



JEWELS OF ITALY TOUR

Jewels of Italy - Winter 2016/2017 (7 days)

Trip Itinerary

1. ARRIVE ROME (2 NIGHTS)

Welcome to Rome. After check-in, relax and unwind. Later meet with your Travel Director and fellow travellers. This evening consider a stroll around this fascinating ancient city and mingle with the locals in beautiful squares with stunning architecture. Travel to Europe often requires an overnight flight. Please arrange flights to arrive on or before Day 1.

Hotel - Ergife Palace

2. ROME SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Your Local Specialist takes you on a sightseeing tour with a visit to the Vatican City. Visit the awe-inspiring St. Peter's Basilica and view Michelangelo's statue, the Pietà. Don't miss the opportunity to join an Optional Experience and visit inside the famous Sistine Chapel and Vatican Museums. View the mighty Colosseum and see the ancient sites of Rome. Afterwards enjoy free time to take in the sights or join an Optional Experience to explore the Pantheon and Piazza Navona.

Meal(s) - Buffet Breakfast

3. ROME – PISA – FLORENCE (2 NIGHTS)

This morning leave Rome and head north towards Central Italy. Travel through picturesque scenery in Umbria and Tuscany before arriving in the town of Pisa. Visit the Square of Miracles featuring the Leaning Tower, Cathedral and Baptistery. There is time to shop for souvenirs and take pictures. Later arrive at your hotel near Florence, birthplace of the Renaissance.

Meal(s) - Buffet Breakfast

Hotel - Miró

4. FLORENCE SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

There are few cities in the world with an artistic legacy to equal that of Florence. Your Local Specialist gives a superb commentary of the city's history during your walking tour, which includes views of the Baptistery, Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, the impressive Giotto's Bell Tower and a visit to Piazza della Signoria. Experience a demonstration of fine leatherwork with time to explore on your own. Shop for high quality leather and 18-carat gold jewellery for which Florence is renowned and don't forget to try the gelato. Later enjoy dinner at the hotel.

Meal(s) - Buffet Breakfast, Dinner

5. FLORENCE – VERONA – VENICE (2 NIGHTS)

Your journey continues north across the dramatic Apennine Mountains to Verona, the home of Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers. View the vast Roman Arena, where concerts are still held regularly each year and walk to see Juliet's balcony. Hear the story of the play which begins with a street brawl between Montague and Capulet servants who, like their masters, are sworn enemies. Head east to the magical, romantic city of Venice.

Meal(s) - Buffet Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel – Antony

6. VENICE ORIENTATION AND FREE TIME

This morning watch the Venetian craftsmen at work creating local specialities at a glassblowing workshop on Giudecca Island. Your day starts with a cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square in the heart of Venice. Admire the Bridge of Sighs, the ornate Doge's Palace and the Byzantine Basilica of St. Mark. Spend free time afterwards exploring this fascinating city or perhaps take a cruise across the lagoon to the island of Burano for a relaxing meal. Burano is an island in the Venetian lagoon known for its brightly coloured houses.

Meal(s) - Buffet Breakfast

7. DEPART VENICE

This morning say 'arrivederci' to Italy, your Travel Director and newfound friends at the end of an unforgettable holiday. Transfers are available to Venice Marco Polo Airport. Conditions apply.

Meal(s) - Buffet Breakfast

