



LUXURY
EUROPEAN
TOURS



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A Private 7-Day Luxury Tour to Italy
including Rome, Florence and Venice

DAY 1

PRIVATE ARRIVAL TRANSFER ROME FIUMICINO AIRPORT

Upon arrival at Rome Fiumicino airport and exiting the baggage claim area, you will be met by your driver holding a sign with your name on it and escorted to a luxury vehicle, then transferred into the city where you will check in to your hotel. The rest of the day is free to relax and settle in.



Rome is the capital city of Italy. It is also the capital of the Lazio region, the centre of the Metropolitan City of Rome, and a special comune named Comune di Roma Capitale. The best way to see Rome's sights is mainly on foot so why not visit Centro Storico, Rome's historic centre. Don't miss the Pantheon, a magnificently preserved ancient Roman temple, with a circular hole in the huge domed roof open to the heavens. A couple of streets away is the splendid Piazza Navona, Rome's elegant showcase square. A short amble further and you're at the foaming, massive Trevi Fountain, and the baroque Spanish Steps, a grand stairway that's perfect for taking a perch and watching the world go by. Close by, the Piazza del Popolo is an impressive oval-shaped square complete with an Egyptian obelisk, home to some wonderful Caravaggio masterpieces in the Santa Maria del Popolo church.

Hotel Locarno

Via Della Penna 22, 00186 Roma Rm, ITALY

3 nights at Hotel Locarno in a Junior Suite inclusive of breakfast



Opened in 1925, Hotel Locarno is Rome's most storied hotel and a rare city hideaway. Historic estate cum high-end boutique hotel, a literary legend with an unbreakable bond with the world of art and culture, well known for regularly welcoming celebrities, artists, filmmakers, and voyagers.

DAY 2

PRIVATE HALF DAY VATICAN MUSEUMS, SISTINE CHAPEL AND ST. PETER'S SQUARE

This morning you will be privately transferred from your hotel where on arrival at the Vatican Museums, your guide will lead you into the museum. Not only is the Vatican Museums complex the largest museum in the world, but it is also one of the world's richest and most valuable museums. Take the tour of the Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel with no queue at all! No stress to access the Vatican: your professional guide will take you inside and accompany you in a memorable visit to one of the most important art collections worldwide. Admire the numerous halls of the museum, including the spiral staircase, the beautiful Raphael's rooms and their famous paintings, before entering the Sistine Chapel, Michelangelo's masterpiece. On your way out from the Sistine Chapel, you will go inside St. Peter's Basilica through an exclusive access skipping long lines. The tour wouldn't be complete without a walk in St. Peter's Square, the open space before the basilica, redesigned by G. L. Bernini, an architectural masterpiece of the Baroque age.



DAY 3

PRIVATE TOUR OF THE COLOSSEUM, ROMAN FORUM AND PALATINE HILL

Today we include a private tour of the Colosseum, Roman Forum and Palatine Hill. Take a complete tour of ancient Rome's major sights and skip the queues for the archaeological area. Gain your special access to the Colosseum and, once inside, breathe the bloody past of the amphitheatre and its atmosphere led by passionate and expert guides.

The Colosseum is a must-see for every traveller who visits Rome. The majestic amphitheater used to be the heart of imperial Rome's entertainment: this huge travertine and tuff structure could hold between 50,000 and 80,000 spectators, all hungering for pretty gory shows such as hunting games or gladiatorial fights. A professionally guided tour is the perfect way to fully enjoy a walk inside the Colosseum and learn more about the building and what happened back in 80 AD, when the venue hosted one hundred days of inaugural games free for the citizens to enjoy. Your guide will provide you with priority skip-the-line access tickets and the tour includes a guided walk in the Roman Forum, the cultural and political centre of Ancient Rome, as well as a stroll around the Palatine Hill, the area where the city of Rome was legendary founded by Romulus and where the emperors used to live for centuries.



