive groves. **(B, D)** **Hotel: Columbia**

Day 6 Off to Siena and San Gimignano Saunter through the beautifully preserved medieval city of Siena to see

the 13th-century marble cathedral and the shell-shaped Piazza del Campo, home to the biannual Palio horse race. Learn about stained-glass from a local artist on your **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** experience. Venture to the walled medieval town of San Gimignano, renowned for its towers. Enjoy some free time strolling through its narrow lanes and shopping for locally-produced delicacies and hand-painted Tuscan pottery. **(B)**



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Meet stained glass master Massimo and apprentice Emily during a fun and enlightening visit of his studio. Learn from Massimo's passion to restore the craft and train the next generation to create intricate pieces of art.

Day 7 Tuscan Lifestyle Experience Feast your eyes on the vibrant colors and busy stalls heaving with fresh produce at a local food market where you will join a **Local Specialist** professional chef for a tasty introduction to Tuscan cuisine. **(B, L)**

Day 8 Onwards to Rome and the Vatican City Departing Tuscany, we travel south to Rome. This afternoon, we **Dive Into Culture** with a **Local Specialist** for a guided tour of the Vatican Museums, including a visit to Michelangelo's magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel. The evening brings a special treat, as we stay at the Vatican Museums for a Farewell Dinner set amidst the stunning Roman and Ancient Greek artworks. **(B, D)** **Hotel: Villa Pamphili**

Day 9 Journey Home Today we bid a fond farewell to newfound friends and an epic experience, departing Rome. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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Departure months

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Included highlights and must-sees

Explore Rome, Vinci, Florence and Pisa with a Local Specialist

Discover Siena and San Gimignano

Visit St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel in Rome, the Vatican Museums and the Leonardiano Museum in Vinci

View the Santa Croce Basilica and the Duomo in Florence and the Leaning Tower of Pisa

Be My Guest Enjoy an exclusive lunch at the Agriturismo Borgo Vigna Vecchia in the Tuscan hills



"I have loved every one of the seven trips with Trafalgar. On this trip I went solo to Italy and particularly enjoyed this moment as my new friends and I cooled our feet in the Mediterranean. One moment in a brilliant day"

- Brenda Dale

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Trip code: ITRO

Great Italian Cities

10 Days | 2 Countries | 13 Meals | Balanced Activity

Rome, Florence and Venice are the stars of the show on the most incredible of Italy trips. This unforgettable trio features visits to food markets, ancient Roman ruins and the artistry of great masters. But that's not all, as you'll also get to dine with an Italian family in their beautiful Tuscan villa.



Day 1 Welcome to Rome Kick off your bellissimo journey through the cities of Italy in Rome. Join your travel companions and Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner. Your introduction to la dolce vita begins with an orientation drive past Rome's most magnificent sights. **(D) Hotel: Grand Palatino**

Day 2 Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Embark on a very special included **Dive Into Culture** sightseeing tour with your **Local Specialist** at the Vatican this morning. Wander through its Museums and the Sistine Chapel, then visit St Peter's Basilica. Continue to the Pontifical Villas of Castel Gandolfo where you'll enjoy a tour of its gardens and lunch in its beautiful surrounds before returning to Rome. **(B, L)**

Day 3 Rome Your Way Enjoy a full free day to explore Rome your way, or consider an Optional Experience delving into the tragic history of Pompeii when you explore a Roman city frozen in time by the devastating eruption of Mount Vesuvius. Your **Local Specialist** will bring ancient Roman history to life before you return to Rome, passing the Abbey of Montecassino, the site of an epic battle in 1944. **(B)**

Day 4 Admire Assisi and on to Florence Head to the birthplace of St. Francis of Assisi where your **Local Specialist** will accompany you on a visit to the Basilica of St. Francis to see Giotto's enchanting frescoes. Later, we continue to Florence. **(B) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo**

Day 5 Discover Renaissance Florence Enjoy a leisurely encounter with the artistic and architectural marvels of Florence during your walking tour with a **Local Specialist**. Visit the striking Piazza della Signoria, see the multi-colored marble Duomo and Baptistery, then view Ponte Vecchio. You'll have the rest of the day to discover Florence your way, perhaps continuing your exploration of its historic center or admiring the artistic contribution of the Medici family at every turn. Lovers of art may wish to join an Optional Experience to the Academy of Fine Arts to see Michelangelo's collection, including his masterpiece, David. **(B)**

Day 6 Uncover Pisa's Treasures Cross the Arno Valley to Pisa and join a **Local Specialist** to visit the Square of Miracles, home to the incredible Leaning Tower and beautifully sculpted marble Cathedral. See the ornate Baptistery and the Camposanto, built on sacred soil brought back from the Holy Land during the Crusades. Later, **Connect With Locals** over dinner at an exclusive **Be My Guest** experience, joining the Landi family at their home near Florence, set within a garden of oak trees against the backdrop of Tuscan vineyards and olive groves where they produce olive oil and wine. **(B, D)**

Day 7 Journey to Bologna and Venice Travel north to Bologna, perhaps best known for the delicious pasta sauce that bears its name. Your sightseeing tour with a **Local Specialist** includes views of the Kissing Towers which lean towards each other, seemingly poised to embrace. Then it's off to Venice for an evening at leisure. There's no better way to explore the city than on its canals, and an optional gondola and Grand Canal experience is the perfect end to the evening. **(B) Hotel: Principe**

Day 8 Cruise Venice's Canals Today, you'll enjoy a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience where you'll gain insights into the delicate Venetian art of glassblowing. Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square to admire the Bridge of Sighs, Palladian churches, Customs House, St. Mark's Basilica and the ornate Doge's Palace. Spend the rest of the afternoon at leisure. **(B)**



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Day 9 Experience Venice's Food Market Take a leisurely stroll from our hotel along the canals to the famous Rialto Bridge with a **Local Specialist**. Enjoy a guided sightseeing walking tour, which brings all the flavors of Italy to life at a centuries-old food market. Your love affair with Italy's enchanting cities comes to an end this evening after a Farewell Dinner. **(B, D)**

Day 10 Farewell Venice Say a fond *arrivederci* to Italy and newfound friends. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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Included highlights and must-sees

Fast Track Admission to the Vatican Museums

Explore Rome, Assisi, Florence, Pisa, Bologna and Venice with a Local Specialist

Visit the Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, the Villa Barberini Gardens in Castel Gandolfo, the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi and a glassblowing factory in Venice

View the Colosseum and Forum in Rome, Santa Croce Basilica and the Duomo in Florence, the Leaning Tower of Pisa and St. Mark's Basilica in Venice

Scenic Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

Be My Guest Dine with Count Flucis at their Home near Florence



"The food was beyond our expectations and we look forward to traveling in good hands again!"

- Diane and Jacques Carriere

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Trip code: IGIC/WGIC

Real Italy

10 Days | 2 Countries | 15 Meals | Dynamic Activity

From the canals of Venice to ancient Rome and a scenic cruise to the Isle of Capri, this is real Italy at its finest. Visit the Vatican with fast track access, discover the city of Pompeii and take in Renaissance Florence. Embrace the full Italian experience, rich with coastal views and Tuscan food and wine.



