

Italian Glory

13 Days

2 Countries

17 Meals

from **US\$3875** Per person, twin share Past Guest Rated **4.7/5** feefo 



Amalfi Coast

 See what happens on trip: **#TTItalianGlory**

Get set for one of our most glorious Italy trips, from the well-heeled streets of Milan to what was once the 'Eternal City' of Rome. Base yourself on beautiful Lake Como for a few days of stunning scenery before the colourful Amalfi coast with its pretty cliffside villages and sun-kissed seaside vibe truly capture your heart.

Your Must-See Highlights

- **Explore** Milan, Florence, Pompeii and Rome with a Local Specialist
- **Discover** Venice
- **Visit** Amalfi Town, St. Peter's Basilica and the Colosseum in Rome and a glassblowing factory in Venice
- **Scenic Cruise** by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

Trip code: **ITGL**

Grand Italian Experience

17 Days

2 Countries

24 Meals

from **US\$4575** Per person, twin share Past Guest Rated **4.7/5** feefo 



Trulli Houses, Alberobello

 See what happens on trip: **#TTGrandItalian**

A rare opportunity to see the extraordinary limestone trulli houses of Alberobello is the highlight of this grand journey. There's more to this Italy trip as you'll discover over dinner with Signor Luciano, an epic journey across the Tyrrhenian Sea and a visit to Trento with its Austrian influences.

Your Must-See Highlights

- **VIP Admission** to the Vatican Museums
- **Explore** Rome, Alberobello, Capri, Pompeii, Assisi, Genoa and Florence with a Local Specialist
- **Discover** Venice and Milan
- **Visit** St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel and the Colosseum in Rome, the excavations at Pompeii, the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi and a glassblowing factory in Venice

Trip code: **ITGA**



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Italian Glory

Your itinerary



Start Location

Visited Location

Plane

End Location

Cruise

Train

Over night

Ferry

Day 1

Journey from Milan to Como

Stylish Milan is our launch pad to the Lake District where we spend the first night of our At Leisure jaunt through Italy. After arriving in Como, unwind and soak up the peaceful atmosphere. Admire the mesmerising reflection of the surrounding peaks in its deep blue waters which makes this one of Italy's most soul-stirring settings. Enjoy a leisurely stroll past exquisite lakeside villas and gardens before meeting your travel companions and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception. Tonight, you'll stay at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories and a Lake Como institution, frequented by local aristocrats since the late 19th-century.

Hotel - Barchetta Excelsior

Included Meals - Welcome Reception

Day 2

Discover Fashionable Milan

The runways of Milan take centre stage today as we explore the fashion capital of Italy. Join a Local Specialist to see the iconic and unexpected highlights of this hard-working city. View the exquisite Gothic architecture of the Duomo, with its massive stained glass windows, decorated with over 3400 sculptures, the neo-classical La Scala Opera House and ornate Galleria with its imposing iron and glass-domed roof – of course, all in the company of the trendsetting Milanese.

Included Meals - Breakfast

Day 3

Venture to Verona and Venice

The tragic story of Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers is revealed during our visit to romantic Verona, where we will view Juliet's Balcony and the ancient Roman Arena, still in use today. Indulge in a leisurely cappuccino stop in the city's beautiful Piazza Bra, admiring the imposing bronze statue of King Victor Emanuel II. Or shop up a storm on trendy Via Mazzini before continuing to Venice, where we will spend the next two nights.

Hotel - Le Boulevard Lido

Included Meals - Breakfast, Regional Dinner

Day 4

Explore the Floating City

Glide through the canals of Venice by private launch visiting some of the jewels in the crown of the 'Queen of the Adriatic'. On your unforgettable MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, you'll Dive Into Culture and witness the centuries-old Venetian tradition of glassblowing. Watch as the master craftsmen shape the molten glass into the exquisite works of art for which Venice is justifiably famous, then it's on to St. Mark's Square to admire the profound beauty of the Doge's Palace and St. Mark's Basilica. See the Bridge of Sighs, so named because of the sound prisoners would make when taking one last longing look at their beloved city before being imprisoned. Later, you'll have the rest of the day to indulge your inner explorer and discover the many treasures of Venice your way, or consider an Optional Experience to the island of Burano, renowned for its colourful fishermen houses.

Included Meals - Breakfast

Day 5

Onwards to Florence

From Venice, we cross the Apennine Mountains to Florence, the 'Cradle of the Renaissance'. Consider joining your Travel Director for a traditional Florentine dinner in the heart of the Chianti Hills.

Hotel - Grand Mediterraneo

Included Meals - Breakfast

Day 6

Ponte Vecchio and More in Florence

This morning we join a Local Specialist on a leisurely walking tour to delve into the culture and history of Florence. We'll visit the Piazza del Duomo to view the multi-

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Day 7

Off to the Sunny Amalfi Coast

Journey south through the Arno Valley, passing the Bay of Naples bound for Maiori on the Amalfi Coast, where we will spend the next three nights. This evening we dine at our hotel.

