



BEST OF ITALY

13 days - 2 countries

Code: WTBO

FROM **US\$2750** PP*
PER PERSON TWIN SHARE

Add a dash of 'issimo' to your love affair with Italy as you explore its captivating landscapes, culture, and the mouth-watering flavours that have inspired its residents to coin the phrase: "First we eat, then we do everything else..." Your Italian discovery made ever more delectable amidst the lemon scents of Sorrento, Renaissance romance in Florence and imposing Rome.

THE ESSENTIALS

All taken care of

**12 nights**
Hotel accommodation**19 meals**
12 hot buffet breakfasts
7 dinners (including Be My Guest) with local wine**On-trip transport**
All transport shown
(including return Capri cruise)
All transfers shown**THE REAL THING**

Trafalgar highlights



Enjoy our hand-picked Trafalgar Insider Experiences. Here's a sample of what you can expect.

BE MY GUEST

The Pazzi and de Medici feud is brought to light in this visit to the 12th century Castle of Trebbio where you will enjoy a traditional Tuscan buffet, explore the castle dungeons, and indulge in olive oil and wine tasting

AUTHENTIC ACCOMMODATION

Built to welcome pilgrims visiting Assisi, Hotel Cenacolo is a fully renovated old Franciscan convent in nearby Santa Maria degli Angeli

CULTURAL INSIGHT

Follow in the footsteps of Michelangelo when visiting the Vatican Museums. Ascend the smooth and stepless spiral staircase designed by architect Donato Bramante, in a part of the Vatican not open to the public. Witness the exquisite craft of glassblowing on Giudecca Island

LOCAL SPECIALIST

For included sightseeing in Rome, Pompeii, Capri, Assisi and Florence

THE ICONS

City tour in Rome ▶ Pompeii ▶ Capri ▶ Assisi ▶ Florence

Orientation of Venice ▶ Milan

Visit St. Peter's Basilica ▶ the Sistine Chapel ▶ Vatican Museum ▶ the Colosseum in Rome ▶ the Commonwealth War Cemetery in Cassino ▶ the excavations at Pompeii ▶ St. Francis Basilica in Assisi, picturesque Lake Como, the medieval city of San Gimignano

Cruise to the beautiful Isle of Capri, private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

View the Benedictine Abbey in Monte Cassino ▶ Juliet's Balcony in Verona ▶ the Byzantine St. Mark's Basilica in Venice ▶ the Gothic Cathedral and La Scala Opera House in Milan ▶ the Leaning Tower of Pisa, the Duomo in Florence

