

13 Days: Pavia Venice Florence Pisa Lucca Rome Amalfi Coast- BTCDFT



Day 1 - Milan Airport/ Pavia

Arrival at Milan airport. Meet your personal English speaking driver to escort you directly to Castello Sannazzaro, an old charming restored castle from XII century, plunged in a green park not too far from Broni where the cellar Francesco de Montagna is located for

the next morning visit. Rest of the day at your leisure. Dinner in a restaurant nearby at your own. Overnight at the Castle.

Day 2 – Francesco de Montagna cellar in Broni /Venice

Breakfast at the hotel and check out for transfer by private A/C car to the wine cellar in Broni during the morning. English guided visit of the property and subsequent tasting of 4 different wines (between red and white) including a light lunch based on salami and bacon flat bread appetizers, savory stuffed rolls with vegetables and ham, omelettes with herbs, and different types of cheese. In the early afternoon departure for Venice where you will get in about 3 hours . Transfer by private taxi boat to the Hotel Centurion Palace 5****L right in the heart of Venice, on one side the placid waters of the lagoon, and on the other the mysterious alleyways of Venice, leading to two of the city's most stunning modern museums, the Peggy Guggenheim and the new Punta della Dogana. Free time for relaxing . Dinner at a restaurant nearby where typical venetian specialties are offered. Overnight in the hotel.

Day 3 – Venice – morning walking tour /Cicchetti tasting/Gondola ride at night with dinner

You will meet the tour guide directly at the hotel at 9 a.m. In the first part of the tour, the visit is focused on St. Mark's square , heart of Venice , including a visit to St. Marks Basilica (with skip the line tickets), including the first floor, where the famous golden horses are kept . You'll admire the Square and its monuments from the splendid balcony in the façade of the church. Later, visit of the Doge's Palace the hearth of the ancient venetian government, a gothic masterpiece full of marvelous paintings. After a little break you'll start an exciting walking tour, exploring the hidden Venice, enjoying a delightful stroll along narrow passageways, over delicate bridges and meandering canals . In the lively Campo Santa

Maria Formosa, the guide will discuss the development of the Venetian Architecture, as you admire its fine medieval and renaissances Palaces.

In campo Santi Giovanni e Paolo you'll admire the "St Mark's school", the most beautiful well-head in Venice and the church of San Giovanni e Paolo where many important Venetians were laid to rest and you'll learn about illustrious Venetian characters like Marco Polo, visiting the place where He lived. The visit will end up at the Rialto bridge, symbol of Venice, with the incredible view of the Gran Canal. Rest of the afternoon at your leisure before starting an exiting night tour in gondola. (2 hours) Your personal guide will be waiting for you at Palazzo Sant Angelo. This will be quite different from the morning one, because you'll discover another Venice, far from the crowd. You'll learn about the mysteries and the dark stories of this incredible city. You'll start at Saint Mark's square, with the Clock's tower (the two clock makers were blinded because Government wish was not to create another copy) and looking for the spot for capital executions. You will take the Gondola for a fantastic tour in the venetian canals, with other incredible stories. After the gondola ride you'll proceed for the Merceria, where you'll listen the incredible story of Giustina Rossi, an old lady who stop a dangerous conspiracy; you'll admire the strange facade of the church of Saint Zulian, full of cabbalistic symbols. Later you cross the Campo Lucatelli, well connected with a bloody story, and Campo della Fava, where a romantic ghost story was set. You'll cross the Rialto Bridge where you'll learn about the story of the Devil and the child's ghost. The tour will end at Erberia, where you will see the opposite Campiello del Remer, famous for an incredible ghost story with a man with his wife's head. Dinner at fantastic restaurant Gondolieri, in front of the Rialto bridge. End of the tour and back to Hotel.

Day 4 – Murano island – Glass Factory

After breakfast, meet with your private English speaking guide for transfer by private taxi boat to Murano. A fantastic occasion to admire Castello, one of the six district of Venice from its hidden canals, and getting into Murano. Day tour will start with the visit to a glass factory, where you will learn everything about the venetian blowing glass, observing a real master at work. After the glass factory tour, you will approach the fantastic church of Santi Maria e Donato, a byzantine masterpiece with beautiful mosaics. On the way back by private boat to Venice you will stop for lunch in a typical restaurant where venetian dishes will be served. Rest of the day at your leisure to relax or shopping around. Free dinner at your choice. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 5 – Venice/Florence

After breakfast and check out of the hotel your private taxi boat will transfer you to rail station for departure to Florence where you will get in about 2 hours at Hotel Villa Medici 5****L, an historical residence located in the heart of the city. Check in at the hotel and lunch on your own. After lunch meet your private English speaking guide in the lobby of the hotel and start the walking guided visit of Florence including the wonderful Accademia Gallery so to admire the many masterpieces that this Gallery has got: 'David' and 'Prigioni' sculptures by Michelangelo , just to name a couple. Free dinner. Overnight at hotel.

