

13 Day Italian Indulgence Small Group Tour

Rome - Assisi - Siena - Tuscany - Florence - Lucca - Pisa - Portofino - Cherasco
- Alba - Lake Como - Trento - Verona - Venice

From **\$5,649** Typically \$5,749 pp twin share



Small group guided tour (max. 18 passengers)

Learn to cook a delicious Tuscan meal in a traditional Italian villa

Hunt for truffles with a local farmer amongst the scenic hills of Alba

Experience the wonders of Lake Maggiore on a scenic boat tour & more

Plus - Low deposit only \$400 per person!

Description



Known for its majestic history & rich culture, Italy is one of the most frequented destinations in the world and will certainly captivate your heart and soul! An intoxicating mix of ancient cities and imagination-firing landscapes, Italy is a land where unforgettable experiences lie around every corner.

Savour every moment of this delicious adventure as you journey from enchanting Tuscan villages to tranquil lake-side retreats – sampling an abundance of tantalising flavours and local wines along the way.

Travel in a **premium mini-coach** equipped with comfortable seats, air conditioning and large windows for enjoying the view. No cumbersome, unwieldy buses here! With far more flexibility than a standard-size coach, we're able to take the scenic route – winding through beautiful countryside to the heart of tiny villages and coastal towns.



Itinerary

Day 1

Rome

They say all roads lead to Rome – and that is where we'll begin our delightful Italian adventure. After meeting the group, we'll enjoy a delicious dinner at a local restaurant.

Accommodation: The Guardian Hotel (or similar)

Meals: Dinner

Day 2

ROME – ASSISI – PERUGIA

After breakfast, our route will whisk us away to awe-inspiring Assisi, the birthplace of St Francis. After getting to know the famous hilltop town a little better on an orientation tour, we'll move on to Perugia – the medieval capital of the Umbria region.

Accommodation: Hotel Fortuna (or similar)

Meals: Breakfast

Day 3

PERUGIA – SIENA – RURAL TUSCANY

Introducing Siena: a magnificent Gothic city bursting with fabulous architecture. After exploring the UNESCO World Heritage-listed town centre with our Tour Leader, we'll make tracks for tonight's idyllic accommodation: a country villa hotel set amidst the rolling Tuscan countryside. For dinner this evening, we'll come together to indulge in some superb local cuisine.

Accommodation: Tenuta di Artimino (or similar)

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 4

RURAL TUSCANY

Interested in learning a few Italian culinary secrets? You're in luck! Today our friendly hosts will help us to prepare a classic Tuscan lunch. After indulging in our creations, the afternoon will be ours to take in the panoramic countryside views or take a dip in the pool.

Accommodation: Tenuta di Artimino (or similar)

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch

Day 5

RURAL TUSCANY – FLORENCE – LUCCA

Today we'll turn our attention to Florence: the birthplace of the Renaissance and home of some of the world's most treasured masterpieces. A local guide will bring the city alive as we stroll by the likes of the Duomo and the Ponte Vecchio on a walking tour. Then, as the afternoon turns to dusk, we'll press on to lovely Lucca.

Accommodation: Hotel Alla Corte degli Angeli (or similar)

Meals: Breakfast

Day 6

LUCCA – PISA – LUCCA

Prepare to see an Italian icon up close today as we pay a visit to the Campo Dei Miracoli: home to the legendary Leaning Tower of Pisa. There will be plenty of time for photographing this iconic landmark and uncovering the acoustic wonders of the Baptistry of St John before returning to Lucca. This afternoon, we'll have the chance to explore the cobblestone streets at our own pace.

Accommodation: Hotel Alla Corte degli Angeli (or similar)

Meals: Breakfast

Day 7

LUCCA – CAMOGLI AND PORTOFINO – SANTA MARGHERITA LIGURE

It's time to experience the glitz and glamour of the Italian Riviera! Today we'll make stops at romantic Camogli and glittering Portofino before settling in at Santa Margherita Ligure. This evening, take some time to wander along the beautiful beachfront – taking in the pastel-coloured houses, elegant hotels and sparkling sea.

Accommodation: Hotel Jolanda (or similar)

Meals: Breakfast

Day 8

SANTA MARGHERITA LIGURE – BAROLO AND ASTI – CHERASCO

Away from the coast and onwards to Barolo, in Piedmont: a region of rich red wines and luxurious cuisine. This afternoon there's a treat in store for the bon vivants among us – we'll be visiting a local distillery near Asti to taste some local liquors. After, we'll move on to quaint Cherasco where a group dinner awaits.

Accommodation: Hotel Somaschi (or similar)

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 9

CHERASCO – ALBA AND LAKE ORTA – LAKE MAGGIORE

Rise and shine – this morning we'll be heading out into the hills of Alba to join a truffle hunt with a local farmer and his dog. Later, we'll hit the road to the captivating Lake Orta: a tranquil retreat sitting pretty at the bottom of the imposing Monte Mottarone. Then: from one blissful Italian lake to another! Lake Maggiore will be the final stop on today's scenic journey.

Accommodation: Grand Hotel Majestic (or similar)

Meals: Breakfast

Day 10

LAKE MAGGIORE

Today we'll leave dry land behind us and set sail for the Borromean Island: a charming collection of islets located in the western corner of the lake. We'll have plenty of time to explore Isola Madre, wander the terraces of the ornate baroque garden on Isola Bella and discover the pretty harbour of Isola dei Pescatori before we return to shore. After a light lunch, we'll have some free time to spend at our leisure.

Accommodation: Grand Hotel Majestic (or similar)

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch

Day 11

LAKE MAGGIORE – LAKE COMO – SONDRIO

After bidding a fond farewell to Lake Maggiore we will venture along the shores of stunning Lake Como. Passing lakeside villages draped in opulence, here we'll receive a rare insight into how the rich and famous live. Continuing our journey, we'll stop to taste some local wine before arriving at Sondrio – our home for the night.

Accommodation: Grand Hotel della Posta (or similar)

Meals: Breakfast

Day 12

SONDRIO – LAKE MOLVENO – TRENTO

Today we'll shine the spotlight on one of the most beautiful lakes in Italy: the spectacular Lake Molveno – a swathe of iridescent blue that lies at the foot of the Brenta Dolomites. Then, our Tour Leader will take us on a leisurely stroll around the mountain city of Trento before we settle in for tonight's farewell dinner.

Accommodation: Hotel America (or similar)

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 13

TRENTO – VERONA – VENICE

Filled with impressive ruins and romantic hotspots, fair Verona beckons today. After taking in the city highlights on an orientation tour, we'll board the mini-coach one last time for the journey to our show-stopping finale: the floating city of Venice.

Meals: Breakfast

Inclusions & Exclusions

Inclusions

- Premium Mini Coach Transportation
- Experienced Tour Guide
- 12 nights in hand picked accommodation
- 12 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 4 dinners
- Inclusions as per day to day itinerary

Single Supplement - Please enquire for pricing

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Exclusions

- Visas, where required
- International flights
- Travel insurance (strongly recommended)
- Meals & drinks not mentioned
- Transfers where not mentioned
- Any additional requests
- Tipping

Travel Insurance: We recommend Covermore travel insurance. To quote and book, please click [HERE](#).

Extra Service

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