

VESUVIUS TOUR
8 NIGHTS/ 9 DAYS
FROM USD 2,890 USD PER PERSON



DAY1 - FRIDAY - ARRIVE IN ROME, AFTERNOON AT LEISURE, DINNER IN HOTEL

Benvenuti a Roma!

We are pleased to offer complimentary transfers from the Rome airport to your hotel at scheduled times. Your Perillo representative will be at the airport to greet you.

There will be time to relax this afternoon before we enjoy dinner at our hotel tonight with some fine local wines. D

DAY 2- Saturday - Rome, Vatican Museum, Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica, Dinner Out Tonight.

This morning, we travel on a 10 minute bus ride over to another country – Vatican City! With our expert local guide we'll tour the Vatican Museums, a treasure trove of ancient Greek sculptures, medieval tapestries and Renaissance paintings. Our visit culminates in the Sistine Chapel, the room where the Pope is elected.

Next we visit St. Peter's Basilica, by far the largest church in Christendom. We'll see Michelangelo's Pieta', sculpted when he was just 24, as well as Bernini's seven story bronze canopy located above the main altar. Tonight we'll recount our explorations with good food and wines fit for the Emperor! BB, D



DAY 3 - SUNDAY - ROME CITY SIGHTSEEING, AFTERNOON OF LEISURE

Hail Caesar! All aboard our chariot for a panoramic tour of Imperial Rome including the Roman Forum, Largo

Argentina (where Caesar was stabbed by Brutus), the Jewish Ghetto and the Circus Maximus. Then we'll enter the Colosseum, reliving the brutal entertainment of the gladiators and the lions, refereed by the Emperor himself. Tonight we thought you'd enjoy a dinner on your own. Ask your tour guide for a nearby recommendation, or venture out and explore the lively local restaurants in Rome! Be sure to try a supplì, a quintessential Roman specialty: a fried ball of rice filled with tomato sauce, meat and melted mozzarella. BB



DAY 4 - MONDAY - ROME, NAPLES, POMPEII, SORRENTO, DINNER IN HOTEL

After breakfast, ("colazione" in Italian), we're off to Naples...birthplace of Caruso, Sophia Loren, Bel Canto and 'O Sole Mio. Have your cameras ready because we will arrive in Naples via Vomero Hill overlooking the sapphire Bay of Naples, Capri, Ischia and proud Vesuvius. We enjoy a brief panoramic tour of the city.

Next we travel back to 97 A.D. to the town of Pompeii. A city perfectly preserved by the ash that rained down from Mt. Vesuvius, you'll see the tragic fossils of the people attempting to escape with their children and dogs. And the streets, homes and stores that are intact.

Tonight, we'll enjoy a relaxing dinner in our hotel overlooking the bay of Naples. BB, D

DAY 5- TUESDAY - SORRENTO, CAPRI, SORRENTO, DINNER OUT

This morning you'll be taken to Capri, the world's most enchanting island. You can explore to your heart's content on your own or your tour conductor may have other ideas. You'll be as captivated by Capri as Emperor Tiberius, who used the Blue Grotto as his personal swimming pool!



Later this afternoon, we sail back in time for dinner at a great Neapolitan restaurant with the fine wines of the Campania Region. BB, D

DAY 6- WEDNESDAY - SORRENTO, FLORENCE, DINNER IN HOTEL

This morning we're off to Florence via the Highway of the Sun. As we traverse the gently rolling countryside to the capital of Tuscany, we're reminded of the geniuses who traveled this very path long before us – Dante, Da Vinci, Michelangelo, Galileo,

Botticelli. It reads like a "Who's Who" of brilliance. Maybe some will rub off!

Tonight, we'll relax with our friends and enjoy dinner & wine at our hotel. BB, D

DAY 7 - THURSDAY - FLORENCE, EXCURSION TO VENICE, SPECIAL VENETIAN LUNCH, FLORENCE

The Grand Canal is not too far from Florence. Should we? Of course! You wouldn't want to miss one of the most unique cities in the world!

Andiamo a Venezia!

There is no normal life in Venice; it's the world's ONLY pedestrian city!

Here, everything and everyone floats.

One floats luxuriously with such a sense of freedom, never tormented by traffic or even the sound of a horn.

Your guide will show you all the sights – St. Mark's Square, the

Basilica and the Bridge of Sighs. Just around the corner from St. Mark's Square, we'll enjoy a special Venetian lunch in a town renowned for its seafood specialties.

This evening we return to Florence for dinner on our own. Make sure to try "Pappa al Pomodoro," a rustic Tuscan soup made with tomatoes, garlic, onions and of course, Tuscan bread! My mouth is watering right now. BB, L



DAY 8 – FRIDAY - FLORENCE, CITY SIGHTSEEING INCLUDING 'THE DAVID', DINNER OUT TONIGHT



Florence - the fountainhead of the Renaissance – awaits our inspection!

Our day of sightseeing includes the majestic Duomo built in 1296, Giotto's Bell Tower and the Baptistry with its renowned "Gates of Paradise" doors.

We follow the medieval streets to the most striking square in Florence, Piazza Della Signoria, home of Santa Croce Church, Michelangelo's final resting place.

"Breathtaking" is the only word to describe one's first view of Michelangelo's David. Yes, it's quite large and detailed.

But the real magic is in how Michelangelo transformed a lifeless rock into a man – full of pride, wary of his adversary, yet quietly confident. All with just a hammer and a chisel!

Our last night together will be at a popular Florentine restaurant with great Tuscan wines. No tears allowed!

DAY 9 – SATURDAY - FLORENCE, FLIGHT HOME

This morning you board your flight home, arriving in the USA the same day

Package includes:

- Great Hotels. Centrally-located, First-Class & Deluxe hotels, exclusively.
- Smaller Groups. 20 to 40 guests per tour.
- More Legroom. Deluxe, state-of-the-art motorcoaches with EXTRA legroom.
- Airport Transfers. Arrival and departure transfers in Italy.
- Buffet Breakfast Daily. A very hearty start to each day!
- 6 Dinners & 1 Lunch. Including pasta or soup, choice of entrees, vegetable, dessert, coffee, wine, mineral water, beer or soft drink.
- Full Day Venice Excursion including lunch.
- Wireless Headsets to hear your guide clearly and distinctly in public places.
- Travel Wallet. baggage tags and travel documents included.
- Baggage Handling. Never touch your bag! (except at airports)
- Hotel Taxes, Hotel Service Charges and All Tips for hotel and restaurant personnel.
- Professional Tour Directors and licensed local guides.

Package exclude:

- Travel insurance, highly recommended.
- Airfare other than specified.
- Meals other than specified.
- Personal expenses.
- Departure taxes.
- Tips to guides, drivers, hotel porters, etc.

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