Day 6 - Guided tour in Pisa and Lucca

After breakfast meet with your personal driver for a direct transfer to Pisa where your guide will be waiting for you to bring you to discover one of the most and wonderful Italian cities: Pisa. The tour starts from the central Piazza Dei Miracoli, famous for its Leaning Tower and for the many beautiful architectural structures that distinguish this city. From here you will have time to explore this

small city on your own, you will discover the many aspects of this fascinating town, named after a Greek city, from which it is believed originated the first inhabitants. A town, who thanks to its Tower, has become a symbol in Italy and in the world . It has also fascinated many film directors who have chosen it as a set location for their films. It is so evocative and characteristic, that it has been proposed as one of the seven modern wonders of the world.

You will be free to lunch in one of the many fabulous restaurants scattered throughout this evocative and characteristic city. Later in the afternoon, your driver will chauffeur you to Lucca, where alongside your personal guide you will explore and learn of the beauty of this small but very important town made famous by its (still intact) Renaissance Wall. You will be amazed by the architectural beauty and artistic ambiance of the Piazza dell'Anfiteatro, and marvel at the historic sights that you have witnessed in both these cities. After your tour, certainly pleased with this experience, you will come back to Florence with private car. Overnight in Florence, Hotel Villa Medici.

Day 7 – Florence Uffizi Gallery

After breakfast you will meet your personal guide in the lobby to be escorted leisurely on an unforgettable tour: the Uffizi Gallery. The Gallery houses a superb collection of priceless art, originating in great part from the Medici family collection, enriched over the centuries by endowments, exchanges and donations, among which an important group of religious works stands out, resulting from the suppression of the monasteries and convents between the XVIII and XIX centuries. Here, you will find the richest collection in the world of works of the Tuscan school, Florentine in particular, among which: Cimabue, Michelangelo, Giotto, Leonardo da Vinci and Raffaello. Without parallel is the collection of works by Sandro

Botticelli. Free lunch and dinner and rest of the day at your leisure. Overnight at hotel Villa Medici.

Day 8 – Florence /Rome Colosseum Imperial Fora/Night tour

After breakfast check out of the hotel ready to proceed towards Rome by private car. Check-in at the Hotel Bernini Bristol 5****L located in the centre of town. Free time to relax In the afternoon (approx. at 4,00pm) meet your private guide . Transfer with your car towards the ancient part of the city. During this afternoon you will discover the Colosseum and the Imperial fora with pre-reserved no waiting in lines tickets . At the end of the tour we reserved for you a dinner in a typical Roman restaurant on a walking distance from the Colosseum: here you will enjoy dinner with the freshest ingredients. After dinner meet your driver for a tour of Rome By night : passing by Via dei Fori Imperiali, up to Piazza Venezia , Piazza di Spagna, Saint Peter's Square, Castel S.Angelo, and culminating at the Gianicolo ("the Janiculum"), where you will enjoy a unique and breathtaking view of the Eternal City. Overnight at the hotel .

Day 9 – Rome Vatican Museum and Sistine Chapel Breakfast in Hotel.

Meet your English speaking guide and private driver for transfer by car to Vatican City to visit Vatican Museum and Gallery, Raphael's rooms with the wonderful frescoes, and the Sistine Chapel where Michelangelo's restored masterpieces adorn the ceilings and walls. Next, we enjoy a guided tour of St. Peter's Basilica. The basilica is very impressive with its imposing architecture, rich ornamentation, and marvelous works of art. We view one of Rome's most recognized work of art, Michelangelo's Pieta. Rest of the day will be free; you can relax, or shopping around. Lunch and dinner free. Overnight at Hotel .

Day 10- Rome/Sorrento guided tour in Pompei

After breakfast meet your private driver out of the hotel and transfer by private car to Sorrento with a stop in Pompei first for a guided tour of the Pompei excavation, a town that was buried in 79AD beneath the ashes of one of the biggest volcanic eruptions of all time. Met by your private guide at the entrance to the preserved city you will have the opportunity to explore the ruins of the ancient Roman Empire .Lunch at and transfer to Sorrento at the Grand Hotel Excelsior Vittoria 5*****L hotel right in the city center of Sorrento. Dinner is reserved for you in a unique restaurant in the center of Sorrento with a complete menu Overnight at hotel.

