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SANDY LEGGETT VENICE LAKE COMO RAPALLO TUSCANY COUNTRYSIDE ROME SORRENTO NAPLES

May 11, 2023 - Jun 10, 2023

60th Birthday's trip

Period: from 11th May to 10th June

Guests: 3 adults

OLLAMI

May 11 - Day 1 Venice



Venice airport - Private assistant and porter service

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

Private boat transfer from the airport to the hotel



Venice - Check in at Duodo Palace Hotel

4 Star hotel

N. 1 triple junior suite room canal view

Breakfast included - city tax not included



Duodo Palace Hotel

Calle Minelli San Marco 1887/1888, Venezia, Veneto, Italia

May 12 - 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

Venice, Veneto, IT

May 13 - Day 3 Venice



Free day in Venice

Time at your leisure



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: Today you will meet your persona 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.

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 stroke 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.

May 14 - Day 4 Venice - Lake Como



Venice - private boat transfer

You will meet your private boat that transfer you from the hotel to Piazzale Roma.



Private transfers - Mercedes class V

Transfer from Venice Piazzale Roma to the hotel in Lake Como



Como - Check in at Albergo Terminus Hotel Como

4 stars hotel

N. 1 suite triple room lake view

Breakfast included. City tax not included.



Albergo Terminus Hotel Como

Lungo Lario Trieste 14, Como, Lombardia, Italia

May 15 - Day 5 Lake Como



Free day in Lake Como

Time at your leisure



Lake Como - optional tours (not included)

Optional tour: This morning, you will meet your private guide at the hotel lobby to enjoy a tour of **Lake Como** by **private boat**. The Lake is of a characteristic upside-down Y-form. The town of Como is situated on its southwestern arm, Lecco on the southeastern arm, and Colico on that northern. From the Lake's shores, one can enjoy multiple, fascinating views: **suggestive borgoes, splendid villas and lush gardens** await visitors in search of a little charm and relaxation, or a little culture and contact with nature. 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 will be for the combination of mountains, parks in bloom and thick woods. For delightful residences and crotti with pergolas. For centuries, Lake Como has never ceased to seduce. Lake Como continues to attract members of the international jet-set and celebrities that appreciate the evocative beauty of the Lake and its surroundings.

Optional activity: Shopping at **Fox Town Factory Stores**, the temple of luxury and elegance

Optional tour: In the afternoon you will take **Brunate cable** with your professional guide to admire the lake from above.

Optional tour: Today you will enjoy a visit of **Varenna**. Here you will meet a guide to enjoy a guided visit to the oldest part of Varenna village which has maintained its medieval layout.

Optional tour: A full day tour to discover the tastes and flavors of **Valtellina**: visit to an old grocery store dated 1883, **wine tasting experience** at two historic wineries plus lunch at a Michelin listed restaurant.

Optional tour: Today your personal driver will pick you up at the hotel lobby to escort you to **Lake Maggiore**. Here you will meet your personal guide to visit one of the most important **Borromean Islands** of Lago Maggiore in north Italy, Mother Island. It is famous for its gardens and the beautiful ancient palace. In the late afternoon your driver will transfer you to your hotel in Lake Como.

Option activity: You will enjoy a **cooking class** with a high - quality chef in a professional kitchen located in a 5 stars hotel overlooking the Lake Maggiore. You will learn how prepare Italian dishes and your chef will explain all secrets of the Italian cuisine.

Option activity: Bike and wine tasting. Guided cycle and wine-tasting tour through **Montevecchia's wine growing** area with exclusive visit to a **boutique winery** accompanied with delicious, genuine **typical food** samplings in a **charming farmhouse**.

Optional tour: Romantic boat ride and dinner. An enchanting **cruise** in an open-top Venetian watertaxi along the lakeside of Como to a charming **lakefront restaurant** with spectacular views where you will be served a **delicious dinner**. (Dinner not included)

Option activity: Cooking class. A **unique experience** in the setting of a **luxurious villa overlooking the lake Como**. A cooking class with a **professional Chef**, to learn how to make **Italian specialty dishes** and enjoy the meal you cooked.

