

# TREASURES OF ITALY

## VENICE, TUSCANY, ROME & MORE



**SEPTEMBER 18 - 29, 2020**

**Food & wine, exceptional art, ancient ruins & remarkable architecture.**

Indulge in the charms of Italy on this fascinating 12-day tour to one of the gems of Europe. Take a gondola ride through the canals of Venice, a city built entirely on water. Explore Florence, known all over the world as the city of art and the capital of the Renaissance.

Spend a few nights around soaring medieval towers and rolling hills in the Tuscan countryside. Finish in "The Eternal City" of Rome to take in the Colosseum, the Vatican and much more. Join us for a vacation you won't soon forget!

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# WHAT'S INCLUDED?

Transfers to/from Pearson International  
Round Trip Economy Class Airfare  
Breakfast Daily, 1 Wine Tasting Lunch & 4 Dinners  
Gondola Boat Ride in Venice  
Doges Palace & St. Mark Basilica  
First Class Train Seats from Venice to Florence  
Private Tour of the Vatican and St. Peter's Basilica  
Entrance to the Accademia Gallery  
Entrance to the Colosseum and Roman Forum  
All transport between destinations and to/from included activities  
English Speaking Tour Escort and Local Guide  
All tour gratuities



## TOUR PRICING

DOUBLE OCCUPANCY: \$5995 per person

SINGLE OCCUPANCY: \$7495 per person

*Includes taxes of \$656.26 & all tour gratuities*

## Terms & Conditions

A deposit of \$500.00 CAD per person is due at the time of booking plus any insurance requirements. Final Payment is due 60 days prior to departure (July 20, 2020). Travel insurance can be purchased through both the Lakeshore and Cardinal offices. All payments are non-refundable. A valid Canadian passport is required for this tour.

# YOUR ITALY ITINERARY

## **Fri. September 18th 2020 - Depart (Inflight Meals)**

Depart from your designated pickup point to Pearson Airport where we will board our overnight flight to Venice, Italy.

## **Sat. September 19th 2020 - Venice (B, D)**

Upon arrival in Venice this morning, we will be greeted by our English speaking guide and taken to our hotel. After a day of exploring the enchanting city of Venice come back to the Dorsoduro district and relax in the ample garden or lounge area at the hotel. Tonight a welcome dinner is included at a local restaurant in Venice.

## **Sun. September 20th 2020 - Venice (B)**

This morning we will take a guided walking tour of Venice to explore the main highlights of this incredible city's centre. The tour also includes the entrance tickets to St Mark Basilica and Doges' Palace. At the end of the guided tour, you will board a gondola for an unforgettable ride through the Grand Canal and other smaller canals passing some of the most beautiful scenes of Venice. This afternoon will be at leisure.

## **Mon. September 21st 2020 - Venice, Florence (B)**

This morning take one last stroll around or do some shopping. Later this morning we will take a private transfer to the train station to board a direct fast train to Florence. We will have reserved first class tickets. Porter service is included from the motor-launch drop-off point to your platform (one suitcase per person). In Florence, you will have the rest of the day and dinner at leisure.

## **Tue. September 22nd 2020 - Florence (B)**

Florence is known all over the world as the city of art and the capital of the Renaissance. Discover its beauty on a guided tour of the city. Included today is a visit to Accademia, a collection of Florentine paintings, dating from the 13th to the 18th century. At the end of the guided tour, you will enjoy the rest of the day at leisure in Florence.

## **Wed. September 23rd 2020 Lucca, Pisa, Florence (B)**

This morning we will depart for day trip to Lucca and Pisa. You will first reach Lucca for a walking tour of the city centre. At the end of the guided tour, you will have some free time for lunch on your own. After we will have some free time in Pisa to explore Miracle Square on your own and check out the famous Leaning Tower. After, we transfer back to Florence.



### **Thu. September 24th 2020 - Florence, Tuscany (B, L)**

Today you will depart from your hotel in Florence to the Tuscan countryside, stopping in San Gimignano for a walking tour. After the tour we will transfer to a local estate for a light lunch with wine pairings. Tonight we will check into our beautiful Tuscan countryside hotel. Relax on the veranda or take a dip in the infinity pool overlooking the San Gimignano hills to restore your energy after today's trip. Dinner is included at our hotel tonight.

### **Fri. September 25th 2020 - San Gimignano, Volterra (B, D)**

Take the morning at your leisure to relax. This afternoon we will depart to Volterra for a guided tour of the city centre. Unlike other Tuscan hill towns rising above sprawling vineyards and rolling fields of green, Volterra is surrounded by desolate terrain marred with industry and mining equipment. Take some free time for individual exploration and afterwards meet at a local restaurant for an included group dinner. Transfer back to your hotel afterwards.

### **Sat. September 26th 2020 - Siena, San Gimignano (B, D)**

This morning we will take a day trip to Siena where we will take a walking tour of the city centre. With its narrow streets and steep alleys, a stunning Gothic Duomo, and a bounty of early Renaissance art, Siena is often described as Italy's best-preserved medieval city. At the end of the guided tour, enjoy some free time for individual exploration and lunch. After lunch we will board the coach back to your hotel. Dinner is included at the hotel.

### **Sun. September 27th 2020 - Tuscany, Rome (B)**

Today we will depart the Tuscan Countryside and head to Rome. This afternoon we will be dropped at the Roman Forum where we will meet an English speaking guide for a tour of Ancient Rome. Transfer to your hotel for check-in after. Dinner at your leisure in Rome.

### **Mon. September 28th 2020 - Rome (B, D)**

Head out this morning for a full day tour of Rome. Visit the Vatican Museum before transferring to Rome city centre. After some independent time for lunch you will begin the walking tour of the so called "Baroque Rome". After our tour you will have the rest of the day at leisure. Tonight we have included a farewell dinner at a local restaurant near the hotel.

### **Tue. September 29th 2020 - Depart Rome for Toronto (B)**

Transfer to the Rome Airport to begin the journey home. Once we arrive in Toronto, our coach will be waiting to return us to our designated drop locations.

