

ITALY, a ROMAN HOLIDAY

Rome. Orvieto. Castiglione del Lago. Siena. Monteriggioni. San Gimignano. Florence.

8 Days 7 Nights



Italy a living museum and UNESCO World Heritages Sites are abundant here. "Rome is the result of 3000 years of ad hoc urban development, Rome's cityscape is an exhilarating sight. Ancient icons such as the Colosseum, Roman Forum and Pantheon recall the city's golden age as caput mundi (capital of the world), while monumental basilicas tell of its history as seat of the Catholic Church. Lording it over the skyline, St Peter's Basilica towers over the Vatican, ...Elsewhere, ornate piazzas and showy fountains add a baroque flourish to the city's captivating streets".
... Florence and the ancient Signoria dei Medici is the preeminent cradle of culture and art; Duomo, Giotto's Bell Tower; Santa Maria Novella; Palazzo Vecchio, and the Uffizi Gallery, Arno River and Ponte Vecchio...
Discover San Gimignano rolling hills covered with rows of grapevines, terra cotta roofs, and fortified towers ...
Siena was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site...famous for its cuisine, art, museums, medieval cityscape and the Palio...Chianti offers a unique landscape, with green, gentle hills covered with wide fields of vineyards and olive groves, small stone villages, characteristic parishes and countryside homes in stone.

Trip Highlights:

Day 2: Rome, panoramic tour of the Eternal City

Day 4: Rome. Orvieto. Castiglione del Lago. Siena (stunning landscapes in Lazio, Umbria, Tuscany; hills & villages)

Day 5: Siena. Monteriggioni. San Gimignano. Florence (hills of olive groves, vineyards where Chianti wine is produced)

Day 6: Florence

Trip Map:



A Roman Holiday in Italia quoted in US Dollars per person and includes:

- ✈️ 03-Night accommodation in ROME at the 4-star IBIS STYLES ROMA AURELIA Hotel
- ✈️ 01-Night accommodation in SIENNA at the 4-star EXECUTIVE or FOUR POINTS BY SHERATON SIENA Hotel
- ✈️ 02-Night accommodation in FLORENCE at the 4-star GRAND MEDITERRANEO Hotel
- ✈️ 01-Night accommodation in ROME at the 4-star THE CAESAR or SHERATON PARCO DE MEDICI Hotel
- 🛏️ Bed and Breakfast basis
- 🚗 Transfer Airport / Hotel only
- 🗺️ City Tour in Rome
- 🗺️ City Tour in Florence
- 🚗 Evening Transfer: Trastevere in Rome
- 🍽️ Dinner in Florence
- 🚗 Transfers by Bus
- 🗣️ English speaking guide
- 🛖 Travel insurance
- 📶 Free E-Sim card
- 🔄 Starts and ends in Rome
- 🚫 Package excludes air ticket

Period	Double/Twin	Single
Low Season	\$ 1,099	\$ 1,719
Mid. Season	\$ 1,190	\$ 1,809
High Season	\$ 1,319	\$ 1,938

SELECTED HOTELS

City	No. Nights	Stars	Hotel Options
ROME	3N	4	IBIS STYLES ROMA AURELIA
SIENA	1N	4	EXECUTIVE OR FOUR POINTS BY SHERATON SIENA
FLORENCE	2N	4	GRAND MEDITERRANEO
ROME	1N	4	THE CAESAR OR SHERATON PARCO DE MEDICI

ESCORTED TOURS SCHEDULE & DATES (Wednesdays)		
Months 2025	Date	Note
April	09. 16. 23. 30	High Season
May	07. 14. 21. 28	High Season
June	04. 11. 18. 25	High Season
July	02. 09. 16. 23. 30	Mid-Season
August	06. 13. 20. 27	Mid-Season
September	03. 10. 17. 24	High Season
October	01. 08. 15. 29	Low Season

Important Notices:

- ✦ These wallet-friendly programs are carefully priced to create "**Budget Adventures**" packages, that cater to budget-conscious travelers, backpackers, and globetrotters who wish to travel frequently and on a budget.
- ✦ Budget Adventures' packages cater to budget tourists with limited funds, yet offering high-quality hotels (which may not be centrally located), trips, and activities, ensuring excellent value for money.

