



ITALIAN CITIES

2024 | OCTOBER 18-28

life can be a trip
Let us show you the world.

Rome



Trevi Fountain



Pantheon



Piazza Navona

The group will meet our guide in the hotel lobby at 5PM for an introductory meeting and to begin our orientation tour. Along the walk we will see sites such as the Trevi Fountain, the Pantheon, and Piazza Navona. The walk will conclude with a group dinner. After dinner you will have the rest of the evening to explore on your own.

Overnight in Rome.



The Coliseum and Forum

Rome

After breakfast, the group will depart for a morning of Roman history—beginning with the Coliseum, followed by the Forum. We'll conclude with a walking tour of the Jewish Ghetto. After the tour you will have the rest of the day to explore Rome on your own. Perhaps you'll want to grab a gelato and people watch from the Spanish Steps. *Overnight in Rome.*

The image shows the interior of the Sistine Chapel, a masterpiece of Renaissance art. The ceiling is covered in Michelangelo's 'The Last Judgment' fresco, which depicts Christ rising from his tomb and the souls of the dead being resurrected. The walls are also adorned with various frescoes, including the 'Fountain of Life' by Botticelli. The architecture features a series of arches and a high vaulted ceiling. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the intricate details of the artwork.

SISTINE CHAPEL

You will have the morning free to explore this incredible city on your own. In the afternoon, we will meet at a group to go to the Vatican City to visit St. Peter's Cathedral and the Sistine Chapel.

Overnight in Rome.



Florence

After breakfast, we will board our bus and drive to Florence—the capital of Tuscany and home of the Renaissance. Upon arrival at our hotel, you will have time to check in and settle into your home for the next three night. We'll meet in the hotel lobby at 5:30 for our orientation walk of the city. The walk will conclude with a group dinner at our favorite restaurant in Florence. You will then have the rest of the evening to explore on your own.

Overnight in Florence.

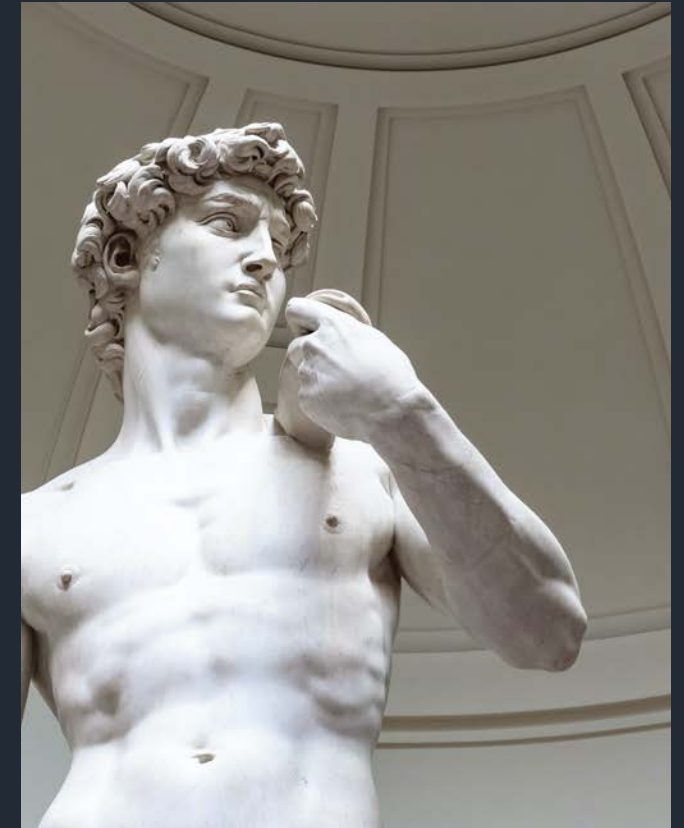
Florence

After breakfast, we will begin our day of Renaissance art by visiting two of the world's most important museums. After our morning tour of the Accademia, we will do a mini food tour. After breaking for lunch, we will head to Uffizi Gallery. The 16th Century building houses one of the world's most important collections of ancient sculptures and paintings from the Middle Ages to the modern era.

Overnight in Florence.



Uffizi



Accademia



Sienna



San Gimignano

Sienna & San Gimignano

After breakfast we will leave the city to visit two of Tuscany's most beautiful cities: Sienna and San Gimignano. Our first stop, Sienna, home to the world's oldest bank, which has been operating since 1472. The city was a major banking center until the 14th. This UNESCO World Heritage Site was one of the most important cities in medieval Europe. In the afternoon we will make our way to San Gimignano—famous for its medieval architecture. Also a UNESCO World Heritage Site, San Gimignano is known for its fine towers and pecorino cheese.

Overnight in Florence.



Venice

After breakfast, we will board our bus and drive to Venice. Upon arrival in Venice, we will visit the Accademia (home to da Vinci's *Vitruvian Man*) and Doge Palace—the 14th Century Venetian Gothic home to the Doge of Venice. Our first day in Venice will also include an orientation walk to get you acquainted with the city's most famous landmarks.

Overnight in Venice.

Venice

Murano & Burano



Today we'll visit two of the best-known islands in the Venetian Lagoon. We'll visit a Murano glass factory to watch glass being blown. We'll also stop in Burano to learn about how it became famous for its exquisite lace.

Overnight in Venice.

Milan



Duomo



da Vinci's *Last Supper*

Our last full-day in Italy, we'll board our bus after breakfast and drive to Milan. Upon arrival, we'll check in at our hotel before setting out to see the city's "Must See" landmarks, including the architectural masterpiece Duomo, the stunning la Scalla opera house, and da Vinci's *Last Supper* painting.

Overnight in Milan.

Cities of Italy

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*Includes: R/T Air, Hotels, Ground Transportation, Guides, Gratuity,
Activities Listed in the Itinerary, Breakfast Daily, Two Dinners*

\$8,975pp





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