

GRAND TOUR OF NORTHERN ITALY

& LAKES

Tuesday Departure - from April to November
8 days / 7 nights - 4 Star Hotels

DAY 1 TUESDAY- ROME / ASSISI / SIENA / FLORENCE

Early morning departure for ASSISI, the mystic town of Saint Francis still surrounded by ancient walls. Visit the Basilica of Saint Francis with its early Renaissance masterpieces by Giotto and Cimabue. Proceed on to SIENA, the beautiful medieval city renowned for the Palio. Then on to FLORENCE. Dinner and overnight.



DAY 2 WEDNESDAY - FLORENCE

Buffet breakfast. Guided sightseeing tour of the cradle of the Renaissance. 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. Rest of the day at leisure for optional sightseeing or shopping. Dinner and overnight.

DAY 3 THURSDAY – FLORENCE / PADUA / VENICE

Buffet breakfast. Departure for Venice via PADUA, where you will visit the famous Cathedral of St. Anthony, guarded by Donatello's "Gattamelata". Continue on to VENICE, and upon arrival enjoy a guided walking tour of this unique city. You will see the Piazza and Basilica of St. Mark, the Doge's Palace, the Bridge of Sighs and the Prisons. Dinner and overnight.



DAY 4 FRIDAY - VENICE

Buffet breakfast. Morning tour to a glass factory, (optional shopping). Dinner and overnight.

DAY 5 SATURDAY- VENICE / SIRMIONE / MILAN

Buffet breakfast. Morning departure for SIRMIONE, in the Lake Garda, the largest in Italy, taking in the splendid natural scenery. You will see the Sirmione Cape, the castle and ruins. They continue to MILANO, you will have time to explore this metropolitan city. Dinner and overnight.

DAY 6 SUNDAY- MILAN / ORTA LAKE / STRESA

Buffet breakfast. Morning departure for LAKE ORTA, where you will take a panoramic boat and see the Monastery of San Giulio. Then continue to STRESA, a town on the shores of LAKE MAGGIORE, you will board a boat for Pescatori Island. Next continue to Bella Island where you enjoy the visit Borromeo Palace and gardens. Dinner and overnight.

DAY 7 MONDAY- STRESA / LOCARNO/ COMO

After breakfast, you will take a panoramic tour of LAKE MAGGIORE and you will reach LOCARNO, in Switzerland. Continues with the coach to LUGANO, reach with shops and arts galleries, you will have free time. Departure for Como. Dinner and overnight.

DAY 8 THESDAY- COMO /BELLAGIO/ MILAN

After breakfast, you will visit COMO, small town with amazing natural panoramas of mountains and wild alpine valleys. You will visit via boat BELLAGIO, is home to the most renowned beach in Italy. In the afternoon departure for Milan where the tour ends.

OFFICIAL SELLING PRICE PER PERSON:

in double € 1.640,00
in single € 1.995,00
in triple € 1.600,00
child with 2 adults € 1.312,00

EXCITING HIGHLIGHTS DAY BY DAY

- * **Siena:** View of Piazza del Campo and the Municipal Palace
- * **Assisi:** View of the Churches of St. Francis and St. Claire
- * **Florence:** Visit of the Accademia, home of Michelangelo's "David"
- * **Padua:** See Donatello's masterpiece, the "Gattamelata"
- * **Venice:** Visit the famous Square of St. Mark and the Bridge of Sighs
- * Sirmione: **Lake Maggiore**
- * **Milan:** See the Duomo, the world famous Cathedral
- * **Lake Orta:** Famous for his Monastery of San Giulio
- * **Lake Maggiore: Pescatori Island and Bella Island**
- * **Lake Como:** famous for villas and mountain scenery

SCENIC DRIVES ALONG THE WAY

- * The beautiful Autostrada del Sole
- * The Tuscan countryside through medieval towns
- * The lovely Emilia Romagna region
- * The Veneto region, world famous for its Villa of Palladio
- * The Italian Alps

UNBEATABLE FEATURES

- Accommodation at 4 Star hotels with down-town location
- Buffet breakfast daily
- Seven dinners
- Service charges and taxes included
- Ground transportation by deluxe motorcoach
- An Appian Line Assistant during the tour
- Sightseeing tours as indicated in the itinerary
- English-French-Spanish guides
- Entrance fees

*ALL OUR TOURS ARE EQUIPPED WITH PROFESSIONAL HEADSET SYSTEM

DEPARTURES 2012

April	10...24
May	08...22
June	05...19
July	03...17...31
August	14...28
September	11...25
October	09...23
November	06

HOTELS:

in FLORENCE Adriatico or similar
in VENICE Bonvecchiati, Principe or similar
in MILAN
In BAVERNO Zacchera Hotels
in COMO Grand Hotel Como or similar