ITALY

VENICE

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Pompeii

Isle of Capri

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Key

● Start

● End

1 Overnight

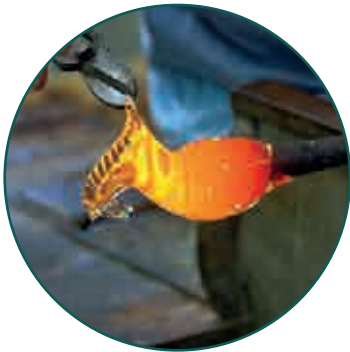
● Sightseeing

Day 1 Arrive Rome Your launch pad to an epic Italian tour begins in the Eternal City of Rome. Tread in the footsteps of gods and goddesses, emperors and gladiators as you explore its ancient streets before joining your Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner and orientation past some of the city's most iconic sights. **(D)**

Day 2 Rome Sightseeing and Free Time Unlock local secrets on a tour of the Vatican Museums with a **Local Specialist**. Ascend the spiral staircase designed by Donato Bramante and admire Michelangelo's frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel before visiting St. Peter's Basilica to see his sorrowful Pietà. Later, in ancient Rome, explore the historic Circus Maximus. There's time to explore on your own or relax in one of the city's piazzas watching the world go by. **(B)**

Day 3 Rome to Venice Pass the hilltop towns of Orte and Orvieto as you cross the steep Apennine Mountains. Enjoy a refreshing lunch stop before arriving in Venice. Here in the Queen of the Adriatic, enjoy a three-course Regional Dinner of pasta followed by main course and decadent dessert. **(B, RD)**

Day 4 Venice Orientation and Free Time The culture of Venice springs to life as you watch the delicate craft of Venetian glassblowing at a glassblowing workshop on a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. Take a private cruise to St. Mark's Square, sharing the city's waterways with ferries, gondolas and yachts. Be dazzled by the Byzantine Basilica, the Bridge of Sighs and the ornate Doges' Palace before spending the rest of the afternoon on your own exploring the labyrinthine calli or enjoying a refreshing spritz. **(B)**



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Day 5 Journey to Bologna and Florence The northern Italian city of Bologna's vibrant, red-tiled houses and the combination of medieval and Renaissance structures take center stage

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today as your **Local Specialist** calls out the key features. Tonight, opt for a one-of-a-kind experience in the picturesque Tuscan Hills to dine on delicious food and wine. **(B, D)**

Day 6 Florence Sightseeing and Free Time Birthplace of the Renaissance, world-class museums and Tuscan cuisine. Florence brings one remarkable sight after the next. Join a **Local Specialist** ticking off the must-sees of this epic city. See the multi-colored Duomo with its impressive dome engineered by Brunelleschi and the Baptistery's gilded doors. The rest of the afternoon is yours to explore a city that inspired artists, poets and painters to create masterpieces. Consider a visit to the Academy of Fine Arts to see Michelangelo's statue of David, enjoy spectacular views from Piazza Michelangelo or marvel at the Medici legacy at the Palazzo Vecchio. This evening **Connect With Locals** over dinner at an exclusive **Be My Guest** experience. **(B, D)**

Day 7 Journey to the Bay of Naples and Sorrento Travel through the Campanian plains to the Bay of Naples which lies in the shadow of Mount Vesuvius. Your home for the next two nights - and introduction to the Amalfi Coast - is the clifftop town of Sorrento. Admire the pastel rainbow of colorful houses stacked upon one another. Perhaps take a stroll overlooking the Mediterranean waters before dinner at your hotel. **(B, D)**

Day 8 Isle of Capri Excursion and Free Time This chic island playground is packed with sights you'll discover with a **Local Specialist**. Even better, you'll arrive by a scenic ferry ride across the Bay of Naples. Consider an Optional Experience to Anacapri's Villa San Michele for beautiful views of the Tyrrhenian Sea. This villa showcases the Swedish physician and author Axel Munthe's life story and the creation of the villa in The Story of San Michele. View his collection of Roman artifacts and stroll through the stunning garden, recently honored as Italy's most beautiful private park. Admire Barbarossa Mountain and postcard-worthy views over the Bay of Naples and Mount Vesuvius. **(B)**

Day 9 Discover Sorrento, Pompeii, Cassino and Rome There's no better place to learn about Italy's ancient history than in Pompeii. Explore the tragic immortalisation or this civilization preserved by volcanic ash when Vesuvius erupted. Your **Local Specialist** reveals secrets on a walking tour as you learn about the day-to-day life of the city's former residents. Your Italian tour ends in Rome where you join your Travel Director and fellow traveling companions for a Farewell Dinner celebrating in true Italian style. **(B, D)**

Day 10 Depart Rome It's time to bid Italy a fond *arrivederci*. Transfers are available to Rome Fiumicino Airport. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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Included highlights and must-sees

Explore Rome, Venice, Bologna, Florence, Capri and Pompeii with a Local Specialist

Discover Venice, Sorrento and the Isle of Capri on a one-day excursion, admiring the Barbarossa Mountain and views over the Bays of Naples and Mount Vesuvius

Visit the Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica, the Vatican Museums, Circus Maximus, and a Venetian glassblowing workshop

View the kissing towers of Bologna, the Duomo in Florence and Monte Cassino

Scenic Cruise to the Isle of Capri

Be My Guest Enjoy a traditional Tuscan meal surrounded by vineyards and olive groves



"One of my favorite moments of this mother-daughter trip was walking the streets of Rome right after the sun set by the Trevi Fountain. There was something so magical about being there in that very moment."

- Melanie Yamaguchi

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Contrasts of Italy

10 Days | 2 Countries | 13 Meals | Balanced Activity

All aboard this exhilarating journey by high-speed train through Italy's iconic cities of Rome, Florence and Venice. During your 10 days in Italy, conjure up gladiators and chariots in Rome, shop until you drop on Florence's ancient Ponte Vecchio, strike a pose in Pisa and discover the secrets of Venice on foot like a local.



- Key
- Start
 - End
 - 1 Overnight
 - Sightseeing

Day 1 Welcome to Rome Our exciting journey through some of Italy's most beautiful cities begins in the 'Eternal City'. Relax after your travels or take a walk along the ancient streets before joining your travel companions and Travel Director for a light supper and orientation drive through Rome's intoxicating cityscape. **(D)**
Hotel: Grand Palatino

Day 2 Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City We visit the center of Christianity this morning, joining a **Local Specialist** for a sightseeing tour which includes a visit to St. Peter's Basilica to see the Pietà. Our next stop is in Ancient Rome where we'll see the Circus Maximus. **Dive Into Culture** and gain fast track admission to the Vatican Museums where a **Local Specialist** will take us on a guided tour of the Sistine Chapel, followed by dinner in the midst of the treasures of the Vatican's Anima Mundi Museum. **(B, D)**

Day 3 Rome Your Way Enjoy a full free day in Rome. Consider joining an Optional Experience to see the exquisite house and gardens of Villa d'Este. As the sun sets over the seven hills of Rome, admire the Trevi Fountain, tossing a coin in to secure your return to Rome. **(B)**

Day 4 Journey By High-Speed Train to Florence Sit back on the high-speed train, bound for Florence, and watch the Tuscan landscape go by. Join a **Local Specialist** on a walking tour to gain insights into the city's Renaissance treasures. View the Ponte Vecchio, almost 700 years old and lined with goldsmiths, then visit the Fine Arts Academy to see one of Michelangelo's masterpieces, the statue of David. Afterwards we stroll to the Piazza della Signoria, featuring Palazzo Vecchio and the Uffizi Gallery. **(B)**
Hotel: Ambasciatori

