


Shrines Of Northern Italy & Rome - Faith-Based Travel

9 DAY TOUR FROM MILAN TO ROME

Tour: 5360

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Catholic heritage in Italy extends well beyond the Vatican. Discover the inspiring Catholic Italian icons of northern Italy. From Milan's St. Ambrose to Turin's St. John Bosco and Padua's St. Anthony, you'll collect memories and inspiration that will remain with you for life. Visit the Holy Shroud Museum in Turin and the Gothic Duomo in Milan, and marvel at the unique beauty of the Carthusian Monastery of Pavia. Discover the history of musical notes at the Abbey of Pomposa and admire in awe the early Christian works of art of the Byzantine era in Ravenna. Spend two full days in Rome, focusing on the Papal legacies. Attend the Papal Audience (subject to availability), visit the four major Basilicas of Rome, join Mass, and collect in prayer at many inspiring places of worship instilling a sense of solemnity and serenity. Enjoy a special treat as you visit the Papal summer residence in Castel Gandolfo and its gardens, the perfect spot to meditate surrounded by beauty.

All this. Included.

Adventure is knocking with everything you need for perfectly affordable touring. Cosmos includes hand-selected accommodations, guided sightseeing, and seamless transportation between destinations—with value-minded travelers in mind. Explore with expert Cosmos Tour Directors and Local Guides, complimentary headsets, and private, first-class, air-conditioned motorcoach with free Wi-Fi. Enhance your free time to explore like a local with your CosmosGO mobile app!

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DAYS COUNTRY

COUNTRIES
Italy

MEALS
Breakfast 8Dinner 3



Day  Day

Itinerary

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ARRIVE IN MILAN, ITALY


Check into your hotel and, if you have time, start exploring this busy city on your own before meeting your tour companions and Tour Director during the included welcome dinner at your hotel.

 Dinner

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MILAN

Dedicate the morning to Milan's most important Catholic churches: St Ambrose Basilica and the Gothic Duomo. St Ambrose is the patron saint of beekeepers, beggars, learners, and Milan. Celebrate  Mass and discover the treasures of the Basilica and the Duomo with a Local Guide.


 Breakfast

3

MILAN–TURIN

Turin is known in the Catholic community worldwide as the home of the Holy Shroud, only available to the public on very special occasions. The city was also home to St. John Bosco, the priest who founded the Salesian religious institute to help poor children with their education during the industrial revolution. Your visit includes the Holy Shroud Museum, the Basilica of St Mary Ausiliatrice, and St John Bosco's rooms. You'll have time to appreciate the elegance of this city and former capital of Italy before attending  Mass.

Today's Distance: 90 mi / 145 km

 Breakfast

4

TURIN–PAVIA–PADUA


Pavia boasts a beautiful Carthusian Monastery, built in the 1400s by Gian Galeazzo Visconti, Duke of Milan. The monastery is one of Italy's "hidden treasures" with lavish decorations. It is still inhabited and looked after by monks who still live a traditional life of seclusion and prayer.

Today's Distance: 245 mi / 395 km


 Breakfast  Dinner

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PADUA-POMPOSA-RAVENNA

Attend morning  Mass and visit St. Anthony Basilica in Padua with a Local Guide, then enjoy a short city sightseeing tour and time on your own. In the afternoon, on the way to Ravenna, we'll stop to see the Abbey of Pomposa, where the Benedictine monk Guido d'Arezzo invented modern musical notation in the 11th century.

Today's Distance: 85 mi / 137 km



 Breakfast

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RAVENNA-ROME


UNESCO declared the early Christian monuments of Ravenna as having "outstanding universal value." Ravenna was the seat of the Roman Empire in the 5th century and of Byzantine Italy until the 8th century. It has a unique collection of early Christian mosaics and places of worship. The Neonian Baptistry, the Basilica of St. Apollinare Nuovo, St. Vitale Church and the Archbishop's Chapel of St. Andrew were all constructed in the 5th and 6th centuries. They show great artistic skill, including a wonderful blend of Greek-Roman tradition, Christian iconography, and Asian and Western styles. The morning is dedicated to discovering these masterpieces and focusing on the Byzantine-style mosaics with a Local Guide. In the afternoon, travel to Rome.


