

THE BEST OF ITALY

12 days / 11 nights



DAY 1 - MILANO

Arrival at Malpensa Airport. Meeting with our bus and local assistant English speaking and transfer to your hotel in Milan.

Local assistant for transfer from airport to hotel.

Overnight in hotel in Milan (hotel Jolly hotel President 4* Milan or similar)

DAY 2 - MILANO/VERONA/MESTRE



After breakfast in the morning visit of **Milan** the commercial capital of Italy. You will visit the Duomo a splendid example of Gothic art, and the symbol of the city, the Gallery Vittorio and walk through the "streets of fashion".

In the afternoon you will visit the romantic city of **Verona**, the setting to Shakespeare's classic love story, Romeo and Juliet and famous for his ancient Roman amphitheatre, the Arena of Verona.

Local guide English speaking Hd Milan + hd Verona.

Overnight in htl in Mestre (hotel Laguna Palace 4* Mestre or similar)

DAY 3 - VENICE/BOLOGNA

After breakfast in hotel departure to **Venice**, the most beautiful city of the world. You will be transfer by water taxis to St. Mark's Square. You will enter the San Marco Basilica which is a unique example of Gothic Romanic, you will see also the Doge's palace, the palace of the rulers of Venice. In the afternoon transfer to your hotel in Bologna.

Local guide English speaking Hd Venice.

Overnight in htl in Bologna (hotel De La Gare 4* Bologna or similar)



DAY 4 - BOLOGNA/ FLORENCE/PISA



After breakfast in hotel you will visit **Bologna** whit his Piazza Maggiore and at the unique city's medieval towers, the symbols of the town.

Transfer to **Florence**, the cradle of the Renaissance. You will visit the beautiful Piazza del Duomo, the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, Giotto's Bell Tower, the Baptistery of St. John, the Academy of Fine Arts Gallery housing the "David" by Michelangelo, and Santa Croce, the 13th century Franciscan church with Cimabue's famous crucifix.

Local guide English speaking hd Bologna + hd Florence

Overnight in htl in Pisa (htl Cavalieri 4* or similar)

DAY 5 - PISA/SIENA/ ROME

Breakfast at the hotel. In the morning guided visit of **Pisa** (Piazza dei Miracoli with the famous Leaning Tower, the Cathedral and the Baptistry).

In the afternoon visit of **Sienna**, splendid XIII century town, famous in the entire world for the “Palio”, which takes place twice a year. You can admire: Piazza Del Campo, fine example of medieval town architecture; the Cathedral, among the admirable creations of the Italian Roman-Gothic architecture; the Baptistry, which preserves works of Jacopo Della Quercia and Donatello.

Local guide English speaking hd Bologna + hd Florence

Overnight in htl in Rome(htl Villa Carpegna 4* or similar)



DAY 6 - ANCIENT ROME



Breakfast at our hotel, followed by day-long city sightseeing tour. In the morning, we'll have our “Ancient Rome” tour, featuring the famous monuments and artifacts of Rome, and in the afternoon, following time for lunch on your own, we'll meet up for a tour of Modern Rome. By the time our day winds to a close, we'll have seen the Colosseum, the Parthenon, the Spanish Steps, the Trevi Fountain, and so much more! Back to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Local guide English speaking hd Rome

Overnight in htl in Rome (htl Villa Carpegna 4* or similar)

DAY 7 – ROME/VATICANO

After breakfast, we will visit the St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel. Raise your eyes to see Michelangelo's 'Creation' and the famous 'Last Judgement'. The afternoon transfer to Naples

Local guide English speaking hd Rome

Overnight in the hotel in Napoli (htl Villa San Mauro 4* Casalnuovo Napoli)



DAY 8 – NAPLES



After breakfast visit of Naples You will visit by the imposing Castle called "Maschio Angioino," which was built 700 years ago by Carlo d'Anjou and later became the luxurious residence of kings and viceroys. You'll see the San Carlo Theatre (one of the most beautiful in Europe) and the Galleria Umberto I from outside in the square. Crossing Piazza del Plebiscito, you will admire the Palazzo Reale and the Church of San Francesco da Paola.

In the late afternoon **ferryboat for Sicily (free dinner)**

Local guide English speaking hd Naples

OVERNIGHT IN THE FERRYBOAT SNAV NAPOLI/PALERMO

DAY 9 - PALERMO/MONREALE

Overnight in hotel in Palermo (htl Mercure 4* or similar)

DAY 10 - AGRIGENTO

After breakfast at hotel, departure to **Agrigento** to visit its “Valle dei Templi” where, among hundreds of almond trees, the rests of the ancient Akragas rise. It was defined by Pindar “the most beautiful city of mortals”. You will see the “Temple of Juno Lacinia”, the “Temple of Concordia” and the “Temple of Heracles”.

Local guide English speaking 2 hours Valle dei Templi

Overnight in hotel in Catania/Acireale (htl Jolly Bellini 4* Catania or similar)



DAY 11 - ETNA/TAORMINA



After breakfast at hotel, departure to Etna, the highest active volcano in whole Europe. We will reach the “Crateri Silvestri”, small volcanic cones now inactive, surrounded by ancient lava flows

In the afternoon, visit to **Taormina**, beautiful town with a charming panorama

facing the sea and Etna, with its splendid Greek Theatre, the ancient Cathedral and Palazzo Corvaja. You will also have the possibility to go shopping to buy the typical local products. Dinner and overnight in hotel.



Local guide English speaking 2 hours Taormina

Overnight in hotel in Catania/Acireale (htl Jolly Bellini 4* Catania or similar)

DAY 12 – CATANIA

After breakfast transfer to the airport for the departure.

RATES ON REQUEST