See the ancient sites of Rome including Circus Maximus

● Start ● End ○ Overnight stays ○ Sightseeing stops

ITALY

ITALIAN LAKES

VENICE

Milan Verona

FLORENCE

Pisa

San Gimignano

ASSISI

ROME

Cassino





Pompeii

SORRENTO

Isle of Capri

YOUR HOLIDAY

- Arrive Rome** (2 Nights)  *Ciao Roma!* Explore this imperial city of emperors and senators, gods and goddesses, before joining your companions and Travel Director later for a Welcome Reception. Our introduction to the Eternal City is an evening orientation drive to view some of the sights which await you. **(WR)** **Hotel: Grand Tiberio**
- Rome Sightseeing**   The Holy See takes centre stage today as we join a **Local Specialist** for an included sightseeing tour in the fascinating Vatican Museums. Witness first-hand the masterpieces of Bramante and Michelangelo in a **Cultural Insight**, admiring the smooth, step-less staircase, the magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel Experience and the marble masterpiece of Pietà, housed in St. Peter's Basilica. We venture across the Tiber and into Ancient Rome to visit the famous Colosseum and see Circus Maximus, once the site of celebrated chariot races. This afternoon, enjoy free time to explore the city streets of Rome on your terms. **(BB)**
- Rome ▶ Cassino ▶ Pompeii ▶ Sorrento** (2 Nights)  Today we pay tribute to the brave souls of the World War II Italian Campaign whose last resting place is the Commonwealth War Cemetery in Cassino. We view the Benedictine Abbey, which featured as the site of the Battle of Monte Cassino in 1944, before heading south to the well-preserved ruins of Pompeii. Here we join a **Local Specialist** who will share details of the devastation caused by the eruption of Vesuvius in AD 79. **(BB, DW)** **Hotel: Johanna Park**
- Isle of Capri Excursion**   We cross the Bay of Naples today by ferry to the glamorous Isle of Capri where we will visit some of its landmark sights. Wander past the chic boutiques and pavement cafés in Capri Town in the company of a **Local Specialist**. **(BB)**
- Sorrento ▶ Assisi**  We join our **Local Specialist** in Assisi for a walking tour to visit the Basilica of St. Francis. See the remnants of Roman heritage at the church of Santa Maria Sopra Minerva, shop on Corza Mazzini or admire the beautiful façade of San Rufino Cathedral. Dine tonight at your hotel. **(BB, DW)** **Hotel: Cenacolo Authentic Accommodation**
- Assisi ▶ Verona ▶ Venice** (2 Nights)  Today enjoy the glorious countryside and historic architecture of the Emilia Romagna region. This area is also renowned for its cuisine such as tortellini, mortadella and parmesan cheese. Travel to Verona, the home of Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers, to admire the Roman arena and Juliet's Balcony. Arrive later in Venice, the Queen of the Adriatic. **(BB, DW)** **Hotel: Principe/Amadeus**
Please note: On certain departures Verona will be visited on Day 8 instead of Day 6.
- Venice Orientation**   We venture to the island of Giudecca where talented tradesmen share their centuries-old glassmaking traditions in a **Cultural Insight**, before meandering through the domain of St. Mark to view the impressive square and Basilica that still bear his name. Our journey through Venice takes us past the opulent Doge's Palace and the Bridge of Sighs, before an afternoon at leisure. **(BB)**

- Venice ▶ Milan ▶ Lake Maggiore** (2 Nights) Today we cross the lush green plains of Lombardy to sophisticated Milan, the global capital of design and fashion. An orientation tour takes us past the intricate Gothic Duomo, La Scala Opera house and the famous Galleria, before we enjoy a Regional Meal. **(BB, RM)** **Hotel: Barchetta Excelsior**
- Lake Como Excursion**   The glistening blue waters of Lake Como welcome us today, with free time to enjoy the lakeside lifestyle and beautiful scenery that has enchanted visitors for millennia. Spend the day exploring the picturesque little towns, indulge in the delicious gelato of the area, take the funicular for spectacular views of the lake or perhaps consider a cruise on the lake. **(BB)**
- Lake Maggiore ▶ Pisa ▶ Florence** (2 Nights) The charm of Tuscany lures us across the forested Apennine Mountains, past Genoa to the famous city of Pisa and its Square of Miracles where we will enjoy an opportunity to view the Leaning Tower. Our next stop is Florence, the Cradle of the Renaissance. **(BB)** **Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo**
- Florence Sightseeing**   Delve into the extravagant legacy of the de' Medici in the company of a **Local Specialist**. The elegant Duomo dominates the skyline as we visit Piazza della Signoria with its exquisite statues and *palazzi*. Enjoy spectacular panoramic views of the beautiful skyline of Florence and the 400-year-old Ponte Vecchio from Piazzale Michelangelo. Tonight experience typical Tuscan cuisine as you enjoy a special **Be My Guest** dinner with a local family. **(BB, BG)**
- Florence ▶ San Gimignano ▶ Rome** This morning we visit the charming Tuscan hill town of San Gimignano, within whose colourful city walls are extraordinary examples of medieval architecture and history. This evening in Rome we enjoy a Farewell Dinner spent in the company of newfound friends and our Travel Director. **(BB, FD)** **Hotel: Grand Tiberio**
- Depart Rome** Our discovery of the best of Italy has sadly come to an end. Transfers are available to Rome Fiumicino Airport. Conditions apply. **(BB)**

