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MONICA SAWANT NICE VENICE ROME OLLAMI

Jan 4, 2023 - Jan 10, 2023

Period: From 4th to 10th January 2023

Total days: 7 days/ 6 nights

Destinations: Nice - Venice - Rome - Florence - Amalfi Coast

Guests: (4 people)

ILT Travel Consultant: Giulio Abbate

January 4 - Day 1 Nice - Venice



Flight from Nice to Venice (afternoon)



Venice airport - Vip assistant

At Venice airport you will meet your assistant. She will help you to board a private board a private boat to reach your hotel in Venice. She will show a welcome board with your name written on it.

Note: Your personal assistant will wait for you after the baggage claim at the exit on the left.



Venice - private boat transfer

At your arrival in Venice you will meet your private boat that transfer you from the train station to the hotel.



Gondola ride

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.



Venice - Table reservation at Club del Doge restaurant

The gondola ride will end on the balcony of your restaurant.

You will have a nice and romantic dinner with canal view.

(Dinner not included).

Note: Club del Doge Restaurant requires a formal dress code (shorts & flip-flops not admitted)

PLEASE RE-CONFIRM THE TABLE RESERVATION



Restaurant Club Del Doge

Hotel Gritti Palace, Venezia, Veneto, Italia, 30124
+39 041 794611



Venice - Optional tours (not included)

Optional tour: This morning our 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. Taste tapas-like "cicchetti" and see some of the historical highlights along the way.

Optional tour: Today you will visit **Murano** by ferry boat, one of the most famous islands of Venice, enjoying the enchanting scenery of the Venetian lagoon. Murano is an island made famous by its 700 century-old tradition of blown glass art. You will visit a glass factory to observe a glassblower create a work of art before your very eyes. You will admire the beautiful array of jewelry, sculpture, and tableware, then you will pick out your favorite one to purchase as a souvenir. Afterward, you will enjoy a picturesque and leisurely walk to the 12th century Cathedral of Saints Maria e Donato and step inside to see beautiful Romanic architecture and a well-preserved mosaic.

Optional tour: This morning, your 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. During this tour you will walk through narrow streets, the guide will purposely avoid the crowds to let you discover the real hidden Venice. You will discover different districts of Venice unknown to the tourists. You will stroll through the Fondaco dei Tedeschi with the terrace and "**Acqua Alta**" library. You will see also campo Santo Giovanni and Paolo.

Optional activity: Today, with your personal guide, you will reach a master carpenter at "**squero**". The *squero* is a typical Venetian shipyard where small boats such as gondolas, pupparini, sandoli, sciopòni and other boats typical of the Venetian lagoon tradition are created, built and repaired. During the visit you will be shown the characteristics of these particular Venetian boats and the processing techniques. Lo *squerarolo* works by hand as in the past, without the support of written projects and customizing each boat tailored to the buyer. Each master has his own secrets.

Optional activity: Rowing lesson - Today you will learn the basic stroke for rowing in the bow. You will attend a demonstration and then you will try it too, with the boat still moored. You will depart, with each rower taking turns and getting acclimated to the stoke as we glide along a wide, quiet canal. You will cross into the expansive, open lagoon, where you will be encouraged to try rowing a poppa — steering the boat yourself at the stern, just like a gondolier. Then, you will return back through the evocative side canals back to the drop-off point. You will have you the possibility to experience the rich heritage of this unique rowing style first-hand!

Optional tour: Today you will enter the heart of the most authentic Venice; one of the last artisan shops, where a master mask maker works papier-mâché according to the ancient traditions of masked masters of the 1300s. You will enjoy a **carnival mask workshop** (made of papier-mâché) where you will be able to unleash your creativity and live a unique experience, fully immersing yourself in the centuries-old tradition of Venetian artisans, whose works of art are known and appreciated all over the world.

Optional activity: In the evening you will attend an **opera show** at Palazzo Barbarigo - Minotto . It will be an 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.