Day 5 Admire Pisa See the enchanting skyline of Florence from Piazzale Michelangelo before driving to Pisa through the Arno Valley. Meet your **Local Specialist** to explore the Square of Miracles and see the famous Leaning Tower, the Cathedral, Baptistery and Camposanto. Over lunch, **Connect With Locals** at the Agriturismo Borgo Vigna Vecchia where you'll enjoy an exclusive **Be My Guest** experience surrounded by vineyards and olive groves. This evening, enjoy the delights of Florence your way. **(B, L)**

Day 6 Discover Renaissance Florence Today discover Florence – a city filled with exquisite galleries, lush gardens and opulent palaces. Consider a visit to the hilltop town of San Gimignano, the 'medieval Manhattan' of Tuscany. Use your free time to sample rich panforte and tortas, or shop for the latest fashions in Florence's sophisticated boutiques. This evening, consider joining an Optional Experience in the Chianti region for a delicious Tuscan dinner. **(B)**

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**

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Day 7 Travel By High-Speed Train to Venice All aboard the express train for Venice. We cross the spectacular Apennines and fertile Veneto plain before arriving in this island city. Wander along its narrow lanes in search of a cozy bacaro, people-watch in St. Mark's Square, or take an unforgettable gondola ride along the city's enchanting canals. **(B)**
Hotel: Principe

Day 8 Cruise the Canals of Venice On this morning's **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience, we witness the centuries-old craft of glassblowing. Board a private launch and cruise to St. Mark's Square to see the Bridge of Sighs, Palladian Churches, the Customs House, St. Mark's Basilica and Campanile, as well as the Doge's Palace. This afternoon, enjoy free time to explore the city. Find a quiet campo and pavement café or take a cruise to colorful Burano for a delicious meal. **(B)**



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Learn about the history and ancient skill of Venetian glassblowing, playing your role in ensuring the survival of this traditional craft through your visit.

Day 9 Experience Venice's Food Market The sights and sounds of modern Venice come to life today as we join our **Local Specialist** for a walking tour and explore the vibrant Rialto Food Market. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure for one last taste of Venice. We celebrate newfound friendships and an unforgettable experience at a Farewell Dinner. **(B, D)**

Day 10 Farewell Venice Say *arrivederci* to Italy and your fellow travelers as your fascinating vacation comes to an end. Find out more about your free airport transfer at [trafalgar.com/freetransfers](https://www.trafalgar.com/freetransfers). **(B)**

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Explore Rome, Florence, Pisa and Venice with a Local Specialist

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View the ancient sites in Rome, the Santa Croce Basilica and the Duomo in Florence, the Leaning Tower of Pisa and St. Mark's Basilica in Venice

Scenic Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

Be My Guest Enjoy an exclusive lunch at the Agriturismo Borgo Vigna Vecchia in the Tuscan hills



"The entire trip was amazing. The history, the artwork, and the beauty left us dazed and amazed."

- Donna Stanton

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Trip code: ITGV

Wonders of Italy

11 Days | 2 Countries | 15 Meals | Dynamic Activity

Want the full Italian Experience? Explore the Vatican, cruise Cinque Terre's rugged coastline, get lost in San Gimignano's quaint center and discover the art of glassblowing in Venice. From Rome to Lucca and Bologna, the Wonders of Italy come alive over a glass of Tuscan Chianti.



Day 1 Buongiorno Rome Open your heart to the flavors of Italy. Join your travel companions and Travel Director for a light supper and orientation drive to see the bustling cityscape. **(D) Hotel: Il Cantico**

Day 2 Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Dive Into Culture on an included sightseeing tour with a **Local Specialist** at the Vatican Museums. Admire the works of great masters – the Bramante Staircase, the Sistine Chapel and the sorrowful Pietà inside St. Peter's Basilica. In Ancient Rome, we explore the Circus Maximus before a free afternoon. **(B)**

Day 3 Journey to Lucca We travel north to Lucca for a sightseeing tour with a **Local Specialist** to admire the 14th-century San Martino Cathedral and Piazza dell'Anfiteatro. Relax in Piazza San Michele or ascend one of the city's ancient towers for panoramic views in your free time. **(B) Hotel: Best Western Grand Guinigi**

Day 4 Explore Cinque Terre and Pisa A sea of pastel pink, yellow and blue houses cling dramatically to the Ligurian cliffs in the Cinque Terre, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Join a **Local Specialist** and delve into daily life in these picturesque fishing villages. Later we visit Pisa and its UNESCO-listed 'Square of Miracles' to view the architectural feat that is the Leaning Tower. **(B, D)**

Day 5 Onwards to San Gimignano and Florence The gentle Tuscan landscape leads us to our next destination, the hilltop town of San Gimignano, famed for its stunning medieval architecture and historic towers. We **Connect With Locals** at a **Be My Guest** experience in a beautiful family-owned vineyard overlooking the rolling Chianti Hills. You will join the Lenzi family for lunch and wine and olive oil tasting on their farm located on the ancient road between Siena and Florence. Later arrive in Florence for an evening at leisure. **(B, L) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo**

Day 6 Uncover the Treasures of Florence We join a **Local Specialist** who will bring the legacy of the influential Medici family to life. View the magnificent marble Duomo and a replica of the David statue in Piazza della Signoria. See the Ponte Vecchio, almost 700 years old, and the spectacular panorama from Piazzale Michelangelo. The rest of the day is yours to explore the 'Cradle of the Renaissance'. **(B)**

Day 7 Admire Verona and on to Venice Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers are remembered today in the romantic city of Verona. Here we'll view Juliet's Balcony and the 1st-century Roman arena, still used today to host spectacular operatic performances. We venture to Venice, our home for the next two nights. **(B) Hotel: Le Boulevard Lido**

Day 8 Discover the Floating City On this morning's **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience, we'll witness the centuries-old tradition of Venetian glassblowing before seeing St. Mark's Basilica, the ornate Doge's Palace and the Bridge of Sighs. Cruise by private launch to see the city's most iconic attractions before enjoying free time to explore the city on your terms. **(B)**



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Day 9 Off to Bologna and Assisi Travel through scenic countryside to the mystical town of Assisi, stopping in Bologna to view the city's Kissing Towers. We continue to our hotel in Assisi, where we'll stay at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories – a fully renovated old Franciscan monastery. **(B, D) Hotel: Cenacolo**

Day 10 All Roads Lead to Tivoli and Rome Discover the legacy of St. Francis of Assisi in his home town on the slopes of Mount Subasio. Join our **Local Specialist** for a visit to the Basilica of St. Francis, with its beautiful frescoes. Continue to Tivoli for a guided visit of the Villa d'Este Gardens with a **Local Specialist**. This evening we enjoy a special Farewell Dinner with our fellow travelers and Travel Director. **(B, D) Hotel: Barceló Aran Mantegna**

Day 11 Farewell Rome It's time to say a fond *arrivederci* to Italy and our newfound friends after a memorable journey. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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View the ancient sites of Rome, the Leaning Tower of Pisa, the Santa Croce Basilica and Duomo in Florence, Juliet's Balcony in Verona, St. Mark's Basilica in Venice and the Kissing Towers of Bologna

See the marble quarries of Carrara

Scenic Cruise to Cinque Terre and by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

Be My Guest Enjoy lunch, and a Chianti and olive oil tasting with the Lenzi family on their wine farm



"My boyfriend proposed to me on this amazing trip! We would not have felt nearly as special had it not been for Trafalgar!"

