# TRAVEL STYLE

Country Explorer

# NORTHERN ITALY INCLUDING CINQUE TERRE

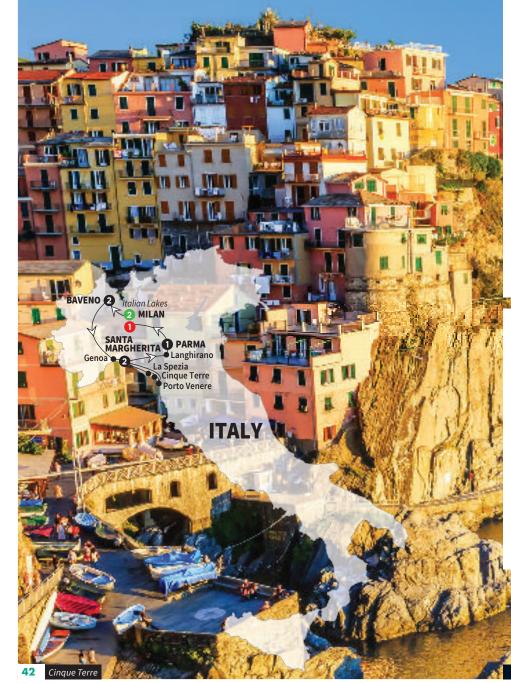
### 9 days - 1 country

#### Code: INOR

# FROMUS\$2095 PP\*

PER PERSON TWIN SHARE

Scents of magnolia and lemons linger along the quaint cobblestone roads and promenades of Italy's northern lake villages on this jaunt from Milan to Genoa, and the foodie city of Parma. See the layers of pastel pinks, yellows and blues that cling to the dramatic sea cliffs of Cinque Terre, enjoying the flavours of prosciutto and parmiagiano along the way.



## THE ESSENTIALS All taken care of



# 8 nights

Hotel accommodation



## 13 meals

8 hot buffet breakfasts 5 dinners (including Be My Guest) with local wine



#### **On-trip transport**

All transport shown All transfers shown

# THE REAL THING

Trafalgar highlights



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#### **BE MY GUEST**

Join Signor Telli for an exclusive dinner and 'bei tempi' at his family run restaurant on the secluded Isola Madre island on Lake Maggiore

## **CULTURAL INSIGHT**

Amble through the beautiful gardens of Villa Taranto with its vertical gardens, water lilies and dahlia maze. Visit a working prosciutto factory and parmigiano reggiano cheese 'caseificio' near Parma

### LOCAL SPECIALIST

For included sightseeing in Milan, Genoa, the Cinque Terre and Parma

#### **HIDDEN TREASURE**

A REPORT OF A PARTY OF

Enjoy at least one surprise Hidden Treasure

# THE ICONS

City tour in Milan ► Genoa ► the Cinque Terre ► Parma

Orientation of Stresa on Lake Maggiore ► Santa Margherita

Visit the botanical gardens at Villa Taranto

View the Gothic Cathedral and La Scala Opera House in Milan ► the Renaissance Palaces in Genoa ► the colourful coastal towns in the UNESCO World Heritage Cinque Terre

#### **SIMPLY THE BEST**

Take it from our real reviews from real guests, we've earned an average 97% satisfaction rating. See all at: **trafalgar.com/reviews** 

# YOUR HOLIDAY

Arrive Milan (2 Nights) Embrace the glamour of Milan, your introduction to the fascinating sights and sounds of northern Italy. Spend the day exploring this trendy city before meeting your fellow travellers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and evening orientation drive. (WR) Hotel: Holiday Inn Garibaldi

#### 2 Milan Sightseeing 💆 🖛

We wander through the sophisticated streets of Milan on a walking tour of the city with a Local Specialist to view the city's most magnificent sites, including the Gothic Cathedral, glassdomed Galleria and La Scala Opera House. Then it's time to pound the pavements in your free time, exploring Italy's fashion capital or visiting the medieval fortress of Sforza Castle to admire magnificent artistry by da Vinci and Michelangelo, including the famous statue of the Pietà Rondanini. (BB)

#### Milan 🕨 Baveno (2 Nights) 💆 🗖 🖛

The holiday hotspot of Italy's picturesque Lake District, and beautiful Lake Maggiore, set against the backdrop of the Southern Alps, is the next stop on our northern Italian journey. We enjoy a Cultural Insight into the exquisite flora of the local area during a visit to the magical Villa Taranto botanical gardens - the scents of azalea, camellia and wisteria linger as we explore lush gardens filled with rare lilies and 300 varieties of dahlias in bloom. Then it's on to our home for the next two nights and the gateway to the three Borromean islands, the picturesque lakeside village of Stresa. Consider taking an Optional Experience to one of the Borromean Islands - Isola Bella, which includes a visit inside the aristocratic Borromeo Palace. (BB, DW) **Hotel: Simplon** 

#### Baveno 觉 🕞 4

Lap up gentle lakeside living and la dolce vita during a full day spent at leisure in this pictureperfect setting. Spend the day relaxing or embark on the alpine train to see the magnificent panoramic views of the north. This evening, we cross the tranquil waters of Maggiore to one of the Borromean islands for an unforgettable Be My Guest dining experience. (BB, BG)