Optional activity: Journey through the life and work of one of the world's great artists and inventors at the **Leonardo da Vinci Museum** in Venice.

Optional activity: Make your stay in Venice memorable by visiting the **La Fenice Opera House**. enjoy a real Opera in the one of the best theatre in the world. Ask for shows season

Optional activity: This morning you will enjoy a visit at the **Peggy Guggenheim Collection** on the Grand Canal of Venice. The Peggy Guggenheim Collection is the personal collection of the legendary patron of the arts Peggy Guggenheim., a niece of Solomon R. Guggenheim. It includes major holdings of Cubism, Abstraction, Surrealism, early American Abstract Expressionism, and postwar European and American painting and sculpture. Artists comprise masterpieces by Jean Arp, Umberto Boccioni, Alexander Calder, Marcel Duchamp, Max Ernst, **René Magritte**, **Joan Miró**, **Pablo Picasso**, Jackson Pollock, Germaine Richier, Gino Severini, Clyfford Still, and Emilio Vedova, among others.

It is possible to organise also a private visit and a a special (romantic) dinner at the museum after the closing time.

Optional activity: Get an impressive view of Venice and its network of canals from the top of the famous spiral staircase of the **Palazzo Contarini del Bovolo**.

Optional activity: Enjoy a panoramic **private cruise around** the St. Mark's Square basin at sunset. Taste a typical Venetian spritz aperitif on board as you admire the breathtaking views of the city of Venice and it's surrounding islands.

Optional activity: Go behind the scenes of the **Doge's Palace** and discover the **secret itinerary** of the rulers of the Venetian Empire. See the secret archives, offices, and torture chambers, as well as the palace attic and top-security prison cells.

January 5 - Day 2 Venice



Venice - private guided walking tour

This morning our 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. You will continue 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 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**.



Venice

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January 6 - Day 3 Venice

Murano, Burano & Torcello tour by private boat



Today you will meet your personal guide to enjoy a charming private boat tour of the islands of the most famous islands of the Venetian lagoon. Murano, **Burano and Torcello**, known all over the world for their characteristic landscape, craftsmanship and history. **Murano**, famous by its 700 century-old tradition of **blown glass art**. Here you will observe a glassblower create a work of art before your very eyes. You will continue to visit **Burano**, famous for the **lace making** and its **colorful fishermen's houses**. You will then visit **Torcello**, a true jewel of the Venetian lagoon with the oldest church in the whole area: the **Basilica of Santa Maria Assunta** with its Byzantine mosaic.



Murano

Via Vreggio 4-Località Rivazzurra, Chioggia, VENEZIA, IT, 30015
0541 373310



Burano

Cavallino-Treporti, VENEZIA, IT, 30013
041 735299



Museo Di Torcello

Isola Torcello 20, Venezia, VENEZIA, IT, 30012
041 730761

January 7 - Day 4 Venice - Rome



Private boat transfer in Venice

You will meet your private boat that transfer you from the hotel to the train station.



Venice assistant - train station

You will meet your assistant at the hotel lobby. She will escort you to the private boat to reach the train station.



Fast train from Venice to Rome



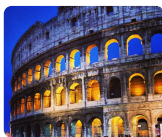
Private transfer - Mercedes class V

Transfer from the train station to the hotel.



Rome - private guided tour of Colosseum and Roman Forum

This afternoon you will meet your personal driver to discover Rome with your professional guide. Start the tour from **Michelangelo's Campidoglio** (Capitoline Hill) where you can look out over the Roman Forum area, then continue to Imperial Forums and the ruins of **Colosseum**.



Colosseum

1 Piazza del Colosseo, Roma, ROMA, IT, 00184
06 3996 7700



Rome - Optional tours (not included)

Optional tour: You will enjoy the **bike tour in Rome**. You will discover the city during an unconventional tour. Ride in limited traffic areas with few cars, and travel along alleyways where tourists don't usually go. **Explore Rome like a local** with your guide as you get a full explanation of Roman sites and monuments, and a taste of Roman life. During the bike ride you'll see a lot of famous places, like the Colosseum (outside) Pantheon, Trevi fountain, Spanish steps and also discover hidden gems.

