



Period: 25th April – 9th May 2020

Total days: 15 days / 14 nights

Destination: Venice – Florence – Amalfi – Rome

Group: Natalie Miller (2 people)

ILT TRAVEL CONSULTANT: Giulio Abbate

DAY 01 VENICE

Upon your arrival in Venice airport, you will meet your personal assistant to board a private boat to reach your hotel.

In the evening you will enjoy a leisurely **gondola ride** through the canals of Venice. Following your **Gondola cruise** you will discover the unusual reality of this atypical city and in the meantime you will relax, with the boat gently floating on the water, the ride will end on the balcony of your restaurant. Overnight in Venice.

3 stars hotel: Montecalco. N. 1 double economy room

4 stars hotel: Cà Pisani (extra cost + 60 euro per night)



DAY 02 VENICE

This morning, you will start your private walking tour of the city. Venice's charm lies both in its unique civil engineering achievements, and in the harmony of Eastern and Western artistic styles that have



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flourished here over the centuries. Your tour highlights some of the major sites that define the look and history of Venice, and includes visits **to Doges Palace, St Mark's Basilica and St Mark's square.**

In the afternoon, with your private guide to visit **Murano** to see how the famous glass making is made along with an expert glass connoisseur who will lead you through the closed doors of a glass master's private studio.

Overnight in Venice.



Optional activity: your private boat will take you to **Torcello**, another lagoon island known for its Byzantine mosaics, and have a leisurely lunch at Venissa , an avant garde restaurant featuring locally sourced seafood and produce. (lunch not included) Continue to **Burano**, the island of lace and colourful houses of the fishermen. Here you will enjoy an artisan shopping tour.

Optional activity: In Giudecca district, witness a **demonstration of how Carnival Masks** are made at the workshop (made of papier-mâché).

Optional tour: This morning your personal guide will wait for you at the hotel lobby. Start your private walking tour of the city to discover the Venice of the Venetians through its most typical districts: **Rialto** with its famous bridge and the colourful animated fish and fruit market.

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Optional activity: In the evening you will attend an opera show at Palazzo Barbarigo - Minotto . It will be a unique operatic experience in the rooms of the 17th century Palazzo Barbarigo - Minotto, a beautiful Grand Canal mansion in San Marco. The palace is quite spectacular with six state rooms which are enriched in the first half of the 1700s by artists whose importance is still recognized today.

DAY 3 VENICE

Free day.

Overnight in Venice.

DAY 04 VENICE – FLORENCE

This morning, your private boat will pick up at the hotel lobby to reach Venice train station. You will catch the fast train to Florence.

Upon arrival your private driver will take you to your hotel.

Overnight in Florence.

3 stars hotel: Pendini.

4 stars hotel: Firenze Number Nine hotel and Wellness (extra cost + 75 euro per night)



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DAY 05 FLORENCE

This morning you will meet your private guide at the hotel lobby and start your guided journey in Florence. On walk discover the city. From **Repubblica square** - the heart of the city. Stroll through streets, alleys of the medieval quarter to **Palazzo del Bargello** (exterior visit only) and **Piazza della Signoria**, where sculptures beckon. Continue to **Santa Croce Church** (Basilica of the Holy Cross), famed as the “Westminster Abbey of Florence”. It is a gorgeous Florence church with frescoes by Giotto, architecture by Brunelleschi and houses the tombs of Michelangelo, Galileo and other Tuscan cultural giants. Next, visit the **Accademia Gallery**, with the famous Michelangelo's masterpiece: The David. You are able to view the museum's other unique pieces, including a room dedicated to Michelangelo. Michelangelo was just 26 years old when he started sculpting David, a two-year work that resulted in arguably the finest sculpture in the world - or at least the most famous.

Free afternoon.

Overnight in Florence.



Optional tour: Then you will enjoy a private tour the **Uffizi Gallery**, one of the most beautiful and famous museums in the world boasting a hall of fame of the most important artists of all times: Leonardo da Vinci, Raphael, Michelangelo, Botticelli, Caravaggio and many others. You will enjoy also a private visit to the Vasari Corridor.

Optional tour: This morning you will enjoy a **cooking class**. Florence is a feast of the senses, and no other art form engages all five of them like cooking. You will be led by a local chef- an unparalleled opportunity for you to delve into local food traditions, and to fully appreciate their historical, social, and cultural



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components. This half-day experience covers all aspects involved in preparing an unforgettable meal, from selecting fresh products at the market, to a hands-on experience in turning them into meaningful and mouth-watering dishes (lunch included).