- Valerie Gutierrez

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As rated by Past Guests

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**

Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: ITTR/WITR

Italy Bellissimo

11 Days | 2 Countries | 15 Meals | Dynamic Activity

If toasting epic Tuscan sunsets, soaking up the sun-kissed sophistication of Italy's most popular cities and olive oil tasting in a real Italian Borgo with new friends sounds like your idea of perfection, this is one of those bellissimo Italy trips that would seduce even the sirens of Capri.



Day 1 Welcome to Rome Spend the day exploring Rome on your own before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a light Welcome Dinner and evening orientation. **(D) Hotel: Grand Tiberio**

Day 2 Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Our captivating journey through Rome begins with fast track entry to the Vatican Museums where we join a **Local Specialist** to **Dive Into Culture** and admire Michelangelo's frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and his Pietà in St. Peter's Basilica. We see the enduring symbols of Ancient Rome, including the Circus Maximus, before spending the afternoon at leisure. **(B)** Please note: On certain departures, the Vatican Museum will be visited upon return to Rome.

Day 3 Admire Pompeii and on to Capri Venture south towards the ancient city of Pompeii. Here we join a **Local Specialist** who will share insights into the city's tragic history. Later, cruise to the captivating isle of Capri. **(B) Hotel: Regina Cristina**

Day 4 A Day on the Isle of Capri Explore the glamor of Capri on a walking tour with a **Local Specialist** that will include views of the marina. Spend free time shopping at elegant boutiques or perhaps join an Optional Experience to explore the rugged coastline and hidden *grottos* by private motor launch. **(B, D)**

Day 5 Onwards to Assisi We sail back across the Mediterranean to Naples and venture north to Perugia. Here we'll discover Italy's ancient weaving tradition during an impressive **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. Continue to the ancient hilltop town of Assisi, where tonight our hotel overlooks the old town. **(B) Hotel: Cenacolo**



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Meet Marta at the Alliance for Artisan Enterprise in Perugia. Discover the history of Italian hand-weaving during a private demonstration, and see how your visit helps preserve this traditional art form.

Day 6 Journey to Venice Visit the beautiful Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi with a **Local Specialist** before continuing north to Venice. Enjoy a free evening watching the sunset over the Venetian Lagoon or consider joining an Optional Experience. Tonight's **Stays With Stories** hotel was once frequented by Romantic poet, Robert Browning. **(B, D) Hotel: Albergo Quattro Fontane Lido**

Day 7 Cruise the Canals of Venice The Winged Lion of Venice is your constant companion as you cruise by private launch to your **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. Witness the delicate Venetian tradition of glassmaking before continuing to St. Mark's Square. View the Basilica, the Doge's Palace and Bridge of Sighs. **(B)**

Day 8 Discover Pisa and the Tuscan Hills This morning we travel to Pisa and to its Square of Miracles to view the famous Leaning Tower, before arriving in the spa-resort of Montecatini Terme in Tuscany. **(B) Hotel: Minerva Palace**

Day 9 Off to Renaissance Florence Your **Local Specialist** shares all the sights of Florence today, including views of the magnificent marble Duomo, Baptistery, Piazza della Signoria and Ponte Vecchio. Later, you'll have some free time to explore or shop for high-quality leather goods in Florence's boutiques. This evening, we **Connect With Locals** at a **Be My Guest** experience with the Callistri family at their *borgo* in the Hamlet of Limonaia for a delicious Italian dinner, olive oil tasting and leisurely walk through their olive groves and lemon orchards. **(B, D)**

Day 10 Venture to San Gimignano and Rome We admire the medieval beauty of San Gimignano today, strolling to its triangular Piazza della Cisterna. See the hilltop town's extraordinary architecture, shop for local products or relax with a gelato at a pavement café. This evening, we celebrate a magnificent Italian adventure with newfound friends at a Farewell Dinner. **(B, D) Hotel: Shangri-La**

Day 11 Arrivederci Rome After breakfast, we say a fond farewell to Italy. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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View the ancient sites of Rome, St. Mark's Basilica in Venice, the Leaning Tower of Pisa, the Santa Croce Basilica, the Duomo and the Ponte Vecchio in Florence

Scenic Cruise to the Isle of Capri and by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

Be My Guest Enjoy a delicious Italian dinner with the Callistri family at their Borgo in the hamlet of Limonaia



"Nothing like being in the canals of Venice!"

- Lou Brizzolara

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4.7/5 

As rated by Past Guests

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**

Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: ITBE

Italian Concerto

11 Days | 2 Countries | 14 Meals | Balanced Activity

Experience the Italian way of life on this Italy trip featuring all the main highlights and some surprises. Enjoy a sunset feast in the shadow of olive groves in a local family's home, unearth the secrets of Pompeii frozen in time and soak up sophistication on the Isle of Capri.



Key

● Start

● End

① Overnight

● Sightseeing

Day 1 Ciao Rome Soak up the vibrant atmosphere before meeting your Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner. We enjoy an orientation through the city this evening, venturing into Ancient Rome. **(D)**
Hotel: Cicerone

Day 2 Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Explore Vatican City with a **Local Specialist** who will reveal the highlights of St. Peter's Basilica. Perhaps join an Optional Experience to visit the awe-inspiring Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel. We continue to Ancient Rome and admire the Circus Maximus. From Roman ruins to Renaissance palazzi - Rome has it all. **(B)**

Day 3 Rome Your Way Delve into Rome's treasures spanning millennia – the museums, churches, gardens and architecture remain enduring symbols of a powerful city. Or perhaps consider an Optional Experience to Tivoli, site of the magnificent Villa d'Este Gardens. **(B)**

Day 4 Explore the Ruins of Pompeii and the Amalfi Coast Today we pay homage at the Commonwealth War Cemetery in Cassino. View the 6th-century Abbey destroyed during World War II, before venturing south to Pompeii, a city frozen in time. Join a **Local Specialist** to visit the excavations of a city engulfed by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. We arrive later at our hotel on the iconic Mediterranean Amalfi Coast where we'll dine tonight. **(B, D)**
Hotel: San Pietro Maiori

Day 5 Scenic Amalfi Coast Your Way Indulge in a full free day at leisure. Consider joining an Optional Experience along the Amalfi Coast to the seaside village of Positano. You could also choose to soak up the extraordinary beauty of the village of Ravello. **(B)**

Day 6 Experience the Isle of Capri This morning we journey along the coast to the medieval town of Amalfi, before setting sail to the glamorous island of Capri. On arrival, ascend to Capri town by funicular for a guided walking tour with a **Local Specialist** who will share views of the piazzetta - the heart and soul of this beautiful town. Later, we return to the mainland. **(B)**

Day 7 Journey to Florence From the Amalfi Coast, we travel north through the rolling landscape of Umbria into Tuscany before arriving in the Renaissance city of Florence. **(B)** **Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo**

