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# ITALY







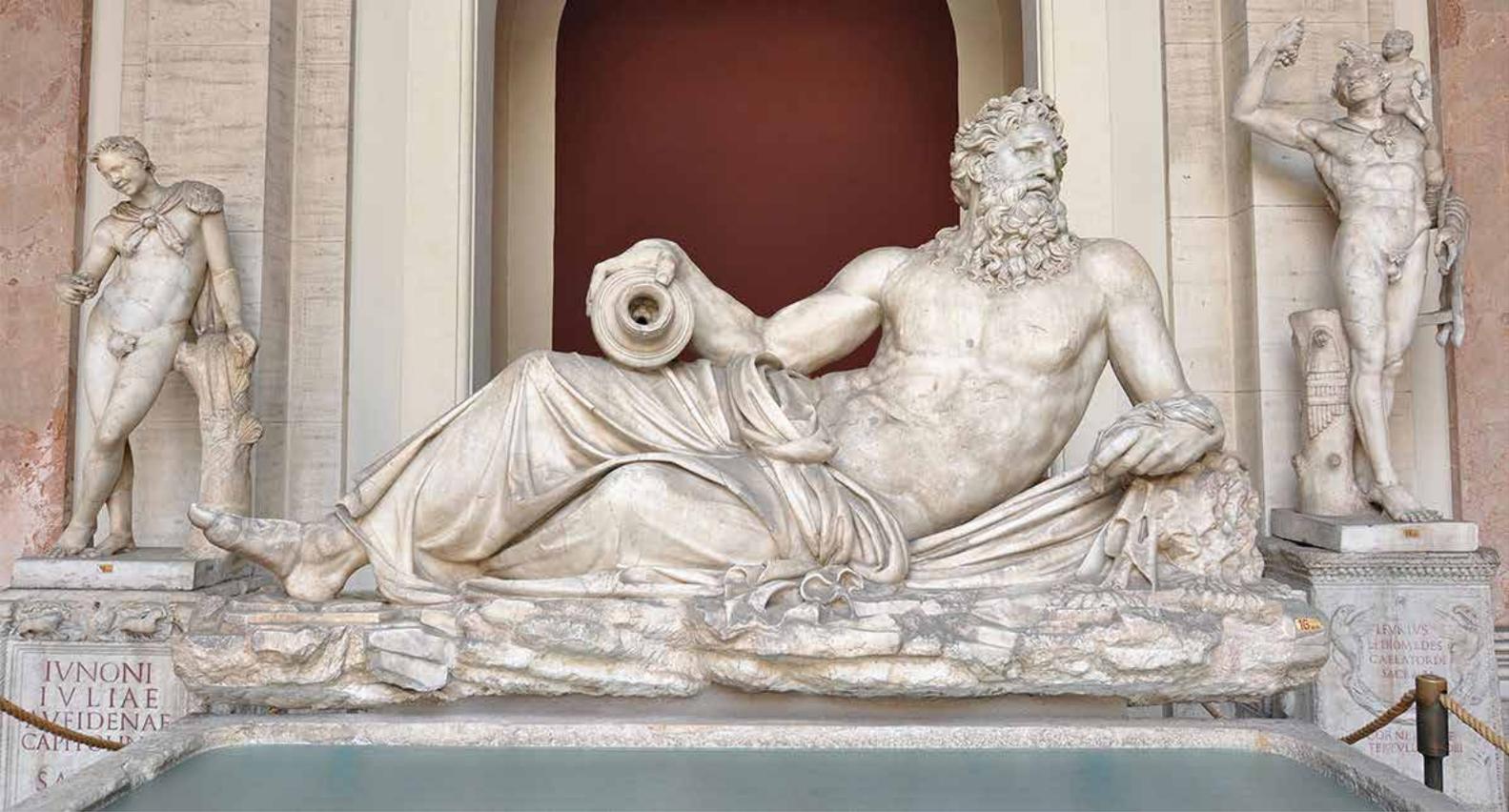
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## La Dolce Vita

A country that hardly needs introduction, the landscapes, history, culture, and cuisine of Italy have nonetheless inspired many—in song, literature, paint, and on plates. A diverse landscape promises that no visit could possibly be long enough, with magnificent mountains to be conquered, rolling hills and vineyards to unwind in, ancient cities to get lost in, and warm Mediterranean beaches to doze on. With so many distinct regions, to visit any part of Italy is to fall in love with only one part of a soul.

Inspired by the stirring beauty of this cradle of the Renaissance, artists such as Michelangelo, da Vinci, Botticelli, Titian, Raphael, and Bernini all created masterpieces here, many of which can still be found in cities throughout Italy. Astounding architecture, monumental palaces and squares, elaborate fountains, daring fashion, authentic tastes of one of the most popular cuisines in the world, and some of the finest wines on earth ... the manmade treasures of Italy are the only ones that come close to rivaling its natural ones.





# ITALY 7-DAY CURATED ITINERARY

## Day 1 – Arrival in Rome

*Benvenuti in Italia!* Settle in at your hotel, then venture out and join a hop-on, hop-off bus tour to start exploring the Eternal City at your leisure. For dinner, head to the trendy Trastevere district to enjoy live music and an authentic Italian meal.

## Day 2 – Icons of Rome

Join your skip-the-line tour to discover the *Icons of Rome* in one full day. With an expert guide, head inside the hallowed Vatican Museums to admire the renowned artistic treasures, including Michelangelo's extraordinary frescos in the Sistine Chapel. Continue to St. Peter's Basilica. Afterward, break for lunch before heading to the Colosseum and Roman Forum for a guided tour of the stunning amphitheater and evocative ruins. Then, savor a delicious Italian dinner at one of the many fabulous restaurants scattered throughout Rome.

## Day 3 – Naples Wines

Hop on a fast train to Naples (just over an hour) and check into your hotel before embarking on a wine-tasting tour in the heart of stunning Vesuvius National Park. Discover the secrets of the local grape varieties and enjoy a guided tour of the cellars. Indulge in a delicious lunch featuring products sourced from the region, paired with five different Vesuvian wines.

## Day 4 – Naples by Foot

Enrich your visit with an in-depth private walking tour of Naples. Hit all the highlights, from centuries-old churches and castles to bustling public squares. Settle back for a scenic journey to see famous landmarks. After a full day of discovery, savor a dinner of Neapolitan cuisine before boarding an overnight ferry. Sleep peacefully within your private cabin; when morning arrives, you'll be in Palermo, Sicily.

## Day 5 – Palermo

Enjoy the main sights of the Sicilian capital, including the Cathedral of Palermo, Palazzo dei Normanni, Fontana Pretoria, and Quattro Canti. Then, head to the lively Kalsa district and stroll through the historic alleyways, browsing their shops and cafés.

## Day 6 – Catania

Enjoy a 2.5-hour scenic drive to Catania, an ancient port city at the foot of Mt. Etna and your home for the next two days. Explore its major attractions, from Mt. Etna, Europe's tallest active volcano, and the Roman Theatre to the Piazza del Duomo—famous for its smiling *Fountain of Elephants*—and the Cathedral of Sant'Agata. Return to Palermo to discover any missed must-sees.

## Day 7 – Departure from Catania

After a traditional Sicilian breakfast of espresso and *brioche con granita*, visit Villa Bellini, one of Italy's most exquisite public gardens. Enjoy hilltop views over the city and Mt. Etna, then prepare for your flight home.



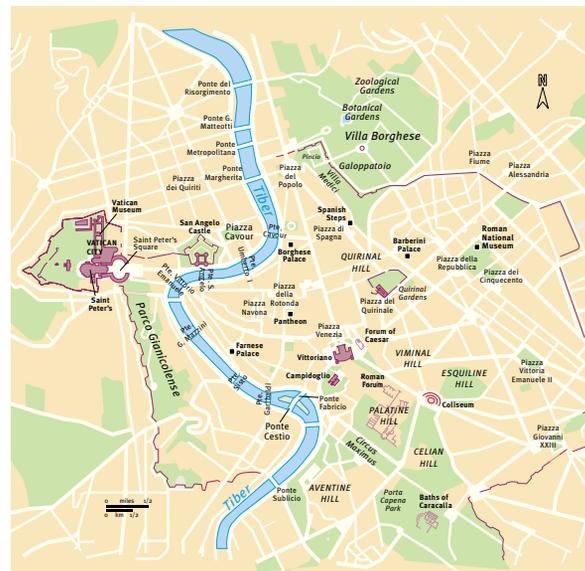




# ROME

Never was there a more fitting nickname than that of the Eternal City. Every stone here has its memories: of streets once marched by conquering armies led by proud emperors, and Spanish Steps trodden by generations of Romans; walls remember the roar of thousands as gladiators circled the dirt floor of the Colosseum. The city's glorious past is proudly displayed, from the Forum where Julius Caesar spoke to the stunningly preserved Pantheon to the awe-inspiring Sistine Chapel. Visitors to the city have been tossing coins into the Neptune-inspired Trevi Fountain for generations, hoping it will help them return ... because although Rome endures, it also evolves.

Modern-minded shoppers find paradise in the "Trident," where high-end and couture boutiques line the avenues with some of the finest names in luxury today. Contemporary trattorias serve elegant food and fine espresso, and the young and young at heart make memories discovering the bustling nightlife of this vast city.



Rome, Italy

# ALEPH ROME HOTEL, CURIO COLLECTION BY HILTON

★★★★★

Recognized for its luxury rooftop restaurant and hammam experience, this former bank headquarters ten minutes on foot from the Trevi Fountain and Spanish Steps has thrived in its new life as an upscale hotel. Original marble detailing; a Finnish sauna; high-tech, pet-friendly rooms; a lunch buffet of local produce at 1930s Restaurant; and a cognac and cigar lounge make it unique.



## HOTEL FEATURES

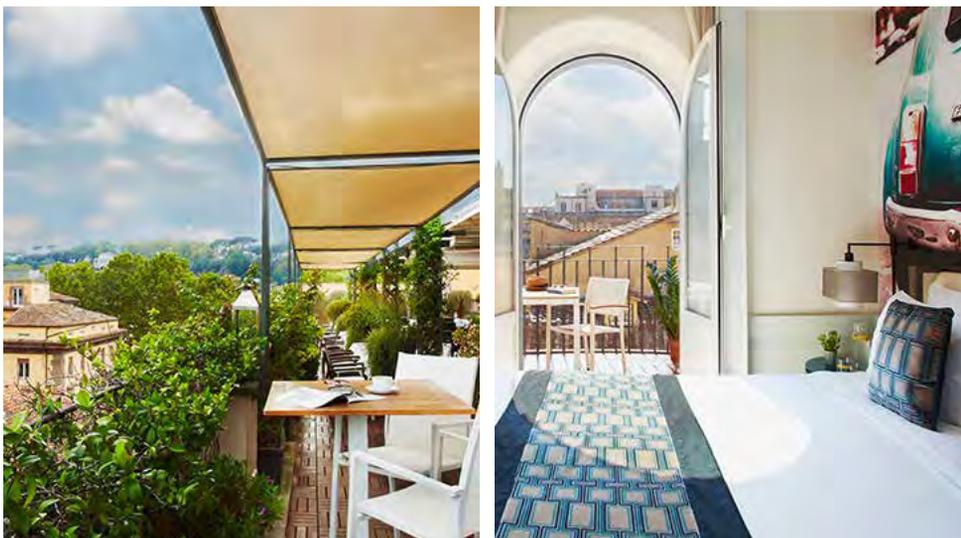
- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 5 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Parking
- 50 Minutes from Airport
- 15 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Rome, Italy

# HOTEL INDIGO ROME – ST. GEORGE

★★★★★

Galleries, boutiques, and artisan workshops surround this luxury hotel on Via Giulia, whose original travertine walls and murals celebrate artistic expression. Visit in summer to enjoy handpicked seasonal cuisine at I Sofa's rooftop in addition to the restaurant, or any time to relax in the Roman bath or your updated room, beneath a unique wall mural that adds dramatic flair to your stay.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- 35 Minutes from Airport
- 15 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Rome, Italy

# THE INN AT THE ROMAN FORUM

★★★★★

Located in the heart of ancient Rome, The Inn at the Roman Forum is within walking distance of the Colosseum and Roman Forum, and actually houses ruins inside the property. A rich breakfast buffet is served on the rooftop terrace—alongside breathtaking views of Rome.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- 45 Minutes from Airport
- 0 Minutes from City Center
- Location on map

Rome, Italy

# ROME CAVALIERI, A WALDORF ASTORIA RESORT

★★★★★

Set on Rome's highest hilltop amid 15 acres of Mediterranean parkland, few views of St. Peter's Dome are clearer than that from this hotel. Opulent suites feature unique adornments that include glass ceilings, rare art, antique furnishings, and other trappings of another time, while a choice of pools, two tennis courts, a spa, and Michelin-starred dining offer present-day luxury.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 6 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Parking
- Wedding Services
- 40 Minutes from Airport
- 30 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Rome, Italy

# VILLA AGRIPPINA GRAN MELIÁ

★★★★★

Just a stone's throw away from Rome's main artistic hangouts, this exclusive haven of luxury and relaxation brings together stunning panoramic views, Mediterranean gardens, and mouthwatering Italian cuisine. The spectacular infinity pool—a rare luxury in Rome—puts the finishing touches on your perfect vacation. Leading Hotels of the World.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Parking
- 35 Minutes from Airport
- 20 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Rome, Italy

# THE WESTIN EXCELSIOR, ROME

★★★★★

Located on famed Via Veneto, this hotel's 316 luxurious guestrooms and suites are a short stroll from the Spanish Steps, Borghese Gardens, Via Condotti shopping, and other famous sites. Get a taste of *la dolce vita* at Doney restaurant and its attached café and terrace as well as OVRM bar, or savor well-being with WestinWORKOUT® and Kami Wellness Center's fitness studio, pool, and sauna.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Parking
- 45 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Rome, Italy

# THE INN AT THE SPANISH STEPS

★★★★½

With a stay at The Inn at The Spanish Steps and its surrounding townhouses and penthouses, you'll be in the very heart of Rome. Situated on the world-famous Via Condotti, the hotel is just steps away from the Piazza di Spagna (Spanish Square) and a five-minute stroll from Trevi Fountain.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- 40 Minutes from Airport
- 0 Minutes from City Center
- Location on map

Rome, Italy

# THE PANTHEON ICONIC ROME HOTEL, AUTOGRAPH COLLECTION

★★★★½

Discover modern luxury at this boutique hotel just moments from legendary destinations like the Pantheon and Spanish Steps. Unwind amid bespoke amenities in a room complete with a private wine cellar. The inviting atmosphere carries into the Michelin-starred Idyllo by Apreda, offering a modern blend of Mediterranean and Asian flavors from renowned Chef Francesco Apreda.



