



# Best of Italy

October 3 – 14, 2021

**Travel Dates**  
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**\$3,104**  
 per person  
 (double occupancy)  
 + air and transfers

**\$440 Single Supplement**

**\$299 Travel Protection**

**Escorted by Bill Brown**

**Highlights:**

- ▲ **ROME** – Welcome and farewell dinners at a local restaurant; guided sightseeing, visit the Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Square and Basilica, and the Colosseum.
- ▲ **ORVIETO** – Visit the Cathedral.
- ▲ **FLORENCE** – Guided walking tour, visit Michelangelo's David, and Signoria Square.
- ▲ **PISA** – Marvel at the legendary Leaning Tower
- ▲ **VENICE** – Private boat rides; private water taxi ride by night; guided walking tour, visit St. Mark's Square and Basilica, Doges' Palace and the Bridge of Sighs; glassblower demonstration
- ▲ **ASSISI** – Guided sightseeing, visit St. Clare's Church and St. Francis' Basilica.
- ▲ **POMPEII** - Guided walking tour of the excavations.
- ▲ **NAPLES – CAPRI – SORRENTO** – By jetfoil.
- ▲ **CAPRI** – Funicular ride; guided sightseeing, Capri experience: ride an open-taxi to Anacapri and visit Villa San Michele; boat cruise around the island of Capri.



Price and taxes may vary until time of ticketing.

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Single supplement: \$440.



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Inside visits and special features are shown in UPPERCASE in the tour description, including admission charges where applicable.

**Day 1 – OVERNIGHT FLIGHT FROM THE US.**

**Day 2 – ARRIVE IN ROME, ITALY**

Welcome to Rome! At 5 pm, meet your Tour Director and traveling companions, and enjoy a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. *Dinner*

**Day 3 – ROME**

Guided sightseeing of the 'ternal City' starts with a visit to the VATICAN MUSEUMS and SISTINE CHAPEL with Michelangelo's ceiling paintings and The Last Judgment, followed by a visit to monumental ST. PETER'S SQUARE and BASILICA to admire Michelangelo's Pietà. Then, enjoy views of other major sites as you drive to the Roman Forum and visit the ancient COLOSSEUM, where gladiators once fought. An optional walking tour with a Local Guide is available to further explore Rome's famous sites. *Breakfast*

**Day 4 – ROME – ORVIETO – TUSCANY**

Following the Tiber Valley, reach Orvieto, perched high atop a volcanic rock. Time to browse through tempting shops in the lanes off Piazza del Duomo and to visit the gothic CATHEDRAL with its San Brizio Chapel. Enter Tuscany, Italy's most famous and popular region, and drive through the Chianti wine area to the spa resort of Montecatini. *Breakfast*

**Day 5 – TUSCANY – EXCURSION TO FLORENCE**

Look forward to a full day in Florence, "Cradle of the Renaissance." Meet your Local Guide, and visit the ACADEMY OF FINE ARTS with Michelangelo's celebrated David. Continue your walking tour through the historic center and stand in awe in front of the magnificent cathedral, admire Giotto's Bell Tower, the Baptistery's heavy bronze "Gates of Paradise," and sculpture-studded SIGNORIA SQUARE. Afterward, shop for Florentine leather goods and gold jewelry, sold by the ounce, and enjoy a traditional gelato. For art lovers, an optional excursion to the Uffizi Gallery is available. (Breakfast, Dinner)

**Day 6 – TUSCANY – PISA – VENICE ISLAND**

Drive towards the Mediterranean coast following the valley of the Arno to Pisa. Take the traditional picture pushing back the amazing Leaning Tower, 180 feet high and at least 12 feet out of the perpendicular. Next is Venice, a powerful magnet for romantics and art lovers from around the world. This evening you may wish to join a optional gondola serenade. *Breakfast*

**Day 7 – VENICE ISLAND**

Board your PRIVATE BOAT and meet your Local Guide for a walking tour. Visit Byzantine ST. MARK'S BASILICA, lavish DOGES' PALACE, and the BRIDGE OF SIGHS. Also watch a skilled GLASSBLOWER fashion delicate objects in an age-old tradition. Time to wander through narrow streets and explore the various shops, or to join a relaxing optional excursion to the island of Burano. *Breakfast*

**Day 8 – VENICE ISLAND – ASSISI**

Sit back for a scenic drive through the Apennine Mountains to peaceful Assisi, where your Local Guide accompanies you on a visit to ST. CLARE'S CHURCH and ST. FRANCIS' BASILICA built above the Saint's grave—the hub of a religious order devoted to the ideals of humility, forgiveness, simplicity, and love for all God's creatures. Hear about monastic life and admire the priceless frescoes adorning the walls of the church. *Breakfast, Dinner*

**Day 9 – ASSISI – POMPEII – NAPLES – CAPRI**

South along the Highway of the Sun to fascinating POMPEII. Join your Local Guide for a highlight visit of this Roman city both destroyed and preserved by an eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 AD. See a patrician home, public baths, and shops that give a striking picture of what day-to-day life was like in Rome at its apex of power. In Naples, cross the blue bay by JETFOIL to the Isle of Capri for your two-night stay, and ride the FUNICULAR to Capri village. *Breakfast, Dinner*

**Day 10 – CAPRI**

Sightseeing with a Local Guide includes an OPEN-TAXI RIDE to Anacapri to visit famous VILLA SAN MICHELE. Later, enjoy a BOAT CRUISE (weather permitting) around the island. Balance of the day is at leisure, to immerse yourself in the wonderful atmosphere of this beautiful island, or to just relax. *Breakfast*

**Day 11 – CAPRI – SORRENTO – ROME**

Speed across the glittering bay to the charming resort of Sorrento. Enjoy time to stroll around and check out the local shops before returning to Rome. This evening, farewell dinner at a local restaurant has been prepared to say arrivederci Italia. (Breakfast, Dinner)

**Day 12 – ROME**

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning. *Breakfast*

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