

TRIP START DATES

2023	2024
MAY 04, 06, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27	FEB 29
JUN 01, 03, 08, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29	MAR 07, 14, 21, 28
JUL 01, 06, 13, 15, 20, 27, 29	APR 04, 11, 18, 25, 27
AUG 03, 10, 12, 17, 24, 26, 31	MAY 02, 04, 09, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, 30
SEP 02, 07, 09, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, 30	JUN 01, 06, 08, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29
OCT 05, 07, 12, 19, 26	JUL 04, 11, 13, 18, 25, 27
NOV 09, 23, 30	AUG 01, 08, 10, 15, 22, 24, 29, 31
DEC 19, 28	SEP 05, 07, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28

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📍 REGIONAL JOURNEY
ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

11 DAYS
2 COUNTRIES
16 MEALS
18 INCLUDED EXPERIENCES

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GUEST REVIEW ★★★★★

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER

Vesuvius National Park: Visit Casa Barone, a small family-run farm on the slopes of Mt. Vesuvius and one of the world's only producers of Piennolo tomatoes. Learn about their commitment to sustainability and taste the flavours of this special tomato during your Farm-to-Table lunch.

Visit a glassblowing workshop in Venice.

INSIGHT EXPERIENCE

Vatican City: Gain priority access into the Vatican Museums and admire the famous Bramante Staircase. Witness the genius of Michelangelo in the Sistine Chapel and view the splendid dome of St. Peter's Basilica.

INSIGHT CHOICE

Florence: Choose to visit the Accademia Museum and see Michelangelo's David. Alternatively, wander through the market stalls on a shopping tour.

AUTHENTIC DINING

Welcome Dinner in Rome • Restaurant Dinner in Florence • Celebration Dinner in Rome.

TOP RATED HIGHLIGHTS

Travel by hydrofoil to the Isle of Capri • Ride in an open-top taxi in Capri • Enjoy a gondola serenade in Venice • Visit Pompeii

Visit the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi.

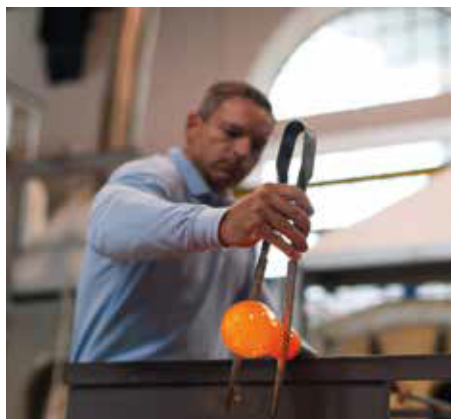
BEST OF ITALY

"Italy is the world's biggest wine producer, with the largest number of native wine grape varieties. Experience delicious cuisine as we travel throughout the peninsula and enjoy a range of Italian wines."
– Chris, Travel Director

AVAILABLE YEAR-ROUND



VENICE,
ITALY



GLASS BLOWING,
VENICE

A #MAKETRAVELMATTER
EXPERIENCE



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DAY 1 WELCOME TO THE ETERNAL CITY OF ROME

Welcome to Rome, a glorious city filled with classic antiquities, medieval buildings, Renaissance palaces and baroque churches. Transfers depart from Rome's Fiumicino Leonardo da Vinci Airport for your hotel at 09:30, 12:30 and 15:30.

Relax and settle in before joining your Travel Director at 17:30, and get to know your fellow travellers over a delicious Welcome Dinner with wine at a local restaurant. (DW)

Hotel Romanico Palace, Rome.