DAY 4

PRIVATE TRANSFER, 1ST CLASS TRAIN TO FLORENCE AND A PRIVATE WALKING TOUR INCLUDING ACCADEMIA

This morning you will be met by your driver and escorted to a luxury vehicle for a private transfer to the rail station. We include first class rail seats for your journey by train from Roma Termini to Firenze Rail Station. Upon arrival in Florence Rail Station, you will be met by an English-speaking driver in front of Platform 11 inside the train station and privately transferred to your hotel. After a leisurely lunch you will meet with an expert English-speaking guide for a half day private walking tour of Florence, a perfect introduction to the masterpieces of this city: Michelangelo's David, Brunelleschi's Dome and Piazza Signoria. Meet with your private guide at your hotel and begin your tour of the historical centre of Florence. During the tour, you will see the Cathedral, the Baptistery and Piazza della Signoria, the political heart of Florence since the 1300's, when Florence was the most powerful city in Europe. The visit will continue to Ponte Vecchio, the oldest bridge of Florence, then you will cross the Arno River and arrive at the Pitti Palace, one of the best examples of Renaissance palaces. The tour will end at The Accademia Gallery (entrance included) where you can visit at your leisure.



Florence's museums, palaces, and churches house some of the greatest artistic treasures in the world. The most popular and important sites in Florence include the Cathedral, the Baptistery, the Uffizi, the Bargello, and the Accademia. The churches of Santa Maria Novella and Santa Croce are veritable art galleries, and the library of San Lorenzo is a magnificent exhibition of Michelangelo's architectural genius. Wander some of the oldest streets in the city until you reach the Arno River, cross the Ponte Vecchio, and experience the "newest" area of Florence, the Oltrarno. Be sure to set aside time to see the vast and varied art

collection housed in the Pitti Palace. When you grow weary of museums and monuments, head outdoors. Spend a day at the Boboli Gardens or climb the hill to the church of San Miniato al Monte to experience an enchanting view of Florence.

The Accademia Gallery occupies some rooms from the XIV century, which belonged to the old hospital of San Mateo as well as to the old monastery of San Nicolás de Cafaggio. Subsequently the Grand Duke Leopold of Lorraine founded the Academy of Fine Arts with a collection for the students. At the end of the 18th century these rooms were completely restructured to house the famous museum dedicated to Michelangelo. This is a must stop for anyone visiting Florence since it houses the "David" of Michelangelo sculpted between 1501-1504 to be an outside decoration of the Cathedral of Florence, it became instead a symbol of the Florentine State commitment to freedom and independence, as well as a symbol of the Medici's defeat in 1494. It still personifies energy, vigor and courage, symbolizing the whole mankind fight for survival. His anatomy, later reproduced by Michelangelo's contemporaries, was carefully depicted, thanks to the in-depth studies carried out by the great artist.



[Portrait Firenze](#)

Lungarno Degli Acciaiuoli 4, 50123 Firenze, FLORENCE

2 nights at Portrait Firenze in a Timeless Suite inclusive of breakfast



Hospitality is an art, and Portrait Firenze has made of it a masterpiece. In a new concept of bespoke tourism, Portrait has taken uniform luxury and turned it into spontaneous personalization. In an iconic but intimate off-street address in the heart of Florence, you'll find what can be found nowhere else: a hotel built around a city, a suite built around you, and experiences tailored to your lifestyle. Our goal is to make your stay a portrait of you.

DAY 5

PRIVATE HALF DAY TOUR TO CHIANTI WITH WINE TASTING

After a free morning in Florence to relax, this afternoon you will meet your driver/guide in the hotel lobby and depart on a half-day private tour of the Chianti Wine Country. With your driver / guide, you will head south of Florence to the Chianti area where the famous Chianti Classico wines are produced. Driving on the Via Chiantigiana you will see the most beautiful countryside of the region, with rolling hills, vineyards, olive groves, villas and medieval castles. You will have a chance to stop at one wine estate and also visit the small Tuscany town of Castellina in Chianti. You will arrive back in Florence in the early evening.



DAY 6

PRIVATE TRANSFER, 1ST CLASS TRAIN TO VENICE AND PRIVATE GONDOLA TRIP

Check out and meet your driver in the lobby of your hotel this morning where you will be privately transferred to Florence Rail Station. We include first class train tickets from Florence to Venice with reserved seating. Upon arrival at Venice Rail Station, meet your representative at the platform holding a sign with your name on it. Board a private motor launch from Venice train station to your hotel or nearest mooring point. Porter service is provided at the train station. Later this afternoon, we include a private 30-minute Gondola Ride where you will experience Venice just like the Venetians did. The rest of the day is free to further explore the city.