Optional tour: Today you will admire the best of the eternal city from a unique and unforgettable perspective, aboard a **golf-cart. Ancient Rome:** You will discover the legendary heroes and architectural innovations that made Rome the capital of the greatest empire the world had ever seen. The past will come to life as you retrace history from now ruined palaces and temples to the **Colosseum**. **OR Rome's squares and fountains** Delve into the heart of the city's medieval streets and Renaissance squares, fountains & churches built on the foundations of ancient monuments. Panoramic views and hidden treasures will reveal the layers that make Rome the eternal city.

Optional activity: This morning your driver and guide will pick you up at the hotel to reach Rome to visit **Borghese Gallery**. Located in Borghese Villa, a landscape garden in the naturalistic English manner in Rome. In the Gallery you will admire masterpiece of Gian Lorenzo Bernini, Agnolo Bronzino, Antonio **Canova**, **Caravaggio**, **Raffaello**, Lorenzo Lotto, Antonello da Messina, Annibale Carracci, Pieter Paul Rubens, Tiziano. It was commissioned by Cardinal Scipione Borghese to Flaminio Ponzio and Vasanzio and built between 1613 and 1614. Site of Cardinal Borghese's art collection, its extraordinary masterpieces contributed to make it renowned all over Europe. Nowadays Borghese Gallery can be considered the most important Museum in the world in terms of number of Bernini works.

Optional tour: 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 an **Rome's famous 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 typical Italian dishes

Optional activity: Gelato & Italian Biscotti Making Class - Create the creamy stuff of dreams and its perfect crunchy companion! Blend your gelato with sweet seasonal flavors, jolting espresso, or creamy classics like Nutella and vanilla for a flavor that's all your own. Then craft and cook biscotti to crunch perfection. Satisfy your sweet tooth and relish in the flavors of Italian desserts. Dive into Italian desert culture with a hands-on gelato and biscotti-making course. It will be provide you with all you need to create a creamy, smooth gelato that satisfies your cravings in pure Italian style. Blend and whisk your way to perfection with seasonal ingredients, creating a flavor all your own.

Optional activity: from **Piazza Campo de' Fiori**, famous for its open-air market filled with appetizing cheeses, cold cuts, pasta and other traditional Italian delicacies, start your **Trastevere Food experience**. Head to Trastevere, one of the most nonconformist areas of the country's capital, by crossing **Ponte Sisto**.

Optional tour: In the afternoon 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.

Optional activity: visit of **Dioclezianum Stadium** located under the Navona Square.

Optional tour: visit the underground secrets of Rome with the **Catacombs**. visits the **San Calisto** catacombs and the **San Sebastian** catacombs or **Santa Domitilla** catacombs. Visit the **St. Priscilla** catacombs **after the closing time** for an exclusive VIP experience.

Optional tour: visit **Castel Sant'Angelo**, the most famous castle in Rome (also part of *Angels and Demons*) . Visit the underground secret pass and the terrace with an astonishing view.

Optional tour: you will enjoy **Angels and Demons** tour with your guide, retracing the footsteps of the great Bernini, Galileo and Raphael. You will visit Santa Maria del Popolo square, Basilic of Santa Maria delle Vittorie and admire the Ecstasy of St Teresa, a sculptural group that is regarded as one of the major Baroque masterpieces by Bernini. Along the Circle of Illuminati you will admire Castel S. Angelo, Fountain of the Four River in Navona Square and Pantheon.

Optional tour: enjoy our **Jewish tour**. As far as the 2th Century B.C.E., Jews have made their home in Rome and represent the oldest Jewish community in the world outside Israel. Start from the **Jewish Ghetto**, the neighborhood to which Jews were confined by order of the Pope from 1555 until 1870. and learn more about the Synagogue, keep going crossing the Tevere river to **Tiber island**. Roman Jewish cooking is fruit of universal Jewish dietary and a unique spin on traditional Italian and Jewish cuisine, using limited ingredients available. During your walking tour you will get in touch with 22 centuries of culinary evolution and taste and seasonable dishes at kosher bakeries and restaurants in the Jewish Ghetto.

