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Italy In A Nutshell

9-Day, 8-Night Journey

Rome, Florence, Venice, Milan

Embark on a captivating journey through Italy's cultural treasures on a tour that takes you from the historic splendors of Rome, where ancient ruins and Renaissance art collide, to the artistic wonders of Florence, the romantic canals of Venice and Murano Island (artisan Venetian glass); and the cosmopolitan charm of Milan. Immerse yourself in the rich tapestry of history, art, and modern sophistication of Italy. Our semi-independent guided tour seamlessly blends must-see attractions with the option to also explore Pompeii or Tuscany.



Colosseum, Rome



St Peter's Square, Vatican City



Florence Duomo in Tuscany



Leaning Tower of Pisa and Cathedral



Gondolas passing by Rialto Bridge, Venice



Duomo of Milan

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Inclusions

- Private Airport & Train Station Transfers
- Domestic Train Fare (Standard Class)
- Hotel Accommodations
- Daily Breakfast & Selected Meals (See tour plan for details)
- English-speaking Local Guide
- Entrance Fees to Monuments and Attractions per Itinerary

Exclusions

- International Airfare
- Travel Insurance
- Medical Expenses
- Visa Fee (if applicable)
- Gratuities
- Personal Expenses

Nearby Airports

Rome – Leonardo da Vinci Fiumicino International Airport (FCO) Milan – Milan Malpensa Airport (MXP)

Itinerary

3 NIGHTS IN ROME

DAY 1: ARRIVE ROME, CITY TOUR

Arrive at **Fiumicino Airport** and transfer to your hotel. The rest of the day is free.

Today, you take a **self-guided tour** to explore Rome's top attractions at your own pace. (1.5 hours @4pm). You will discover Rome's iconic sights and landmarks on a self-guided bus tour offering a comprehensive overview of all the city's highlights. See popular landmarks such as the Vatican City,



Circus Maximus, the Pantheon, and the Colosseum. Admission tickets are not included. [Meals: None]

DAY 2: ROME, VATICAN MUSEUMS, SISTINE CHAPEL & ST. PETER'S BASILICA

Visit the **Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica** on a guided tour (group, 3 hours @9am). Discover the Vatican, visit the Sistine Chapel and the Vatican Museums, navigate the vast complex of rooms, artwork, and history with a guide. Skip the entrance lines to explore halls such as the

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Gallery of the Maps, step inside the Sistine Chapel to admire 'The Creation of Adam' by Michelangelo and finish your tour inside St. Peter's Basilica. [Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 3: ROME PERSONALIZED EXCURSION DAY

After breakfast, join one of the following options included in this tour.

OPTION 1: POMPEII, AMALFI COAST AND POSITANO DAY TRIP (group, 13 hours @7am)

Priority entry to Pompeii and a guide to help better understand the complex ruins, views of the Amalfi Coast along the famously scenic coastal drive, free time to explore the fishing village of Positano and browse the shops.

OPTION 2: TUSCANY GUIDED DAY TRIP WITH LUNCH & WINE TASTING (group, 12 hours @7:30am)

Visit Val d'Orcia in Tuscany on a day trip from Rome, enjoy a locally produced 3-course lunch on a Tuscan farm, sample regional wines, including the famous Brunello di Montepulciano. Spend time at leisure in Pienza, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

[Meals: Breakfast]

2 NIGHTS IN FLORENCE

DAY 4: ROME - FLORENCE, FLORENCE WALKING TOUR

Check out and transfer to the train station. Take the morning train from Rome to Florence (standard class, round-trip transfer between hotel and train station included).

Explore Florence (Firenze) on a **guided walking tour of** Renaissance Florence (group, 1.5 hour @2:15pm). See top attractions including the Piazza della Signoria and Duomo, and discover the places that inspired some of the greatest minds and artists.

[Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 5: PISA TOUR

Afternoon; **Pisa Afternoon Tour** with Skip-the-Line Leaning Tower Admission Ticket (group, 6 hours @1:30pm)

Discover the highlights of **Pisa**, including the famous **Leaning Tower** on this half-day tour. Visit Cathedral Square (Piazza dei Miracoli) where the impressive Baptistery and Monumental Cemetery sit. Enjoy the incredible views with skip-the-line access to the top of the Leaning Tower of Pisa. [Meals: Breakfast]

2 NIGHTS IN VENICE

DAY 6: FLORENCE - VENICE, VENICE WALKING TOUR

Breakfast then check-out and transfer to the train station. Take the morning train from Florence to Venice (standard class), then transfer to the hotel.

Explore Venice on a guided walking tour and Gondola ride (group, 2 hours @3pm).

Take a gondola ride down the Grand Canal of Venice. Enjoy a walking tour of Venice and go beyond the popular landmarks to explore quieter squares and streets. Stroll through narrow back streets and alleyways while learning about Venetian history.

Venice is famous for its canals and bridges which create a romantic and charming atmosphere. [Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 7: MURANO & BURANO ISLANDS BY PRIVATE BOAT

After breakfast, explore **Murano and Burano Islands** (group, 5 hours @9am) Watch local craftsmen at work in a **Murano glass workshop**. Browse an impressive collection of glass artwork. See Burano lace being made by local islanders. Visit the **Burano Lace Museum** independently. Enjoy transportation by a private boat exclusively for your tour group. [Meals: Breakfast]

2 NIGHTS IN MILAN

DAY 7: VENICE - MILAN, MILAN CITY TOUR

Breakfast then check-out and transfer to the train station. Take the morning train from Venice to Milan (standard class, round-trip transfer between hotel and train station included). The rest of the day is free. [Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 8: MILAN HIGHLIGHTS AND HIDDEN GEMS PRIVATE GUIDED WALKING TOUR

After breakfast, proceed to your **Milan private guided walking tour** (2 hours @10am). Traverse the metropolis of Milan and uncover hidden gems on this private walking tour. See landmarks such as the Duomo, Sforza Castle, and La Scala Theater, and a few more hidden gems. View works of art around the city and learn about Milan's influence in the fashion industry. [Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 9: DEPART MILAN - END OF TOUR

After breakfast, check-out and transfer to **Milan Malpensa Airport (MXP)** for your flight home. [Meals: Breakfast]

*Hotel check-out time is generally around 11 am. If your flight departs in the evening or past midnight, we suggest you consider adding a post-tour hotel night during booking, to be comfortable and well rested before your flight home.

*The duration and start time of excursions are subject to change without prior notice.