Optional tour: This morning you will meet your personal guide to enjoy a bike tour along the beautiful streets of Florence. Enjoy a relaxing and **educational bike tour in Florence**. Our professional guide will show you all the most important monuments of the town and you will ride through the unknown spots and medieval narrow streets. You will admire Santa Marina Novella, Pitti Palace, Saint Frediano, the Old Bridge, the Uffizi square and more districts around the old town center. After the tour you will taste a delicious ice cream in the Oltrarno.

Optional tour: you will meet your personal expert guide to discover the world of the made in Italy in Florence. Florence is famous for the production of **leather and jewelleries** in particular near Ponte Vecchio. Your personal guide will escort you to visit laboratories of Florentine artisans where you will see the final products but also you can admire the ancient techniques of processing.

Optional tour: you will attend at workshop of the **creation of perfume's fragrance**. You will create your personal fragrance according your preferences and following the suggestions of the master.

Optional tour: in the amazing piece of paradise in the center of Florence is located the **Boboli garden** park. Here your personal guide will lead you through the amazing fountains, statues and monuments, belonged to the De' Medici family, and it represents the major example of Italian garden. After you will walk to Bardini Garden, connected to Boboli, characterized by amazing sculptures, fountains and flowers, especially more than 60 types of hydrangea located in the Rondò Belvedere. From the square you will watch a breath-taking panorama of Florence.

Optional tour: Florence is not only a town full of art and architecture, but the majority of its cultural heritage is up to the culinary experience. Indeed, **the eno-gastronomic** aspect of the town is dated to the Renaissance period. You will enjoy a **gourmet tour**, an astonishing experience through the food and art Florentine culture. After the visit of historic center, you will see the famous local market of San Lorenzo, where you will taste most of delicious and typical food of Tuscany. Then you will discover the charm of several Florentine churches and will enjoy a pleasing wine tasting, garnished with great regional cold cuts. Your



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professional guide will lead you through the story of the most important wine producer's families of Florence. The tour will end with the tasting of two "poor" dishes related to the Florentine culinary tradition.

Optional activity: you will visit **THE MALL OUTLET**. It is one of the biggest Italian shopping malls with the most important fashion brands (Gucci, Ferragamo, Montclair, Tod's...) for a shopping day.

DAY 06 FLORENCE – PISA – TUSCANY – FLORENCE

This morning your private driver will take you to **Pisa**. You will start your tour with a walk alongside the Medieval walls up to the entrance gate: Porta Santa Maria. From here you will see a unique panorama of **Piazza dei Miracoli** with its marble architecture and neat grass lawns. The guide will escort you to visit the interiors of the Cathedral a masterpiece of Romanesque art. Besides the Tower, Piazza dei Miracoli houses other buildings of historic artistic value such as the Baptistery and the Monumental Graveyard. At the end you will climb one of the most celebrated monuments in the world: **the Leaning Tower**.

On the way back you will stop in **Chianti area** one the most characteristic and intact medieval city in Italy which, from a height of 605 meters above sea level, offers amazing views. Here you will visit a winery where a professional expert will describe the production of Chianti wine and you will taste it!

Overnight in Florence.

Optional activity: This morning, you will enjoy your "**Searching Truffle**" with an expert Truffle-gatherers of the San Miniato hills, and his inseparable dog, you will lead for a walk in the wood with them. It's the opportunity to discover this "treasure" hidden in the woods of San Miniato and the dog's training methods. After the walk, some experts will explain you the working processes and the use of the truffle then a wonderful tasting lunch of Truffles in a real truffle factory, where is possible to understand better why this incredible product of the Earth is called the "White Gold" and taste a wonderful lunch of local food based on truffle ingredients. (lunch included)



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DAY 07 SIENA/ SAN GIMIGNANO

This morning your personal driver will pick you up at the hotel lobby to visit San Gimignano and Siena. You will visit **San Gimignano** known as the City of Beautiful Towers with your professional guide. It is a classic medieval walled hill town in Tuscany. You can admire its 14 surviving medieval towers that create a beautiful skyline visible from the surrounding countryside. The historic center is an UNESCO world heritage site for its architecture. You will see the landmark Great Tower - Torre Grossa.

you will visit **Siena**. Here you will visit the historical center. You will see Piazza del Campo, the Tower of Mangia and the lively and narrow streets surrounded by palaces. You will see the stunning gothic Cathedral, where you'll enjoy a panoramic view from the Facciataone.

Overnight in Florence.

DAY 08 FLORENCE

Free day.

Overnight in Florence.

DAY 09 FLORENCE / NAPLES – POMPEI – AMALFI COAST

This morning, your private driver will pick you up at the hotel lobby to take you to Florence train station. Upon arrival, your private driver will take you to your hotel in Amalfi.

