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Highlights

Sightseeing Highlights

- Assisi Visit this beautiful town dedicated to St. Francis
- Cassino Views of the monastery high on the hill
- Florence Sightseeing with a Local Specialist includes views of the Cathedral, Piazza della Signoria and Ponte Vecchio
- Italian Lakes Visit Lake Como
- Pisa Visit the Square of Miracles to view the Leaning Tower
- Rome Visit St. Peter's Basilica, view the Colosseum and see the ancient sites with your Local Specialist
- Sorrento Visit this popular resort
- Venice Cruise by private boat to St. Mark's Square and visit a traditional glassblowing workshop
- Verona View the Roman Arena and Juliet's Balcony



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DAY 1 15 November 2024 Arrive Rome (2 Nights)

The 'Eternal City' has captivated travelers for centuries and you'll not be disappointed as it prepares you for an exhilarating journey across Italy. On arrival in Rome, check in to your hotel. then get ready for your very own introduction to Rome or relax at your hotel and recover from your journey. Later this evening, you'll meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a glimpse into what lies ahead along your journey. Soak up the city's effervescent atmosphere during an optional dinner in a characteristic trattoria. Tour Note: Transfers are not offered through Costsaver. Guests should make their own way from the airport to the hotel. Travel documents will include information on public transportation options to the hotel, along with estimated costs for a taxi where available.

Hotel(s): Ergife Palace

DAY 2

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Rome sightseeing and free time

With so much to see and do, you could explore Rome for an eternity without getting bored. Join an Optional Experience to Michelangelo's famous Sistine Chapel and the Vatican Museums or start vour day the Italian way - slow and relaxed. Get to grips with the city's main attractions, joining a Local Specialist at the Vatican City, the world's smallest country. Stand in St. Peter's Square, sharing your space with devoted pilgrims and pigeons. Visit St. Peter's Basilica and view Michelangelo's greatest work, the sorrowful Pietà. Cross the Tiber next, to view the mighty Colosseum and the countless other ancient sites which featured prominently in the days of the powerful Roman Empire. Meal(s):Breakfast.

DAY 3 17 November 2024 Rome - Sorrento - Bay of Naples (1 Night)

The Bay of Naples beckons and our first stop is in the picture-perfect resort town of Sorrento. Pastelhued residences cling impossibly to craggy cliffs that plunge into the deep blue waters of the Tyrrhenian Sea. Enjoy your time soaking up the sun-drenched views. You won't need to venture far to catch the scent of the 'world's best lemons', which you'll see in abundance at the local markets. Taste some of the mouth-watering fresh produce grown locally or consider an Optional Experience to the artists' paradise of Positano, followed by a scenic drive along the Amalfi coast. The Sirens of Sorrento may be nowhere in sight, but that doesn't mean their alluring call will be possible to resist. Meal(s):Breakfast.

Hotel(s): La Panoramica

DAY 4

18 November 2024 Bay of Naples - Assisi (1 Night)

Enjoy the atmosphere as you explore the beautiful Bay of Naples during your free time this morning. Alternatively, choose to join an Optional Experience guided walking tour of Pompeii, buried under the volcanic ash for centuries after Mount Vesuvius erupted. Leaving the Bay of Naples behind, journey past Cassino and view the monastery which featured as a backdrop for some of the fiercest battles of World War II. This poignant reminder of war gives way to a place of pilgrimage, as you head north to Assisi where an orientation reveals a medieval town that has changed very little since the time of St. Francis. Meal(s):Breakfast, Dinner. Hotel(s): Frate Sole

DAY 5

19 November 2024 Assisi – Venice (Oriago) (2 Nights)

Your journey continues across the Apennines and through the Emilia-Romagna region, credited with

being the origin of tortellini, mortadella and parmesan cheese. Before you know it, you'll have arrived in Venice, the Queen of the Adriatic, where an Optional Experience will see you gliding through the city canals in a gondola. Meal(s):Breakfast, Dinner. Hotel(s): LH Hotel Sirio Venice

DAY 6

20 November 2024 Venice orientation and free time

Embark on a cruise by private launch to bustling St. Mark's Square in the heart of Venice. Admire the most famous of Venice's 417 bridges, the Bridge of Sighs, and enjoy views of the Doge's Palace and the Byzantine Basilica of St. Mark. Later, enjoy a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER[®] Experience, when the extraordinary talents of glassblowers take centre stage during a visit to their workshop then consider an Optional Experience to the island of Burano for a relaxing meal with your travel companions.