Optional activity: you will enjoy a **cultural and gastronomic journey** strolling along the alleyways of the historical city center in our pleasant sub-tropical climate. You will taste **focaccia**, followed by a choice of local cheeses, **high quality extra virgin olive oils** harvested from the most current crops around Lake Como and Southern Italy. Reach an typical enoteca and taste a **local wine** together with finest **local sliced meats** such as bresaola, prosciutto, salame and mortadella.

Optional activity: you will reach Bellagio to enjoy a bike and food tour. You will explore Bellagio's historic center and its marvelous and characteristic surroundings. You will tasting typical food with a glass of fresh local wine.

Optional activity: you will meet your expert guide to enjoy trekking excursion along "*Sentiero del Viandante*" (Wanderer Path), a panoramic mountainside mule path winding through **chestnut woods** and **olive trees**. This path was the ancient way of connection between Lecco and Valtellina. The **Sentiero del Viandante** is about 3 hours and you will have the time to relax and savour some delicious local tastings: salame, cheeses, vegetables, accompanied with bread to finish with something sweet.

Optional tour: This morning, you will enjoy a half day hiking excursion with your private guide. Start with a 30 minutes cruise by ferry boat to reach the beautiful village of Torno, to start your trekking through the charming village. Along the way you will admire the fascinating Massi Aveli. Then you will reach "Monte Piatto", here you will enjoy the view over the lake. At the end of the tour you will take the ferry boat back to Como.

May 16 - Day 6 Lake Como - Rapallo



Private transfer - Mercedes class V

Transfer from Lake Como to the Five lands



Rapallo - Check in at Hotel Astoria Rapallo

4 star hotel

N. 1 superior triple room

Breakfast included - City tax not included



Hotel Astoria Rapallo

Via Gramsci 4, Rapallo, Liguria, Italia

May 17 - Day 7 Rapallo - Five Lands



Cinque Terre (Five Lands) - Private guided tour

This morning you will enjoy a tour of the breathtaking Five Lands. You will meet your private guide in Riomaggiore, to depart **by ferry boat/train** for an unforgettable day dedicated to the discovery of one of the most amazing and enchanting landscape in the world. **The Five Lands, "Cinque Terre"** is an area suspended between sea and land, hanging from sheer cliffs surrounded by hills and vineyards. You will enter into a little piece of heaven. By touring the coast line by boat, you will have the possibility to admire this amazing landscape from the seaside, like in a postcard. During the tour, you will see the most important villages: **Riomaggiore**, caught between two steep terraced hills descending in steep cliffs to the sea, the ancient village of Riomaggiore strikes visitors with its delightfully colored houses built vertically; **Manarola**, built on a high rock 70 metres above sea level, is one of the most charming and romantic villages; **Vernazza**, a small fishing village, the most characteristic of the Cinque Terre.



Manarola

Manarola, Liguria, IT, 19017



Vernazza

Vernazza, Liguria, IT, 19018



Monterosso al Mare

Monterosso al Mare, Liguria, IT, 19016



Riomaggiore

Riomaggiore, Liguria, IT, 19017

May 18 - Day 8 Rapallo



Free day in Rapallo



Five Lands - Optional tours not included

Optional activity: Today you will enjoy a **pesto making class** in the beautiful five lands town **Manarola**. You will learn how to prepare the real Italian pesto. In the morning you will collect fresh basil and learn about the techniques and procedure to get the pesto for today's meal. The local expert will instruct you in how to make a typical pesto sauce, the most famous traditional recipe of Liguria. Enjoy the final lunch.

Optional activity : Today you will meet your private guide to enjoy a **trekking** tour through the main villages of the Five lands. Start in Riomaggiore and learn about the amazing history Walk up above the village overlooking the harbor and see the castle and the many churches of Riomaggiore and you will have views of the closed Via dell 'Amore below. Continue climbing up the terraces, learning how the grapes were cultivated in the past and present and overlook of the Village of Manarola with views of the entire region of Cinque Terre including Groppo and Volastra (the less known villages of Cinque Terre) You will be walking through idyllic homes nestled into the hillside and walk through a forested area until reaching the Santuario in Volastra, when you will stop for a quick lunch in Volastra. Continue onto the trail to see Corniglia in the distance and an optical illusion when looking the village of Manarola.

Optional activity: Today you will enjoy a **wine tasting in beautiful Monterosso region**. Admire the breathtaking views of the vineyard and enjoy a tasting of the local wines accompanied by local appetizers.

