

Itinerary suggestion_ hiking and lakes_September 2020

Dear Jennifer,

As per your kind request, below our itinerary and price:

Itinerary proposal

Day 1 Longarone to Cortina nearby Cortina, reach the **Gores de Federa** (Gorges of Federa) is the hike prepared by the Regole d'Ampezzo starting from the Federa bridge (1,600m) and reaching Malga Federa (1,800m). You can leave your car in the parking space 50m after Lake Pianozes. You can take the Jeep Service from there to the bridge of Federa and start the hike at the signpost "Gores di Federa".

From the signpost, enter the pristine forest and follow the trail among little waterfalls, gorges and streams and cross the five little bridges on the Ru Federa torrent. After a walk of less than one hour, you will reach Malga Federa, a refuge in a large pasture from which the panorama is just outstanding and offers a view on Becco di Mezzodì, Pomagagnon, Cristallo and Faloria. You can either return through the same trail or do a ring-route: in the latter case, take the tarmac road until you are back at the bridge on Ru Federa. Another option from Malga Federa is to continue the ascent and reach Croda da Lago. The route is easy and suitable for all. You will just need a pair of good hiking shoes. Afterwards drive to the stunning landscape of the TRE CIME and reach San Candido for your overnight on B&B basis

Day 2 Dobbiaco hiking and walk along the marvellous Lago di Braies

Hiking in Dobbiaco and hiking in the Dolomites is a unique and unforgettable experience. The mountains fascinate and invite you to hikes and tours. Skilled and experienced climbers enjoy high routes and the most beautiful via ferratas of the Alps. Prato Piazza/Plätzwiese is a high plateau on 2.000 m. There are different huts with refreshments. The summer hiking tour starts from the pass Cimabanche/Gemärk. The path no. 18 takes through the wood and the mountain pain till the end of the Valle dei Canopi/Knappenfußtal valley. There you can see a small waterfall. At the right side, in serpentine, the path continues uphill to Prato Piazza/Plätzwiese.

Back to the departure. From here, drive to **lago di Braies** <https://www.tre-cime.info/it/braies/braies/vivere-braies/il-lago-di-braies.html>, where you can have a walk all around the lake

Back to the hotel for your overnight

Day 3 Bolzano and overnight lake Garda region

Today you can have a stop at the main city of South Tyrol: Bolzano

is Italian territory only from the First World War and still remains today of typically German character. In the center of the city, Piazza Walther takes its name from a German minstrel of the thirteenth century. The most famous inhabitant of the city, the snowman Ötzi, dates back to 3300 a. C. and its remains are now preserved in the Archaeological Museum of South Tyrol. Do not miss the new and modern building of the Museion, the city museum of modern and contemporary art, inaugurated in 2008.

Drive direction south and reach the lake Garda region for your next 3 overnights

Day 4 + day 5 + day 6 Lake Garda, the largest Italian lake

Relax, enjoy the lake, take one of the boat and visit many villages, such as Malcesine, Limone, Riva del Garda, Sirmione or Bardolino – NAVIGAZIONE LAGO DI GARDA

From Malcesine, you can take the cable car and reach the 2.200m of the **Monte Baldo**, from where you can have some interesting walks and a breath-taking view over the lake Garda www.funiviedelbaldo.it

Day 7 Lake Iseo and Lake Como

Northern Italy is known for its heavily industrialised towns and in between there are several natural **lakes**. **Lake Iseo** retains its natural environment, with its lush green mountains surrounding the crystal clear lake. There are several medieval towns around the lake, the largest being **Iseo** and Sarnico.

Reach lake Como Area for your next overnights

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Day 8 + day 9

The magnificent scenery of Lake Como (also known as **Lake Lario**) has enchanted artists and travelers for centuries: from French novelist Flaubert to musicians of the caliber of Gioacchino Rossini, Giuseppe Verdi, and Vincenzo Bellini; it was here that he composed his opera *Norma*.

The Lake was also the birthplace of illustrious personages such as Italian physicist Alessandro Volta, inventor of the first electric generator, the Voltaic Pile, now on view in the Physics Museum of Rome's Sapienza University. Lake Como continues to attract members of the international jet-set and celebrities that appreciate the evocative beauty of the Lake and its surroundings.

Lake Como region is also famous for its Villas, like Villa Carlotta, Villa del Balbianello and much more. Take your time to visit the Villas, you will enjoy them.

day 10 Drive to Cinque Terre region

On the way to la Spezia, you can stop in Parma for a short visit of this nice city. We suggest to try the famous parmesa, as well as the Parma ham. Continuation to La Spezia for your next two overnights

Day 11 Cinque Terre – by train or boat from La Spezia

By Train or by boat for the visit of Cinque Terre. We suggest to stop in Monterosso, Vernazza and Riomaggiore, another highlights of the Cinque Terre.

There are also some paths where you can walk and admire the sea. Overnight in La Spezia area

Day 12 Drive to Lago Maggiore Region

Today reach the Lago Maggiore Region, with its nice villages lake front. Located on the **Italian-Swiss border**, Lake Maggiore represents an interesting tourist resort, thanks to its mild climate and its countless attractions, from an artistic, cultural and landscape point of view, and its well known resorts on the western shores: **Verbania, Stresa and Baveno**

Day 13 The wonderful **Borromean Islands (Isola Bella and Madre)**, easily reachable by the efficient public service line (Navigazione Lago Maggiore) and the private taxi boats, from Baveno, Verbania and Stresa. There you can also buy the entrance tickets, in order to visit the palaces and amazing gardens belonging to the Borromean Family. For souvenirs and lunch we advise you Isola Pescatori.

For **nature lovers** and in particular flora lovers the visit of the **Botanical garden Villa Taranto** is a must! You can also reach it by bus.

Mountain fans may choose among several excursions and resorts: Macugnaga and **Monte Rosa, Toce Waterfall, Santa Maria Maggiore and Vigizzo Valley**, and the national park **Val Grande**.

The **Cable car Stresa-Alpino-Mottarone** allows to reach the summit of the Mottarone mountain to an altitude of 1491 metres. From here, you can enjoy beautiful views as far as the Po valley, of seven surrounding Lakes and the Alps at 360°.

Day 14 Departure from Milan Airport

Hotel Package price, per person in double room, on B&B basis: from Euro 595,00

Based on 3 hotels, with continental breakfast*

Price depends on the exact dates

No other services included

We suggest you to hire a car, in order to reach easily every place and also to save a lot of money.

No space has been reserved

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