Optional tour: Visit the 4 Holy Basilica. **Basilica of St. John in Lateran**, then visit the nearby **Scala Sancta**, or Holy Stairs. **St. Mary Major**, **Basilica of St. Paul outside the wall** and **St. Peter**

Optional activity: after dinner discover the "Gianicolo" a hill with a unique view on all **Roma by night**. Where the Italians use to go with their lovers. A place surrounded by stars and love.

Optional activity: You will go to **Via Condotti**, the most important shopping street in Rome for the **Bulgari experience**: welcomed into the historic boutique inside the Domus Bulgari, the new private space designed by Peter Marino.

Optional activity: Enjoy an **Italian opera**. **Palazzo Santa Chiara** or at **Baths of Caracalla**.

Optional tour: Today you will enjoy a **private photo experience**. Take your pictures strolling through Piazza Venezia, Castel Sant' Angelo and many other famous places and live the magic of "Dolce Vita". You will have the chance to catch different shades of Rome through the eyes of an experienced photographer, who will provide you all the tips to inspire your creativity and techniques.

Optional activity: In the evening, you will have a special dinner in a loft on the **Tiberian Island** with a private chef.

Optional activity: In the afternoon your kids will enjoy a funny activity. They will become a **real Gladiator per one day**. They will visit the Historical Museum, and they will wear real armor simulating fights with teachers and young people want to try this Roman ancient art. Master the basics of gladiatorial combat at the **Gladiators' School** and go hands on with ancient Roman history!

January 8 - Day 5 Rome - Amalfi Coast - Rome



Full day - Mercedes class V



Amalfi coast panoramic tour

Today your personal driver will pick you up at the hotel to drive 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 **Ravello** and verdant cliffs dotted with waterfalls.



Amalfi Coast
Campania, IT



Amalfi coast - optional tours (not included)

Optional activity: You will visit a laboratory to learn more about the production of **Mozzarella!** With your local expert you will try at making mozzarella, wear the gloves, immerse your hands into the water, stretch the curd and hand-chop the mozzarella. After the practical experience. You will try to make it one with your hands! Enjoy your tasting!

Optional activity: Today you will learn more about the production of **Limoncello**. You will enjoy the enchanting view of the Amalfi Coast from above, among lemon groves, and taste all the flavors of our products. During the tour you will enjoy a sweet break with a delicious lemon cake and a fresh lemonade. In addition to the visit to the lemon groves, you will be able to discover the old tools kept in the **Museum of rural culture Arts and Crafts** and touch the tools of the production by visiting a farm.

Optional activity: Today you will visit a local **winery** where you will learn more about wine production. Hectares covered with **centennial grapevines**, where ancient traditions are sustained by hard work. You will walk through the vineyards and taste a light lunch made with products grown directly by the winery owners, it will be paired with a **guided tasting of DOC wine** of the Amalfi Coast.

Optional activity: Drive the Italian style! Enjoy an unforgettable experience. Drive a **vintage car** by sea and under the sky. Go back to the past driving the famous and popular Fiat 500 cabrio, Alfa Romeo Spider or many others.

Optional activity: Today you will stop in **oil olive factory** to learn more about the production and you will taste this local product.

Optional activity: You will enjoy a **cooking class** with a professional chef in Amalfi coast. You will learn how prepare typical dishes of this area. Lunch included.

Optional activity: You will have the opportunity of **making your own pizza** following the suggestion of a pizzaiolo. From how to have the best pizza-dough to making your great Pizza (with the farm tomatoes, basil and mozzarella-cheese) in a wood-fired oven. You will learn how to prepare the pizza dough with your own hands, using creativity to top it, bake it and finally taste your masterpiece.

