

# ***The Splendors of Northern Italy ...10 Days Tour***

**Treviso, Venice, Island of Murano, Bologna, Pisa, Lucca, Florence, Assisi, Rome**

**Day 1** - Travel day, board your overnight flight from America to Venice today.

**Day 2** - Arrive in Venice, Marco Polo International Airport. Transfer to our Hotel in Stra, near Padua, lunch at our hotel **included**, time to relax. Enjoy a guided tour on our luxury coach bus to visit the city of **Treviso** then back to our hotel for a wonderful *Welcome Dinner included* at Villa Iris or similar.



*TREVISO*



*VILLA IRIS OR SIMILAR*

**Day 3** - Breakfast at the hotel, **included**. We will depart by train and by private boat **included** to Piazza San Marco to meet our guide for a 2 hour tour of **Venice** and the **Island of Murano (optional)**. Lunch on your own and free time for shopping or for gondola ride on your own then back to the hotel for dinner together, **included**.



*VENICE*

**Day 4** - Breakfast at the hotel, **included**. This morning, after breakfast we will depart for our visit to a winery and vinegar Cantina guided tour with lunch, **included** near **Bologna**, then we will proceed to our hotel in Montecatini Terme, dinner at the hotel **included**.



*CANTINA ACETAIA*

**Day 5** - Breakfast at the hotel, **included**. Depart in our luxury coach bus for a guided tour to visit the leaning tower of **Pisa**. We will continue to a local winery for lunch and wine tasting, **included**. Time permitting, we will visit the city of **Lucca** then to our hotel in Montecatini for free time and dinner on your own.



**Day 6** - Morning breakfast **included**. After breakfast we will depart by fast **train**, to visit the vibrant city of **Florence**. You will marvel at the sites of David of Michelangelo at l'Accademia, **included**. Enjoy a local restaurant for typical Florentine cuisine, **included**. Florence, the capital of Italy's Tuscany region, is home to many masterpieces of Renaissance art and architecture. One of its most iconic sights is the Duomo, a cathedral with a terracotta-tiled dome engineered by Brunelleschi and a bell tower by Giotto. The Galleria dell'Accademia displays Michelangelo's "David" sculpture. The Uffizi Gallery exhibits Botticelli's "The Birth of Venus" and da Vinci's "Annunciation." We will return back to our hotel in Montecatini Terme for dinner on your own.





*FLORENCE*

Day 7.... siena or perugia (option)

**Day 7** - Morning breakfast **included**. After breakfast we will depart for a guided tour to visit the city of **Assisi**. Visit the world known churches of St. Clara and St. Francis, and enjoy time for lunch on your own. Assisi is a hill town in central Italy's Umbria region. It was the birthplace of St. Francis (1181–1226), one of Italy's patron saints. The Basilica of St. Francis is a massive, 2-level church, consecrated in 1253. Its 13th-century frescoes portraying the life of St. Francis have been attributed to Giotto and Cimabue, among others. The crypt houses the saint's stone sarcophagus. After our tour of Assisi, we will stop at a local winery for wine tasting, **included**. Then to our hotel in Rome for dinner together, **included**.



*ASSISI*

**Day 8** - Breakfast in hotel **included**. Depart for a panoramic tour of **Rome**, including the Colosseum. Italy's capital, is a sprawling cosmopolitan city with nearly 3,000 years of globally influential art, architecture and culture on display. Ancient ruins such as the Forum and the Colosseum evoke the power of the former Roman Empire. Free time for lunch on your own. Visit the Trevi Fountain, the Pantheon, the Spanish Steps and the Navona Square. Then to our hotel to relax and dinner at the hotel , **included**.



*COLOSSEUM*



*TREVI FOUNTAIN*

**Day 9** - Breakfast in hotel **included**. Depart for a guided tour to visit the Vatican, a city-state surrounded by Rome, Italy, which is the headquarters of the Roman Catholic Church. Its Vatican Museums house ancient Roman sculptures as well as Renaissance frescoes in the Raphael Rooms and the Sistine Chapel (**optional tour with cost per person**), famous for Michelangelo's ceiling. Free time for lunch and shopping on your own. Travel back to our hotel to relax and to get ready for our *Farwell Arrivederci Dinner* at the hotel. **included**.



*THE VATICAN*



*SISTINA CHAPPEL*

**Day 10** - Breakfast in hotel **included**. Transfer to Fiumicino Rome airport for our flight back to the USA.