

# REAL ITALY

10 DAYS | 2 COUNTRIES | 15 MEALS | FROM US\$2150pp\*

WANDER THROUGH RUINS, BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED MONUMENTS, ROLLING VINEYARDS AND OLIVE GROVES TO EXPLORE THE CAPTIVATING ART, HISTORY AND CULTURE THAT HAS SHAPED ITALY'S ENCHANTING CENTURIES-OLD STORY.



● START ● OVERNIGHT ● SIGHTSEEING  
● END

## THE Icons

**VIP ADMISSION** to the Vatican Museums

**WALKING TOUR** of Capri Town and Pompeii

**CITY TOUR** in Rome and Florence

**ORIENTATION** of Venice and Verona

**VISIT** St. Peter's Basilica, the Colosseum and Vatican Museums in Rome and the Commonwealth Cemetery in Cassino

**VIEW** St. Mark's Basilica and the Bridge of Sighs in Venice, Juliet's Balcony in Verona, the Duomo in Florence and the Abbey of Montecassino

**SEE** the canals of Venice and Mount Vesuvius

**SCENIC CRUISE** by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice and to the Isle of Capri

# YOUR Holiday

DAY

**1 ARRIVE ROME (2 NIGHTS)** Our launch pad to an epic journey through Italy begins in the Eternal City of Rome. Tread in the footsteps of gods and goddesses, emperors and gladiators as you explore its ancient streets before joining your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive past some of the city's most iconic sights. **(WR) Hotel: Grand Tiberio**

**2 ROME SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME** We join a Local Specialist this morning for a tour of the Vatican Museums. Here we'll 'Dive Into Culture', ascending the spiral staircase designed by Donato Bramante and admiring Michelangelo's magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel before visiting St. Peter's Basilica to see his sorrowful Pietà. We continue to ancient Rome, once the capital of the world, imagining the thunderous applause of spectators as they cheered brave warriors in the Colosseum and Circus Maximus centuries ago. There's time afterwards to explore the city on your own, or relax in one of the city's *piazze* watching the world go by. **(B, 🍷)**

**3 ROME - VENICE (2 NIGHTS)** Journey past the hilltop towns of Orte and Orvieto and cross the steep Appenine Mountains before arriving in Venice, the Queen of the Adriatic, where tonight we enjoy a Regional Dinner. **(B, RD) Hotel: Principe/Amadeus**

**4 VENICE ORIENTATION AND FREE TIME** 'Dive Into Culture' and witness the delicate craft of Venetian glassblowing at a glassblowing workshop on Giudecca Island. Then cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square, sharing the city's bustling waterways with ferries, gondolas and yachts. We'll see the Byzantine Basilica, the Bridge of Sighs and the ornate Doges' Palace before spending the rest of the afternoon on our own getting lost in the labyrinthine *calli* or enjoying a relaxing spritz. **(B, 🍷)**

**5 VENICE - VERONA - FLORENCE (2 NIGHTS)** Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers take centre stage today as we take a leisurely drive to Verona, the setting for Romeo and Juliet. We'll see the impressive Roman Arena, the third-largest in Italy, and Juliet's balcony. We continue south, through the rolling vineyard-clad landscapes of Tuscany, to Renaissance Florence where we'll 'Connect With Locals' indulging in a memorable Be My Guest dinner with the Landi family. **(B, BMG, 🍷) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo**

**6 FLORENCE SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME** Join your Local Specialist for a guided walking tour through Florence, past the multi-coloured Duomo with its impressive dome engineered by Brunelleschi and the Baptistry with its inspiring gilded doors. The rest of the afternoon is yours to explore a city that inspired artists, poets and painters to create masterpieces. Consider a visit to the Academy of Fine Arts to see Michelangelo's statue of

David, enjoy spectacular views from Piazza Michelangelo or take an Optional Experience to medieval San Gimignano, famous for its hilltop towers. **(B)**

**7 FLORENCE - SORRENTO (2 NIGHTS)** Travel through the fertile Campanian plains to the Bay of Naples which lies in the shadow of Mount Vesuvius. Our home for the next two nights is Sorrento and our introduction to the Amalfi Coast. This evening, a delicious dinner at our hotel. **(B, D) Hotel: Johanna Park**