DAY 2 VATICAN CITY AND ROME WITH A LOCAL

The day is devoted to The Eternal City. Join a Local Expert for an in-depth visit to the Vatican Museums, full of priceless art treasures collected by the Popes. Insight has arranged special priority entry and behind-the-scenes access to the Bramante Staircase, a marvel of Renaissance architecture, normally off-limits to visitors. Visit the Sistine Chapel, where Popes are elected, to admire Michelangelo's famous ceiling. Continue to St. Peter's Basilica, to wonder at another of his works, the emotive 'Pietà,' and stand beneath the dome completed after his death. Cross the Tiber river to enjoy ancient Rome. See the incredible Circus Maximus. Admire the beautifully preserved Arch of Constantine, and walk on the ancient pavement. Discover the history, the construction and the legends of the iconic Colosseum as you stroll around the exterior of this amazing structure. Later, perhaps continue your exploration of Rome to see the Pantheon, toss a coin in the Trevi Fountain and enjoy free time around Piazza Navona? (B)

DAY 3 THE CHIANTI HILLS TO FLORENCE

Drive to the Chianti Hills and the city of Florence. On arrival, you will be privy to the secrets of traditional Florentine leatherwork and see a gold demonstration.

This evening, indulge in a delicious meal at a local restaurant. (B) (DW)

NH Firenze/Hotel Adler Cavalieri, Florence.

DAY 4 FLORENCE, BIRTHPLACE OF THE RENAISSANCE

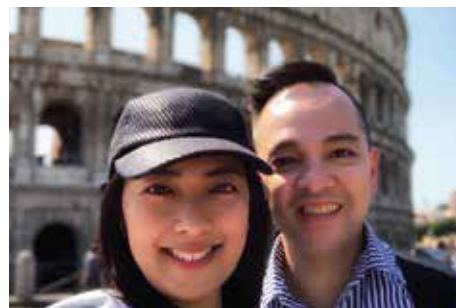
Explore Florence with Insight Choice. Choose to visit the Accademia Museum and see Michelangelo's David. Alternatively, wander through the market stalls on a guided shopping tour, enjoying all the Italian treats and finery on offer. Continue on foot to the multi-coloured marble cathedral, bell tower and baptistry, where Ghiberti's Gates of Paradise have been recreated in all their glory. Visit Piazza della Signoria, still the political heart of Florence and an open-air gallery of Renaissance masterpieces. Spend time gazing at statues such as Neptune and Hercules and Cacus along the front of the Palazzo Vecchio. In the afternoon, perhaps visit medieval San Gimignano? (B)

DAY 5 PISA TO VENICE, THE QUEEN OF THE ADRIATIC

Journey to the coastal town of Pisa and see the famous Leaning Tower in the Square of Miracles, as well as the baptistry and colonnaded bell tower behind the cathedral. Relax and enjoy the scenery as you cross the spectacular Apennine Mountains, through the Emilia-Romagna region - one of Europe's most intensely farmed and fertile plains. Continue through the marshes of the Venetian Lagoon before crossing the causeway into the floating city of Venice. As evening falls, day-trippers desert the city to return to the mainland. Appreciate the peace and tranquility of Venice from your centrally located hotel.

This evening, indulge in a delicious dinner at a local restaurant. (B) (DW)

NH Venezia Santa Lucia, Venice.



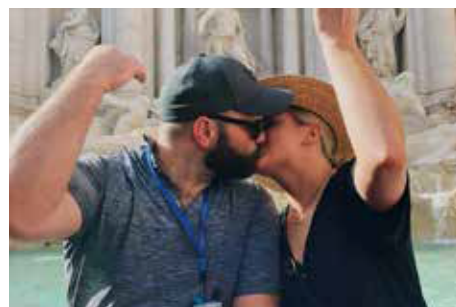
TOP RATED HIGHLIGHT See the iconic Colosseum with a Local Expert. (Photo by @vindiezel, Day 2, Rome)



INSIGHT EXPERIENCE Enjoy fast-track entrance to the Vatican Museums. (Photo by @insightanna, Day 2, Vatican City)



INSIGHT EXPERIENCE Visit St. Peter's Basilica as part of a fascinating guided exploration of the Vatican. (Photo by @insightanna, Day 2, Vatican City)



TOP RATED HIGHLIGHT Take a chance to toss a coin in The Trevi Fountain. (Photo by @Samuel_wayne93, Day 2, Rome)

KEY

- Join/Leave Options
- UNESCO Heritage Site
- Central Hotels + Nights
- Scenic Hotels + Nights
- Place Visited
- Optional Place Visited
- Cruise



CHOOSE YOUR GROUP SIZE

This trip operates both classic and small group departures. You can also book your own private group with as few as 12 travellers.