## HOTEL FEATURES

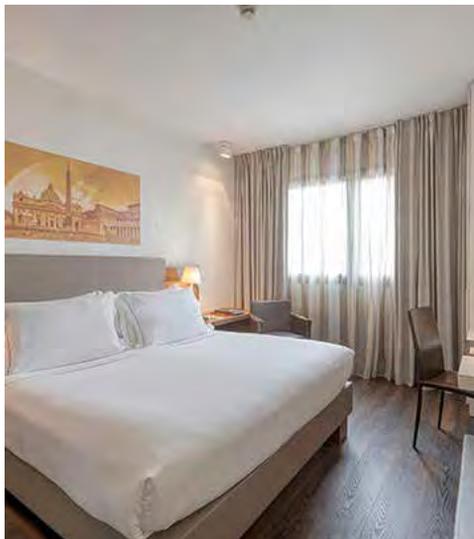
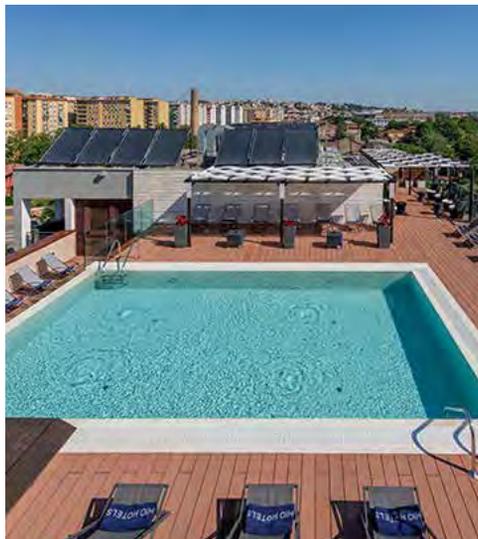
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- Parking
- Wedding Services
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Rome, Italy

# H10 ROMA CITTÁ



Located in the Marconi district, close to the shops, the H10 Roma Città combines the latest trends with touches of Italian tradition. The hotel has, among other services, excellent signature cuisine, an outdoor pool area, a Despacio Beauty Center, and eight meeting rooms with natural light, as well as bright rooms equipped with all the amenities you might need for a comfortable stay.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Parking
- 25 Minutes from Airport
- 20 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Rome, Italy

# HOTEL ARISTON



A hotel that wants to make you feel right at home, it's located in the historical center of Rome, a few meters from Termini Station and close to the famous Santa Maria Maggiore Basilica, the Colosseum, the Fori Imperiali, and Via Veneto, where the main ministerial offices and foreign embassies are located.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- 45 Minutes from Airport
- 0 Minutes from City Center
- Location on map

Rome, Italy

# HOTEL DIANA ROOF GARDEN

★★★★

Experience true Roman hospitality tradition at this historical property opened by famed hotelier Benedetto De Angelis in 1939. A wide variety of rooms include a Junior Suite with a round bed and private Turkish bath, but all rooms provide a tasteful retreat from the bustling Termini station and the Opera House. Its namesake roof garden is a must for the views and extensive menu.



## HOTEL FEATURES

-  Free WiFi
-  Breakfast Included
-  2 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
-  Air Conditioning
-  40 Minutes from Airport
-  5 Minutes from City Center
-  Location on Map

Rome, Italy

# HOTEL MORGANA

★★★★

A charming hotel centrally located in the heart of Rome, the property is strategically located a short distance from many of the city's major attractions, such as the Colosseum, Roman Forum, Trevi Fountain, and the Spanish Steps.



## HOTEL FEATURES

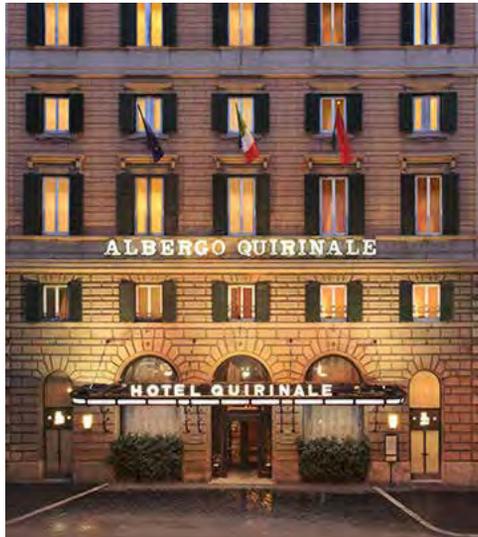
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-  Location on map

Rome, Italy

# HOTEL QUIRINALE

★★★★

A 20-minute stroll from this historic 19<sup>th</sup> century building takes you to the Colosseum, but Rome's entertainment history lives on more beautifully even closer by, as the Rome Opera House is right through the courtyard. Ease of access to the best of the city continues with the Repubblica Metro Station just outside. Familiar, traditional furnishings help guests feel immediately at ease.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Wedding Services
- 45 Minutes from Airport
- 5 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Rome, Italy

# HOTEL ROMANICO PALACE

★★★★

Located in the center of Rome, near the Spanish Steps, Trevi Fountain, and Barberini Square, the hotel features double and triple rooms, family rooms with two queen-size beds, junior suites, and suites. Guests can also enjoy the Wellness Centre and gym, restaurant featuring panoramic views of Rome, seasonal rooftop bar, and concierge services.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- 45 Minutes from Airport
- 8 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Rome, Italy

# HOTEL SAVOY

★★★★

Guests of this 19<sup>th</sup> century palace on a discreet corner of Via Veneto get a taste of real life and days past in the Eternal City. Its 120 rooms are classically decorated with vintage furniture, oversized mirrors, marble, and Murano glass chandeliers. Be sure to book a meal at the rooftop garden and restaurant, open until late night, and peep at Villa Borghese, just five minutes away.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Parking
- 45 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Rome, Italy

# LE MÉRIDIEN VISCONTI ROME

★★★★

Walk to the Spanish Steps and the Vatican from this light and bright hotel, whose 240 rooms recall the nostalgia of the '70s with a modern twist. This design theme carries through to Longitude 12 Bistrot & Jardin, which serves real Pinsa Romana and is perfect for an aperitif. In the summer, try a beverage at the Roof 7 Terrace bar, too, to sip and smile through live music.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- Wedding Services
- 40 Minutes from Airport
- 20 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Rome, Italy

# ROME MARRIOTT PARK HOTEL

★★★★

Discover an uncommon blend of convenience and sophistication just 15 minutes from Fiumicino Airport. The hotel sets the stage for a remarkable experience in the Eternal City, offering a wide array of amenities. Thoughtfully designed hotel rooms feature elegant marble bathrooms, and the hotel is one of Rome's premier venues for business meetings and events.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Pool
- Parking
- Wedding Services
- 15 Minutes from Airport
- 40 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Rome, Italy

# STARHOTELS MICHELANGELO

★★★★

Only a short walk from the Vatican, the Starhotels Michelangelo embodies the qualities that make Rome unique: cosmopolitan style, classical grandeur, and timeless appeal. The 179 classical rooms and suites are all recently renovated, with many offering views of the St. Peter's dome. Family Rooms cater superbly to children thanks to the Very Important Kids service.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 2 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- 30 Minutes from Airport
- 5 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Rome, Italy

# THE TRIBUNE, PART OF JDV BY HYATT

★★★★

The Eternal City is timeless, but this 52-room boutique hotel is all modern. It cuts a distinctive presence just steps from the historic Villa Borghese and Via Veneto, with contemporary features like strikingly sleek interiors and a gorgeous rooftop bar and terrace that overlooks the landmark estate and its parklike grounds.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Parking
- 45 Minutes from Airport
- 15 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Rome, Italy

# CROWNE PLAZA ROME – ST. PETER'S

★★★★½

The hotel offers easy access to the city center via scheduled shuttle service or public transport (the closest metro station is less than a mile away) and is just steps away from the Villa Doria Pamphili park and a few minutes from the historical Trastevere neighborhood. Enjoy free access to a Roman bath area and Turkish sauna, or indulge in an optional spa treatment.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 4 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Parking
- 25 Minutes from Airport
- 25 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map



# ROME TOURS

## Legends of Rome

Starting from Piazza Bocca della Verità, this guided Velabro walking tour visits places that marked the creation of Rome. This small part of the city offers beauty, history, and myth, lived in the shadow of the renowned Bocca della Verità for many years.

## The Jewish Ghetto

Walk from the Campidoglio, Theater of Marcello, into the Jewish Ghetto to admire Rome's largest synagogue. Stroll through Campo di Fiori Square with its daily markets, then hop over the oldest bridge in Rome to Tiber Island, and up to the Trastevere district where the tour culminates at Piazza Santa Maria Square.

## Rome at Sunset

On this walk around the Eternal City at sunset, cross the Jewish Ghetto, one of Rome's most beautiful neighborhoods, pass the Turtle Fountain in Piazza Mattei, and then head to Piazza Della Rotonda to see the lit view of the Pantheon. Throw a coin into the Trevi Fountain and continue to Piazza di Spagna at the bottom of the Spanish Steps. Finish with a gelato!

## Day Tour of Venice

Join a day trip to Venice, just a few hours by train from Rome. Upon arrival, the waterbus gives you a first glimpse of Venice's breathtaking architecture, historical buildings, churches, docks, and gondolas. Walk to St. Mark's Square and admire the façade of St. Mark's Basilica. Spend free time shopping, dining, sightseeing, or taking a gondola ride.

## Capri Island

Leave early on a private bus to Naples to board the ferry to Capri Island. Head to the famous Piazzetta and enjoy lunch at a restaurant with panoramic views. Then visit the spectacular Blue Grotto, once the personal swimming hole of Emperor Tiberius, and admire the incredible illuminating inside view. Depart in the late afternoon back to Rome.

## Fountains, Squares & Tastings

Enjoy a morning walking tour of Rome and see its most symbolic sights, including the Spanish Steps, dominated by the Church of Trinità dei Monti, the famous Trevi Fountain, the Pantheon, and Piazza Navona, built on the ruins of the Stadium of Domitian, adorned by Bernini's Fountain of Four Rivers. During the tour, enjoy tastings of local products.

## Ancient Rome

Visit the massive Colosseum, built in only 8 years from 72 to 80 AD to seat 70,000 spectators for gladiatorial matches. Then on to the Roman Forum—center of Rome during the Monarchy. Even after 20 centuries, walk on the same cobblestones leading to Capitol Hill, and then to Venice Square.

## The Romans Once Upon a Time

Admire artistic treasures at the Museo Nazionale Romano, the Palazzo Massimo, and Terme di Diocleziano. Stroll through woods once belonging to the Thermal Baths of Diocletian and a huge courtyard restored by Michelangelo. See the Basilica of Santa Maria degli Angeli with its planetary sundial built by XVII-century astronomers.

## Vatican Museums & St. Peter's

Skip the line on this small-group tour of the Vatican Museums. View the world's largest private art collection. Stroll through Raphael's rooms adorned with paintings by Raphael and his pupils. Reach the Sistine Chapel and admire Michelangelo's astounding frescoes. End at St. Peter's Square to see St. Peter's Basilica.

## Ancient Rome & The Jewish Ghetto

On this morning tour, visit Trastevere and the old Jewish ghetto. Start from Piazza Trilussa in Trastevere, visit St. Mary's Basilica, and arrive at Tiberine Island. Cross the river to a huge complex called Portico d'Ottavia in the old Jewish ghetto. See Bernini's beautiful Turtle Fountain and the Sant'Andrea della Valle church. End at Giordano Bruno's Square.

## Rome Off the Beaten Track

On this tour, you'll walk underground three times through ruins and columns, enter a 2000-year-old market, and cross Rome's oldest bridge to Tiber Island. Visit the underground house of Santa Cecilia, featuring ancient mosaics, mysterious inscriptions, and a lavishly ornated crypt, as well as the church of San Crisogono.

## Morning Cooking Lesson

Starting in a food market near the Vatican, you'll be introduced to the ingredients of traditional Italian specialties. Continue the experience by preparing your own Italian dishes and homemade pasta. Taste your creations with some of the Lazio region's best wines.

## Tasting of Roman Flavors

Enjoy an evening walking tour of Rome including the Spanish Steps, the Trevi Fountain, and the Pantheon. The tour ends at Piazza Navona, built on the ruins of the Stadium of Domitian, adorned by Bernini's Fountain of Four Rivers. Enjoy a cappuccino or espresso, and chocolate freshly prepared in a traditional sweet shop.

## Vatican Museums by Night

Skip the line on this small-group evening tour of the Vatican Museums. Admire paintings by Raphael and his pupils. Visit the Sistine Chapel—the Holy Chapel of the Pope—to appreciate Michelangelo's amazing frescoes including *The Creation of the World* and *The Last Judgment*, and other famous works by Perugino, Botticelli, Ghirlandaio, and more.