Optional activity: Today you will enjoy a private **cooking class in Five lands region**. Your local chef will welcome you and introduce you to the most typical Ligurian recipes: Genovese focaccia, vegetable pies, the famous pesto sauce, soups and homemade pasta. Local fresh ingredients will be provided along with lots of herbs as per the local culinary tradition. Enjoy the final lunch.

Optional tour not included: Today you will enjoy a private helicopter flight to admire the beauty of the Cinque Terre National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Taking off from Rapallo or Borghetto di Vara, you will leave for an extraordinary journey that will take you to fly over the colorful villages of the Cinque Terre and the splendid Portofino.

Note: The helicopter flight will last 60 minutes.

May 19 - Day 9 Rapallo



Free day in Rapallo

May 20 - Day 10 Rapallo -Tuscany Countryside



Private transfers - Mercedes class V

Transfer from the Five Lands to Tuscany Countryside.



Tuscany countryside - Palazzo Leopoldo Dimora storica & spa

4 star hotel

N. 1 triple room

Breakfast included - City tax not included



Palazzo Leopoldo

Via Roma 33, Radda in Chianti, SIENA, IT, 53017

May 21 - Day 11 Tuscany Countryside - Pisa



Half day - Mercedes class V



Pisa - private guided tour

This morning your personal driver will take you to Pisa where you will meet your personal guide and 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. You will 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 Baptistry and the Monumental Graveyard. At the end you will climb one of the most celebrated monuments in the world: **The Leaning Tower**.



Pisa

Pisa, Tuscany, IT

May 22 - Day 12 Tuscany Countryside



Half day - Mercedes class V



Chianti - wine tasting with lunch

Today you will be welcomed by a member of the staff with a welcome drink, then after a brief introduction outside you will be lead to the wine cellar. During the tour you will learn about the basic phases of the production and the ageing of wines. Soon afterwards you will be taken to the osteria or to the terrace where you will start the tasting of 5 wines, extra-virgin olive oil and balsamic vinegar (all organic products, made in the farmhouse) served with 4 courses: an appetizer, a fresh pasta, a main course and a dessert.



Tuscany countryside - Optional tours not included

Optional activity: This early morning you will enjoy a **hot air balloon ride**. You will fly above the beautiful hills of Chianti at the early hours of the morning. Discover the rolling fields of Tuscany from a unique aerial perspective with a luxury hot air balloon ride. After getting picked up from your hotel, head to the starting point where you will receive a quick safety briefing before take-off. If you wish, you can help with the aeration of the balloon before entering the cart for your flight. During your **1-hour flight**, you will sail at heights varying from 500 feet to 3000 feet, depending on the wind of that day. Admire the breathtaking landscape of Tuscany and see gentle hills dotted with pretty Italian villages, cypress trees, dominant castles, and abundant vineyards, olive groves and orchards. Upon landing, toast your experience with a glass of **sparkling wine** and **light breakfast**. Flight routes and taking off locations are subject to flying conditions.

Optional tour: in Tuscany **Ape Tuk Tuk** was used by people who lived in small villages, where streets were narrow, or to take goods from the farms. Today you can enjoy a special Ape Tuk Tuk tour of Tuscany countryside or in Florence. A wine tasting will be served. You can also ride around your Tuscany with a **vintage Fiat 500**, with an **Italian Vespa** or a supercar like **Ferrari or Lamborghini**.

Optional tour: Today you will enjoy an amazing bike-tour. Pedaling in Chianti is the perfect way to taste delicious wines & enjoy great views. The Tuscany bike tour will show you the colors and flavors of Tuscany. This extraordinary Tuscany bike tour suitable for all levels, follows an itinerary which highlights small medieval towns and stunning landscapes. A relaxing atmosphere where you can leisurely pedal and admire the scenery, stop for pictures

Optional tour: Today your personal driver will pick you up at the hotel lobby to enjoy a cooking class with a professional chef. You will learn how to make traditional Tuscan dishes. You will learn the secrets of local ingredients and the connections between recipes and Tuscan fascinating history and culture. After cooking you will get to eat your well deserved meal! It will be an amazing real Italian life experience.