On the way you will stop in **Pompei** for the visit of the “scavi” and will recount the historical facts of this important city destroyed and buried by the eruption of Vesuvius in the morning of the August 24th 79AD. During the guided walking tour you will have the opportunity to visit the Forum that was the center of religious and economic life, the Casa del Fauno, one of the largest, and most impressive private residences in Pompeii, the Termopolium a sort of ancient inns where the foreigners arrived in **Pompeii** could eat and buy wine, the Lupanare, famous for the erotic paintings. The eruption preserved exactly how it was this important town of approx. 20.000 inhabitants completely covered in 30 feet of volcanic ash. We suggest wearing comfortable walking shoes.

Overnight in Amalfi Coast.



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3 stars hotel: La Pergola N. 1 classic room

4 stars hotel: Palazzo Ferraioli (extra cost + 116 euro per night)



DAY 10 AMALFI COAST

This morning your private driver will pick you up at the hotel to spend a full day around the Amalfi Coast. Drive along the UNESCO World Heritage listed **Amalfi Coast on 'state route 163'** – a masterpiece of human engineering. You will stop in Amalfi to admire its Cathedral.

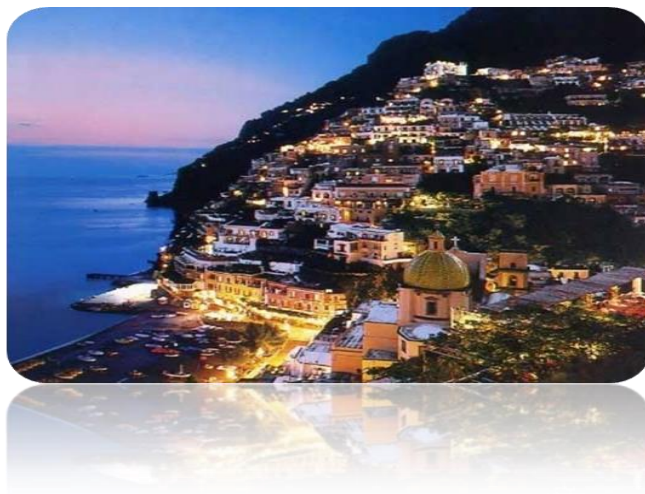
Following the natural outlines of Europe's most spectacular coastline, you will drive through picture-perfect villages, such as Praiano, Furore, Conca dei Marini and verdant cliffs dotted with waterfalls.

Before reach your hotel, you will stop above **Positano** for a panoramic view of this amazing village from the top.

Overnight in Amalfi Coast.



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Optional activity: Today your private driver will pick you up from the hotel to visit a **Mozzarella cheese factory**. Here you will see how to make a real Italian Mozzarella and taste the super fresh just made cheese.

Optional activity: Then you will visit a **Limoncello** factory and with a professional liqueur maker also get to learn how to make your own Limoncello.

Optional activity: Upon arrival, you will enjoy a walking tour with your private guide through the streets of Sorrento **enjoying food tasting** along the way – including traditional pasties, pizzas, cold meats and cheeses.

DAY 11 AMALFI COST – CAPRI – AMALFI COAST

This morning, you will board a ferry boat to reach Capri island and spend the day at leisure.

In the afternoon, you will take the ferry boat back to Amalfi Coast.

Overnight in Amalfi Coast.

DAY 12 AMALFI COAST / NAPLES – ROME

This morning, your private driver will take you to Naples train station to take the fast train to Rome.

Upon arrival, your private driver will take you to the hotel.

In the afternoon, you will discover Rome by yourself. Start from the city center to discover the monuments and the palace of the Baroque period: **Piazza Navona**, the **Pantheon**, the **Trevi Fountain** and **Piazza di Spagna**.



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Overnight in Rome.

3 stars hotel: Alexandra

4 stars hotel: Marcella Royal (extra cost + 200 euro per night)



Optional activity: In the evening you will enjoy a **romantic night:** The dinner will be served at a beautiful restaurant with an astonishing view on the Colosseum (dinner not included). After dinner discover the “Gianicolo” a hill with a unique view on all Roma. Where the Italians use to go with their lovers. A place surrounded by stars and love.

DAY 13 ROME

This morning, you will meet your private guide and your private driver at the hotel to visit the world's smallest country and the centre of the Catholic World –**City of Vatican**. Visit the impressive St. Peter's square and Church, and explore Vatican Museums, the Raphael's rooms and the Sistine Chapel.

In the afternoon you will learn about Rome's ancient civilization. Start your walking tour at the Roman Forum, the world's most extensive single site of Roman ruins and the nearby **Arch of Septimius Severus**, stroll through the streets to the **Roman Colosseum**, the most famous symbol of the city and an incredible



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feat of Roman architecture and engineering. Complete your walk by climbing **Palatine Hill** for a panorama view of the heart of Ancient Rome.