Day 8 Florence Your Way The city is renowned for its art, architecture and cultural treasures. Join your **Local Specialist** for a tour, including views of the exquisite marble Duomo, Baptistery and Ponte Vecchio. Wander through the Piazza della Signoria, with its prominent

Palazzo Vecchio. Join your fellow travelers this evening to **Connect With Locals** over a **Be My Guest** dinner set against the backdrop of Tuscan vineyards and olive groves. **(B, D)** **Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo**

Day 9 Venture to Venice Continue north, bound for Venice, the 'Queen of the Adriatic' and our home for the next two nights. **(B)** **Hotel: Principe**

Day 10 Cruise the Canals of Venice Glide through the canals of Venice on board a private launch. Next, a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience where you'll witness first-hand the centuries-old craft of glassmaking, before arriving at St. Mark's Square. Our love affair with Venice continues as we view St. Mark's Basilica, the Doge's Palace and the Bridge of Sighs, before enjoying a Farewell Dinner of the flavors of Italy. **(B, D)**



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Day 11 Journey Home Our extraordinary destination has come to an end. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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Be My Guest Enjoy a traditional meal at Count Flucis' home set amidst Tuscan vineyards and olive groves



"Best vacation ever. Italy was an amazing trip and we never would have gone to see so many amazing places."

- Arthur Cassano

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Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**

Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: ITCO

Best of Italy

13 Days | 2 Countries | 18 Meals | Dynamic Activity

Discover the Best of Italy, from the ancient treasures of Rome to Renaissance Florence and everything in between. Imagine staying overnight in a renovated Franciscan monastery in Assisi, lapping up the chic lifestyle on Capri, and taking a private guided visit to Pompeii to see a Roman city frozen in time.



Day 1 Welcome to Rome Savor free time in Rome before joining your companions and Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner and orientation drive. **(D) Hotel: Una**

Day 2 Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Join a **Local Specialist** for an included sightseeing tour in the Vatican Museums. **Dive Into Culture** and admire the Bramante Staircase and Michelangelo's frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel, then see the marble masterpiece of the Pietà in St. Peter's Basilica. We venture to Ancient Rome to explore guided visit to the Forum and see Circus Maximus. **(B)**

Day 3 Explore the Ruins of Pompeii and Sorrento Journey south to the well-preserved ruins of Pompeii. Join a **Local Specialist** who will share details of the devastation caused by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. **(B, D) Hotel: Johanna Park**

Day 4 A Day on the Isle of Capri Cross the Bay of Naples by ferry to the Isle of Capri and join a **Local Specialist** for a guided walking tour in Capri town, before returning to the mainland. **(B)**

Day 5 Onwards to Assisi See the Benedictine Abbey of Cassino. Continue north where you will meet a **Local Specialist** for a visit of the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi. Tonight, we'll stay at one of Trafalgar's **Stays With Stories** – a fully renovated old Franciscan monastery. **(B, D) Hotel: Cenacolo**

Day 6 Discover Venice Travel through Emilia-Romagna, a region famed for its gastronomy. Later we will arrive into Venice, the 'Queen of the Adriatic' to spend time admiring this unique city. **(B, D) Hotel: Biasutti Lido**



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Learn about the history and ancient skill of Venetian glassblowing, playing your role in ensuring the survival of this traditional craft through your visit.

Day 7 St. Mark's and More in Venice Your **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience features the Venetian tradition of glassblowing by master craftsmen. Continue past the Bridge of Sighs and the Doge's Palace to St. Mark's Square where we will view the impressive square and Basilica. **(B)**

Day 8 On to Milan and Scenic Lake Maggiore Travel to Verona, the home of Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers, then cross to sophisticated Milan. An orientation tour takes us past the Gothic Duomo, La Scala Opera House and the Galleria. Later arrive in the Italian Lakes where we'll enjoy dinner served tonight at our hotel. **(B, D) Hotel: Simpron**

Day 9 Stroll around Lake Como Indulge in a free day to explore. 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 the Cinque family and hear all about the intriguing history of Villa Toscanini. **(B, D)**

Day 10 Admire Pisa and on to Florence Tuscany lures us past the marble quarries of Carrara to Pisa and its Square of Miracles where we will view the Leaning Tower. Our next stop is Florence. **(B) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo**

Day 11 Experience Art and Architecture in Florence Our **Local Specialist** unlocks the Medici family history, while we visit Piazza della Signoria. We enjoy spectacular panoramic views of the beautiful skyline of Florence, dominated by the elegant Duomo and the almost 700-year-old Ponte Vecchio, from Piazzale Michelangelo. **(B)**

Day 12 Treasures of San Gimignano and Return to Rome This morning we stop at the Florence American Cemetery and Memorial before visiting the Tuscan hill-town of San Gimignano. This evening in Rome, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner. **(B, D) Hotel: Shangri-La**

Day 13 Farewell Rome Our discovery of the best of Italy has come to an end. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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See the ancient sites of Rome and the Abbey on Monte Cassino

Scenic Cruise to the Isle of Capri and by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

Be My Guest Dine with the Cinque family at Villa Toscanini with lakeside views from the isola dei pescatori



"A trip of a lifetime to see one of the most beautiful countries in the world."

- Alyssa Fountaine

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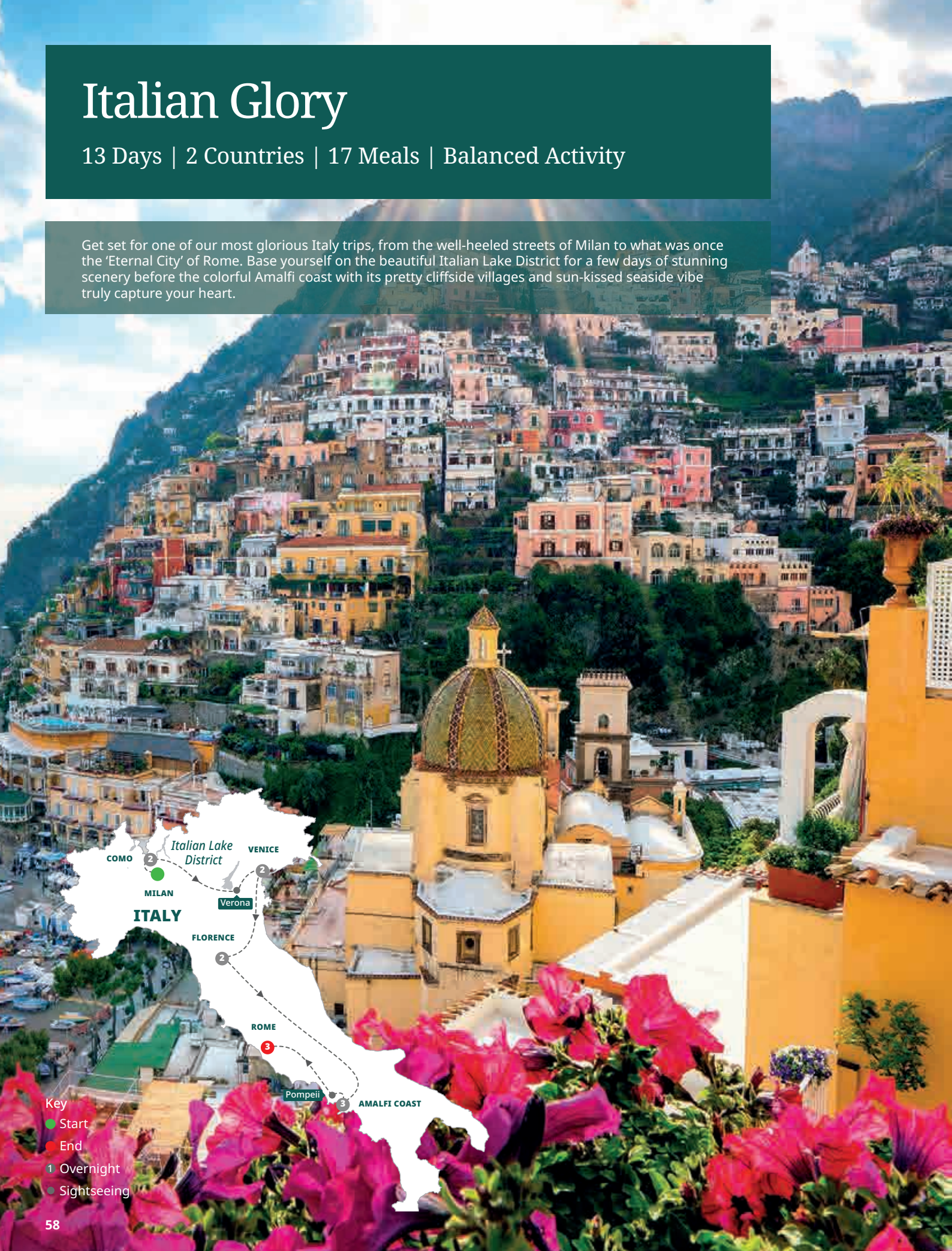
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: ITBO/WTBO