Optional tour: this morning private transfer to **Montepulciano**, one of the most characteristic and intact medieval cities in Italy which, from a height of 605 meters above sea level, offers amazing views over the surrounding hillsides. You will explore the wonderful town center of Montepulciano. Continue the drive to a vineyard for a wine taste and lunch. In the afternoon stop in another vineyard for another wine taste.

Optional tour: you will visit **Siena** with the guide. In Siena you will enjoy a tour in the historical center. You will see Piazza del Campo, the Tower of Mangia and the lively and narrow streets surrounded by romantic palaces. You will see the stunning gothic Cathedral, where you'll enjoy a panoramic view from the Facciata.

Optional tour: you will enjoy a guided visit of **San Gimignano** known as the City of Beautiful Towers. 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.

Optional tour: with your guide you will visit **Lucca**, which is the only old town in Italy entirely surrounded by walls which are still very well preserved. Visit the **San Frediano church**, with its magnificent thirteenth-century mosaic representing Christ in Majesty. Then, explore the **Piazza del Anfiteatro**, the most beautiful square of Lucca passing by elegant shops of **Via Filungo** through small medieval streets. End in the **Duomo** which houses the famous Volto Santo and the splendid Ilaria del Caretto sarcophagus, a masterpiece of Jacopo della Quercia. Passing **Piazza Napoleone**, we finally arrive at **Piazza San Michele**, the central civic square of Lucca since Roman times.

Optional tour: Marble Experience allows you to discover the many attractions of charming **Carrara**, one of Tuscany's jewel towns, and visit an authentic, working, **marble of Carrara quarry** in the mountains with the privilege of private transportation, private guide assistance and an exciting mountain-side adventure aboard a rumbling Jeep.

Optional tour: our driver will take you for a full day-trip into the **Val d'Orcia** region. Have a guided tour of **Arezzo** the strongest and richest of the Etruscan towns. The next stop is **Cortona**, one of the oldest cities in Tuscany, also famous for the movie "under the Tuscany sun".

Optional tour: Pienza is a small village in southern **Tuscany** that you should visit! Is the most renowned town of the famous **Val d'Orcia**, known all over the world for its art, landscape and **Pecorino cheese** Pienza is the **town of Pecorino**, a very tasty cheese made from sheep's milk, more or less aged, very well known and very delicious . Pienza is known around the world as the "ideal" city of the **italian Renaissance**, built by Enea Silvio Piccolomini who became Pope Pius II . Pope Pius II was born in the small village of Corsignano (the ancient Pienza) and wanted to transform his own village into a "utopian" city embodying the principles and philosophy of the classical age and the Italian Renaissance. So under the direction of Rossellino and Leon Battista Alberti it has become the city we know today: a complex of beautiful and harmonious buildings, the beautiful Piazza Pio II, the Cathedral, the papal residence, its picturesque alleys and suggestive views.

Optional tour: When you visit Pienza you have to taste **Pecorino Cheese**, the most famous typical product of the area. You can learn all the secrets of Pecorino di Pienza, taste it and see how it is produced. You will visit a farm in the countryside a few kilometers from Pienza and using the milk of our 150 sheep and 30 goats we produce Pecorino di Pienza in its dairy. The milk used comes from the farm's livestock and production is carried out without pasteurization and cheese ripening varies in length and mode.

Here you can join a guide tour with an experienced dairy man. He will guide you through the entire production process from milking to ageing.

Optional tour: It is a classic fairytale hilltop town, set within a full circle of fortified walls and watched over by a mighty castle of medieval perfection. **Montalcino** is a beautiful village immersed in the breathtaking Val d' Orcia Natural Park, renowned all over the world for the production of its precious **Brunello red wine**.

Optional tour: enjoy the **IGT Super Tuscan Wines** around Tuscany countryside. You will visit two wineries **Tenuta dell'Ornellaia Winery**, one of Tuscany's most historic and respected estates, and **Antinori** or **San Felice**.

Optional activity: enjoy an half day or full day **horse riding** around Tuscany. Available in different area and with different horses. With or without a guide.

Optional activity: join the locals, feel the blood-rush, and experience authentic Tuscan excitement at il **Palio di Siena**: a bareback horse race in Medieval times. Watch the historic parade, admiring the bedecked horses and Sienese in period costume, enjoy a delicious buffet and refreshments on a **private terrace** or a **dedicated window** in one of the splendid noble palaces overlooking the square. The race takes place only twice a year, on July 2 and August 16.