## Vatican, St. Peter's & Colosseum

Admire the massive Colosseum, built in only 8 years from 72 to 80 AD. Continue to the Roman Forum—the political, commercial, social, and religious center of Rome during the Monarchy. Reach Venice Square to admire the imposing monumental complex dedicated to Italy's first King. Enjoy lunch and then visit the Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel, and St. Peter's.

## Fountains, Squares & Vatican

This full-day tour starts at the Spanish Steps and continues to the Trevi Fountain and the Pantheon. After lunch, visit the Vatican Museums and the Sistine Chapel to admire Michelangelo's famous masterpieces. Continue to St. Peter's Basilica to see its awe-inspiring architecture, mosaics, and masterpieces. End at Piazza Navona, adorned by Bernini's Fountain.

## Countryside Food & Wine Tasting

Tour the heart of the Roman countryside, riding along the Via Appia Antica to admire the historical villages including Castel Gandolfo, the Pope's summer residence. Stop for a tasting of four wines. Continue to Lake Albano to taste the famous *porchetta* with local wine. Continue to Nemi, home to the Museum of Roman Ships and a magical lake.





# ROME 5-DAY CURATED ITINERARY

## Day 1 – Arrival

After settling in, enjoy a day of discovery at your own pace on a hop-on, hop-off bus tour. Stroll through Piazza Navona, home to several famous fountains, including Bernini's *Fountain of the Four Rivers*. In the evening, head to the trendy Trastevere district to enjoy live street music and a delicious Italian dinner.

## Day 2 – Icons of Rome

Experience Rome's headline acts on this full-day tour with skip-the-line access. With an expert guide, head inside the hallowed Vatican Museums through a reserved entrance. Witness their artistic treasures, including Michelangelo's extraordinary frescos in the Sistine Chapel. Continue to St. Peter's Basilica before stopping for lunch. Afterward, tour the stunning Colosseum and the Roman Forum's evocative ruins.

## Day 3 – Roman Countryside

With your private driver, head to the wooded hills of Castelli Romani. This 5-hour tour stops at Antico Casale, where you'll meet the winemaker and tour the vineyard and cellars. Later, learn how to make traditional Italian pizza from a professional chef, and enjoy your homemade meal.

## Day 4 – Cultural Classics

Focusing on the most exciting gourmet haunts in Trastevere and the Jewish Ghetto, join a small group walking tour that includes Campo de' Fiori's famous market. Sample Italian classics such as pasta, fried artichokes, and gelato. Later, tour the Borghese Gallery, Rome's most exclusive art museum.

## Day 5 – Departure

Enjoy breakfast at a Roman café and take a final stroll from the Spanish Steps to the Trevi Fountain. Toss in a coin to ensure your return to the Eternal City. *Arrivederci*—until next time!





L'ANTICO CENTRO DELLA CITTÀ  
DA SECOLARE SQUALLORE  
A VITA NUOVA RESTITUITO

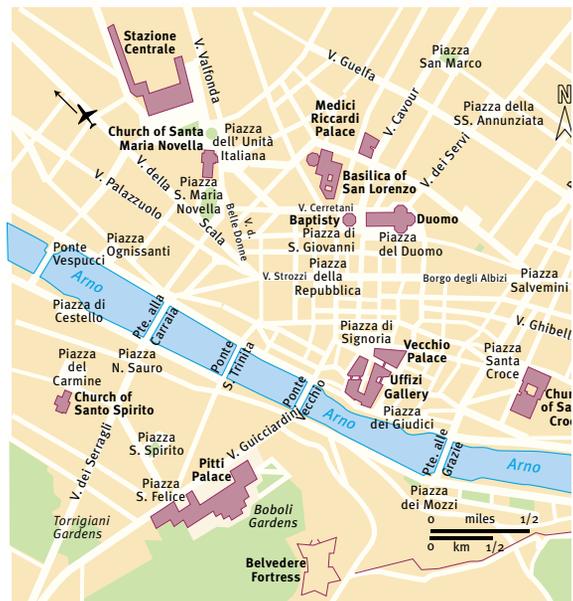
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# FLORENCE

Firenze, a city of red-tiled roofs jauntily baking under a golden Tuscan sun, steals hearts in a sigh. There's much to be said about the birthplace of the Renaissance. Considered one of the most architecturally beautiful cities in the world, its buildings are as easily recognizable as the famous works of art by Botticelli, Michelangelo, da Vinci, and Raffaello housed in the esteemed Uffizi Gallery.

Among the most well-known landmarks stand the orange-domed Duomo, the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, and its bell tower, Campanile di Giotto, rising high above the buildings that make up Florence's heart.

When the sense of sight is exhausted, those of scent and taste can easily take over. World-famous cuisine, accented with virgin pressed olive oil and washed down with the region's celebrated Chianti, rouse taste buds to dance. Inhale the bouquet of fine wine, and feel the sun on your back as you do so. That's all it takes to realize why people fall so in love with Florence.



Florence, Italy

# SINA VILLA MEDICI, AUTOGRAPH COLLECTION



A luxurious 19<sup>th</sup> century palace in the heart of Florence, beautifully refined from a nine-month refurbishment, the Sina Villa Medici is the epitome of modernity and tradition. Enjoy elegant salons, splendid suites—some with a Jacuzzi® and city views—a pool, the cozy Jockey Bar, and Conservatory Restaurant, which overlooks the garden and offers unique style and Tuscan culinary specialties.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 2 restaurant(s)/bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Pool
- Parking
- 15 Minutes from Airport
- 20 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Florence, Italy

# ST. REGIS FLORENCE



Standing on the banks of the Arno River, The St. Regis Florence is the epitome of refined hospitality. Lavishly appointed accommodations feature decidedly modern amenities, all elevated by the hallmark St. Regis butler service. Delectable Tuscan cuisine in the hotel's restaurants and a selection of elegant venues lend distinction to weddings, social celebrations, and business events.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 5 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- 15 Minutes from Airport
- 15 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Florence, Italy

# THE WESTIN EXCELSIOR, FLORENCE

★★★★★

Neighboring the famous Ponte Vecchio, Uffizi Gallery, and Pitti Palace, luxurious modern accommodations meet seven centuries of Florentine history at this property. Its presence on Piazza Ognissanti is impressive, featuring recently refurbished guestrooms, a professional staff dedicated to impeccable service, and a state-of-the-art business center. AAA Five Diamond.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 2 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- 15 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Florence, Italy

# HOTEL L'OROLOGIO FIRENZE

★★★★½

The Hotel L'Orologio overlooks Santa Maria Novella, one of the most beautiful squares of Florence, just a few minutes from the Duomo and Ponte Vecchio. Its décor was inspired by haute horlogerie, the high art of watchmaking; its floors are homage to Rolex, Vacheron Constantin®, and Patek Philippe. The rooms feature marble bathrooms and themed details such as watch hand-shaped door handles.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- 10 Minutes from Airport
- 15 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Florence, Italy

# IL TORNABUONI HOTEL, THE UNBOUND COLLECTION BY HYATT

★★★★½

IL Tornabuoni Hotel is located within one of the oldest and most prestigious palaces of Florence, which dates back to the 13<sup>th</sup> century. Its 62 rooms and suites have been designed as an ode to the Renaissance, from the bold gem tones to the luxurious furnishings. The restored building keeps much of its heritage, but with the avant-garde and state-of-the-art interiors of modern day.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 5 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Parking
- 20 Minutes from Airport
- 5 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Florence, Italy

# AC HOTEL BY MARRIOTT FIRENZE

★★★★

AC Hotel Firenze is located near Porta al Prato Leopolda Station Exhibition Centre, right next to the Opera di Firenze and just a 20-minute walk from Florence's historic center. Chef Vincenzo Crapa will delight your senses with a selection of delicious international dishes. The hotel is also a fantastic choice for business meetings, conventions, and other events.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- 10 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Florence, Italy

# BRUNELLESCHI HOTEL



Experience charm and views of the Duomo from the historic center of Florence and within walking distance of the famous Uffizi Gallery, must-see museums, shopping areas, and attractions. Completely renovated in a contemporary style, this 96-room hotel features a Michelin-star restaurant, Tuscan osteria, private museum, wonderful suites, and suite ambassador service.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- Wedding Services
- 25 Minutes from Airport
- 15 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Florence, Italy

# GRAND HOTEL ADRIATICO



Strategically located in Florence's historic center, the hotel is just a 10-minute walk from major highlights. Its 129 bright and quiet rooms feature customizable air conditioning. The hotel also offers a restaurant, garden, private parking, a fitness center, and a massage room, making it a perfect choice for those traveling for pleasure.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Parking
- 20 Minutes from Airport
- 1 Minute from City Center
- Location on Map

Florence, Italy

# GRAND HOTEL BAGLIONI

★★★★

Located in the heart of Florence, the Grand Hotel Baglioni has been synonymous with hospitality and quality for over 100 years. It's housed in a magnificent 19<sup>th</sup> century building, in which past and present coexist in perfect harmony, and offers 192 guestrooms, a renowned conference center accommodating up to 400 people, and the splendid B-Rooftop panoramic restaurant.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- Wedding Services
- 20 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Florence, Italy

# HOTEL BALESTRI

★★★★

The boutique Hotel Balestri welcomes its guests into a charming period building just a few steps from the Uffizi Gallery—the ideal place for a romantic holiday in the heart of Florence. Enjoy the stunning location and rediscover the ambiance of E.M. Forster's novels in your very own "Room with a View" over the Arno.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Parking
- 20 Minutes from Airport
- 5 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Florence, Italy

# HOTEL BERCHIELLI

★★★★

Overlooking the Arno River, just a short distance from the Ponte Vecchio and Piazza della Signoria, Hotel Berchielli is one of the landmarks of Florentine hospitality. Its recently renovated accommodations have maintained all the charm of a historical hotel, blending tradition and modernity for an elegant stay.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- Air Conditioning
- Parking
- 20 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Florence, Italy

# HOTEL BOTTICELLI

★★★★

This Renaissance gem is located in a delightful 16<sup>th</sup> century building in the historic center of Florence, near the main shopping streets and monuments. Palazzo Vecchio, Piazza della Signoria, the Uffizi, the central market, and the Basilica of San Lorenzo are just some of the sights you can visit. After a day of exploring, unwind on the terrace to a view of the Basilica.



## HOTEL FEATURES

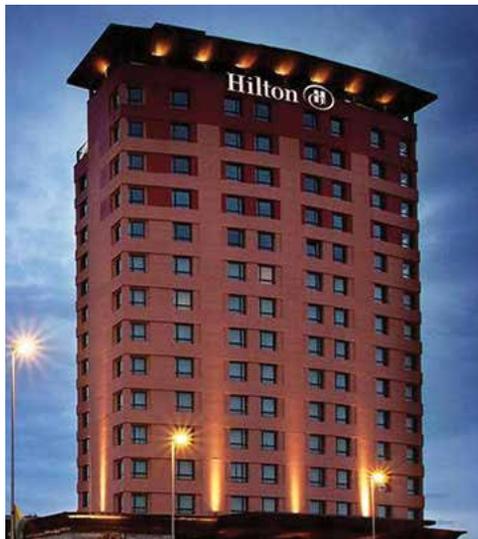
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- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- 20 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Florence, Italy

# HILTON FLORENCE METROPOLE



Fifteen minutes from the city center, home to Uffizi Gallery, Ponte Vecchio, and Piazza del Duomo, and just 2.5 miles from the airport and under 4 miles from the Firenze Santa Maria Novella rail station lies the Hilton Florence Metropole. Enjoy a relaxation area with a mega-whirlpool and Swedish waterfall as well as city view rooms and all-day dining.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 2 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Parking
- 5 Minutes from Airport
- 25 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Florence, Italy

# HOTEL MONNA LISA



The Hotel Monna Lisa, located in the heart of old Florence, has 48 rooms in three separate buildings that look onto a splendid private garden. The Palazzo Antico, dating back to the 14<sup>th</sup> century, contains 20 rooms, each sumptuously furnished. Enjoy breakfast in a magnificent lounge with a coffered ceiling and terracotta floors. In La Limonaia, many of the rooms look out over the garden.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Parking
- 25 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Florence, Italy

# PLAZA HOTEL LUCCHESI



The city is at its best when seen from the expansive viewpoints of Plaza Hotel Lucchesi. The hotel opened in 1860, one of the first in the city. Today, it has been completely renovated, from its 82 contemporary rooms and 10 suites all the way up to an amazing rooftop with a pool and American bar. Chart your exploration from there, with a live map of the city right beneath you.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 2 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Pool
- Parking
- 25 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Florence, Italy

# RIVOLI BOUTIQUE HOTEL



Originally a Franciscan monastery and now an elegant four-star hotel, here, the antique and modern come together seamlessly. Let yourself be embraced by sophisticated warmth in the sitting rooms, and relax in the charming courtyard or exclusive spa. Benedicta Restaurant is the perfect place for tasting traditional Florentine cuisine.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Parking
- 20 Minutes from Airport
- 1 Minute from City Center
- Location on Map



# FLORENCE TOURS

## Best of Florence Walking Tour

Begin at one of the most historic piazzas in Florence, Piazza della Repubblica, to arrive at Loggia del Mercato Nuovo for a good luck rub of the *Porcellino* statue. Learn about this and other local legends with your guide, who will then take you to Ponte Vecchio, Accademia dei Gergofili, Uffuzi Square, Piazza della Signoria, and Piazza San Giovanni, where you'll end beneath the shadow of the cathedral.

## Best of Florence & Accademia Gallery

Florence, the city of the Renaissance, offers amazing architectural wonders and works of art. See the highlights of the city described above in the Best of Florence walking tour. Also, enjoy a guided visit to the famous Accademia Gallery to admire Michelangelo's masterpieces, including the original *David*, and *I Prigioni*.