Today's Distance: 221 mi / 355 km

 Breakfast  Dinner

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ROME

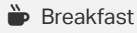
Today you have the unique chance to attend the Papal Audience in the Vatican (subject to availability). Afterwards, enjoy an included city tour with a Local Guide to see the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls, where St. Paul was buried after his martyrdom, St. John Lateran Basilica, the Cathedral of Rome, and seat of its Bishop (the Pope) and the Holy Stairs. Said to have led Jesus to the praetorium of Pontius Pilate, the stairs were transferred to Rome by Empress St Helena. Finally, visit St. Mary Major Basilica, where a reliquary contains wood from the Holy Crib. Attend  Mass here before returning to your hotel.

 Breakfast

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ROME

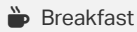
Today's Distance: 50 mi / 80 km



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ROME

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning.



Your Local Expert

Tour Director



With Cosmos, there's no better way to get to know your destination than through the eyes of a Tour Director. We'd like you to meet one of our Tour Directors, who average over a decade of experience and are representative of the type of expert that will be with you on your vacation.



JORGE LOZANO LEITAO

Escorting tours for more than 5 years

I'm a daily pilgrim, taking each day as a new opportunity to discover & share about life, people & places. Whilst I now live in Italy, I'm originally from Galicia in Spain and have double nationality due to my Portuguese father. I'm proud to consider Catholic faith-based travelling my specialist field. As I always explain to the pilgrims I'm glad to meet on our way, these experiences transcend the simpler sense of vacation touring as we do not only travel in search of shopping, exploring, leisure, relax or entertainment, but we travel to meet what, somehow, has been part of us from the very beginning of our existence through our identity, our family or cultural heritage: that's pilgrimating, a journey that takes us to redefine our existence according to our beliefs through those sites where these have happened or been commemorated.

Hand-Picked Hotels




After a day of traveling, you want to relax at a comfortable, clean, and attractive hotel. We select hotels with the best guestrooms (always with a private bathroom), service, and food for the money.

MILAN

Ramada Plaza Milano

Via Stamira Di Ancona Milano Italy

 First-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

The Hotel Ramada Plaza is an innovative property boasting 167 spacious, soundproofed rooms. All rooms offer Free Wi-Fi and are equipped with air conditioning, wooden floors, hairdryer, satellite TV, kettle and a selection of teas and coffee. The two on site restaurants serve Italian and international cuisine for lunch and dinner and the hotel also offers a fitness center and a seasonal outdoor pool. The metro is 500 meters away which offers great links to Milan's main Cathedral.

Hotel Amenities

- Free WiFi
- Fitness Room
- Restaurant On-Site
- Bar/Lounge
- Currency Exchange
- Elevator
- Laundry Available
- Business Center
- Luggage Storage
- Pool


Room Features

- Air Conditioning
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Internet Access
- Hair Dryer
- Iron/Ironing Board
- Room Service
- In-Room Safe
- Air Conditioning (Seasonal)
- Phone
- Coffee Maker
- Climate Control
- Television
- Desk
- Mini-Bar
- Cable/Satellite

TURIN

Holiday Inn Corso Francia

Piazza Massaua, 21 Turin Italy

 First-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

A 130-room modern hotel with spacious common areas. There is a 24-hour mini-gym on site, an airy restaurant and a lobby bar. The old city center is a short ride away from the metro station located opposite the property and there is easy access to the main motorway. Turin Sandro Pertini Airport is only 25 km away.

