

# Italian Holiday

7 Days

2 Countries

10 Meals

Visit the Vatican with priority access, journey through Tuscan landscapes and cruise along the canals of Venice. You'll also encounter the Renaissance highlights of Florence and the Leaning Tower of Pisa.

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## Your Must-See Highlights

- **VIP Admission** to the Vatican Museums
- **Explore** Rome and Florence with a Local Specialist
- **Discover** Venice, Verona and Pisa
- **Visit** St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel and the Colosseum in Rome, and a glassblowing factory in Venice
- **View** the ancient sites of Rome, the Byzantine St. Mark's Basilica in Venice, the Leaning Tower of Pisa and Santa Croce Basilica and the Duomo in Florence

Day

**1 Ciao Rome** Indulge all your senses in the imperial city of Rome, your introduction to a memorable encounter with Italy which will have you returning for more. Spend your afternoon relaxing after your journey, or explore the ancient city streets before joining your Travel Director and travel companions for a Welcome Reception. This evening, we take an orientation drive past Rome's most magnificent sights which we will have an opportunity to explore tomorrow. **(WR)**  
**Hotel: Cicerone**

**2 Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City** Our encounter with Rome begins in the Holy See as we *Dive Into Culture* with a visit to the Vatican Museums in the company of a *Local Specialist* to admire the masterpieces that have been collected by Popes throughout the centuries. Gaining priority admission, we admire the magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and then visit St. Peter's Basilica, the greatest cathedral in Christendom, to see Michelangelo's sorrowful Pietà. Crossing the Tiber, we venture into Ancient Rome to visit the imposing Colosseum and view Circus Maximus, once the site of thrilling chariot races. Spend a leisurely afternoon exploring Rome. Admire the Spanish Steps or toss a coin in the Trevi Fountain to secure your speedy return. **(B, 🍷)**

**3 Journey to the Floating City of Venice** This morning, we venture north through the valley of the Tiber into the green and golden landscapes of Umbria. We pass the hilltop towns of Orte and Orvieto, travelling through Tuscany's terraced olive groves and the Apennine Mountains, bound for Venice, the 'Queen of the Adriatic'. **(B, D) Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana**

**4 Onwards to Verona** Cruise by private launch into the heart of Venice this morning, where we will see the city's most celebrated sights including the Bridge of Sighs, St. Mark's Square, St. Mark's Basilica and the ornate Doge's Palace. *Dive Into Culture* and enjoy a *MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®* Experience learning the intricate craft of glassblowing. Soak up the pageantry and elegance of Venice before continuing to Verona, home of Shakespeare's ill-fated lovers Romeo and Juliet, where we'll spend the night. **(B, 🍷, 🍷)**  
**Hotel: Leopardi**

**5 Admire Pisa and on to Florence** Pisa's UNESCO-listed Square of Miracles is our first stop today, where we will have the opportunity to view the Leaning Tower before travelling on to Florence. Explore the birthplace of the Renaissance and home of the Medici dynasty, whose penchant for beautiful art and architecture created one of the cultural centres of the world. Tonight we *Connect With Locals* at a *Be My Guest* experience set against the backdrop of Tuscan vineyards and olive groves. **(B, BMG, 🍷) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo**



**Dinner at a Tuscan vineyard.** Spend the evening at the Landi family vineyard enjoying a home-cooked meal, Chianti and fascinating family stories in what has been their home for eight generations. Read more at [trafalgar.com](https://trafalgar.com).

**6 All Roads Lead to Rome** We join a *Local Specialist* today to delve into the rich medieval and Renaissance history of Florence. Our sightseeing tour will take us to Piazza della Signoria with its impressive sculptures and imposing *palazzi*. We'll wander the narrow streets, passing by the multi-coloured marble Duomo, the famous Baptistery, and the almost 700-year-old Ponte Vecchio. Admire this spectacular feat of engineering dating from the Middle Ages which is today lined with jewellers. Continuing our journey through Umbria and the valley of the Tiber River, we return to Rome where our holiday concludes. Toast to a memorable trip with newfound friends at a Farewell Dinner. **(B, FD)**  
**Hotel: Grand Tiberio**

**7 Farewell Rome** After breakfast, it's time to say a fond *arrivederci* to Rome, Italy and your travel companions as you return home with wonderful memories of this magnificent destination. Find out more about your free airport transfer at [trafalgar.com/freetransfers](https://trafalgar.com/freetransfers). **(B)**



**Travel Director Tip**

Look for 'Baci di Giulietta e Romeo' or 'Romeo and Juliet kisses' when in Verona. These local specialties, made from almonds and hazelnuts, represent a sweet gift that lovers exchange on romantic occasions. They make a delightful and affordable souvenir.

**Patrizia Tocco**

See below for a selection of departure dates. Speak to your Travel Agent or search 'Italian Holiday' on [trafalgar.com](https://trafalgar.com) for all available departures and pricing.

**2023**

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- These departures may vary in itinerary, hotels, and inclusions in line with seasonal changes.
- ★ **Festive Meals:** Christmas and New Year's Eve dinners have been arranged for these departures. Join us in Europe to celebrate the festive season.
- + **Special Rate Solo Rooming:** These departures include 20 - 100% discount on our standard single supplement.

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- Dinner
- Farewell Dinner