Italian Glory

13 Days | 2 Countries | 17 Meals | Balanced Activity

Get set for one of our most glorious Italy trips, from the well-heeled streets of Milan to what was once the 'Eternal City' of Rome. Base yourself on the beautiful Italian Lake District for a few days of stunning scenery before the colorful Amalfi coast with its pretty cliffside villages and sun-kissed seaside vibe truly capture your heart.



Day 1 Journey from Milan to the Italian Lakes Stylish Milan is our launchpad to the Italian Lakes, where we start our leisurely jaunt through Italy. Soak up the peaceful atmosphere of the Italian Lake District before meeting your travel companions and Travel Director for a light Welcome Dinner at our hotel. **(D) Hotel: Barchetta Excelsior**

Day 2 Discover Fashionable Milan Milan takes center stage today as we explore the fashion capital of Italy. Join a **Local Specialist** to see both the iconic and unexpected highlights. Behold the exquisite Gothic architecture of the Duomo, the neoclassical La Scala Opera House and ornate Galleria. **(B)**

Day 3 Venture to Verona and Venice Journey to Verona to view Juliet's Balcony and the ancient Roman Arena, still in use today. Indulge in a cappuccino stop before continuing to Venice, where we will spend the next two nights. **(B, D) Hotel: Le Boulevard Lido**

Day 4 Explore the Floating City Glide through the canals of Venice by private launch visiting some of the jewels of the 'Queen of the Adriatic'. On your unforgettable **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience, you'll witness the centuries-old Venetian tradition of glassblowing. Then, it's on to St. Mark's Square to admire the profound beauty of the Doge's Palace and St. Mark's Basilica. **(B)**



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EXPERIENCE



Learn about the history and ancient skill of Venetian glassblowing, playing your role in ensuring the survival of this traditional craft through your visit.

Day 5 Onwards to Florence From Venice, we cross the Apennine Mountains to Florence, the 'Cradle of the Renaissance'. Consider joining your Travel Director for a traditional Florentine dinner in the Chianti Hills. **(B) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo**

Day 6 Ponte Vecchio and More in Florence Delve into the culture and history of Florence with a **Local Specialist**. We'll visit the Piazza del Duomo to view the Cattedrale di Santa Maria del Fiore, Piazza della Signoria and the Ponte Vecchio bridge that is almost 700 years old. Admire spectacular views of the city from Piazzale Michelangelo. Later, **Connect With Locals** over a **Be My Guest** dinner against a backdrop of Tuscan vineyards and olive groves. **(B, D)**

Day 7 Off to the Sunny Amalfi Coast Journey south through the Arno Valley, passing the Bay of Naples bound for the Amalfi Coast, where we will dine tonight at our hotel. **(B, D) Hotel: San Pietro Maiori**

Day 8 Uncover the Treasures of Amalfi This morning travel to Amalfi town, perched perfectly on this dramatic coastline. See the 10th-century Sant'Andrea cathedral with its Byzantine façade, and soak up the laid-back atmosphere. You'll also have time to join an Optional Experience to Positano. **(B)**

Day 9 Amalfi Coast Your Way You have a free day to indulge in your heart's desires – consider a fresh seafood lunch, relax at your hotel or take a dip in the warm Mediterranean waters. **(B)**

Day 10 The Ruins of Pompeii and on to Rome Embark on a sightseeing walking tour with a **Local Specialist** and discover Pompeii, which was buried under volcanic ash when Mount Vesuvius erupted. Continue to the 'Eternal City' of Rome enjoying views of the 6th century Benedictine Abbey in Cassino en route. **(B) Hotel: Il Cantico**

Day 11 Experience Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Spend the morning in the Vatican City with a **Local Specialist**, visiting St. Peter's Basilica to view Michelangelo's sorrowful Pietà. Consider an Optional Experience to the Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel with its exquisite frescoed ceilings. Then, into Ancient Rome to see the Circus Maximus. This afternoon, we have time to explore the city on our own terms. **(B)**

Day 12 Rome Your Way Indulge in a full free day to explore. Ease into la dolce vita or consider an Optional Experience to Tivoli, where you can visit Villa d'Este and its magnificent Renaissance gardens and exquisite fountains. This evening, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner with newfound friends and your Travel Director before bidding arrivederci to Rome. **(B, D)**

Day 13 Arrivederci Italy Our unforgettable encounter with Italy finishes today. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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"Boat ride to Venice...We almost didn't get on due to the rain but the sun came out and it turned out to be perfect!"

- Vinay Torrey

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Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**

Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: ITGL

Colors of Sicily

9 Days | 1 Country | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity

Sicily's vibrant palette of colors comes alive on this trip. Sip local wine on the slopes of Mount Etna, wander the chic streets of Taormina and meet the locals in colorful fishing villages. Top it all off with a sweet treat – all the Modican chocolate you can lay your hands on.



- Key
- Start
 - End
 - ① Overnight
 - Sightseeing

Day 1 Welcome to Palermo Start your Sicilian journey in Palermo. Enjoy some free time to relax before joining your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Dinner to kick-start your Sicilian adventure. **(D) Hotel: Garibaldi**

Day 2 Explore the Capital of Sicily Discover hidden Palermo as you join a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience, and learn about the civil anti-mafia movement. Head to Monreale on the slopes of Monte Caputo where a **Local Specialist** will guide you through one of the greatest examples of Norman architecture, the 12th-century Cattedrale di Monreale. This evening there's an opportunity to feast on Palermitano specialties, perfectly paired with delicious Sicilian wine on an Optional Experience to the beautiful fishing village of Sferracavallo, at the foot of Mount Capo Gallo. **(B)**



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EXPERIENCE



On a one-of-a-kind experience, team up with a local to learn about the civil anti-mafia movement as you discover the lesser-known history of the ancient city of Palermo.