## Best of Florence & Uffizi Gallery

See the highlights of the city described above in the Best of Florence walking tour, but also visit the famous Uffizi Gallery. The museum is huge, yet the organized itinerary allows you to admire all the main masterpieces and understand the development of Italian art during the centuries, starting with Giotto and Masaccio.

## Siena, San Gimignano & Chianti with Wine Tasting

Cross the Chianti hills to the hilltop walls of Monteriggioni and stately architecture of Siena. Refresh yourself with San Gimignano's famous white wine, then drink in views of Vernaccia, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Do some sightseeing on your own along its narrow streets, reconvene over included gelato, then melt back into the postcard-perfect landscape of Chianti.

## Half-Day Pisa Tour

Journey through the countryside in a Mercedes to walk around Piazza dei Miracoli, where the city's symbol has stood for 840 years ... alongside other historic buildings like the cathedral and Monumental Graveyard, which was partially destroyed during WWII. Another popular stop is Piazza dei Cavalieri's Muda Tower, where Dante's Count Ugolino della Gherardesca and his family were immured.

## Pisa & The Leaning Tower

Visit this symbolic city and its famous leaning tower on this half-day guided tour. Your guide will share stories of Pisa as you tour the monuments and the precious interiors of the Cathedral, a masterpiece of Romanesque art.

## Full-Day Pisa and Lucca Tour

Arrive in Pisa to tour the Piazza dei Miracoli and admire the Baptistery, Monumental Cemetery, the Leaning Tower, and the Cathedral. After free time for exploration, head to Lucca, famous for its medieval walls. In the town center, see the Anfiteatro Square, Guinigi Tower, and San Martino Cathedral. End with a Bucelalto cake tasting.

## Pisa, Siena & San Gimignano

Wander a UNESCO World Heritage Site, medieval towns, and unforgettable urban spaces in this all-day Tuscan tour. You'll see artistic masterpieces by Ambrogio Lorenzetti and architectural ones like the Collegiata. Experience history through the still-standing 13 towers of San Gimignano, the shell-shaped Piazza del Campo of Siena, Piazza dei Miracoli, and more.

## Chianti Colors and Flavors Tour

Fine wine and rolling hills lure visitors away from the city to enjoy relaxing afternoons in the Tuscan countryside. Begin with snacks at a rustic wine estate with home-produced olive oil, then visit Greve, the best-known Chianti-producing village. Walk its alleys and medieval square, visit artisan shops, then finish with another wine tasting with local products and among the olive trees of the estate.

## Montalcino, Pienza & Montepulciano

Explore three beautiful towns on this full-day tour, starting with a tasting in Montalcino, land of Brunello wine. Next, stop at Pienza, offering extraordinary views from its hill. Enjoy a Pecorino cheese tasting and explore the small town at your leisure. Lastly, enjoy a wine tasting at Vino Nobile vineyards in Montepulciano.

## Pastamania Class

Learn the secrets of making homemade pasta like ravioli and tagliatelle in the center of Florence. Taste your prepared pasta with three different sauces, along with organic Tuscan wine. Participants will receive pasta-making instructions to take home. 

## World War II History Tour

Explore Florence on a private tour with a World War II history expert. Walk through the areas that were most damaged by the war and learn about Italy's involvement and the true story of Benito Mussolini and fascism in Italy. See the Ponte Vecchio, the Pitti Palace, and more at your own pace. 

## Cortona & Montepulciano

On this private tour with an expert driver, visit Cortona, a town that sits high above sea level and offers spectacular valley and lake views. Just outside the city, visit the Hermitage of San Francesco, Le Celle. Next, tour ancient underground cellars in the medieval city of Montepulciano. Enjoy five wine tastings. 

## Tuscany on Horseback

Explore the countryside on horseback, and enjoy the sights, sounds, and smells of the Chianti region as you ride through lush vineyards, native woods, olive groves, and rolling hills. Next, visit the medieval town of San Gimignano, then enjoy a Tuscan lunch and guided Chianti wine tasting. *No horseback riding experience required.* 

## Pisa & Lucca

Embark on this private 8-hour tour of Pisa and Lucca. Pisa, known for its architectural wonders, is home to some of the oldest yet best preserved buildings in the region, like its Leaning Tower. Meanwhile, in Lucca, Giacomo Puccini's hometown, take a stroll on the streets and indulge in a traditional lunch at a trattoria. 

## Palazzo Pitti & Boboli Gardens

On this private half-day tour, visit the Palazzo Pitti and admire its lavish 17<sup>th</sup> century interior. Enjoy the artistry in the Palatine Gallery, Silver Museum, Museum of Modern Art, Costume Gallery, Porcelain Museum, and Museum of Carriages. Tour the parklands of Boboli Gardens, reminiscent of an early Italian garden. 

## Cooking at a Tuscan Farmhouse

This full-day tour combines a market visit with a cooking class and a 4-course meal! After shopping for local ingredients, travel to a rustic Tuscan farmhouse to prepare pasta, bruschetta, roast pork, and dessert such as tiramisu. Savor your creations with up to four glasses of wine. *Diploma and recipes included.* 





# FLORENCE 5-DAY CURATED ITINERARY

## Day 1 – Arrival

After checking into your hotel, stroll through Piazza della Signoria, Florence's main square. Shop for fine jewelry and leather goods in the boutiques surrounding Ponte Vecchio, the only bridge in the city spared from destruction during World War II. In the evening, enjoy a traditional dinner such as Florentine steak (*bistecca alla Fiorentina*).

## Day 2 – Art of the Renaissance

View *David* and other masterpieces by Michelangelo, along with Botticelli, Ghirlandaio, and Giambologna, at the Academia Museum. Enjoy skip-the-line access and narration from an expert guide. Later, explore the Museum of Musical Instruments and continue with a guided tour of the historic city center. Finally, visit the Uffizi Gallery to view more artistic masterpieces from the Italian greats.

## Day 3 – Duomo and Maggio Musicale

Discover the heart of Florence and learn the history of the Duomo complex. The museum houses the world's largest collection of Florentine sculptures. Admire the stunning Baptistry of San Giovanni and the church of Santa Maria del Fiore, known for its 17-foot, bronze East Door. After dinner, catch a show at the Teatro del Maggio Musicale Fiorentino.

## Day 4 – Day Trip to Chianti

Venture outside the city for an afternoon in the Tuscan countryside. Explore the Chianti wine region, stopping in Greve, one of its most famous vinous villages. Among the olive trees, gentle hills, and vineyards, sample local wines made sweeter by the views.

## Day 5 – Departure

Visit the Piazzale Michelangelo for a stunning panorama of Florence—the perfect vantage point for taking your last photos of this glorious city. Pick up some reasonably priced Italian leather luggage to carry all your fabulous new treasures home.





# TUSCANY

Tall cypresses stand guard just outside the cities of Tuscany, while red-roofed farmhouses and fields of sunflowers add pops of joyful color. A food-lover's paradise, this region that stretches from the Tyrrhenian Sea to the Apennines is a cornucopia of some of Italy's finest gourmet exports, from fresh olives to perfect rows of grapevines, waiting to be turned into the finest wines. The former breadbasket of the Roman Empire, little in this regard has changed in those thousands of years.

Tuscany's cities remain wonderfully preserved as well, with Florence and Siena remaining the frontrunners as the most-visited cities in the region. All are renowned repositories of visual and culinary art, offering delectable dining, lauded museums, stunning architecture, and elaborate frescoes.

Nearby, Pisa's oft-photographed Leaning Tower is unmistakable; the town's Square of Miracles has provided millions with pictures that still can't manage to do this ancient city justice.



Siena, Tuscany, Italy

# GRAND HOTEL CONTINENTAL SIENA – STARHOTELS COLLEZIONE

★★★★★

An impressive historical residence from the 17<sup>th</sup> century located in the heart of medieval Siena, this member of the Leading Small Hotels of the World offers 51 elegant rooms furnished with antiques of exquisite design. Just steps away from Piazza del Campo and the Duomo di Siena, it's closer still to the gourmet Sapordivino fine dining restaurant and a Renaissance salon for formal events.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Parking
- Wedding Services
- 60 Minutes from Airport
- 60 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Pistoia, Tuscany, Italy

# GROTTA GIUSTI THERMAL SPA RESORT TUSCANY, AUTOGRAPH COLLECTION

★★★★★

So beautiful it could only have been inspired by the heart of a poet—and it was!—this family villa is serene in a large park with a pool, thermal spring, and spectacular grotto and spa. Two restaurants, a lounge bar, café by the garden, yoga and wellness programs, sweeping views, and more welcome reflection by the gardens, from nature trails, and at the nearby golf course.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 4 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Wedding Services
- 45 Minutes from Airport
- 50 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Prato, Tuscany, Italy

# TENUTA DI ARTIMINIO MELIÁ COLLECTION



Discover the historic Medici estate, with its breathtaking views of vineyards and olive groves, just a short distance from Florence. Experience your choice of sumptuous settings: the Paggeria Medicea hotel, Borgo of Artimino lodges, or Le Fagianaie country homes. Two restaurants, two pools, a modern spa, and wine cellars ensure an exquisite Tuscan experience.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- 30 Minutes from Airport
- 45 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Pisa, Tuscany, Italy

# AC HOTEL PISA



The AC Hotel Pisa is located in the heart of the Cisanello business district, less than 2 miles from the historical city center and within easy reach of the Cisanello train station, Pisa Exhibition Center, and Galileo Galilei Airport. This modern, avant-garde hotel features a Technogym fitness room, 108 fully equipped guestrooms, and a range of services, such as free parking.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- 10 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Siena, Tuscany, Italy

# BORGO SAN LUIGI

★★★★

Borgo San Luigi is an oasis of wide-open spaces and secret corners. Drink cocktails by the semi-Olympic-sized pool, walk through the woods surrounding the estate, or play a game of tennis on the hotel's private court. The 74 rooms, tailor-made for relaxation, are surrounded by a serene park spanning over 645,000 square feet, offering moments of bucolic peace.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Pool
- Parking
- Wedding Services
- 50 Minutes from Airport
- 40 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Pisa, Tuscany, Italy

# GRAND HOTEL DUOMO

★★★★

Stay near Piazza dei Miracoli just steps from the famous Leaning Tower in newly refurbished rooms and suites that are bright, refined, and accented with marble and wood. Meals at Ranieri and other restaurants offer feasts for eyes as well as the palate, especially from the fifth-floor terrace. Taste wines from the cellar or enjoy happy hour at the Tower Sky Lounge. Pisa views abound.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 4 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Parking
- Wedding Services
- 60 Minutes from Airport
- 60 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Lucca, Tuscan, Italy

# GRAND UNIVERSE LUCCA , AUTOGRAPH COLLECTION

★★★★

Set at the foot of the Apuan Alps and less than half an hour from the Versilia coast, this Lucca city center hotel offers the charms of all. Rooftop views of St. Martino's Cathedral, an ancient glassblower's fountain remnants, and building wall foundations that date back to Roman times add more historical context as contemporary design and a lavish lounge remind guests to stay present.



## HOTEL FEATURES

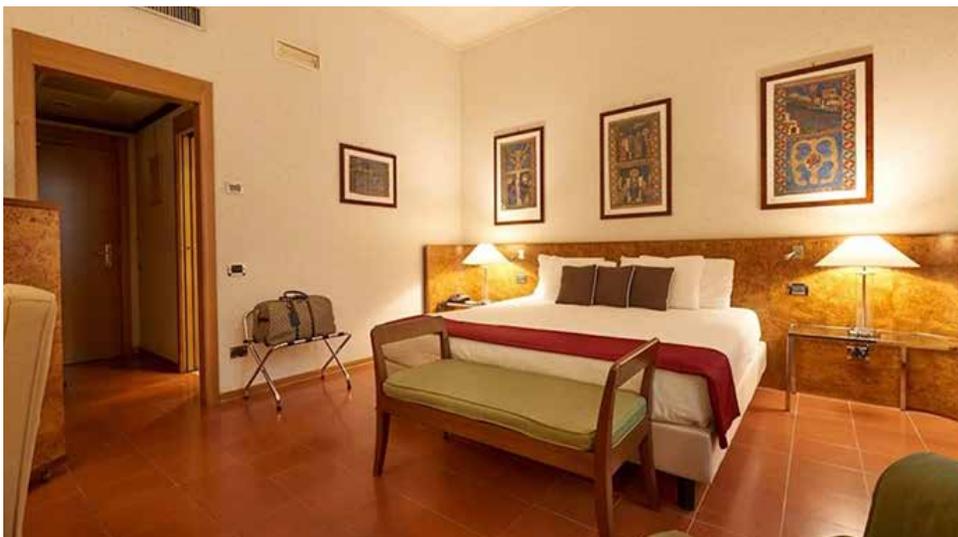
- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 4 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- 50 Minutes from Airport
- 60 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Lucca, Tuscany, Italy

# HOTEL ILARIA

★★★★

The Hotel Ilaria is a small jewel within the walls of Lucca, set right in the city's historic center. One of those hotels that feels like home, with its warm hospitality, it was once the residence of Elisa Baciocchi, sister of Napoleon Bonaparte and Princess of Lucca and Piombino, and features beautiful rooms and a charming atmosphere.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- Air Conditioning
- Parking
- 45 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Lucca, Tuscany, Italy

# HOTEL PLAZA E DE RUSSIE

★★★★

Situated in the heart of Viareggio's seaside Art Nouveau district, Hotel Plaza e de Russie is a sophisticated design hotel affiliated with Relais & Chateaux. The hotel has been completely reimagined, from the charming lobby to the trendy Michelin-starred restaurant and 44 elegant rooms and suites. Experience impeccable service that anticipates your every need.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- Air Conditioning
- Pool
- Parking
- 30 Minutes from Airport
- 30 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Siena, Tuscany, Italy

# RELAIS LA COSTA - DIMORA STORICA

ADULTS-ONLY

Exclusively for those ages 16 and up, this historical seven-suite residence near Siena offers an exclusive retreat that emphasizes serenity, healthy living, and, of course, luxury. A pool, spa, and outdoor whirlpool serve up watery relaxation; Tuscan finger-food breakfasts and the private restaurant for guests only serve up ingredients from BiOrto, the organic garden.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 2 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Parking
- Wedding Services
- 60 Minutes from Airport
- 60 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map





# TUSCANY 5-DAY CURATED ITINERARY

## Day 1 – Arrival in Pisa

Check in to your hotel, then head to the Museo dell'Opera del Duomo and enjoy lunch at its restaurant overlooking the tower. In the evening, venture out to either the historical Santa Maria district or the trendy San Francesco neighborhood, known for its nightlife. End the night with a romantic stroll along the Arno River, gelato in hand.