Overnight in Rome.



Optional activity: Today you will discover how **the real Italian Gelato is made**. Take a tour and class of the oldest Italian ice-cream shops and make your own gelato. You will visit the Roma ice cream makers.

Optional activity: Christian Rome: visit the Catacombs of St. Callixtus or St. St. Domitilla - Saint Paul outside the walls Saint John in Latran- the Holy Stairs (Scala Santa)

Optional activity: Enjoy a half-day tour to Tivoli to visit Hadrian's Villa and Villa d'Este

Optional activity: Tour Castelli Romani: Despite their name, the Castelli Romani are not truly castles, but ancient hill towns (some of which produce incredible wines). **Castel Gandolfo**, the summer residence of the Pope since the 17th century, is on the way to Frascati; It's worth a stop to see the famous Bernini fountain at the Piazza della Libertà. Although the residence is not open for visitors, you can ask for an exclusive private tour with an aperitif in the luxurious gardens.

From there, it's on to **Frascati** and its lovely wines . Frascati is the most famous of the Castelli Romani wines; it can be either dry, sweet or sparkling. Made from primarily Malvasia grapes usually blended with Trebbiano, Frascati is a quintessentially Roman wine and your inner oenophile will appreciate its lush, fruit-forward taste and delicate floral notes. It's the perfect summer sipping wine on a hot Italian afternoon.



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Optional tour: you will discover “the Colosseum by night”. You will learn about Rome’s ancient civilization: stroll through the streets to the Roman Colosseum the most famous symbol of the city and an incredible feat of Roman architecture and engineering.

Optional activity: This morning your personal driver will pick you up at the hotel lobby to enjoy a **cooking class with market tour**. You will learn how to cook the best Italian food. The class begins with a visit to Rome’s famous Esquilino market, where you’ll start learning about the rich traditions of Roman food, and select the fresh, seasonal ingredients you’ll be using in the cooking lesson. Then you go in a professional kitchen where, you will learn how to prepare the dishes. Lunch included.

DAY 14 ROME

Free day.

Overnight in Rome.

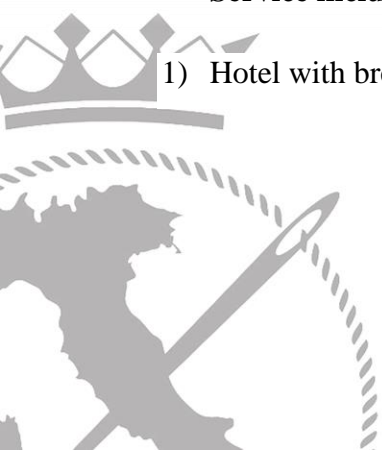


DAY 15 ROME

This morning, your private driver will wait for you at the hotel lobby to lead you to Rome airport for your flight.

- Service included in the itinerary:

- 1) Hotel with breakfast included. City tax not included. N.1 Standard room.



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2) Private Mercedes Class E. NCC Professional driver, English speaking, free wifi. Parking and access fees.

Day 1) No service
Day 2) No service
Day 3) No service
Day 4) Transfer
Day 5) No service
Day 6) Full day
Day 7) Full day
Day 8) No service
Day 9) Transfers
Day 10) Full day
Day 11) No service
Day 12) Transfers
Day 13) Transfers
Day 14) No service
Day 15) Transfer

3) Professional guides, English speaking

Day 1) No service
Day 2) Full day
Day 3) No service
Day 4) No service
Day 5) Half day
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Day 11) No service
Day 12) No service



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Day 13) Full day

Day 14) No service

Other services included in the itinerary:

- Entry tickets for the museums and other attractions as in the itinerary. No queue, VIP access when available.
- Restaurants advices and booking
- 24/7 phone assistance in English
- Private assistant at arrival and departure in Venice
- Private boat at arrival and departure in Venice
- Gondola ride in Venice
- Fast train tickets from Venice to Florence (economy class)
- Fast train tickets from Florence to Naples (economy class)
- Fast train tickets from Naples to Rome (economy class)
- Capri Ferry boat tickets (round trip)
- Wine tasting in Tuscany

Total price per person: 4.520 euro

Note: All prices shown may be subject to change and must be confirmed at the booking. Price is based on a 2 people group.

Payment details: 30% in advance, at the booking. The difference is paid one month before the departure.

Cancellation policy: Cancellations made beyond 90 days will qualify for a full refund less a €100 administration fee, any nonrefundable deposits to third party vendors on behalf of the traveler, plus credit card charges if applicable. Thereafter, per person cancellation fees are: Any cancellation made between 90 days to 60 days prior to trip will qualify for a 50% refund. No



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