Meal(s):Breakfast.

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DAY 7 21 November 2024 Venice - Verona - Lake Como - Italian Lakes (Saronno) (1 Night)

The plains of Veneto are all that stand between you and Verona, the tragic stage for Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers. View the ancient Roman Arena, where concerts are still held to this day, and Juliet's Balcony, from which a fictional Juliet once called for her Romeo. Indulge in a romantic moment of your own before leaving Verona, bound for Italy's irresistible Lake District. Arriving on the shores of Lake Como, you'll see first-hand why this scenic setting has been a favourite summer retreat of the rich and famous for centuries. You could choose to board an optional cruise this afternoon to make the most of this idyllic setting. Enjoy dinner at your hotel this evening. Meal(s):Breakfast, Dinner.

Hotel(s): Starhotels Grand Milan

DAY 8

22 November 2024 Italian Lakes – Pisa – Florence (Prato) (1 Night)

Pisa's white marble façades gleam in the sunshine, but it is the famous Leaning Tower that gets most of the glory when you visit this 'Field of Miracles', so named by 20th-century Italian writer and poet Gabriele d'Annunzio. Since Medieval times, the exquisite structures in the piazza have symbolized man's journey through religious life - the Baptistery representing birth, life represented by the Cathedral of Santa Maria Assunta, and the Camposanto, death. After a short drive from Pisa, you'll arrive at your hotel near Florence, the birthplace of the Renaissance. A full day of sightseeing lies ahead, so kick back and enjoy the company of your travel companions this evening at an optional dinner in the Tuscan hills. Meal(s):Breakfast.

Hotel(s): Starhotels Vespucci

DAY 9 23 November 2024 Florence sightseeing – Rome (1 Night)

There are few cities in the world with an artistic legacy equal to that of Florence. Your Local Specialist shares a superb commentary of the city's artistic and architectural heritage during a walking tour, which includes views of the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, the Baptistery, the impressive Giotto's Bell Tower and the Ponte Vecchio. Visit Piazza della Signoria and squeeze in some time for shopping - Florence is particularly renowned for its high-quality leather and 18-carat gold jewellery. Later, return to Rome, where your journey began. You'll have an evening alone to forge final memories with new friends or consider an Optional Experience whisking you away on one last sightseeing trip with a mouth-watering farewell dinner followed by live entertainment. Meal(s):Breakfast.

Hotel(s): Ergife Palace

DAY 10 24 November 2024 Depart Rome

If Italy has become engraved in your heart as it did for celebrated poet Robert Browning, you'll have a hard time saying arrivederci. As the legend says, if you tossed a coin in the Trevi fountain, you will return. Until then bid your Travel Director and travel companions a fond farewell. Tour Note: Guests should make their own way from the hotel to the airport. Travel documents will include information on public transportation options to the hotel. The TSA recommends to give yourself three hours to get through security before your flight departs. Meal(s):Breakfast.

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YOUR HOLIDAY ESSENTIALS

Dining Highlights

- 9 Breakfasts
- 3 Dinners

First class travel Highlights

- All hotel service charges and tips and local taxes
- An expert Travel Director and professional Driver
- Audio Headsets provided throughout your holiday to enhance your included sightseeing experiences
- Cherry-picked hotels, all tried and trusted
- City orientation tours
- Luxury air-conditioned coach with Wi-Fi in most countries
- Many meals and daily breakfasts included
- Variety of Optional Experiences



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