## Day 2 – Pisa Landmarks

Your private tour guide will unveil the wonders of Pisa. Visit the Cathedral, the Baptistery, and the Leaning Tower with skip-the-line access. On this walking tour, learn about the monuments that surround the Piazza dei Miracoli, one of the world's most stunning squares. Enjoy speedy access to the Leaning Tower and climb the stairs for a spectacular view. Afterward, explore the Old Town.

## Day 3 – Day Trip to Siena

Enjoy the iconic scenery of the Tuscan countryside as you make your way to Siena either by train (one hour) or car (3 hours). Visit the Piazza del Campo, one of Europe's greatest medieval squares. Stop at the Santa Maria della Scala Museum and the Siena Cathedral and climb the Torre del Mangia, the bell tower of the Palazzo Pubblico, for stunning views of the city.

## Day 4 – San Gimignano

Today, head to the medieval town of San Gimignano, just over an hour's drive from Pisa. Explore the Piazza del Duomo and the Rocca, a small hilltop castle built in the 14<sup>th</sup> century. Stroll the winding medieval streets and the Old Town, then end your day on a regional wine tour before resting up at your hotel.

## Day 5 – Departure from Pisa

Have breakfast in a café in Piazza dei Miracoli, enjoying local coffee, pastries, and fruit, then pick up some last souvenirs before your flight home.





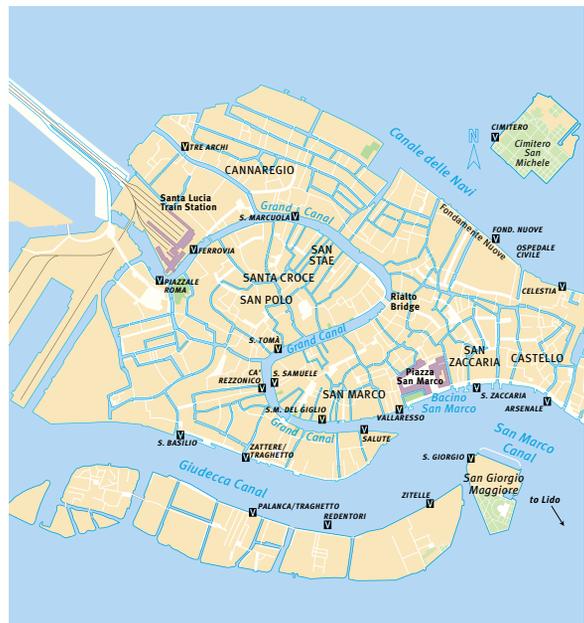


# VENICE

Built on a lagoon, navigable only by foot and by boat, Venice's 117 islands are separated by 177 canals and linked back together by more than 400 picturesque bridges, creating a story of separation and connection as romantic as any to emerge from this beautiful city.

Time stands quite still in Venice's quiet serenity. Gondoliers shuttle visitors to their destinations with traditional songs. The bell tower in Piazza San Marco continues to ring through the narrow streets, the famous St. Mark's Basilica and the Campanile still standing resplendent over the cobbles, only minutes from the stunning Bridge of Sighs.

A softly romantic city comes to vibrant life when Carnival takes place, the celebratory air extending to every corner of all six quarters of Venice. But no matter when, it only takes one visit to realize that every day in Venice is an occasion to remember.



Venice, Italy

# HILTON MOLINO STUCKY VENICE

★★★★★

Once a flourishing flour mill, this beautifully restored hotel offers an expansive view of Venice, as well as shuttle boat service from Giudecca Island to the city center. The second-largest spa in the area, a collection of bars and destination restaurants, and a stunning rooftop pool make this hotel a prime choice for exploring Murano, Burano, Torcello, and of course, Venice.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 4 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Parking
- Wedding Services
- 20 Minutes from Airport
- 25 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Venice, Italy

# JW MARRIOTT VENICE RESORT & SPA

★★★★★

Enchantment awaits at this luxury spa hotel. Beautifully situated on the private island of Isola delle Rose, your pampering begins as you're transported by a complimentary water shuttle to the 40-acre resort. Savor award-winning cuisine at tempting restaurants, recharge at the JW Venice Spa, play in the pools, take a cooking class, or join any of the family-friendly activities.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 8 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Wedding Services
- 60 Minutes from Airport
- 25 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Venice, Italy

# THE ST. REGIS VENICE

★★★★★

It doesn't get more iconic than an address on the Grand Canal—until you add in the stylish design, intelligent technology, and St. Regis Butlers for a total package across 130 guestrooms and 39 suites, some of which have private terraces. An Italianate garden, on-site dining and beverage, exercise room, and collaborated art exhibits lend to this luxury property's magic.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- 40 Minutes from Airport
- 5 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Venice, Italy

# H10 PALAZZO CANOVA

★★★★½

Located on the Grand Canal, just a few meters from the famous Rialto Bridge, the H10 Palazzo Canova is housed in a beautifully preserved 19<sup>th</sup> century building. Its Venetian-inspired interior design carries through the peaceful modern rooms, Il Caffè sulla Riva Restaurant, and a terrace with spectacular views of the canal.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 2 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- 50 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Venice, Italy

# SPLENDID VENICE – STARHOTELS COLLEZIONE

★★★★½

A few steps—or a short gondola ride—from world-famous sights, the Splendid Venice is a luxury hotel as fascinating and refined as the city itself. The hotel is located in a central but quiet area and has its own private port on the Rio dei Baretteri. Most of the 165 rooms and suites offer stunning views of the canals and Venetian rooftops, bell towers, and loggias.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Parking
- 50 Minutes from Airport
- 5 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Venice, Italy

# CA' DEI CONTI

★★★★

Stay in an elegant historical residence just a stone's throw away from St. Mark's Square. The rooms at Ca' dei Conti are full of 18<sup>th</sup> century charm without giving up modern comforts. For that extra bit of elegance, guests can choose a superior room with a hydro-massage bath or a splendid suite overlooking a Venetian canal.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- Air Conditioning
- Parking
- 50 Minutes from Airport
- 5 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Venice, Italy

# HOTEL CANAL GRANDE

★★★★★

Authenticity seekers ought to look no further than this 18<sup>th</sup> century boutique hotel on the famous Grand Canal, overlooking a typical Venetian square and only a few minutes from the Santa Lucia train station for navigability and convenience. Rococo furniture, classic interior design in the style of the region, and a small terrace provide an even greater sense of place.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Parking
- 15 Minutes from Airport
- 20 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Venice, Italy

# HOTEL COLOMBINA

★★★★★

Located two minutes from St. Mark's Square, Hotel Colombina provides a refined Venetian atmosphere typical of the 18<sup>th</sup> century set to views of the Rio della Canonica. Guests can enjoy a rich breakfast daily and concierge service 24/7. A private water door and pier offers exclusive transfers for exploring the City of Canals.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- 50 Minutes from Airport
- 5 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Venice, Italy

# HOTEL CONCORDIA

★★★★★

The Hotel Concordia is the only hotel overlooking St. Mark's Square. The Beggjato family has been running this distinguished hotel for four generations as their own home, giving it a warm atmosphere. All 51 rooms, furnished with original antique furniture and Murano chandeliers, are equipped with the best modern technologies; most offer a breathtaking view over the spires of the Basilica.



## HOTEL FEATURES

-  Free WiFi
-  Breakfast Included
-  1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
-  Air Conditioning
-  Parking
-  50 Minutes from Airport
-  5 Minutes from City Center
-  Location on Map

Venice, Italy

# HOTEL FOSCARI PALACE

★★★★★

This luxurious boutique hotel, located in the Cannaregio region of La Serenissima, was once the official residence of Duke Gonzaga and maintains much of its refined grandeur to this day. Recently renovated, the hotel boasts 23 marvelous rooms and suites overlooking the Grand Canal, all just a short stroll from the Rialto Bridge, St. Mark's Square, and the Santa Lucia rail station.



## HOTEL FEATURES

-  Free WiFi
-  Breakfast Included
-  1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
-  Air Conditioning
-  50 Minutes from Airport
-  15 Minutes from City Center
-  Location on Map

Venice, Italy

# HOTEL INDIGO® VENICE - SANT'ELENA, AN IHG HOTEL

★★★★

This 1930s monastery is a peaceful sanctuary from the excitement of Venice, made even more so with an inner garden, an on-site restaurant, and bright, cheery accommodations with Venetian flair. Located near the Giardini della Biennale, the traditional site of La Biennale Art Exhibitions since 1895, there is no better spot to begin tapping into the city's artistic spirit.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- 45 Minutes from Airport
- 30 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Venice, Italy

# HYATT CENTRIC MURANO VENICE

★★★★

Live like a Venetian local on the island known the world over for its precious glassblowing traditions. A courtesy airport water shuttle starts your stay authentically, a theme that continues in the 119 guestrooms, restaurants and bar, and peaceful island location only a short boat ride away from Burano, Torcello Islands, and the heart of Venice.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- 50 Minutes from Airport
- 40 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map



# VENICE TOURS

## Venetian Food & Wine Tour

On this one-hour tour, an expert guide will take you through Venetian streets to discover the local *bacari* (wine shops) and sample *cicchetti* (snacks), a regional specialty. Explore enchanting Venice with its lights and unforgettable colors and flavors.

## Discover Venice Tour & Gondola Ride

Share a gondola to enjoy the beauty and silence of Venice from a different view with a route that travels along the Grand Canal and through inner ones between marbled palaces. A walking tour of the area between St. Mark's Square and the Rialto Bridge follows, including a stop at Teatro La Fenice and the hidden Palazzo Contarini della Scala del Bovolo before returning to the island's famous square.

## The Golden Basilica Tour

Take your time at a masterpiece of Byzantine art that is unique to Italy. A guide helps you better appreciate the gold mosaics, marble inlays, represented biblical scenes, history, and particularities of this basilica. Behold the Pala d'Oro and its thousands of gems and the Treasury, a splendor of religious art collected along the centuries.

## Afternoon in Venice

Your guide will explain the history and biblical scenes of St. Mark's Basilica. Reach the terrace for a panoramic view of St. Mark's Square, then walk through the winding streets between the Square and Rialto Bridge to board a gondola. Ride down the Grand Canal and through the maze of inner canals, offering Venice's most beautiful views.

## Enchanting Evening in Venice

Explore Venice enchanted by lights and unforgettable colors on a guided evening walk on unusual routes. Hear about the legends, anecdotes, and tales of a secret Venice. Discover local Venetian *bacari* (wine bars) to sample two types of *cicchetti* (snacks), and taste two locally produced wines.

## Byzantine Wonders in Venice

Visit St. Mark's Square to see and learn about St. Mark's Basilica, Palazzo Ducale, the Bell Tower, the Clock Tower, and Procuratie. Continue to Santa Maria Formosa Square, Campo SS. Giovanni e Paolo, the Great School of Charity, the Captains of Fortune, Marco Polo's house, and Malibran Theatre.

## Inside Venice Walking Tour

Visit Palazzo Ducale (Doge's Palace), which represented the seat of Venetian political power for centuries. Admire the realism of scenes depicted by many artists who decorated this building, reliving the anguish of prisoners crossing the Bridge of Sighs to enter the prisons. Continue to St. Mark's Basilica for a guided tour of this incredible work of art.

## Day in the Prosecco Hills

In the morning, visit a Prosecco winery for a tasting and learn the secrets of Prosecco wine-making. Continue to a family-owned Osteria and enjoy a traditional homemade 4-course meal. Next, visit another very high-quality DOCG Prosecco winery that produces wines using ancient types of vines. **V**

## Murano & Burano Islands

Board a motorboat to explore two famous Venetian islands on this half-day tour. In Murano, watch local artisans give live demonstrations of their traditional glassblowing and browse their collections of world-famous pieces. The tiny and picturesque island of Burano, famous for its colorful homes and lace-making craft, portrays Venice in simpler times.

## Eat Like a Local

Enjoy a 3-hour discovery of the gastronomic tradition of Venice on this small-group food and wine walking tour with the guidance of an expert local foodie. Enjoy at least 13 tastings from some of the best restaurants and bars frequented by Venetians and less known to tourists. **V**

## Cortina and the Dolomites

This private full-day tour takes you to the most famous mountain towns and lakes in the Dolomites: Cortina, Lake Misurina, Tre Cime di Lavaredo, and Lake Auronzo. Walk around and admire the unforgettable views at your leisure, taking advantage of the amazing photo opportunities. **V**

## The Dolomites and Lake Braies

The Dolomites, a UNESCO Natural World Heritage Site, offers some of the most spectacular views in the world. This regional highlights tour includes stops at four famous cities and lakes: Pieve di Cadore, Cortina d'Ampezzo, Lake Misurina, and Lake Braies. **V**

## Venice Hidden Gems

Explore historical parts of Venice that are off the beaten track on this private guided walking tour. Start in beautiful Piazza San Marco, then move on to youthful Campo Santa Margherita to explore its vibrant cultural scene. Visit Dorsoduro and stop at the *squero*, where gondolas are built and restored, absorbing its historical beauty and lively atmosphere. **V**

## Ferrara and Chioggia

Visit two UNESCO World Heritage Sites on this full-day private guided tour. First, your driver takes you to Ferrara, an admirable example of a Renaissance city, complete with a well-preserved historic center. Next, travel to Chioggia ("Little Venice"), known for its historical and artistic heritage, and visit the famous fish market. *Includes lunch.* **V**





# VENICE 5-DAY CURATED ITINERARY

## Day 1 – Arrival

Upon arrival, a waterbus to your hotel provides a first glimpse of Venice's breathtaking architecture, historical buildings, and docks. Walk to St. Mark's Square and spend time shopping and enjoying the sights. Later, take a sunset gondola ride along the Grand Canal. If you desire, combine your ride with a ghost tour walking through the Rialto, Cannaregio, and Castello districts while your guide reveals the legends, anecdotes, and tales of a very secret Venice.

