

ITALIAN TREASURES



**Rome~Montecatini Terme
Assisi~Florence~Siena
San Gimignano
Pisa~Luca~Cinque Terre
Verona~Venice
Milan~Lake Garda**

Available Departures:

March at \$TBA*

April at \$TBA*

Early May at \$TBA*

October at \$TBA*

*All rates are per person, twin occupancy, and include \$TBA in air taxes, fees, and fuel surcharges (*subject to change*). Rates are for payment by credit card. See back for discount cash/check rates.



VALID PASSPORT REQUIRED
Must be valid for 3 mos. beyond return date

OUR ITALIAN TREASURES TOUR ITINERARY:

DAY 1 – BOSTON~INTERMEDIATE CITY~ITALY: Depart Boston's Logan International Airport aboard our transatlantic flight to Italy (*via intermediate city*) with full meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, available while in flight.

DAY 2 – ROME: "*Benvenuti in Italia!*" Upon arrival at the Rome Fiumicino Airport, we will meet our Tour Escort, who will help us transfer. There will be an orientation tour and lunch before check in at the our hotel. This evening, we will gather for a Welcome Dinner. Dinner and overnight at our hotel. (L, D)

DAY 3 – ROME: After breakfast at our hotel, we will have a full-day guided sightseeing tour of Rome. By the time our day winds to a close and after lunch (on our own), we will have seen the Colosseum, the Pantheon, the Spanish Steps, the Trevi Fountain, and so much more! Back to our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 4 – ROME~ASSISI~MONTECATINI: After breakfast and hotel check-out, we'll head for Montecatini, with a stop in Assisi to view St. Francis' Cathedral; we'll have some free time to visit the rest of the city. Upon arrival, we will check into our hotel. There will be time to rest, relax, shop, and freshen up prior to dinner. Overnight. (B, D)

DAY 5 – FLORENCE: After breakfast, we'll depart for Florence. On our tour, we will walk around the stirring sights of Florence, including Giotto's Bell Tower, Ghiberti's Gates of Paradise, and Brunelleschi's Dome. The tour ends in Signoria Square. We'll have the afternoon at leisure to explore. Florence has some of the greatest museums in the world, including the Academia (home to Michelangelo's *David*), and the Uffizzi Gallery. Check out the famed Ponte Vecchio or the Medici Palace. Return to Montecatini for dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, D)

DAY 6 – SIENA~ SAN GIMIGNANO: After breakfast, we will drive southwest through the heart of Italian wine country, over the rolling hills of Chianti to Siena. Once in Siena, our escort will lead us to Piazza del Campo, through the narrow streets, past medieval towers and walls. One of the notable highlights of Siena is San Domenico, which holds relics of St. Catherine. Before returning to Montecatini, we are treated to a vintner's lunch! On the way back to Montecatini, we'll visit San Gimignano, often described as "the most famous small town in Italy." This charming medieval hilltop town is noted for its many towers and its breathtaking views of the Tuscan landscape. Sample some "vernaccia," the town's famous wine. Return to Montecatini for dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, L, D)

DAY 7 – PISA~ LUCCA: After breakfast, we will take a tour of Pisa, including the Square of Miracles with the famous Leaning Tower and view Pisa's Duomo, Baptistery, and Camposanto Monumente. We then move onto Lucca, home of the great composer Giacomo Puccini and one of the wealthiest towns in Tuscany. We'll enjoy a nice tour and then have some leisure time in this graceful city. An enjoyable, tourist-friendly city, Lucca is remarkably relaxing and quiet, due to an unusually high number of residents who ride bicycles instead of driving cars. Dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, D)

DAY 8 – CINQUE TERRE: After breakfast, our motorcoach will take us to board the train for a delightful ride to picturesque Cinque Terre. We get the chance to walk along the Via dell'Amore from Riomaggiore to Manarola. We will enjoy lunch with wine at a local restaurant. Included today is a boat trip from Manarola to Monterossa and then another boat ride to La Spezia, with a stop in Portovenere. After a full day, we will return to our hotel in Montecatini for dinner and overnight. (B, L, D)

DAY 9 – MONTECATINI~VERONA~LAKE GARDA: After breakfast and hotel check-out, we will depart for Lake Garda, with a stop in Verona, the setting for Shakespeare's "*Romeo and Juliet*." We will take 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 before continuing on to Lake Garda and hotel check-in for dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, D)

DAY 10 – VENICE: After breakfast, today we are off to Venice! Venice is a "must-see" when visiting Italy. This fantastic metropolis is built on 118 small islands, with countless canals and bridges. We will tour the Grand Canal to St. Mark's Square, visit a glass factory, and enjoy a boat trip from Tronchetto Coach Park to the center of Venice and back. Late afternoon return to the hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 11 – MILAN: After breakfast, we will depart on an excursion west to Milan, where we will enjoy a half-day tour of the city, including visits to The Duomo, which is the largest Gothic cathedral in Italy, and the Church of Santa Maria Delle Grazie, the 15th century Renaissance church which houses Leonardo Da Vinci's masterpiece, "The Last Supper." We will have plenty of free time for shopping and independent sightseeing. Late in the afternoon, we will return to our hotel for dinner. Overnight. (B, D)

DAY 12 – LAKE GARDA~SIRMIONE~GARDONE: After breakfast, we will be off for a tour of Lake Garda, which consists of both a bus tour 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. Next, we will enjoy a relaxing cruise on Lake Garda beginning in Sirmione (often referred to as "the brightest jewel in Garda"), including a pizza lunch on Lake Garda and ending in Gardone! Dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, L, D)

DAY 13 – MILAN-INTERMEDIATE CITY-BOSTON: After breakfast and hotel check-out, we'll transfer to Mapensa Airport in Milan for our return flight to Boston (*via intermediate city*), with full meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, available while in flight. (B)

OUR ITALIAN TREASURES TOUR OF ITALY INCLUDES:

- Round-trip motorcoach transportation to and from Boston's Logan International Airport. FREE with a minimum of 35 paying passengers. Additional charge with fewer than 35.
- Special meet-and-greet service and assistance at Logan Airport by a Durgan Travel Service Representative.
- Round-trip transatlantic flights Boston-Intermediate City-Florence and Milan-Intermediate City-Boston with full meal service and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, available in flight.
- All transfers and sightseeing aboard a private, deluxe, temperature-controlled motorcoach, with expert driver.
- 11-nights' accommodations in first-class hotels, 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.
- Breakfast (B) each morning, 4 lunches (L), and dinner (D) each evening.
- Comprehensive sightseeing package as described in the itinerary, including entrance fees, where applicable.
- Professional Tour Escort, who will accompany our group throughout the tour.
- English-speaking Tour 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.

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