Day 3 Journey to Ancient Marsala Leaving Palermo behind we head to Erice, the hilltop 'Town of a Hundred Churches'. You'll have some free time for lunch before continuing to Marsala, home to the wine which shares its name. **Dive Into Culture** along the way, stopping at the salt pans to visit the Infersa Mill to learn about the ancient 'culture of salt', an industry which has shaped this region. You'll be thrilled with an evening at leisure in picture-perfect Marsala filled with colorful restaurants. **(B) Hotel: Seawater**

Day 4 Onwards to Agrigento and Ragusa Today's first stop is Agrigento where you'll join a **Local Specialist** for a visit to the UNESCO-listed Valley of the Temples. You'll explore one of the world's most treasured centers of Greek art and architecture, including the seven sandstone Doric temples overlooking the city. There's time for lunch before we head to Ragusa, a city with two very different souls – the lower and older

Ragusa Ibla and higher Ragusa Superiore are separated dramatically by a deep ravine, the Valle dei Ponti. **(B, D) Hotel: Poggio del Sole**

Day 5 Explore Beautiful Baroque Modica This morning we pay a visit to the UNESCO World Heritage-listed town of Modica. Your Travel Director will show you the sights on an orientation of this Baroque beauty before we **Dive Into Culture** and learn the secrets of Modican chocolate. Later we return to Ragusa to learn about the rebuilding of the city following a 17th-century earthquake. Your **Local Specialist** will reveal how this devastating seismic event led to the development of an entirely new city, while some of its brave residents remained to rebuild what was lost. This evening is yours to enjoy at leisure, or perhaps consider joining an Optional Experience to a unique local farm restaurant. **(B)**

Day 6 Off to Historic Syracuse Once a major Mediterranean power and the birthplace of Archimedes, the historic city of Syracuse takes center stage as you join your **Local Specialist** for in-depth insights into its colorful past. You'll see some of its treasures at the Archaeological Museum, then visit the island of Ortygia. Your afternoon is open to spend as you wish. This evening you'll join your fellow travelers for dinner at a local restaurant. **(B, D) Hotel: Mercure**

Day 7 Venture Past Mount Etna to Taormina Continue up the coast to Catania, the city that lies in Mount Etna's shadow. You'll have some free time to explore on your own and perhaps sample arancini, a favorite Catania snack. Later join a **Local Specialist** to delve into the history and culture of the ancient town of Taormina. A particular highlight will be a visit to the beautifully preserved ruins of the Teatro di Taormina. You'll have an evening on your own to spend as you wish or consider joining an Optional Experience evening enjoying Sicilian specialties. **(B) Hotel: Caesar Palace Giardini Naxos**

Day 8 Taormina Free Day Taormina is yours for the taking today. You could choose to visit the 10th-century Palazzo Corvaja with its Islamic-style tower or explore the elegant boutiques along Corso Umberto. Work up an appetite and stop for some of the city's signature cannoli or cool down with a famous Sicilian granita. Movie buffs will delight in an Optional Experience to Mount Etna and Savoca, the hilltop village of 'The Godfather'. Later this evening, learn the art of Sicilian cuisine on a charming **Be My Guest** experience. **(B, D)**

Day 9 Farewell Sicily So ends your journey through Sicily. All that's left is to say a fond farewell to new friends and take your airport transfer for your return journey home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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Explore Palermo, Monreale, Valley of the Temples, Ragusa, Syracuse and Taormina with a Local Specialist

Discover Modica and Catania

Visit Monreale Norman Cathedral, Erice, Infersa Mill in Marsala, Valley of the Temples, the Syracuse Archaeological Museum, Ortygia and the Greek Theater in Taormina

View Mount Etna

Be My Guest Enjoy a local meal and learn how to make macaroni with the locals of Castiglione Di Sicilia, a Jewish village



"Trafalgar had a great itinerary of places I otherwise would have missed as a solo female traveler. An abundance of Sicilian food and culture!"

- Martha Bailey

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As rated by Past Guests

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**

Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: ISIC

Southern Italy and Sicily

10 Days | 1 Country | 14 Meals | Balanced Activity

The sun-kissed south and Sicily are the star attractions on this mesmerizing southern Italy trip from Rome to Palermo. Taste local Sicilian wine on the slopes of snow-capped Mount Etna, learn about the ancient Greek heritage of Agrigento and get lost in the medieval cobbled streets of Erice.



- Key
- Start
 - End
 - 1 Overnight
 - Sightseeing

Day 1 Welcome to Rome Ciao Roma, the 'Eternal City', is yours to explore on your own before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Dinner this evening. Enjoy an orientation drive – a perfect introduction to this beautiful city, the center of which has been proclaimed a UNESCO World Heritage Site with its ruins, imposing monuments, statues and fountains. **(D) Hotel: Cicerone**

Day 2 Explore the Ruins of Pompeii and Sorrento From Rome, journey south to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Pompeii. Your **Local Specialist** will take you on a walking tour of the excavations buried for centuries under a layer of volcanic ash after Mount Vesuvius erupted. See such sites as the Gymnasium, the Temple of Apollo and the impressive Basilica before arriving later at your hotel in Sorrento. **(B, D) Hotel: Johanna Park**

Day 3 A Day on the Isle of Capri Take a ferry to Capri, the isle of sirens according to Greek mythology. You'll ascend to Capri town by funicular railway and see the famous Piazzetta during your guided walking tour with a **Local Specialist**. Spend some free time people-watching at one of the local cafés before returning to the mainland where you can enjoy free time in Sorrento. **(B)**

Day 4 Cross the Strait to Taormina Drive south via Salerno and through Calabria, crossing the straits of Messina to Sicily and the beachside resort town of Giardini Naxos below Taormina. This evening, enjoy dinner at your hotel. **(B, D) Hotel: Sant Alphio Garden Giardini Naxos**

Day 5 Gardens and More in Taormina Your **Local Specialist** will take you on a walking tour of Taormina on the slopes of Monte Tauro, overlooking the sea. Visit the Greek theater and see the terraced botanical gardens. Then, stroll along the elegant Corso Umberto with a gelsi gelato and on to the piazza for splendid panoramic views across the bay. Later, there's free time for shopping for souvenirs and handmade ceramics on the Corso. **(B)**

Day 6 Taormina Your Way Enjoy a full day to do as you please in this beautiful resort town. Shop, relax, see the sights of your choice, or consider an Optional Experience. Whatever you decide, your Travel Director will be on hand to help you get the most out of your day. Tonight, **Connect With Locals** during a **Be My Guest** experience hosted at a beautiful family owned Sicilian lemon farm overlooking Mount Etna. **(B, D)**

Day 7 Journey to Ancient Agrigento Enjoy views of Enna on the way to Agrigento, where your **Local Specialist** will take you to the Valley of the Temples - the finest Greek sanctuary in Sicily. See the

Temple of Concord and the Temple of Juno overlooking the sea. **(B) Hotel: Dioscuri Bay Palace**

Day 8 Explore Sicilian Towns and on to Palermo Travel to Erice and discover this famous hilltop medieval town in western Sicily with its cobbled streets, Norman castles and stunning views of the sea, salt pans and wooded hillsides. Perhaps take a walk to the ruins of Venus Castle with its Balio Gardens. **(B) Hotel: Garibaldi**

Day 9 Enjoy the Views in Monreale Discover hidden Palermo as you join a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience, and learn about the civil anti-mafia movement. Travel to Monreale for views of La Conca d'Oro and explore the magnificent 12th century Norman Cathedral. Later, join your companions and celebrate your journey with a Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant. **(B, D)**



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On a one-of-a-kind experience, team up with a local to learn about the civil anti-mafia movement as you discover the lesser-known history of the ancient city of Palermo.

