



**VALID
PASSPORT
REQUIRED**
Must be valid for SIX
months past return date

DURGAN TRAVEL PRESENTS

10 Days/8 Nights

ITALIAN LAKES

**Featuring Lake Maggiore, Milan, Isola Bella, Isola
Pescatori, Lake Como, Bellagio, Bergamo, Lake
Garda, Venice, Verona, Padua**

YOUR CHOICE OF DATES

\$TBA* for payment by credit card

\$TBA* for payment by cash/check

***Rates for payment by cash/check. See reservation form for credit card rates. Rates are per person, twin occupancy, and INCLUDE \$TBA in air taxes, fees, and fuel surcharges (subject to change). Subject to 2017 air confirmation.**



OUR ITALIAN LAKES ITINERARY:

DAY 1 – BOSTON-MILAN: Depart Boston's Logan International Airport aboard our regularly-scheduled transatlantic flight to Milan (via an intermediate stop) with full meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, while in flight.

DAY 2 – MILAN-LAKE MAGGIORE: Upon arrival in Milan, we will be met by our Tour Guide, who will help us board our private motorcoach. We will enjoy a panoramic tour of Milan (length dependent on the arrival time of our flight) prior to our ride north to Lake Maggiore and check in at our hotel, the Milan and Speranza au Lac (or similar). The remainder of the day is at leisure to freshen up prior to dinner at the hotel this evening. Overnight. (D) *Hotel Website:* <http://www.milansperanza.it/en>

DAY 3 – LAKE MAGGIORE & THE BORROMEAN ISLANDS: Breakfast at our hotel. Today, we will discover wonderful Lake Maggiore and the Borromeo Islands. First on our agenda, we will drive to the pier where we will board the boat for our cruise to Isola Bella for a tour of the sumptuous Borromeo Palace, and its magnificent and massive Italian-style gardens. We will next cruise to tiny Isola dei Pescatori, once a fisherman's island and Hemingway's favorite of the Borromeo Islands. While on Pescatori, we will have a delicious fish lunch with wine included. We will spend the afternoon exploring the island with its narrow alleyways and romantic churches. Return to Stresa by boat, then back our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, L, D)

DAY 4 – LAKE COMO: After breakfast, we will check out of our hotel and travel to Lake Como and visit its namesake town for a guided morning tour of the beautiful town, which has kept much of its ancient Roman street plan, beginning in the lovely Piazza Cavour which is surrounded by quaint cafés, colorful houses, and stately hotels. In the afternoon, we will travel by boat on a cruise from the town of Como, up the lake past gorgeous villas, to the picturesque town of Bellagio, where we can wander through the peaceful, narrow lanes and covered walkways lined with pastel-colored houses typical of the area. Return by boat and motorcoach to the Hotel Britannia Excelsior (or similar) for check in, dinner and overnight. (B, D) *Hotel website:* <http://www.comovita.com/en/britannia> Bonus note: the Britannia Excelsior features four-course buffet style dinners as well as complimentary hot and cold drinks such as soft drinks, wine, beer, sparkling wine, and spirits from 8:00 AM to 11:00 PM that will be extended to us if we are confirmed there.

DAY 5 – LUGANO: Breakfast at our hotel. This morning, we will again cross the Swiss border for our full-day tour to Lugano, Switzerland. Lugano is nestled in a bay on the northern side of Lake Lugano, surrounded by the nearby Swiss Alps. The town center, with its Mediterranean-style squares and arcades, and numerous parks, invites us to laze around and enjoy the atmosphere. By the lakeside promenade are the famous Belvedere Gardens, which boasts not only magnificent camellias and magnolias, but also countless sub-tropical plants and modern works of art. Return to Lake Como for dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, D)

DAY 6 – BERGAMO: Breakfast at our hotel, followed by hotel check out. Today's excursion will take us to Bergamo, which against the backdrop of the Bergamese Alps, is one of the most beautifully situated cities in Lombardy. Bergamo's Old Town is perched on a hill above, enclosed by ancient Venetian walls, while the modern city center sprawls across the plains below. Our walking tour begins in the Piazza Vecchia – the heart of the Old Town – and we will have the opportunity to view many of its most significant civic and religious monuments, including the Palazzo del Comune, Palazzo della Ragione, the magnificent Cathedral, St. Maria Maggiore, the Colleoni Chapel, with its frescoed dome by Tiepolo, and the beautiful Baptistery. In the late afternoon we'll continue on to our next hotel, the Garda Hotel Forte Charme in Garda (or similar) for dinner and overnight. (B, D) Hotel website: www.fortecharmehotel.it/en-us

DAY 7 – LAKE GARDA: Breakfast at our hotel. We will be off for a tour of Lake Garda today, which consists of both touring and a boat tour. Of all the great lakes of Northern Italy, Lake Garda is the greatest! It is an oasis of Northern Italian light and color. We'll enjoy a pizza lunch and a wine tasting during our travels. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, L, WT, D)

DAY 8 – VENICE: Breakfast at our hotel. Today, we are off to Venice! Venice is a "must see" when visiting Italy. This fantastic metropolis was built on 118 small islands, with countless canals and bridges. We will tour along the Grand Canal to St. Mark's Square, the heart of Venice. There will be free time to enjoy the unusual beauty of this city. Mid- to late-afternoon return to the hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 9 – VERONA & PADUA: Breakfast at our hotel. We will depart today for Verona, the setting for Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet". We will be taken on a sightseeing tour of the Church of San Zeno, Piazza Bra and The Arena, Piazza delle Erbe (with its marketplace), Piazza dei Signori, the Tombs of the Della Scala Family, and the House of Juliet. Our next and last stop today will be to the ancient university city of Padua, the seat of its famous university founded in 1222. Dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, D)

DAY 10 – MILAN~BOSTON: Enjoy breakfast prior to checking out of our hotel before departing for Milan Airport for our return flight to Boston (intermediate stop) with meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, while in flight. (B)

OUR ITALIAN LAKES TOUR INCLUDES ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

- ❖ Round-trip regularly scheduled flights Boston-Milan (*intermediate stop*) and return, with meal and beverage service en route. The identity of the carrier, which may include the carrier's code-share partner, will be assigned and disclosed at a later date.
- ❖ Special meet-and-greet service and assistance at Logan Airport by a Durgan Travel Service Representative.
- ❖ All transfers and sightseeing aboard a private, deluxe, temperature-controlled motorcoach.
- ❖ 8-nights' first-class hotel accommodations as noted on the itinerary, based on twin occupancy. The single supplement is an additional \$TBA per single. *Limited availability -- may be unavailable or subject to surcharge.* Triples are available at the twin rate.
- ❖ Porterage of luggage at the hotels.
- ❖ Breakfast (B) each morning, 2 lunches (L), 1 wine tasting, and dinner (D) nightly.
- ❖ Comprehensive sightseeing package, as detailed in the itinerary on the front page, including entrance fees, where applicable.
- ❖ Full services of a full time Tour Guide who accompany our group throughout the tour.
- ❖ Expert English-speaking step-on guides, where required.
- ❖ All room and meal taxes, and gratuities to bellmen.
- ❖ Complimentary Durgan Travel Service flight bag and complete packet of required travel documents.

DEPOSIT DUE UPON RECEIPT OF FLYER. FINAL PAYMENT DUE 75 DAYS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE.

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