- ✦ Prices are subject to change according to Availability at the Date and Time of booking.
- ✦ Transfers from Hotel to Airport at the end of the tour(s) is NOT included.
- ✦ The Itinerary or activities might be subject to change in light of logistic, technical issues, and/or trip experience.
- ✦ The list of Selected Hotels is final and cannot be changed. No alternative accommodations can be requested unless otherwise decided by the Suppliers.
- ✦ Room categories are assigned according to availability at the date of booking.
- ✦ If you need additional nights, please contact us.
- ✦ The trip guide will only contact you when the included activities begin. At the reception, you will find an information board with our staff's telephone number and hours of assistance. Until then, you have free time to enjoy at your leisure. The hotel staff can assist you with any information you need.
- ✦ During your trip, your guide may offer optional activities, that should be booked in advance, as last minute decision may result in missed opportunities due to limited tickets, bus seats, or other factors.
- ✦ Distance in Kilometers, Schedules and Timing are on approximate and indicative basis.
- ✦ The guide may adjust them as needed to enhance the trip experience.
- ✦ Approximate Check-in time is: 14:00 and Check-out time 10:10am, depending on hotels and occupancy.
- ✦ Promotional rates may be applicable.

- ✦ Prices may fluctuate based on changes in the Euro/USD exchange rate.
- ✦ Kindly do the due diligence to go through the Hotel list: Check the hotel reviews, ranking, website, information, location and gallery to make an informed decision prior to booking.
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ITINERARY

DAY 1, WEDNESDAY: ROME

- Transfer to hotel, free time. In the afternoon, you'll find information about the start of your tour on the boards located at the hotel reception.

DAY 2, THURSDAY: ROME



- Panoramic tour of Italy's capital, Rome. The Eternal City is one of the oldest and most influential cities in Western civilization. Bus sightseeing tour: immerse yourself in this open-air museum, and contemplate the: Colosseum, Roman Forum and its grand basilicas, where every corner tells a story.
- Our tour will conclude in Vatican City, an independent state within Rome - the heart of the Catholic Church. We recommend visiting St. Peter's Basilica and the Vatican Museums.
- Afternoon free at leisure.
- In the evening, a transfer is arranged to Trastevere, a lively neighborhood known for its charming, traditional restaurants.

Tour's Details & Schedule:

- ⌚ 08:00 a.m.: Breakfast, then panoramic tour of approximately 2H 30min through Italy's capital, one of the oldest and most influential cities in Western civilization; an open-air museum in itself. Pass by landmarks e.g. Arch of Constantine, Roman Forums, Circus Maximus, Basilica of Saint Mary in Cosmedin with the Bocca della Verità (the Mouth of Truth), Republican Temples, Baths of Caracalla, Aurelian Walls, Basilica of Saint Mary Major, Archbasilica of Saint John Lateran, Minor Basilica of Saint Mary in Domnica alla Navicella, Pyramid of Cestius, Porta San Paolo, Tiber Island, Lungotevere Avenue with the Babylonian-style Jewish Synagogue, and the exterior of Castel Sant' Angelo.
- ⌚ This tour ends in the Vatican City, an independent state within Rome and the heart of the Catholic Church. For those interested, our guide will offer an optional visit after the panoramic tour, providing deeper insight into St. Peter's Basilica and the most notable rooms of the Vatican Museums and the Sistine Chapel. Free afternoon.
- ⌚ 06:00 p.m.: Transfer to the popular Trastevere neighborhood, known for its charming restaurants and lively atmosphere. Return to hotel at around 08:30 p.m.

DAY 3, FRIDAY: ROME



Free day at leisure. We recommend an optional excursion to Naples, Capri, and Pompeii.

DAY 4, SATURDAY: ROME - ORVIETO - CASTIGLIONE DEL LAGO - SIENA

Total distance covered: 295 km



- Embark on an enchanting journey through the beautiful region of Umbria. Pause and admire the breathtaking views.
- Orvieto: Take the escalators that connect the lower part of the town with the medieval center, marvel at the cathedral, a stunning masterpiece of Italian Gothic art.
- The city also boasts a network of underground tunnels, once used as shelters and water reserves during times of war, that are open to visitors.
- Journey to Castiglione del Lago, nestled on the banks of Lake Trasimeno. Free time to stroll and lunch.
- Continue to Siena, Tuscany, renowned for its famous Piazza del Campo and Duomo. Spend the afternoon in Siena.