## Day 2 – Doge's Palace & St. Mark's Basilica

On a guided tour, visit the Palazzo Ducale (*Doge's Palace*), which represented the seat of Venetian political power for centuries. Admire the realism of scenes depicted by many artists over the years, reliving the anguish of prisoners crossing the Bridge of Sighs to enter the prisons. Then, see St. Mark's Basilica, a masterpiece of Byzantine art, and learn about its history.

## Day 3 – Murano & Burano Islands

After breakfast at your hotel or at a café on St. Mark's Square, board a motorboat to explore two famous Venetian islands. In Murano, watch live demonstrations of traditional glassblowing and browse artists' collections of world-famous pieces—and perhaps pick up some lovely glass jewelry. Next, visit the island of Burano, famous for its colorful homes and lace-making craft.

## Day 4 – Venetian Cuisine

Savor views of the city as you sample local flavors on this 2.5-hour street food tour around the best spots of Venice. Explore the narrow picturesque alleyways, hidden canals, ancient bars, and shops. Visit the famous local market of Rialto along the way, tasting the finest cheeses, traditional pastries, and Venetian tapas, known as *cicchetti*.

## Day 5 – Departure

Enjoy breakfast at a café overlooking the Grand Canal while you take in the sights a final time. Then, stroll through the old Cannaregio district, with its symphony of history and contemporary life, for one last taste of Venetian culture.





# MILAN & NORTHERN ITALY

Couture and glamour are inseparable from the city of Milan. Fall and Spring Fashion Weeks may be at the heart of this exhilarating world, but this stylish city's commercial ties are yearlong, with events, exhibits, and trade shows that wow for every season. However, modern design houses are far from the only venues from which comes incredible art. Over 40 museums, 30 palaces and mansions, more than a dozen monuments, Leonardo da Vinci's Last Supper, and the city's Duomo—the country's most famous unfinished masterpiece—are all testaments to Milan's long devotion to creativity.

Beauty in all forms is deservedly elevated in a region so breathtaking that its landscape even includes natural pedestals. The Italian Alps provide a majestic background to Lake Como, a destination known for the opulent, lavish villas that cling to its shores. Lake Maggiore quietly competes with its more well-known neighbor with some of the most exquisite gardens in Italy, capturing hearts with ease.



Milan, Italy

# EXCELSIOR HOTEL GALLIA, A LUXURY COLLECTION HOTEL, MILAN

★★★★★

Take your pick of 235 elegant rooms or an extraordinary collection of 53 themed atelier suites, including two that come with butler and limousine service. Unwind in the two-story Shiseido Spa and work out at the state-of-the-art Artis gym. The exclusive rooftop bar and restaurant of this Belle Époque hotel offers panoramic views to accompany exquisite Italian culinary experiences.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 4 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Parking
- 45 Minutes from Airport
- 20 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Milan, Italy

# THE WESTIN PALACE, MILAN

★★★★★

Refreshed interiors across 196 rooms and 35 suites blend classical architecture with pared-back 21<sup>st</sup> century design that evokes the gilt and darker spectrums of modernity. A signature restaurant, rooftop terrace, lounge, spa, and WestinWORKOUT<sup>®</sup> studio round out the offerings of this hotel in Porta Nuova—an area so ideal for on-foot exploration that it has its own RunWestin route.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- 45 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Lake Como, Italy

# GRAND HOTEL CADENABBIA

★★★★

The main halls of this charming Lake Como hotel, once a private villa, are decorated with ancient stuccos, mirrors, frescoes, and majestic columns—reminders of its long history. Rooms are spread across four levels. Some feature a large terrace or balcony where you can enjoy breakfast or sunbathe; all are equipped with satellite television, air conditioning in summer, and a mini-bar.



## HOTEL FEATURES

-  Free WiFi
-  Breakfast Included
-  3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
-  Air Conditioning
-  Pool
-  Parking
-  60 Minutes from Airport
-  5 Minutes from City Center
-  Location on Map

Lake Como, Italy

# GRAND HOTEL MENAGGIO

★★★★

Overlooking the blue waters of Lake Como, this first-class hotel offers 94 rooms, some with balconies for better enjoying the views; a heated pool by the lake; two restaurants and a bar; boutiques; private moorings for boats; and water skiing and other watersport equipment. For a day on the green, the Menaggio & Cadenabbia 18-hole golf course is close by.



## HOTEL FEATURES

-  Free WiFi
-  Breakfast Included
-  3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
-  Air Conditioning
-  Spa/Fitness Center
-  Pool
-  Parking
-  60 Minutes from Airport
-  5 Minutes from City Center
-  Location on Map

Milan, Italy

# HILTON MILAN



Minutes from major cultural attractions like the Duomo Cathedral and the Convent of Santa Maria delle Grazie, home of Da Vinci's *The Last Supper*, find this hotel two blocks away from the Milan Central railway station, which provides airport transportation and links to Lake Como. Take in the city sights on a tour or enjoy 24-hour access to the fitness center.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 2 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- 45 Minutes from Airport
- 5 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Lake Como, Italy

# HOTEL GRISO COLLECTION



In the splendid setting of the Lecco branch of Lake Como sits the Hotel Griso Collection, ready to welcome its guests with comfort and high-quality services. Large terraces overlooking the lake (an enchanting panorama that can be enjoyed from almost any place in the hotel); renowned cuisine; spacious rooms; attentive staff; and a relaxing atmosphere await you.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 2 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- 60 Minutes from Airport
- 5 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Milan, Italy

# HYATT CENTRIC MILAN CENTRALE

★★★★

A bridge between old and new Milan between skyscrapers and near the high-speed train station, this hotel places guests in the middle of it all. A selection of 141 guestrooms carries the stylish tones of the CuMi restaurant and Intermezzo bar; the Organics SkyGarden @Cielo offers an urban jungle vibe and perspective. Find self-care in the fitness center and starry vault Wellness Area.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- 45 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Milan, Italy

# MELIÁ MILANO

★★★★

Milan is a vibrant city: the capital of fashion, glamour, and the latest trends. Its booming Zona Lotto district, just 15 minutes from the historic city center by metro, is home to the Meliá Milano. Fully renovated, the hotel reflects the innovative design for which the Lombardy capital is famous, with exclusive rooms and suites plus the added benefits of The Level service.



## HOTEL FEATURES

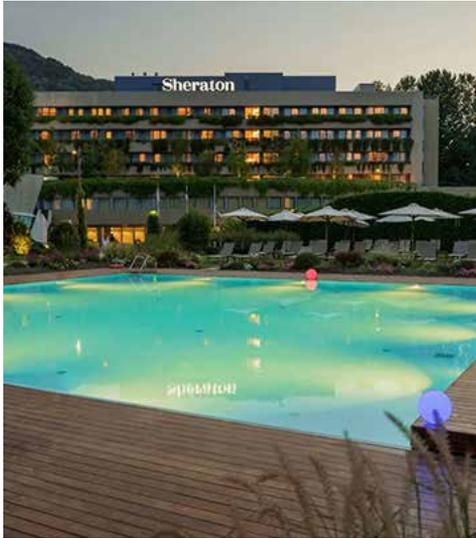
- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 2 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- 35 Minutes from Airport
- 20 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Lake Como, Italy

# SHERATON LAKE COMO



Set along the iconic Lake Como, the Sheraton Lake Como offers 137 comfortable and spacious guestrooms, including four suites and connecting rooms for families. This city resort is nestled in an enchanting private park with a swimming pool, solarium, and whirlpool area. Dine at the 1 Michelin-starred Kitchen, and keep in shape at the 24/7 Sheraton Fitness.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 4 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Parking
- 40 Minutes from Airport
- 15 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Milan, Italy

# VOCO<sup>®</sup> MILAN - FIERE, AN IHG HOTEL



A newer addition to this modern, stylish city, this business hotel is designed to link to the city center, the airport, and areas of business. A bar with gaming area, locally inspired OnFire Grill and Lounge, on-site spa, and fitness center remind guests that they're on vacation, as bright, contemporary rooms refresh and reenergize for every day of their stay.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- 30 Minutes from Airport
- 25 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map



ENTRANDO COLLE ARMI GIOBIOSE  
NAPOLEONI III E VITTORIO EMANUELE II LIBERATORI  
MILANO ESULTANTE DANZANDO DA QUESTI MARMI  
LE IMPRONTE SERVILI  
E VI SCRISSE L'INDIPENDENZA D'ITALIA  
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# MILAN TOURS

## Skip-the-Line Historic Milan

Explore centuries of Italian history and some of Milan's most iconic attractions on this 3-hour walking tour. Beat the queues to admire da Vinci's *Last Supper*. Take in key landmarks including the Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II, Milan Cathedral, the medieval Piazza dei Mercanti, Monastery of Santa Maria delle Grazie, Scala Theater, and Sforza Castle. **V**

## Da Vinci's *Last Supper*

Skip the long line to see Leonardo's works of art. After a briefing with the local guide on Leonardo's masterpieces, you'll start a brief preparation for the visit to admire Leonardo's *Last Supper*. Your guide will tell you about Da Vinci's innovative perspective and technique, and details about the composition and characters of *The Last Supper*. **V**

## Making Pasta & Tiramisù

The family passion for cooking and the family recipes passed down through generations have been refined in the best Italian and international cooking schools, including the Paul Bocuse Institute (3-star Michelin) in the beautiful Ecully castle. Learn the secrets of making ravioli, tagliatelle, and tiramisù. **V**

## *Last Supper* & Sforza Castle

Get your entrance ticket and make the most of your trip to Milan with a guaranteed visit to *The Last Supper*. Embark on a walking tour with an English-speaking guide. **V**

## Gelato & Pizza Class

Learn to make genuine Italian pizza and gelato at a very hip cooking studio in downtown Milan. This class is entertaining yet instructive—a perfect activity for families who want to learn about the local culture and Italian cooking in a fun and relaxed way. **V**

## Bernina Red Train to St. Moritz

Take a ride on the Bernina Red Train along one of the most beautiful railway routes in the world through the Bernina Pass—a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy a roundtrip scenic coach trip and ride in a bright red rail car, passing unrivaled landscapes amid the towering peaks of the Swiss Alps. Enjoy time in charming St. Moritz. **V**

## Milan Aperitivo & Street Food

The Do Eat Better Experience is a fun walking food tour around the Navigli and Porta Ticinese areas, guided by a local foodie. Sample high-quality cuisine while enjoying the local Italian culture and lifestyle. *Small groups only. Tours in English and Italian, as well as other languages upon request.* 

## Lake Como Private Boat Cruises

Options include a day trip cruise to visit Bellagio & Varenna; a Lake Como sunset tour to discover Como City and ride the funicular railway to Brunate; and the Lake Como & Bernina Express private morning cruise where you'll enjoy unsurpassed Alpine views of Lake Como and the Alps while riding the Bernina Red Train. 

## Verona & Lake Garda

Explore the beautiful town of Verona and the lakeside towns lining Lake Garda on a scenic day trip from Milan. You'll discover that Verona is one of Italy's loveliest towns—a major stop on the Shakespearean tourist trail—and be charmed by the towns and landscapes of Lake Garda. 

## Venice Day Trip from Milan

After a 2.5 motorcoach ride from Milan to Venice, enjoy a guided walking tour to discover must-see Venetian landmarks such as St. Mark's Basilica, Doge's Palace, and the Rialto Bridge. Wander through St. Mark's Square alongside the Grand Canal and observe a glass-making demonstration. Then take a 30-minute gondola ride at your own expense or simply enjoy free time. 

## Private Milan Wine Tasting

Taste four to five fine Italian wines with an expert guide. Or for an extended option, choose an exclusive tasting of five wines and traditional appetizers at two wine bars, along with a guided tour of Old Town's highlights. 

## Beer Tasting in Old Town

Enjoy Milan's Old Town and nightlife on a private, guided beer-tasting tour. Choose 4 to 8 beers to try and add food tasting to enhance the experience. On the 4-hour tour option, visit 3 beer venues and taste 8 different types of Italian beer with starters and hot dishes. Milan is home to one of Italy's first craft breweries. 

## Stradivari Museum & Cremona

Cremona is a splendid medieval town in northern Italy located next to River Po, where the famous Stradivari master created the world's most important violins. Visit the Museum of Violins and learn about its many important instruments on this private guided tour. See Cremona's splendid cathedral with 15<sup>th</sup> century frescos and paintings. Maximum 4 guests. 

## Bernina Scenic Train & Lake Como

Enjoy a 12- to 13-hour trip on the Bernina Red Train on the railway declared a UNESCO World Heritage site, passing Lake Como with a stop in Varenna. Board the train in Tirano to enjoy the spectacular views as it climbs the Swiss Alps to one of the highest points (weather permitting). Explore fashionable St. Moritz before your return. 