Day 10 Journey Home Say *arrivederci* to Sicily and your newfound friends at the end of a memorable vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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Included highlights and must-sees

Explore Pompeii, Capri, Taormina, Agrigento and Palermo with a Local Specialist

Visit the excavations at Pompeii, the ruins of the ancient Greek theater at Taormina, the Valley of the Temples at Agrigento, Erice, Monreale Cathedral

View the fortress town of Enna and Palermo Cathedral

See St. Peter's Basilica in Rome

Scenic Cruise to the Isle of Capri

Be My Guest Dine on a family owned lemon farm overlooking Mount Etna



"Gazing out towards the coast of Amalfi with the beauty created by Italian artisans is cast in my memory forever."

- Margaret Willms

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Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**

Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

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Best of the Italian Lakes, Day 7

Dive Into Culture at the Enzo Ferrari Museum which celebrates the history of one of the world's most famous luxury sports cars. Explore the history and exhilarating treasures left behind by il Commendatore himself, Enzo Ferrari, a renowned Italian motor racing driver whose love affair with cars saw him win several Grand Prix. You'll learn about his story, the history of the car company and the significance of its prancing horse logo which remains to this day. This is a true journey into the beauty and passion of Italian car racing.

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“Excellent family adventure. The children found new friends, learned about the ancient history and customs in Italy.”

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Gladiators, Gondolas & Gold

Northern Italy including Cinque Terre

8 Days | 1 Country | 10 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Milan, Parma, La Spezia, Lake Maggiore, plus more

The Italian Riviera meets Italy's beautiful Lake District on a gourmet-filled encounter with the north and its many treasures. All you need to do is live the high life on this most epic of Northern Italy trips, filled with the flavors of prosciutto and parmigiano.



Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Milan, Parma, Cinque Terre and Genoa with a Local Specialist

Visit a prosciutto factory near Langhirano, cheese factory in Montechiarugolo and Cinque Terre

View the Cathedral and La Scala Opera House in Milan and the Renaissance Palaces in Genoa

Scenic Cruise to Cinque Terre

Be My Guest Dine with the Cinque Family at Villa Toscanini with lakeside views from the isola dei pescatori

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Best of the Italian Lakes

9 Days | 1 Country | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Milan, Baveno, Lake Garda, plus more

Discover the Italians' favorite holiday haunts on this irresistible Italian Lakes trip. Linger over a sweet gelato on the shores of Lake Maggiore, sample authentic balsamic vinegar in Modena, then ease into the easy-going local way of life in enchanting lakeside villages.



Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Verona and Modena with a Local Specialist

Discover Bergamo and Milan

Visit Lake Maggiore, Lake Como and Lake Garda, Mantua and the Enzo Ferrari Museum in Modena

View Juliet's Balcony and the Roman Arena in Verona, the Duomo and La Scala Opera House in Milan

Be My Guest Dine with the Serenelli Family at their Didactic Farm, Featuring Home-Grown Produce

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Family Fun itinerary

Gladiators, Gondolas and Gold

10 Days | 2 Countries | 14 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Rome, Florence, Venice, plus more

Buckle up for a travel adventure, all the highlights and some surprises on this most exciting of Italy family trips. Learn how to make pizza like a local, discover your inner artist as you make your own Carnival mask in Venice and dine with a count on his Tuscan estate.



Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Rome, Florence, Bologna and Venice with a Local Specialist

Discover Pisa

Visit the Vatican Museums, St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel and gladiator school in Rome, the Academy of Fine Arts and a gelateria in Florence and a glassblowing factory in Venice

Scenic Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square

Be My Guest Enjoy a Tuscan Meal with Count Miari Fulcis on his Famous 15th-Century Olive Oil Estate in the Tuscan Hills

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Best of Italy and Greece

10 Days | 3 Countries | 13 Meals | Dynamic Activity

Cities: Rome, Florence, Venice, Kalambaka, Delphi, Athens, plus more

Admire the art and architecture of Rome and the rich cultural heritage of Florence. Visit the monasteries of Meteora and see the site of the most important oracle in the classical world.



Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Rome, Florence, Delphi and Athens with a Local Specialist

Visit the Vatican Museums, St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel, Piazzale Michelangelo in Florence, a glassblowing factory in Venice, the Temple of Apollo in Delphi and the Acropolis in Athens

View ancient sites of Rome, the Duomo in Florence, the Doge's Palace in Venice and the Parthenon in Athens

Be My Guest Enjoy a Tuscan Meal with Count Miari Fulcis

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Trip code: ICLA

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Best of Italy and Sicily

15 Days | 2 Countries | 20 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Palermo, Agrigento, Taormina, Sorrento, Rome, Assisi, La Spezia, Florence, Venice, plus more

Ancient history and fabulous food are the cornerstones of this colorful Italy and Sicily trip. You'll enjoy local seafood in Sicily, follow the shadow of Mount Etna and admire the Leaning Tower in Pisa's Square of Miracles.



Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Palermo, Agrigento, Pompeii, Capri, Rome, Assisi, Cinque Terre and Florence with a Local Specialist

Discover Taormina, Sorrento and Venice

Visit the Norman Cathedral at Monreale, the Valley of the Temples in Agrigento, the Isle of Capri, the excavations at Pompeii, the Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, and a glassblowing factory in Venice

Be My Guest Dine on a Family Owned Lemon Farm Overlooking Mount Etna

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Grand Italian Experience

17 Days | 2 Countries | 24 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Rome, Alberobello, Sorrento, Assisi, Venice, Trento, Baveno, La Spezia, Florence, plus more

A rare opportunity to see the trulli houses of Alberobello is the highlight of this journey. Discover Italy's delights at dinner with Signor Luciano, and journey across the Bay of Naples to Capri.



Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Rome, Alberobello, Capri, Pompeii, Assisi and Florence with a Local Specialist

Discover Sorrento, Venice and Milan

Visit the Vatican Museums, St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel in Rome, the excavations at Pompeii, the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi and a glassblowing factory in Venice

Be My Guest Meet Signor Luciano for Dinner in Alberobello

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Guest favorite: Explore after hours at the Vatican

It's a very rare privilege to be able to say you've dined in the Vatican and you'll have an opportunity to enjoy this special event first-hand on this after-hours tour. Go behind the scenes with a Local Specialist who'll bring to life the treasures of the Holy See, and spend some time gazing in awe at Michelangelo's exquisite, frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel. Sit down to a Farewell Dinner within the Vatican itself, dining amidst the world's cultural, artistic and spiritual symbols which have been housed in the Ethnological Museum for almost a century, a story you'll tell for years to come.

Grand Italian Experience, Day 16 and four other trips.