Optional tour: discover the authentic fishing villages of the **Cinque Terre, Five Lands**. This 5-mile stretch of beautiful rocky coast takes its name from the five villages of Riomaggiore, Manarola, Corniglia, Vernazza, and Monterosso. With our guide you will have the opportunity to visit 3 or 4 villages in one day with a combination of **easy walks**, **train rides** and a **boat trip**.

Optional tour: you will enjoy a **horse riding excursion along Chianti hills**. Following an expert you will admire along a lush vineyards, thick shady woods and olive groves and catch breathtaking unforgettable views.

May 23 - Day 13 Tuscany Countryside - Florence



Private transfer - Mercedes class V

Transfer from Tuscany Countryside to Florence



Florence - Check in at Grand hotel cavour

4 star hotel

N. 1 triple room

Breakfast included - City tax not included



Grand hotel cavour

26 Via dei Massoni, Firenze, Toscana, IT, 50139

May 24 - Day 14 Florence



Florence - Private guided tour

This morning you will meet your personal guide to discover the the heart of the city. You will 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 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 (exterior visit only). 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

Italy Florence, Italia



Galleria Dell'accademia

Via Bettino Ricasoli 60, Firenze, FIRENZE, IT, 50122
055 294883



Galleria Degli Uffizi

Piazzale degli Uffizi 6, Firenze, FIRENZE, IT, 50122
055 238 8651

May 25 - Day 15 Florence



Free day in Florence

Time at your leisure



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 jewelleryes** 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.

May 26 - Day 16 Florence



Free day in Florence

Time at your leisure

May 27 - Day 17 Florence - Rome



Private transfer - Mercedes class V

Transfer from the hotel to the train station.



Fast train from Florence to Rome

Tickets in economy class.



Private transfer - Mercedes class V

Transfer from the train station to the hotel



Rome - Check in at Quirinale

4 star hotel

N. 1 triple room

Breakfast included - City tax not included



Quirinale

Via Nazionale 7, Roma, ROMA, IT, 00184
06 4707

May 28 - Day 18 Rome

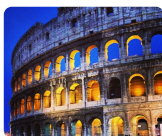


Private transfer - Mercedes class V



Rome - private guided tour of Colosseum and Roman Forum

This morning 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
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Rome - Vatican Museums Private guided tour

You will visit the world's smallest country and the center of the Catholic World – **Vatican City**. Visit the impressive **St. Peter's square and Church**, and explore Vatican Museums, Raffaello's rooms and the Sistine Chapel.



Vatican Museums

Via catone 34, Roma, Lazio, Italia, 00192
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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 capitol 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 **Diocletianum 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: 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!

May 30 - Day 20 Rome



Free day in Rome

Time at your leisure.

May 31 - Day 21 Rome



Free day in Rome

Time at your leisure.

June 1 - Day 22 Rome - Naples - Sorrento



Private transfer - Mercedes class V

Transfer from the hotel to the train station



Fast train from Rome to Naples

Tickets in economy class



CLIENTS HAVE BOOKED OWN ACCOMMODATION IN SORRENTO



Private transfer - Mercedes class V

Transfer from Naples train station to the hotel in Sorrento

June 2 - Day 23 Sorrento

No Plans For This Day

June 3 - Day 24 Sorrento



Free day in Sorrento

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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 **Limuncello**. 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.

June 4 - Day 25 Sorrento



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June 5 - Day 26 Sorrento



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June 6 - Day 27 Sorrento



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June 7 - Day 28 Sorrento



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June 8 - Day 29 Sorrento

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June 9 - Day 30 Sorrento - Naples

**Private transfer - Mercedes class V**

Transfer from Sorrento to Naples

**Naples - Check in at Palazzo Caracciolo**

4 star hotel

N. 1 triple room

Breakfast included - City tax not included

June 10 - Day 31 Naples - Departure

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Transfer from the hotel to the airport

**Flight home from Naples at 10:05 am**

Information & Documents

**Note**

All prices shown may be subject to change and must be confirmed at the booking. Price is based on a 3 people group.