Italian Tour Package of Rome, Florence, and Venice

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Your dream of visiting the shining cities of Italy with budget travel in mind can easily come true. With seven days to see the sights from Rome to Venice—including Pisa, Verona, and Florence—your guided Italy tour is waiting. Majestic Rome, with its historical sites beyond compare, is your first discovery on this affordable Italy vacation. From St. Peter's Square at the heart of the Vatican to the Colosseum, you'll see why this "eternal city" is a must-see on every travel bucket list. From Rome, your escorted Italy tour takes you to Pisa and Florence through a gentle landscape of exquisite vineyards, olive groves, and the rolling hills of Tuscany. In Pisa, visit the Square of Miracles and see the famed leaning tower before heading to Florence— "Cradle of the Renaissance." Take a guided walking tour of Florence to soak up the world-famous squares and palazzos of the ornate city, including the Duomo and the Baptistery's bronze door ("Gate of Paradise"). Off to Venice, stop in Verona—the setting for Shakespeare's fabled tragedy of Romeo & Juliet. See the ancient Roman Arena, which today is the home of the summer Opera Festival. From Verona, continue to romantic Venice, the city of unparalleled beauty. Take a boat to St. Mark's square and gaze upon the canals with their gondolas and bridges. You can visit an original glassblowing workshop, discover the "calli" (narrow alleyways of Venice) and admire the exquisite palaces at your leisure for the perfect end to your inspiring Italy tour.

To know more about the visas for this vacation, <u>click here</u>



Tour Highlights

Notes:

For operational reasons, schedule changes to the Rome program cannot be excluded.

Meals

Buffet breakfasts daily, 1 Dinners

Itinerary

Day 1

ARRIVE IN ROME, ITALY Check into your hotel. The rest of the day is free for you to explore this ancient capital with the help of the CosmosGO app. This evening, meet your Tour Director and travel companions.

ROME-SPANISH-STEPS.jpg

Day 2

ROME Steeped in history, the "Eternal City" is vibrantly alive and exciting, and absolutely unique! Start the included introduction to Rome's landmarks from St. Peter's Square with a Local Guide. Enjoy a drive along the iconic landmarks of the city: the Tiber River, the Caius Cestius Pyramid, the Aurelian Walls, and the Caracalla Baths. Complete the experience with a walk back in time from the Circus Maximus to the Arch of Constantine and to the fascinating Colosseum, symbol of the Roman Empire.*

Breakfast

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ROME-COLOSSEUM.jpg

Day 3

ROME–PISA–FLORENCE Vistas of rolling hills, cypress trees, terraced vineyards, olive groves, and charming villages form the backdrop as you journey into the heart of Tuscany. Stop in Pisa to enjoy a mini-train ride to the Square of Miracles and see the legendary Leaning Tower. Then, head east to magnificent Florence, "Cradle of the Renaissance." Everything tastes better in Tuscany! See for yourself with an optional culinary experience in the Tuscan countryside to indulge in authentic traditional dishes—with wine, of course! Today's Distance: 273 mi/ 440 km

Breakfast

PISA-LEANING-TOWER.jpg

Day 4

FLORENCE Today, discover the wonders of Florence, starting with a guided walking tour, featuring some of the city's greatest attractions. See Piazza Santa Croce; world-famous Signoria Square; 13th-century Palazzo Vecchio; Loggia dei Lanzi; the unique Duomo with

Giotto's Gothic Bell Tower and the Baptistry's ornate bronze door known as the "Gate of Paradise."

Breakfast

FLORENCE-DUOMO-THROUGH-WINDOW.jpg

Day 5

FLORENCE-VERONA-VENICE AREA Travel north and cross the Po River to Verona, setting for Shakespeare's Romeo & Juliet. Marvel at the ancient Roman Arena, built for gladiator fights but now still used as a popular venue for festivals and concerts; shop in Via Mazzini, or just wander the cobblestone streets of the city center. Continue to the Venice area. Do you believe in magic? An optional evening boat ride on Giudecca Canal, dinner in a local restaurant, and St. Mark's square at night will remove all doubt!

Today's Distance: 217 mi/ 350 km

Breakfast

VERONA-ARENA.jpg

Day 6

VENICE AREA Venice is a place of unmatched beauty and a feast of fantastic sights. View the delightful crisscrossing canals, the gondolas, arched bridges, palaces, and piazzas. Your included orientation features a boat ride to St. Mark's Square and a visit to a Venetian glassblowing workshop. You'll have time to explore at leisure on your own or join one of our wonderful optional excursions. Otherwise, just relax, sipping a cappuccino or the typical Venetian drink called "spritz" at one of the many bars or cafés.

VENICE-GRAND-CANAL.jpg

Day 7

VENICE AREA Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning.

Breakfast

VENICE-SQUARE.jpg

Tour Director

With Cosmos, there's no better way to get to know your destination than through the eyes of your Tour Director. Averaging over a decade... we'd like you to meet a Tour Director, who is representative of the type of expert that will be with you on your vacation.

FRANCESCO NARDIN

Escorting tours for more than 5 years

"Buongiorno everyone! I'm Francesco Nardin and I've been rendering my services as a Cosmos Tour Director in Italy, Greece, South France and Spain. Following in the footsteps of my parents, I've always loved travelling and exploring new countries, meeting new people and cultures. Clients need to know what Italy is, what is the feeling of the Mediterranean breeze and how much we can offer to them... this is why I'm here, to create memories and to turn travel dreams into real experiences. Bellissimo!"



DANIELA SPISSU

Escorting tours for more than 15 years

"I was born in Sardinia, a beautiful Italian island. Since I was young, I dreamt of working in travel, my dream became reality when I became a Tour Director. Although I initially escorted European Panoramas tours, nowadays I specialize in Italian tours. When on tour one of my favorite things is watching the faces of people that are seeing or experiencing something amazing for the very first time, those are the moments that stay with us forever and on a tour we try to create as many memorable ones as possible."



ROBERTO MASALA

Escorting tours for more than 20 years

"I have always loved traveling since I was young. It is the best way to learn about different cultures, discover new experiences, meet new people, and create amazing memories that last a lifetime. I call myself a life enthusiast and, being Italian, a proper foodie! Being a Tour Director is the perfect blend of doing what you love while working. Whenever I'm touring around Italy, my aim is always to share my passion for art, history, local traditions, and all the beauty that makes this country so fascinating to the world. Exceeding customers' expectations is the best reward I get from doing this job that I love."



Accommodation

ROME

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Hotel as shown or similar

First-Class

Free Wifi

FLORENCE

WYNDHAM GARDEN FLORENCE

Hotel as shown or similar

Superior Tourist-Class

VENICE AREA

POPPI

Hotel as shown or similar

Superior Tourist-Class

Free Wifi

Optional Excursions

Contact your Travel Consultant for more information. Price Ranges

\$ (\$50 USD and under) \$\$ (\$51 - \$100 USD) \$\$\$ (\$101 - \$150 USD) \$\$\$\$ (Over \$150)

* The "Starting at" or listed price is based on the lowest price available to book. Price is per passenger based on double occupancy and does not include airfare; additional fees/charges are not included. If a price is crossed out, the new price includes a limited time promotional offer(s) – please review current promotions or deals for additional information. Some tours require intra-vacation flights (and in some cases intra-vacation segments must be purchased from Cosmos).

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