Day 11 - Guided visit to the Amalfi Coast

Breakfast at the Hotel and then meet your personal English speaking driver for a full day tour in the Amalfi coast, he will escort you by way of a charming and pleasurable scenic route, to Ravello, the city of music on the Amalfi Coast with a panoramic view in a setting of extraordinary natural beauty; he will accompany you on the discovery of the beauty of this town, including its Romanesque Cathedral. At the end of your visit, your driver will bring you to the nearby Amalfi , one of the oldest maritime republics. The first stop will be at a restaurant that will amaze you with its history and beauty; free time for lunch, after lunch, you can walk around this splendid cliff town overlooking the sea to discover its secrets; how, for example, the history of the ceramics of this place date back to ancient times and the Duomo di S. Andrea. Later, your driver will be ready to take you back to your hotel in Sorrento. Overnight in the hotel Gran Hotel Excelsior Vittoria 5*****L

Day 12 - Sorrento Cheese making/Limoncello tasting /Naples

After breakfast meet the owner of the cheese factory at the hotel, or nearby, who will escort you to one of the oldest Cheese factory of the Peninsula Sorrentina. It is a family run cheese factory: here,

during the day you will discover all the secret how they make the Fresh Mozzarella every day since 1940. You will enjoy: - how they produce the best cheeses Sorrento has to offer. - practical demonstration of how they create mozzarella from the simple cow's milk - final tasting of all own specialties in their welcoming tasting room : mozzarella, caciocavallo, provolone del monaco and caciotta.

At the end of the tasting with the driver and the guide transfer to a the lemon grove, with elucidations about the typical “Sfusato Amalfitano” lemon. You will discover how they made Limoncello every day and everything about the production steps. The tour will ends with the limoncello and the typical local liqueurs tasting. Free time for lunch. In the afternoon departure for Naples from where you will fly back home the day after. Check in at Hotel Vesuvio 5*****L. Time for relaxing, walking or shopping in the old town centre. Dinner at a typical Pizzeria where you will enjoy genuine pizza, famous throughout the world. Overnight.

Day 13 – Naples Airport

Check out from the hotel after breakfast and transfer with private A/C car to Naples Capodichino airport for flight back home. BYE BYE ITALY!!!!!!

THE TOUR INCLUDES:

- 1 night at Castle Sannazzaro Luxury hotel (near Broni-Pavia)
- 3 nights at the hotel Centurion Palace 5*****L in Venice or similar
- 3 nights at the hotel Villa Medici 5*****L in Florence or similar
- 2 nights at the hotel Bernini Bristol 5*****L in Rome

- 2 nights at the hotel Grand Hotel Vittoria 5*****L in Sorrento or similar
- 1 night at the Hotel Vesuvio 5*****L in Naples
- Breakfast everyday at the hotels
- Arrival and departure transfers with private car equipped with A/C
- Arrival and departure transfers in Venice with private Water taxis
- Professional, personal, English speaking guide for FD tour in Venice, with cicchetti tasting and gondola ride night tour
- Professional, personal, English speaking guide for HD tour in Murano, glass factory
- Professional, personal, English speaking guide for FD tour in Pisa and Lucca
- Professional, personal English speaking guide for HD tour in Florence visit Uffizi Gallery
- Professional, personal English speaking guide for HD tour in Florence visit the Accademia
- Professional, personal, English speaking guide for HD tour in Pompeii
- Professional, personal English speaking guide for the Amalfi coast tour to Amalfi, Positano and Ravello
- Professional, personal, English speaking guide in Rome HD tour of Colosseum and Imperial Fora.
- Professional, personal, English speaking guide in Rome HD tour of Vatican museum and Sistine chapel
- 1st class train tickets from Venice to Florence and from Florence to Rome
- Tour of Rome by Night (2 hours)
- 2 Dinners with complete menu (beverages excluded) in Venice
- 1 dinner with complete menu (beverage excluded) in Rome
- 1 lunch with complete menu (beverage included) in Pompeii
- 1 dinner with complete menu (beverage included) in Sorrento

- 1 Dinner (pizza) (beverage included) in Naples
- Cheese making experience including cheese tasting and limoncello tasting
- Reserved Entrance tickets (with no waiting lines) For:
- St. Mark's Basilica, Doge's Palace
- Uffizi Gallery and Accademia Museum (FLORENCE)
- Vatican Museum and Sistine Chapel (ROME)
- Imperial Fora and Colosseum (ROME)
- Pompei excavations (POMPEII)
- ALL SERVICES, ARE EXCLUSIVE AND PRIVATE SERVICES .

THE TOUR DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- All meals not mentioned in the program
- All transfers not mentioned in the program
- Tips
- All that is not expressly listed in "THE TOUR INCLUDES"

For prices – Pls contact us.