Venice, the capital of northern Italy's Veneto region, is built on more than 100 small islands in a lagoon in the Adriatic Sea. It has no roads, just canals – including the Grand Canal thoroughfare – lined with Renaissance and Gothic palaces. The central square, Piazza San Marco, contains St. Mark's Basilica, which is tiled with Byzantine mosaics, and the Campanile bell tower offering views of the city's red roofs.

Private Gondola Ride: In the past, wealthy and noble families used their private gondola to move around the city, while the rest of the world did with a carriage. Feel part of an ancient tradition and experience the city as Venetians did for more than a thousand years. Explore the maze of canals from your gondola while the gondolier steers the boat through the intricate and small waterways of Venice.



[Hotel Londra Palace](#)

Riva degli Schiavoni, 4171, 30122 Venezia VE

2 nights at Hotel Londra Palace in a Deluxe Room inclusive of breakfast



With its 100 windows overlooking the San Marco basin, the Londra Palace has been the chosen meeting place of artists, intellectuals, travellers and tourists for over 140 years; those who enjoy authentic locations which don't just conform with current fashions.

DAY 7**PRIVATE WALKING TOUR OF VENICE WITH ST MARKS SQUARE, THE BASILICA AND DOGE'S PALACE**

This morning you will meet an expert local English-speaking guide for a private walking tour of Venice. Enjoy an enchanting panoramic tour over the history of St. Mark's square and its main monuments. Visit St. Mark's Basilica, with the richness of its marbles and mosaics. The Doge's palace, fourteenth century building from where the ancient Venetian Republic exerted the control over the city. Passing through the famous Bridge of Sighs reach the Prisons Palace. Proper attire is required while visiting the Basilica. For security reasons bags, back-packs, etc. cannot be taken into the Basilica. The rest of the day is free to further explore at your leisure.

**DAY 8****PRIVATE DEPARTURE TRANSFER TO VENICE AIRPORT**

The day before departure a pick-up information sheet is emailed to the hotel to reconfirm the pick-up time and location. On departure day, meet a local representative in the hotel lobby at the scheduled time to get on board the private motor-launch to Venice airport. Once you arrive, a private vehicle will pick you up from the landing stage to the departure terminal while porters carry the luggage to the check-in area.



Travelling Passengers: 2

Please see below for complete list of included services.

Accommodation is included for 7 nights at the following hotels including breakfast.

Accommodation

Day	Nts	City	Hotel	Accommodation
Day 1	3	Rome	Hotel Locarno	Junior Suite
Day 4	2	Florence	Portrait Firenze	Timeless Suite
Day 6	2	Venice	Hotel Londra Palace	Deluxe Room

Transport

Day	City	Service	
Day 1	Rome	Private Arrival Transfer	Private Service
Day 4	Rome	Private Departure Transfer	Private Service
Day 4	Rome	First Class Train from Rome to Florence	First Class
Day 4	Florence	Arrival Transfer Florence Rail Station	Private Service
Day 6	Florence	Departure Transfer	Private Service
Day 6	Florence	First Class Train Florence to Venice	First Class
Day 6	Venice	Private Transfer	Private Service
Day 8	Venice	Private Departure Transfer	Private Service



Services

Date	Service	
Day 2	The Vatican Museum with one way transfer	Private Service
Day 3	Tour of the Colosseum with one way transfer	Private Service
Day 4	Florence Walking Tour	Private Service
Day 4	Accademia Gallery	Ticket
Day 5	Half Day Tour to Chianti with Wine Tasting	Private Service
Day 6	Private 30-minute Gondola Ride	Private Service
Day 7	Private Venice Walking Tour	Private Service

PRICE INCLUDES:

- ✓ Tours, Guides and Experiences as specified in your itinerary
- ✓ Transfers with a private driver, touring with an expert driver/guide (one person) and luxury vehicle
- ✓ Professional travel expert available 24/7 throughout your trip.
- ✓ Hotel taxes and fees.

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- ✗ Flights from USA or Europe.
- ✗ Travel insurance and cancellation insurance.
- ✗ Tips to your driver / guide.
- ✗ Your own additional trip costs.
- ✗ Anything not specified in your itinerary