Optional activity: This morning you will meet with your hiking guide to begin the famous “**Path of the Gods**” trek. The Path of the Gods connects Agerola, a village on the hills of the Amalfi Coast, to Nocelle, a hamlet of Positano perched on the slopes of Mount Pertuso. The name is enough to make us understand the spectacular nature of the path: follow it in the direction that goes from Agerola to Nocelle in order to walk slightly downhill and have wonderful views of the coastline right along to Capri (weather permitting).

Optional activity: Today you will enjoy an easier but as much spectacular path. Start your route “**Passeggiata dell'Amore**” starting from Furore to Praiano. An itinerary between sky, sea and land through the characteristic Mediterranean vegetation.

Optional activity: Today you will enjoy a trekking path “**Sentiero dei Limoni**” the village is set in one of the most fascinating places on the Amalfi Coast, kissed by the sun in a panoramic position on the promontory that divides the beautiful cities of Maiori and Minori. The difficulty is medium-low although in both directions, divided along the route and in particular at the start, there are several stairs to climb and descend (about 400 in each direction).

Optional tour: In the afternoon, you will spend a half day in Ravello to visit Villa Cimbrone and Villa Rufolo with its suggestive gardens and view on the Gulf.

Optional tour: This morning you will board your private boat to enjoy a half day of cruise around the beautiful Amalfi coast.

Optional tour: Today you will visit two extraordinary sites in the surroundings of Pompeii with your private guide. This tour will lead you into the most extraordinary places in the archaeological area of Vesuvius: the **villas at Stabiae** and the **Villas of Poppea at Oplontis**. When Vesuvius erupted on 24 August AD 79, it engulfed the two flourishing Roman towns of Pompei and Herculaneum, as well as the wealthy villages of Oplontis and Stabiae. These locations give you the unique opportunity to enjoy the fantastic inner of Roman villas and some of the most interesting artifacts found in the area.

Optional activity: Kite Surf in Amalfi Coast. This morning, you will enjoy a lesson of **kiteboarding** (1 hour – advanced course) in Amalfi Coast (*subject to weather conditions*).

January 9 - Day 6 Rome - Florence - Rome



Private transfer - Mercedes class V

Transfer from the hotel to the train station



Fast train from Rome to Florence



Florence - private guided tour

This morning at the hotel lobby you will meet your personal guide to discover the city. With the walking tour you will discover the heart of the city and 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. Continue walking along the Medici Chapels (exterior view only) and Basilica di S. Lorenzo, church of the once influential Medici Family (exterior view only). Finally arrive at Piazza del Duomo and marvel at the vast Cathedral. You will continue to the visit to **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.



Florence
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Fast train from Florence to Rome



Private transfer - Mercedes class V

Transfer from the train station to the hotel



Florence - Optional tours (not included)

Optional tour: 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 guide to stroll around Florence to 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.

Optional tour: You will continue to the visit to **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.

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 the historical 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 coldcuts. Your professional guide will lead you through the story of the most important wine producer 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 mall with the most important fashion brands (Gucci, Ferragamo, Moncler, Tod's...) for a shopping day. We can also add a personal shopper who will teach you more about brands, colors and Italian fashion.

Optional activity: you will enjoy a mini cruise of 60 minutes along the Arno to visit Florence not in a usual prospective. You will reach the meeting point called "barchetto". From here a local "barcaiolo" will ride the gondola while your guide will tell colorful local anecdotes, explaining the bridges, majestic palaces. Sit back and enjoy the cruise as you ride beneath the **Ponte Vecchio**, and then admire it and the **Uffizi Gallery**, **Palazzo Corsini** and gorgeous **Santa Trinita Bridge** from mid-river. At the end of ride you will enjoy typical Italian "aperitivo": a glass of chilled wine.

January 10 - Day 7 Rome - Departure



Flight 8:30 pm



Private transfer - Mercedes class V

Transfer from the hotel to the airport.