## Lake Como, Bellagio & Lugano

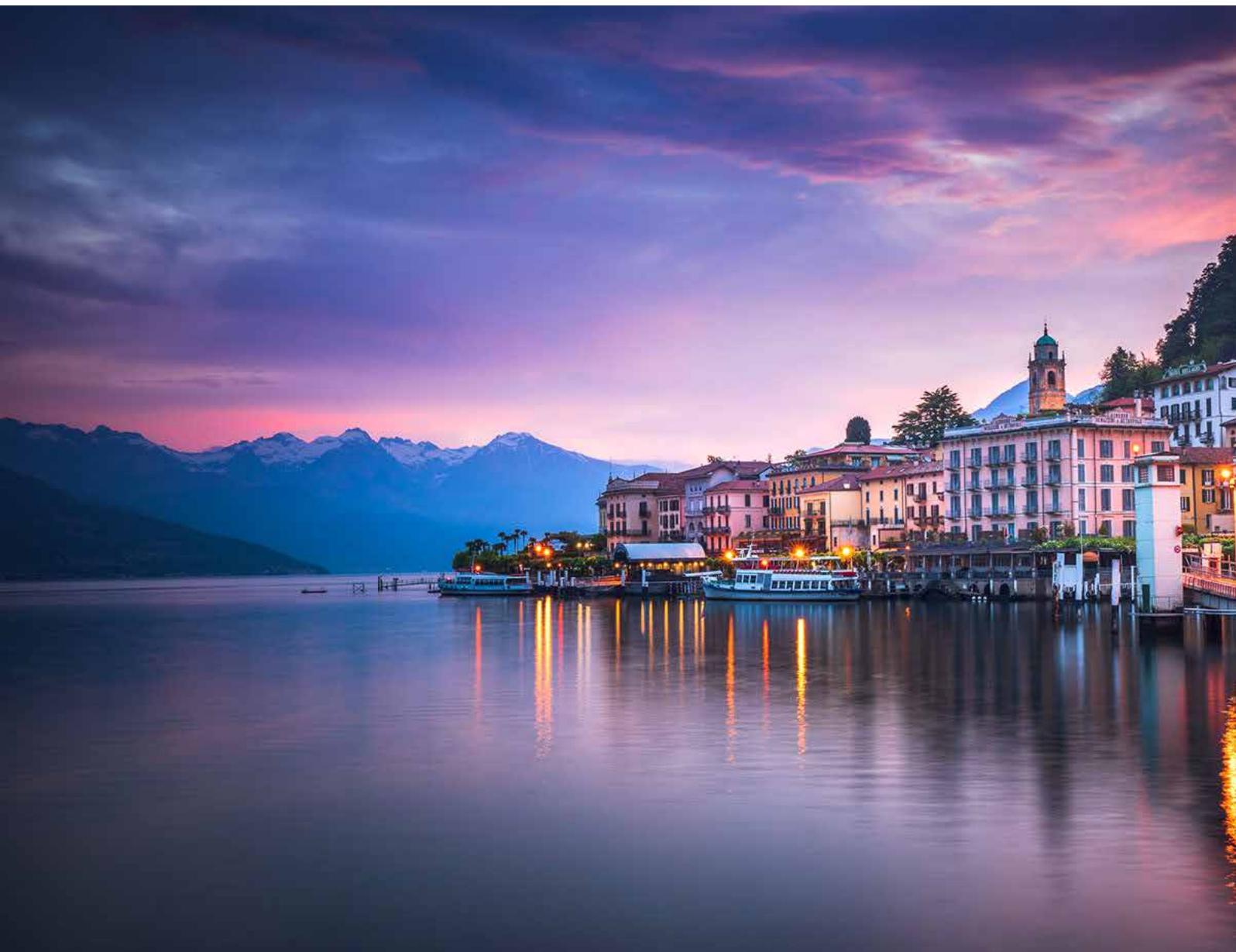
Just an hour outside Milan, see stunning lakes, fabulous villas, and charming Alpine towns all in one blissful day. Cruise beautiful Lake Como in comfort. Enjoy free time in Bellagio, "The Pearl of Lake Como". Then cross the border to visit Lugano, "The Monte Carlo of Switzerland". 

## Wine Pairing & Cooking Class

Discover the art of food and wine pairing with a certified sommelier in Milan. Three Italian wines will be paired with three pasta dishes, all handmade during the evening with fresh local ingredients. Class themes include an introduction to pairing, an explanation of specific pairings for individual dishes, and tastings. 

## Best of Milan with *Last Supper*

Skip the line on this Best of Milan tour with *Last Supper* tickets. See Milan's Duomo and other world-famous attractions and stunning hidden gems. This tour will reveal the artistic, architectural, and historical beauty of this amazing and iconic city.



# MILAN 5-DAY CURATED ITINERARY

## Day 1 – Arrival

After settling in, take a leisurely stroll through the city center to admire Milan's most notable monuments. In the evening, head to the lively Navigli neighborhood and enjoy a Milanese dinner such as tripe and bean soup, creamy risotto, or fried veal cutlets.

## Day 2 – The Last Supper and the Duomo

Discover the best of Milan on an intimate skip-the-line tour. Visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Santa Maria delle Grazie to admire Leonardo da Vinci's masterpiece, *The Last Supper*. Explore La Scala Opera House, where some of the world's greatest musicians have performed. Marvel at the scale of Milan Cathedral. Shop the Galleria Vittorio Emanuele arcade, a highlight of Italian fashion. Finally, visit the splendid Duomo, where 135 spires and 3,200 statues ornament the roof and facade.

## Day 3 – Fashion Quarter

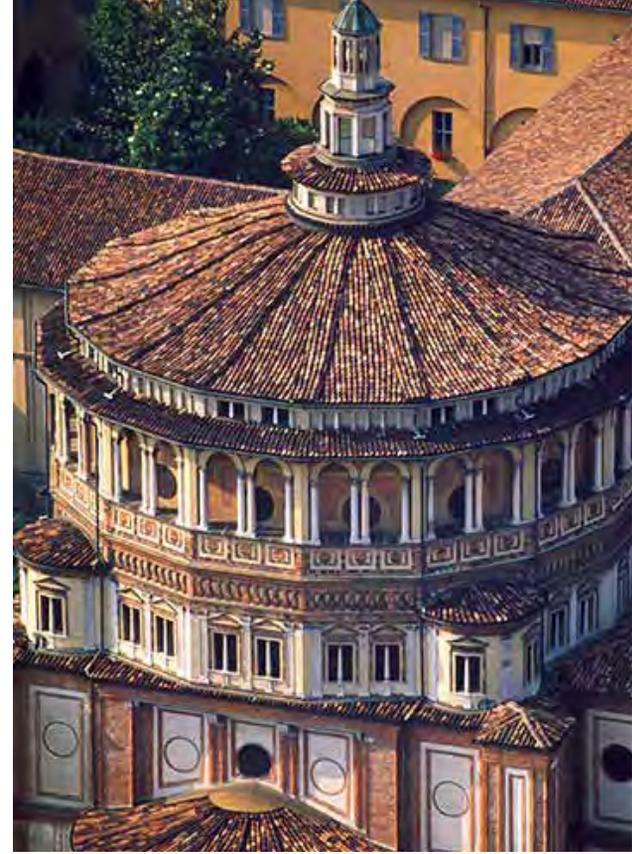
Discover Milan's famous fashion quarter, the Quadrilatero della Moda, with a local fashion enthusiast. Shop premier global brands as your guide leads you through showrooms and ateliers. Discover the roots of the city's couture culture, visiting all four corners of the square for the ultimate fashionista experience!

## Day 4 – Lake Como, Bellagio & Lugano

Get an early start to see stunning lakes, fabulous villas, and charming Alpine towns all in one blissful day. Just an hour or so away by train, Lake Como is best seen by ferry, letting you cruise the lake in comfort. Later, enjoy shopping in Bellagio, the Pearl of Lake Como. Then, cross the border into Switzerland to visit Lugano, where Italian and Swiss cultures blend beautifully. Afterward, catch a train back to Milan.

## Day 5 – Departure

Grab a traditional cappuccino and brioche at Pasticceria Cucchi in the trendy Ticinese district, popping into its trattorias and art shops before bidding farewell to Milan.







# NAPLES & AMALFI COAST

Coves, fjords, cliffs, caverns, bays, arches, and pebbled beaches are only a handful of ways the mountains meet the seas in Southern Italy. Pretty pastel homes, built into apparent rockfaces, hang over unimaginably blue waters on the Amalfi Coast, an area of such splendor that one of its islands was thought by the ancient Greeks to be inhabited by the Sirens of Odysseus's journeys.

The city of Napoli brings its own particular magic to a vacation in Southern Italy. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, favorite cruise port, and the birthplace of pizza, Naples has more to offer than can be explored in a lifetime.

Just outside the Bay of Naples is Sorrento, a destination awash in the fresh country fragrance of orange, olive, and lemon groves. Artisan shops, traditional wood mosaics, antiques, and other collectibles can all be purchased here, but the astounding views are part of every package.



Naples, Amalfi Coast, Italy

# GRAND HOTEL PARKER'S



The Grand Hotel Parker's is the oldest hotel in Naples, a symbol of elegance and hospitality of yesteryear. Since 1870, it has welcomed and excited generations of travelers—including writers Virginia Woolf and Oscar Wilde. With its 67 luxurious rooms, excellent service, and one of the most beautiful views in the world, Parker's is your ideal choice for a trip as a couple or family.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 5 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- Wedding Services
- 25 Minutes from Airport
- 8 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Positano, Amalfi Coast , Italy

# HOTEL LE AGAVI



Set in the heart of the Amalfi Coast, this beautiful hotel offers a stunning location and exclusive views of Positano. Every room at Le Agavi features panoramic balconies or terraces overlooking the sea with traditional design and modern comforts. Savor the flair of traditional Mediterranean cuisine in the La Serra restaurant or enjoy a drink on the stunning terrace of the hall.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 8 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Pool
- Parking
- 70 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Sorrento, Amalfi Coast, Italy

# GRAND HOTEL CAPODIMONTE

★★★★½

A superior property situated in a quiet area a few meters from the city center, the Grand Hotel Capodimonte overlooks the town of Sorrento and the enchanting Gulf of Naples. Its rooms and suites are classically furnished. Most overlook either the bay or beautiful gardens; all are equipped with free high-speed WiFi and individually controlled air conditioning.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 5 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Parking
- Wedding Services
- 35 Minutes from Airport
- 5 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Naples, Amalfi Coast, Italy

# PALAZZO CARACCILO NAPOLI MGALLERY HOTEL COLLECTION

★★★★½

The finely decorated interiors of Palazzo Caracciolo MGallery, housed in a 13<sup>th</sup> century stately home, combine historical charm with the comfort of modern furniture and services. Close proximity to the Old Town allows you to visit Naples' most iconic places, including Piazza del Plebiscito, the bay, National Archaeological Museum, Madre Museum of Contemporary Art, and Real Botanical Garden.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- 10 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Amalfi, Amalfi Coast, Italy

# GRAND HOTEL EXCELSIOR



Imposing and majestic, the Grand Hotel Excelsior towers over the Amalfi Coast. Stunning views over the sea and pristine forested hills embellish its timeless architecture for a truly tranquil vacation. Located just a few miles from the center of Amalfi and offering a complimentary shuttle to its private beach, the hotel is perfectly positioned for exploring the city and sea.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- 85 Minutes from Airport
- 12 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Sorrento, Amalfi Coast, Italy

# HILTON SORRENTO PALACE



Set on the north coast of the Sorrentine Peninsula with spectacular views over Sorrento City, the Bay of Naples, and of Mount Vesuvius, this choice offers bright, modern guestrooms, inspired regional cuisine, and an incredible indoor grotto-style pool—one of six—that's open from November to March. A fitness center, tennis court, and two padel courts are also present.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 4 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Parking
- 75 Minutes from Airport
- 5 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Positano, Amalfi Coast, Italy

# HOTEL POSA POSA

★★★★

The historical Hotel Posa Posa, named after a legend of a stolen—and returned—painting, is set on a mountainside in central Positano, just a 10-minute walk from the beach. Hand-painted tiling and Mediterranean colors add to the storied romance; Restaurant Mirage, overlooking the sea, makes for an enchanting candlelit dinner. A plunge pool up on the rooftop offers more divertimento.



## HOTEL FEATURES

-  Free WiFi
-  Breakfast Included
-  2 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
-  Air Conditioning
-  Pool
-  Parking
-  80 Minutes from Airport
-  5 Minutes from City Center
-  Location on Map

Amalfi, Amalfi Coast, Italy

# LA BUSSOLA HOTEL

★★★★

An ideal choice for a vacation on the Amalfi Coast, La Bussola is situated in the center of Amalfi, just a short distance from the Duomo and the main square. Enjoy stunning seafront views year-round from a panoramic terrace with its own bar. Facilities include elevators, air conditioning, spacious communal areas, La Bussola sul Mare restaurant, a sundeck, and private parking.