Hotel Amenities

- Free WiFi
- Fitness Room
- ATM
- Business Center
- Luggage Storage
- Elevator
- Laundry Available
- Restaurant On-Site
- Bar/Lounge


Room Features

- Air Conditioning
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Internet Access
- Hair Dryer
- Iron/Ironing Board
- Room Service
- In-Room Safe
- Air Conditioning (Seasonal)
- Phone
- Coffee Maker
- Climate Control
- Television
- Desk
- Mini-Bar
- Cable/Satellite

PADUA

Hotel NH Padova

Via Niccolo Tommaseo, 61 Padova Italy

 First-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

NH Padova hotel (formerly known as NH Mantegna) is an easy walk from Padua's historic center, and just 900 meters from the city's main train station. The hotel itself is a modern affair that blends comfort with cutting-edge design. It was originally named after the painter Andrea Mantegna and is dotted with reproductions of his work. The hotel's 190 rooms are stylishly appointed and the in-house restaurant offers stunning city views and a daily breakfast buffet, as well as incredible food and wine from all over Italy with specialties from the local region. There's also a stylish lounge bar for late-night cocktails.

Hotel Amenities


- Free WiFi
- Fitness Room
- Restaurant On-Site
- Luggage Storage
- Elevator
- Laundry Available
- Business Center

Room Features

- Wake-Up Calls
- Phone
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Climate Control
- Hair Dryer
- Desk
- Mini-Bar
- Disabled Access / Rooms
- Cable/Satellite
- Air Conditioning
- Non-Smoking Rooms
- Internet Access
- Window Opens
- Television
- Room Service
- Alarm Clock
- In-Room Safe
- Air Conditioning (Seasonal)

AC Marriott

Prima Strada 1 Padua Italy

 First-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

This high quality urban hotel has 98 air-conditioned guest rooms, fully-equipped with a satellite TV, Free Wi-Fi, a minibar, hairdryer and exclusive amenities. The in-house restaurant offers menus combining modern dishes with the traditional Venetian cuisine and the AC Lounge Bar provides a wide range of alcoholic and non alcoholic beverages. Guests can also enjoy the Fitness Center or relax in the shared Lounge. The Hotel is located just 30 minutes from Venice and Marco Polo Venice Airport, close to Padova's city center and the central train station.

Hotel Amenities

- Free WiFi
- Fitness Room
- Restaurant On-Site
- Bar/Lounge
- Concierge Desk
- Elevator
- Laundry Available
- Business Center
- Luggage Storage
- Currency Exchange

Room Features

- Air Conditioning
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Internet Access
- Hair Dryer
- Iron/Ironing Board
- Room Service
- In-Room Safe
- Air Conditioning (Seasonal)
- Phone
- Coffee Maker
- Climate Control
- Television
- Desk
- Mini-Bar
- Cable/Satellite

RAVENNA

NH Ravenna

Piazza Mameli 1 Ravenna Italy



First-Class Hotel as shown or similar



WiFi

Set in the historic center of the city close to the Basilica of Sant'Apollinare Nuovo and within walking distance of Ravenna's main attractions, this pleasant property boasts 84 guestrooms with modern furnishings and comforts including satellite TV, in-room safe, hair dryer, minibar, and free Wi-Fi. The property comes with a 24-hour bar and an informal restaurant featuring a wide selection of both traditional Italian cuisine and local specialties.

Hotel Amenities

- Free WiFi
- Laundry Available
- Business Center
- Luggage Storage
- Elevator
- Restaurant On-Site
- Bar/Lounge
- Concierge Desk

Room Features

- Air Conditioning
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Climate Control
- Television
- Room Service
- In-Room Safe
- Air Conditioning (Seasonal)
- Phone
- Internet Access
- Hair Dryer
- Desk
- Mini-Bar
- Cable/Satellite

ROME

Ibis Styles Roma Aurelia

Via Andrea Ferrara, 33 Rome Italy



First-Class Hotel as shown or similar



WiFi

Ibis Styles Rome Aurelia with its colorful and joyful style features a restaurant serving healthy local specialties, a bar where happy hour with Italian aperitifs and cocktails can be enjoyed and a cozy garden. All 229 modern guest rooms are functionally equipped including air-conditioning, flat screen TV with international channels and Free high-speed Wi-Fi- internet access. Located in a quite area just a few miles from the Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Square & Basilica, a metro station is available within walking distance.

Hotel Amenities

- Free WiFi
- Restaurant On-Site
- Elevator
- Bar/Lounge

Room Features

- Air Conditioning
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Hair Dryer
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