**8 ISLE OF CAPRI EXCURSION AND FREE TIME** Cross the Bay of Naples by ferry to the chic island playground of Capri where you'll join a Local Specialist to see its sophisticated sights. Consider an Optional Experience to Anacapri for beautiful views of the Tyrrhenian Sea and insight into a slower, more peaceful way of life. This evening, we enjoy the flavours of fresh seafood during a Regional Dinner at a local restaurant. **(B, RD)**

**9 SORRENTO - POMPEII - CASSINO - ROME** We explore the tragic immortalisation of an ancient civilisation in Pompeii today, preserved by volcanic ash when Vesuvius erupted. Here a Local Specialist will take us on a walking tour to gain insights into the day-to-day life of the city's former residents. Next, we visit the Commonwealth Cemetery in Cassino, which lies below the famous Montecassino Abbey, the site of a fierce campaign during World War II. Our Italian odyssey ends in Rome where we join our Travel Director and travel companions for a Farewell Dinner, celebrating joy in true Italian style. **(B, FD) Hotel: Sheraton Parco de' Medici**

**10 DEPART ROME** It's time to bid Rome a fond *arrivederci* as we prepare to depart Italy. Transfers are available to Rome Fiumicino Airport. Conditions apply. **(B)**

## MORE ABOUT YOUR Trip

\* All prices are per person, twin share.

**Airport Transfers:** Transfers on arrival at Rome Fiumicino Airport will operate at 9.30am, 12.30pm and 3.30pm. Guests arriving later should make their own way to the first hotel. Return transfers to Rome Fiumicino Airport will operate at 7am and 9.30am.

**Gratuities:** Option to pre-pay gratuities for Travel Director and Driver US\$97 per person.

**Drinking Water:** Tap water is safe to drink in all of the destinations on this trip. Please remember to bring a water bottle.

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## YOUR HOLIDAY Planner

Price PP			Price PP		
Start Rome	End Rome	Twin Share	Start Rome	End Rome	Twin Share
FR 01 NOV	SU 10 NOV	2195	2020		
+ FR 22 NOV	SU 01 DEC	2150	FR 13 MAR	SU 22 MAR	2150
+ TH 12 DEC	SA 21 DEC	2150	FR 20 MAR	SU 29 MAR	2150
+ SA 21 DEC	MO 30 DEC	2350	FR 27 MAR	SU 05 APR	2275
+ FR 27 DEC	SU 05 JAN	2325	FR 03 APR	SU 12 APR	2475

Single Supplement (add to price above): US\$460 p.p.  
 Exceptions 03 Apr 20: US\$560 p.p.

Christmas & New Year's Eve Highlights: The 21 December 2019 departure will celebrate Christmas in Florence. The 27 December 2019 departure will toast New Year's Eve in Florence. Each of these specially arranged festive meal celebrations will replace one of the included meals featured in the itinerary.

Vatican Museum: Visit will take place on Day 9 instead of Day 2 on these departures.

Special Rate Solo Rooming: These departures include 20-100% discount on our standard single supplement. Please see [trafalgar.com](http://trafalgar.com) for pricing.



EARLY BIRD SAVINGS

SAVE up to US\$124 p.p.

★ Young traveller discount: SAVE US\$220

★ Multiple trip discount: SAVE up to US\$62

★ Triple room discount: SAVE US\$50 p.p.

★ Past guests: Unlock VIP benefits

## TRIP Highlights

Here's just a sample of the many special handcrafted Trafalgar highlights included in your trip.

### CONNECT WITH LOCALS



Eight generations and plenty of stories to tell. Enjoy a traditional Be My Guest dinner with the Landi family at their home near Florence, set within a garden of oak trees against the backdrop of Tuscan vineyards and olive groves. **(Day 5)**

### DIVE INTO CULTURE



Be inspired by the magnificence of Michelangelo at the Vatican Museums and enjoy an exclusive visit up the spiral staircase designed by the famous architect Donato Bramante in a part of the Vatican not open to the public. **(Day 2)**

Witness the exquisite craft of glassblowing on Giudecca Island, a delicate tradition that generations of Venetian craftsmen have perfected over the centuries. **(Day 4)**

🍷 Connect With Locals 🍷 Stays With Stories  
**WR** Welcome Reception **L** Lunch  
**B** Breakfast **D** Dinner

🍷 Dive Into Culture 🍷 Make A Difference  
**RD** Regional Dinner **BMG** Be My Guest  
**FD** Farewell Dinner