#### Baveno ► Genoa ► Santa Margherita (2 Nights) 🖞 O-5

The maritime city of Genoa and birthplace of Columbus is our first stop today as we join a Local Specialist for an included guided walking tour to view the city's majestic Renaissance and Baroque architecture, and visit Via Garibaldi, the historic centre of Genoa lined by ancient palaces. This afternoon, we arrive in the picturesque seaside town of Santa Margherita, where we will stay overnight, spending the rest of the day free to soak up the holiday atmosphere. (BB) **Hotel: Lido Palace** 

#### Santa Margherita > Full-Day Porto Venere and Cinque Terre Excursion 0-Today we explore the dramatic setting of the five coastal villages of the UNESCO World Heritage Cinque Terre (Five Lands) on an included full-day excursion. The deep blue Ligurian Sea provides a stunning backdrop for the expanse of pastel pinks, yellows and oranges that cling to the rugged seaside cliffs in this beautiful area that can only be reached by boat or train from La Spezia. We join a Local Specialist to visit two of the five picturesque fishing villages. (BB, DW)

**O** Insider Experience WR Welcome Reception Free time

#### **Buffet Breakfast** BB Full Breakfast FB Lunch L

**Regional Meal** Be My Guest Dining

7 Santa Margherita ► Langhirano

Today is a feast for the senses. Crossing the scenic

Appenine mountains, we venture towards Parma,

renowned for its famous Parma ham and cheese.

Gain a Cultural Insight into the gourmet delights

of this region during a visit to a working prosciutto

factory near the town of Langhirano and a brief

consider an unforgettable Optional Experience

featuring delicious local flavours in a historic

setting. (BB) Hotel: CDH Parma & Congressi

Delight in the gastronomic and architectural

See the 12<sup>th</sup> century Piazzo Duomo with its

Garibaldi Square, home to the Palazzo del

Romanesque Cathedral and Baptistery, and

splendour of the Emilia-Romagna region during

a guided tour of Parma with a Local Specialist.

Governatore with its ornate astronomical clock. We leave the flavours of Parma behind and

embark on a scenic drive back to Milan where

we'll enjoy a Farewell Dinner tonight with our

travel companions and Travel Director. (BB, FD)

Our sumptuous encounter with the landscapes

Transfers are available. Conditions apply. (BB)

of Northern Italy has sadly come to an end.

photo stop at Torrechiara before learning the

process of making real parmigiano reggiano cheese at a family-run caseificio. This evening,

🕨 Parma 🗲

Parma > Milan 0-

**Hotel: Starhotels Tourist** 

**Depart Milan** 

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*Excellent service that really* 

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Dinner with Wine DW Farewell Dinner FD

# YOUR HOLIDAY PLANNER

	PRICE PP				PR	PRICE PP	
<b>Start</b> Milan	<b>End</b> Milan	Twin Share		<b>Start</b> Milan	<b>End</b> Milan	Twin Share	
SA 21 APR	SU 29APR	2095		SA 14JUL	SU 22JUL	2095	
SA 28APR	SU 06 MAY	2125	+	SA 21JUL	<b>su</b> 29JUL	2095	
			-	SA 28JUL	<b>su</b> 05AUG	2095	
SA 05 MAY	SU 13 MAY	2125					
SA 12 MAY	SU 20 MAY	2125		SA 04AUG	SU 12AUG	2095	
SA 19 MAY	SU 27 MAY	2125		SA 11AUG	SU 19AUG	2095	
SA 26 MAY	<b>SU</b> 03 JUN	2125	+	SA 18AUG	SU 26AUG	2095	
			-	SA 25AUG	SU 02SEP	2150	
<b>SA</b> 02 JUN	SU 10 JUN	2125					
SA 09JUN	SU 17 JUN	2125		SA 01 SEP	SU 09SEP	2150	
SA 16 JUN	SU 24 JUN	2095		SA 08SEP	SU 16 SEP	2150	
SA 23 JUN	SU 01 JUL	2095		SA 15SEP	SU 23SEP	2150	
SA 30JUN	SU 08 JUL	2095		SA 22SEP	SU 30SEP	2150	
			-	SA 29SEP	SU 070CT	2150	
SA 07 JUL	SU 15 JUL	2095					

Single Supplement (add to price above): US\$320 p.p.

#### **EARLY BIRD** SAVINGS SAVE US\$215 .... Past guest discount: Multiple trip discount: SAVE up to US\$108 SAVE up to US\$54 Young traveller discount: Triple room discount: êêê SAVE US\$210 SAVE US\$70 p.p.

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# MORE ABOUT YOUR TRIP

Airport transfers: On arrival at Milan Malpensa Airport transfers will operate at 9.30am, 1pm and 3.30pm. Guests arriving later should make their own way to the hotel. Return transfers on the last travel day will arrive at Milan Malpensa Airport at 7.30am and 10.30am.

Gratuities: Option to pre-pay gratuities for Travel Director and Driver, US\$88 per person. WiFi: See page 256 for details.

\* All prices are per person, twin share.

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#### BG D Dinner