Hotel - San Pietro Maiori

Included Meals - Breakfast, Dinner

Day 8

Uncover the Treasures of Amalfi

This morning travel to Amalfi, perched perfectly on this dramatic stretch of coastline. See the 10th-century Sant'Andrea cathedral in the heart of the town, with its beautifully striped Byzantine façade, and soak up the laid-back atmosphere. You'll also have time to join an Optional Experience to Positano.

Included Meals - Breakfast

Day 9

Amalfi Coast Your Way

Relax at your hotel on the Amalfi Coast or wander past fragrant lemon terraces. You have a full free day to indulge in your heart's desires – consider a fresh seafood lunch, from sea to table, or take a dip in the welcoming, warm Mediterranean waters.

Included Meals - Breakfast

Day 10

The Ruins of Pompeii and on to Rome

Embark on a Small Group Sightseeing walking tour with a Local Specialist and discover the lost city of Pompeii, which was buried under volcanic ash when Mount Vesuvius erupted. Continue to the 'Eternal City' of Rome later, enjoying views of the 6th-century Benedictine Abbey in Cassino en route. Spend the evening exploring the extraordinary heritage of Rome, which spans millennia, or consider an Optional Experience to see the exquisite art and architecture of what was once the capital of the world.

Hotel - Grand Tiberio

Included Meals - Breakfast

Day 11

Experience Ancient Rome and the Vatican City

Spend the morning in the Vatican City with a Local Specialist, visiting the imposing St. Peter's Basilica to view Michelangelo's sorrowful Pietà. Consider an Optional Experience to the Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel with its exquisite frescoed ceilings crafted by Michelangelo. Then, cross the Tiber into Ancient Rome to see the Circus Maximus, once the site of exhilarating chariot races that entertained thousands, and visit the impressive Colosseum. This afternoon we have time to explore the city on our own terms. Perhaps toss a coin in the Trevi Fountain to secure your return to Rome, soak up the coffee aromas on Piazza Navona or wander through the ruins of Palatine Hill.

Included Meals - Breakfast

coloured marble Cattedrale di Santa Maria del Fiore, Piazza della Signoria with its exquisite art and palazzi, and the Ponte Vecchio bridge that has straddled the Arno River for almost 700 years. Admire spectacular views of the city from Piazzale Michelangelo. Later, learn about the quality and workmanship of two of this city's historic industries at demonstrations of Florentine leathercraft and 18-carat gold. This afternoon, consider an Optional Experience to the Fine Arts Academy to see Michelangelo's 'David'. Join your fellow travellers this evening for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience to Connect With Locals over a Be My Guest dinner set against the backdrop of Tuscan vineyards and olive groves. Here you'll learn all about the plot hatched by the Pazzi family within these very walls against the Medici rulers of Florence centuries ago. As you enjoy a delicious meal in the magnificent grand hall of the 12th-century castle, you'll be captivated by the dedication and passion of your hosts, the Baj Macario family who are committed to running the estate in harmony with nature.

Included Meals - Breakfast, Be My Guest

TODAY'S INCLUDED HIGHLIGHT EXPERIENCE

All optional experiences for this trip

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 2

Visit Lake Como and Bellagio

On this visit to the shores of Lake Como you'll witness many beautiful villages and villas that retain true Italian charm. With our Local Specialist, a private boat will take us from the lakeside to visit the gem of the lake, Bellagio. We've also left some time to stroll and shop.

Adult Price: **€45.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 2

Treasures Of Milan

A fantastic opportunity to take in some of the highlights of elegant Milan. Amongst other sights, we'll visit La Scala, the world's most famous opera house, where Giuseppe Verdi, Maria Callas and others have left their mark. Our wonderful Local Specialist will bring the city's eventful past to life.

Adult Price: **€45.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 3

Gondolas and the Grand Canal

Join us for a breathtaking cruise by private water taxi along Venice's Grand Canal. You'll admire the magnificent palazzi, as well as catching a glimpse of the Rialto Bridge and St. Mark's Square. Later on, you'll glide gracefully on a gondola along Venice's dreamy, narrow waterways.

Adult Price: **€76.00***

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Day 12

Rome Your Way

Indulge in a full free day to explore the passionate embrace of the city and its zesty locals. Ease into la dolce vita, or consider an Optional Experience to Tivoli, where you can visit Villa d'Este with its magnificent Renaissance gardens and exquisite fountains. This evening, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner with newfound friends and your Travel Director before bidding arrivederci to Rome.

Included Meals - Breakfast, Farewell Dinner

Day 13

Arrivederci Italy

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Included Meals - Breakfast

Specialist we'll visit the wonderful "Hall of the Five Hundred", dedicated to the Medici dynasty. We'll also visit rooms decorated with masterpieces by famous artists of the Renaissance like Michelangelo and Donatello.