## HOTEL FEATURES

-  Free WiFi
-  Breakfast Included
-  2 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
-  Air Conditioning
-  Parking
-  85 Minutes from Airport
-  5 Minutes from City Center
-  Location on Map

Positano, Amalfi Coast, Italy

# POSITANO ART HOTEL PASITEA

★★★★

Protected by the goddess Pasitea, looking straight at the island of the sirens of *The Odyssey*, the Positano Art Hotel Pasitea offers its customers a divine experience from the most popular area of the city. Thirty guestrooms, each with its own personality, are distributed across four elevator-accessible floors. Enjoy breakfast at the bar or in the comfort of your room.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Parking
- 80 Minutes from Airport
- 15 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Salerno, Amalfi Coast, Italy

# SAN SEVERINO PARK HOTEL & SPA

★★★★

The result of ten years of hospitality experience, San Servino Park Hotel & Spa was born to offer its guests a stay filled with comfort and wellbeing. Located within easy reach of Pompeii, Paestum, and the wider Amalfi Coast, the hotel features large meeting rooms, a Comfort Zone Spa, and the cuisine of executive chef Francesco De Conte.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 2 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Parking
- 40 Minutes from Airport
- 15 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map





# NAPLES & AMALFI COAST TOURS

## *Departs from Naples*

### Pompeii & Vesuvius

Visit the ruins of Pompeii, buried by the eruption of Vesuvius in 79 CE. and preserved for centuries. Learn about its ancient inhabitants, and see the astonishing number of villas, shops, and public buildings that archaeologists brought back to life. Stop to see the productive process of cameos and corals. After lunch, discover the wonders of Vesuvius, declared a Biosphere World Reserve by UNESCO.

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### Pizza Lesson

Make an authentic Neapolitan pizza in this 1.5-hour cooking class. Under the watchful eye of a professional local pizzaiolo, mix and knead your own dough, and then top it with the finest local ingredients. Sit down with a soft drink to enjoy a 3-course meal: starter, your homemade pizza, and dessert!

### Vesuvius Wine Tasting & Lunch

In the heart of stunning Vesuvius National Park, discover local grape varieties and learn about the challenges of cultivating vines in this rugged terrain. Tour the cellars and hear about the winemaking process. Enjoy lunch with fresh products sourced from the region, paired with different types of Vesuvian wines, including the famous Lacryma Christi. 

### Maradona Walking Tour in Naples

Discover the most emblematic places of the most iconic and well-loved soccer player of all time, Diego Armando Maradona. While credited with giving Naples soccer the most successful period in its history from 1984 to 1991, his life was mired in scandal. Still, he was venerated like a demigod in Naples, comparable only to the city's patron saint, San Gennaro. 

## Departs from Amalfi Coast

### Private Pompeii Tour

On this private tour for two, you'll be picked up from your Amalfi Coast hotel and taken directly to Pompeii, where a private archaeologist guide will take you on a tour of the legendary ruins. Afterward, you'll be driven back to the coast, stopping along the way for lunch upon request.

## Departs from Positano

### Discover Capri

A driver takes you to the port of Piano di Sorrento for your spectacular sail to Capri along the Sorrento Coast. Visit the Marvelous Grotto, the White Grotto, and the Green Grotto. Enjoy a few stops to swim, snorkel, or for a provided snack and drink. Then enjoy a 3 – 5 hour visit of Capri by land. Taste a limoncello before departing.

## Departs from Sorrento

### Full-Day Capri & Anacapri

A magnet for celebs since the days of Roman emperors, it's an easy ferry then mini-bus ride to the cobbled alleys and jaw-dropping views of Anacapri on the west side, where you'll get free time before arriving in Capri for a walking tour. View the Faraglioni rocks from the Gardens of Augustus; don't miss the many baroque churches.

### Herculaneum Morning Tour

Like nearby Pompeii, ancient Herculaneum suffered a similar fate from the Vesuvius eruption in 79 CE and has become an open-air history book. Archaeologists have unearthed fossilized furniture, upper wooden floors of houses, mosaics, sculptures, and streets, providing you with incredible insight into the lives of ancient Romans at this UNESCO World Heritage Site.

### Ischia & La Mortella Garden

Dominated by Mt. Epomeo, the small, mountainous island of Ischia off the northern tip of the Bay of Naples is a delightful day trip, especially with a hydrofoil crossing, scenic drive, stunning scenery, free time for lunch, and visit to La Mortella Gardens, a lovingly tended subtropical garden featuring over 300 rare and exotic plants, ornate statues, waterfalls, and views over the Bay of Forio.

## Departs from Sorrento

### Full-Day Pompeii & Herculaneum

Stroll through the streets of Pompeii to see the decorated villas of the Roman upper classes, public spaces such as the Forum, and remains of temples and villas. After lunch, visit the archaeological site of Herculaneum. Buried by Mt. Vesuvius almost 2,000 years ago, these UNESCO-listed sites offer a fascinating insight into ancient Roman life.

### Full-Day Capri Cruise

Experience cosmopolitan Capri like the rich and glamorous, leisurely gliding over on a 14-person boat. Pass the rugged beaches of Marciano and Mitigliano, under the cliffs of Capri. In the right conditions, swim before coming ashore at the Marina Grande. With three hours to explore on your own, visit historic churches or chic boutiques and bars. Savor a taste of limoncello on your return sail to Sorrento.

### Full-Day Positano & Amalfi Cruise

Set out along the craggy cliffs and secluded bays—one of the most photogenic stretches of coastline in the world—to Positano and Amalfi. You'll have free time at both to snack, shop, swim, or explore the candy-colored houses tumbling down steep cliffs and crooked lanes packed with cafés and bakeries. Save room for limoncello back on board.

### Taste of Naples Full-Day Tour

Dip in and out of old town eateries, bakeries, and markets sampling Neapolitan delights in edible and edifice formats, starting from the historic center and its churches, palaces, and Europe's oldest opera house. The end destination is the Pignasecca street market and Spaccanapoli alley, where you'll munch on *cuoppo di frittura* as an appetizer to the *sfogliatella* pastry you can opt to end your tour with.

### Capri Day & Night

Speed to Capri on a mid-afternoon hydrofoil and tour its famous grottoes until it comes time to spend an evening surrounded by picture-perfect views uninterrupted by day-trippers. Independent exploration on land lets you do as you wish—like dining at an upmarket restaurant, having a caprese salad where it was invented, or browsing designer shops—until your nighttime transfer back to Sorrento.



# AMALFI COAST 5-DAY CURATED ITINERARY

## Day 1 – Arrival in Naples

Get settled at your hotel, then venture out to the Piazza del Plebiscito, the enormous open square that houses the Royal Palace. After a relaxing Neapolitan dinner, head back to your hotel to catch up on sleep, or out for a nightcap at one of the city's bars or nightclubs.

## Day 2 – City Highlights & Pizza-Making

With no set itinerary, you're free to customize your tour—or leave it to your local guide for an enlightening introduction to the city's hidden gems, iconic and historic sites, and best places to eat and shop. Later, enjoy a pizza-making class in the birthplace of the beloved dish. Knead your own dough, and top it with the finest local ingredients. Then, enjoy your 3-course meal: starter, pizza, and dessert!

## Day 3 – Sorrento

Head to Sorrento, your home for the next few days, via ferry (45 minutes), train, or coach or car (1-1.5 hours) to join a 3-hour e-bike tour. Cycle along some of the oldest paths of Sorrento to the center of Massa Lubrense. Climb the hills to the terrace of Sant'Agata sui Due Golfi, the only town where you can admire the Gulfs of Naples and Sorrento at the same time. End at a wine shop for a tasting of Campania varietals paired with the best local cheeses.

## Day 4 – Day Trip to Pompeii & Herculaneum

Today, head out to the preserved village of Pompeii, buried by Mt. Vesuvius almost 2,000 years ago. See the decorated villas of the upper-class, the public Forum, and temple ruins. After lunch, visit the sister site of Herculaneum. These two UNESCO-listed archaeological sites offer a fascinating insight into ancient Roman life. Once back in Sorrento, embark on a stunning 2-hour sunset tour to view the area's most iconic sights from the sea.

## Day 5 – Departure from Naples

Before departing, pick up a cup of cappuccino and pastry filled with limoncello, or, if time permits, a leisurely breakfast at a cafe on Piazza Tasso, Sorrento's main square. Walk along the Marina Grande and watch fishermen unload their catch of the day. Then, continue on to Naples and its airport for your flight home.





# SICILY

The island that decorates the toe of “the boot” may have been a part of Italy since 1860, but this former kingdom’s roots go far deeper, back to the tribes that settled the volcanic lands of Sicily in 8000 BCE. Rich culture, an independent spirit, and a stirring regional identity lend character to the biggest island in the Mediterranean.

In popular cities such as Taormina, history is as inescapable as glorious sea views or the shadow cast by the majestic Mount Etna, the biggest active volcano in Europe. Although its main attractions include the 10<sup>th</sup> century Arabic Covaja Palace, 13<sup>th</sup> century cathedral, and 17<sup>th</sup> century Baroque Fountain, Church of St. Joseph, and Saracen Castle, the most impressive archeological site is perhaps the Greek Theater, Sicily’s center of ancient Greek civilization. A love of the arts, well-known film festival, and lovely beaches round out the visual splendor this city has to offer.

For large-scale design, Palermo on the island’s northwestern coast holds its own. Romanesque, Gothic, Renaissance, and Baroque architecture showcase the best of their eras around the Piazza Pretoria’s winding streets, and modern art provides a pleasant pop of additional culture in the galleries and museums.



Taormina, Sicily, Italy

# GRAND HOTEL TIMEO, A BELMOND HOTEL



Teetering on the Sicilian clifftops, Grand Hotel Timeo offers everything you need for an unforgettable vacation. Dive into the panoramic pool, surrounded by lush gardens, or keep active in the fitness center. Spacious suites and rooms are split between the main building and adjacent villa; most sport a stunning view over the terracotta rooftops of the medieval town.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Parking
- 50 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Palermo, Sicily, Italy

# GRAND HOTEL WAGNER



Let yourself be enveloped by luxury: fine marble, gold-leaf molding, antique furniture—all an authentic representation of aristocratic Sicilian history. Look up when you enter the hotel, a skillfully restored historic building; a magnificent chandelier welcomes you into the lobby. Most of the rooms and suites were renovated in 2021, blending comfort and sophistication.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Parking
- 30 Minutes from Airport
- 5 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Taormina, Sicily, Italy

# VILLA SANT'ANDREA, A BELMOND HOTEL



Built by an aristocratic family in 1919 on the scenic Bay of Mazzaro, this secluded retreat retains all the charm of a private residence. Relax in your own personal haven complete with a king-size bed, plush fabrics, and fine artwork. Order room service, stay inside, and revel in the luxury. Then, be whisked away to the center of town in just three minutes by cable car.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- Air Conditioning
- 50 Minutes from Airport
- 15 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Messina, Sicily, Italy

# DELTA HOTELS BY MARRIOTT GIARDINI NAXOS



Experience the beauty of Sicily at this revamped beachfront hotel, set within easy reach of Taormina and Mount Etna. Embrace Italian hospitality as you relax by the infinity pool, sunbathe on the private beach, and sample traditional flavors with a twist of innovation at two sea-view restaurants. After, unwind in one of the 296 guestrooms, each with a balcony.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 3 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Spa/Fitness Center
- Pool
- Parking
- Wedding Services
- 30 Minutes from Airport
- 5 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Taormina, Sicily, Italy

# HOTEL ARISTON & PALAZZO SANTA CATERINA

★★★★

Located at the foot of the magnificent Greek Theatre, the hotel boasts an incomparable view of the Ionian Sea. Its proximity to the city center makes the Hotel Ariston an ideal base for those who want to discover the history and natural beauty of Taormina. Features include a terrace with sun loungers, pool with Jacuzzi®, and alfresco summer dining.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 5 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Pool
- 60 Minutes from Airport
- 10 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map

Palermo, Sicily, Italy

# MERCURE PALERMO CENTRO

★★★★

Thanks to its central position in the heart of Palermo, just a short walk from the Teatro Politeama and the Teatro Massimo, the Mercure Palermo Centro hotel is the perfect base for exploring the charm of a city rich in enchanting monuments and flavorful cuisine. The hotel has 93 modern rooms, two meeting rooms, and an elegant lobby bar.



## HOTEL FEATURES

- Free WiFi
- Breakfast Included
- 1 Restaurant(s)/Bar(s)
- Air Conditioning
- Parking
- 35 Minutes from Airport
- 5 Minutes from City Center
- Location on Map





# SICILY 5-DAY CURATED ITINERARY

## Day 1 – Arrival in Palermo

Start with a stroll through Centro Storico, the heart of Palermo and home to many famous landmarks, restaurants, and bars. Grab a bite, or head back to the hotel for a rest and then to the lively Kalsa district for dinner, one of the four ancient quarters of Sicily. Walk through its historic alleyways and shop for handmade ceramics, woodwork, and textiles.

## Day 2 – Historical Palermo

Today, take in the major sights of Palermo, starting from Quattro Canti (*Piazza Vigliena*), a Baroque square and the center of Sicily's historic quarter. Visit the Cathedral and Palazzo dei Normanni, also called the Royal Palace and Palace of the Romans, and considered one of Sicily's most extraordinary buildings. Enjoy the view from the highest point of the ancient city center.

## Day 3 – Catania

Enjoy a scenic 2.5-hour drive—by rental car or private service—to Catania, a beautiful historical city and the perfect home base for exploring the coast. Discover Mt. Etna, at whose feet the city is perched, the famous Roman Theatre, Piazza del Duomo—a favorite for its smiling *Fountain of Elephants*—and the Cathedral of Sant'Agata, destroyed and painstakingly rebuilt several times across history.

## Day 4 – Day Trip to Taormina

Venture out to the chic resort town of Taormina, a 1-hour drive from Catania and one of the most beautiful places in Sicily. Take in the breathtaking views over the coastline, and visit the ancient theater still in use today. Later, grab some photos at the Villa Comunale overlook before recharging with an antipasto sampler in Corso Umberto, Taormina's lively main street. Return to Catania, exploring any final must-see sights.

## Day 5 – Departure from Catania

Sip one last espresso—best with *brioche con granita*—then head to Villa Bellini, one of Italy's most exquisite public gardens, for gorgeous hilltop views that make for a perfect farewell vista. Say a fond goodbye to Sicily as you continue on to the airport and your flight home.





Now more than ever, it pays to seek the professional advice of a travel advisor. Tap into their expertise, and take the guesswork and uncertainty out of booking your perfect escape.