YOUR HOLIDAY PLANNER

PRICE PP			PRICE PP		
Start Rome	End Rome	Twin Share	Start Rome	End Rome	Twin Share
SU 28 OCT	FR 09 NOV	2895	SU 27 JAN	FR 08 FEB	2795
SU 04 NOV	FR 16 NOV	2895	+ SU 03 FEB	FR 15 FEB	2795
SU 11 NOV	FR 23 NOV	2825	SU 10 FEB	FR 22 FEB	2750
+ SU 18 NOV	FR 30 NOV	2825	+ SU 17 FEB	FR 01 MAR	2795
SU 25 NOV	FR 07 DEC	2825	+ SU 24 FEB	FR 08 MAR	2995
SU 02 DEC	FR 14 DEC	2925	SU 03 MAR	FR 15 MAR	2895
+ SU 09 DEC	FR 21 DEC	2925	SU 10 MAR	FR 22 MAR	2895
+ SU 16 DEC	FR 28 DEC	2925	SU 17 MAR	FR 29 MAR	2995
+ TH 20 DEC	TU 01 JAN	3195	SU 24 MAR	FR 05 APR	3150
+ SU 23 DEC	FR 04 JAN	3195	FR 29 MAR	WE 10 APR	3225
+ TH 27 DEC	TU 08 JAN	3195	SU 31 MAR	FR 12 APR	3225
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TH 03 JAN	TU 15 JAN	2795	TU 02 APR	SU 14 APR	3295
SU 06 JAN	FR 18 JAN	2795	WE 03 APR	MO 15 APR	3295
+ SU 13 JAN	FR 25 JAN	2795	FR 05 APR	WE 17 APR	3295
SU 20 JAN	FR 01 FEB	2795	SU 07 APR	FR 19 APR	3295

EARLY BIRD SAVINGS SAVE up to US\$247 p.p.

Single Supplement (add to price above): **US\$640 p.p.**
Exceptions **02 Dec 18: US\$720 p.p.**
24 Feb 19 to 07 Apr 19: US\$720 p.p.

 Multiple trip discount: SAVE up to US\$82	 Young traveller discount: SAVE US\$290
 Triple room discount: SAVE US\$90 p.p.	 Past guests: Access to VIP benefits

- + **Special Rate Solo Rooming:** These departures include 20-100% discount on our standard single supplement. Please see website for pricing.
- + **Christmas & New Year's Eve Highlights:** The 16 December 2018 departure will celebrate Christmas in Florence. The 20 December 2018 departure will celebrate Christmas in Venice and New Year's Eve in Rome. The 23 December 2018 will celebrate Christmas in Sorrento and New Year's Eve in the Italian Lakes. The 27 December 2018 departure will toast New Year's Eve in Assisi. Each of these specially arranged festive meal celebrations will replace one of the included meals featured in the itinerary.
- + **Venice Carnival:** These departures will be staying in Venice during the Carnival of Venice 2019.

➔ MORE ABOUT YOUR TRIP

Airport transfers: On arrival at Rome Fiumicino Airport transfers will operate at 9.30am, 12.30pm and 3.30pm. Guests arriving later should make their own way to the hotel. Return transfers on the last travel day will arrive at Rome Fiumicino Airport at 7am and 9.30am.



Gratuities: Option to pre-pay gratuities for Travel Director and Driver US\$127 per person.

WiFi: See page 74 for details.

Book early for great savings - see pages 12-13. Extra nights' accommodation page 76.

* All prices are per person, twin share.

Visit trafalgar.com for availability, up-to-date itineraries and Optional Experiences.

 Insider Experience	BB Buffet Breakfast	RM Regional Meal	DW Dinner with Wine
WR Welcome Reception	FB Full Breakfast	BG Be My Guest Dining	FD Farewell Dinner
 Free time	L Lunch	D Dinner	