Adult Price: **€42.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 8

Amalfi Coast and Positano

Join us as we take in delightful villages and spectacular scenery along the incredible Amalfi Coast. You'll visit the celebrated town of Positano, which is also a Unesco World Heritage site. There will be time to shop for local goods or enjoy a drink in a cafe overlooking the beach.

Adult Price: **€58.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 8

Explore Ravello

Join us on a trip to the balcony of the Amalfi coast. Ravello is perched high above the terraced groves with breathtaking views. Your Local Specialist will show you the gardens of the Villa Rufolo, which inspired Wagner, and you'll have free time to visit the 11th century cathedral.

Adult Price: **€41.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 9

Dinner on the Amalfi Coast

Come with us for a short drive to a restaurant we know and love on the Amalfi Coast. You'll get to try some favourite local dishes and drinks, all

AVAILABLE ON DAY 4

Venice's Secrets and St. Mark's Basilica

Explore the hidden maze of streets which make up this unique city as your Local Specialist gives you a fascinating insight into Venice's past and present. You'll visit the majestic Basilica of St Mark, where you'll have a chance to view some of the prized trophies looted by the Venetians in their rise to power.

Adult Price: **€38.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 4

Lagoon Cruise to Burano with Food and Drinks

Join us as we discover the Venetian Lagoon by private boat. You will enjoy a delicious meal with a selection of drinks on the fishermen's island of Burano, famous for its multi-coloured houses - a real photographer's paradise.

Adult Price: **€72.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 5

Dinner and Wine in the Tuscan Hills

This evening we'll take a scenic drive to experience a fun and relaxed evening at a friendly, typical restaurant in the countryside. The chef will delight our senses with regional dishes, made with freshly-bought ingredients from the local farmers' markets. Your delicious meal will be accompanied by excellent wines from the vineyards for which this area is so well known. In short, a Tuscan dream come true in an authentic setting.

Adult Price: **€65.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 5

Tuscan Dinner at Villa Machiavelli

Through the Chianti hills, we'll drive past vineyards to a delightful hamlet. Our destination is the ancient stone house of Machiavelli, where the great political theorist wrote his immortal work, 'The Prince'. After a welcome drink and a visit of the villa and its wine-cellars, we'll enjoy the best of Tuscan cuisine accompanied by great music and drinks, including of course, Chianti from the Villa's own vines.

Adult Price: **€68.00***

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served alongside Neapolitan hospitality and beautiful views.

Adult Price: **€64.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 10

Piazas and Fountains of Rome

Discover the most charming areas in the city with a Local Specialist. Wander through the labyrinth of narrow streets and beautiful squares of Rome's historic centre, leading to highlights such as the Trevi Fountain and the Pantheon, as well as hidden corners of the Eternal City.

Adult Price: **€33.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 11

Roman Evening with Dinner

Tonight, spend a lively evening with us in Rome. After a short drive, we'll arrive at a characteristic trattoria to relax and enjoy a typical Italian meal, soaking up The Eternal City's unique atmosphere all the while.

Adult Price: **€62.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 11

Inside The Vatican Museums and the Sistine Chapel

Join us for an extension to your included sightseeing tour, which gives you a chance to see the artistic masterpieces collected and commissioned by the Popes. With our Local Specialist, we'll visit the Tapestry Gallery, Gallery of Maps and the Sistine Chapel. Michelangelo spent four years preparing the vault and altar wall, and we'll give you plenty of time to admire just how much painstaking work went into his creations. This optional involves reservation and entrance pre-payments. Cancellation within 24 hours will incur a 50% cancellation fee.

Adult Price: **€58.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 12

Ancient and Christian Rome

Join us on an exploration of Rome's past with our Local Specialist. On this trip you'll visit the Catacombs, where the early Christians assembled to escape persecution and which were used as underground cemeteries. We'll also pass by the pyramid of Cestius and the baths of Caracalla.

Adult Price: **€39.00***

AVAILABLE ON DAY 6

Visit To San Gimignano

Join us for a panoramic drive to the nearby hilltop town of San Gimignano with our Local Specialist. Magnificently preserved from the Middle Ages, this little town, known as the 'Medieval Manhattan', is one of the most beautiful in Italy - a true gem.

Adult Price: **€36.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 6

Discover Palazzo Vecchio

Marvel at the legacy of the Medici as you visit Palazzo Vecchio, the symbol of Florence's political power for over seven centuries. With our Local

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 12

Tivoli and Gardens of the Villa D'Este

Visit the ancient Sabine town of Tivoli with our Local Specialist to enjoy the gardens and fountains of the Villa D'Este. We'll see its grottos and pavilions, the Avenue of a Hundred Fountains, and the Dragon Fountain of the Organ.

Adult Price: **€46.00***

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