Tour's Details & Schedule:

- ⌚ 07:30 a.m.: Departure from Rome towards Umbria.
- ⌚ 09:15 a.m.: Arrive to Orvieto, this medieval city located on a large summit.
- ⌚ 11:30 a.m.: Departure from Orvieto.
- ⌚ 01:15 p.m.: Castiglione del Lago. Nestled on the shores of Lake Trasimeno, this picturesque historic village offers spectacular views over the water.
- ⌚ 03:00 p.m.: Departure from Castiglione del Lago towards Tuscany.
- ⌚ 04:30 p.m.: Arrive to Siena, a medieval city.
- ⌚ 07:00 p.m.: Return to hotel.

DAY 5, SUNDAY: SIENA - MONTERIGGIONI - SAN GIMIGNANO - FLORENCE

Total distance covered: 110 km



- Leave Siena, en route stop at Monteriggioni, a magical medieval village with cobbled streets, ancient walls, and quaint little shops.
- Continue to San Gimignano, a charming little city with tall medieval towers.
- After lunch, head to Florence, the capital of Tuscany (arriving early afternoon). We recommend visits to the Uffizi Gallery or the Accademia Gallery home to Michelangelo's original David (both closed on Mondays).
- At the end of the day, a traditional local meal will be included.

Tour's Details & Schedule:

- ⌚ 08:30 a.m.: Departure from Siena passing through the picturesque Tuscan countryside.
- ⌚ 09:00 a.m.: Monteriggioni. Time to explore this enchanting medieval walled village.
- ⌚ 10:00 a.m.: Departure from Monteriggioni through the lush vineyards of the Chianti region.
- ⌚ 10:45 a.m.: San Gimignano, a charming town, renowned for its towering medieval architecture and beautifully preserved historic center.
- ⌚ 01:30 p.m.: Departure from San Gimignano.
- ⌚ 02:45 p.m.: Florence. At the end of the day, a traditional local meal will be included.

DAY 6, MONDAY: FLORENCE



- Snap a picture from one of the most breathtaking views of the city.
- Embark on a guided tour of the capital of Tuscany, one of the most visited cities in the country. This city, known as the cradle of the Renaissance, has inspired some of the most influential artists and thinkers in history, such as Leonardo da Vinci, Michelangelo, Botticelli, and Raphael.
- Marvel at the Gothic Cathedral (Duomo di Firenze), the ancient stone bridge (Ponte Vecchio) with its goldsmith stores, and Piazza della Signoria - the political heart of the city - with the town hall in a medieval building.
- Free time.

Tour's Details & Schedule:

- ⌚ 09:00 a.m.: Florence, a 2-hour walking city tour, known as the cradle of the Renaissance.

Enrich your stay, few suggestions on visits and activities in Florence

Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore	Piazza della Signoria	Basilica of Santa Maria Novella	Brunelleschi's dome	Museo di Palazzo Davanzati
Uffizi Gallery	Palazzo Vecchio	Basilica of Santa Croce in Florence	Cappelle Medicee	Ponte Vecchio
Palatine Gallery	Pitti Palace	Basilica di San Lorenzo	Laurentian Medici Library	The Boboli Gardens
Accademia Gallery	Strozzi Palace	Basilica of Santa Croce in Florence	The Baptistery of St. John	Grotta del Buontalenti

Walking tour & monuments: **Piazza Della Signoria** with the town hall **Palazzo Vecchio**, **Duomo**, **Baptistery** with its 'Gates of Paradise', Giotto's independent **bell tower**, **Brunelleschi's Dome**, **Santa Trinita** and **Orsanmichele Church**, **Pontevecchio Bridge** and the secret **Vasari Corridor**, as well as famous shopping streets.

DAY 7, TUESDAY: FLORENCE - ROME

Total distance covered: 310 km

- Free day. We recommend spending the morning visiting Florence museums: the Gallery of the Academy, home to Michelangelo's famous David, or the Uffizi Gallery.
- Around 4:30 p.m., depart for Rome to arrive in the evening.
Note: The trip between Florence and Rome might be done by train in winter.

Tour's Details & Schedule:

- ⌚ 04:30 p.m.: Departure from Florence.
- ⌚ 08:30 p.m.: Rome

DAY 8, WEDNESDAY: ROME

Breakfast. Hotel check-out time is usually 10:00 a.m. Transfer to airport is not included.