



## Itinerary

### Rome, Florence & Venice

Oct 7, 2021 - Oct 14, 2021

For departures beyond Spring of 2022, please call to hold your space at standard 2021 prices\*

### Pre Night: Massimo D'Azeglio Hotel



Would you like to begin your vacation with an additional Hotel in Rome?

### Day 1: Overnight Flight



Join us for a fabulous Italian adventure, featuring the magic of Rome, Florence and Venice. Come along with us and embrace the history, culture, art and romance of this incredible country.

### Day 2: Rome, Italy - Tour Begins



Welcome to Rome. This evening, meet your fellow travelers over a welcome dinner.

#### Hotel

Massimo D'azeglio Hotel  
Rome

#### Culinary

Dinner

#### Weather

High 73°  
Low 53°  
Rain 1"

### Day 3: Rome - Vatican Museum



This morning, a locally guided tour of the Vatican Museums takes you inside the world's smallest independent country. Highlights include the Gallery of Maps, and a visit to the Sistine Chapel. The chapel's famous ceiling frescoes took Michelangelo four years to complete. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure. Perhaps Rome's classical heritage, with an optional tour to the Colosseum and Roman Forum, will be on your personal sightseeing list.

#### Hotel

Massimo D'azeglio Hotel  
Rome

#### Culinary

Breakfast

#### Weather

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## Day 4: Rome - St. Peter's Basilica - Florence



This morning, during an in-depth visit to St. Peter's Basilica, admire the Renaissance and Baroque architecture of Michelangelo's dome and Bernini's bronze baldachin over the papal altar. Continue to Florence – the "Cradle of the Renaissance." Upon arrival, discover the Academy Gallery to see Michelangelo's magnificent sculpture of David. The remainder of the day is yours to explore Florence's cultural riches independently.

### Hotel

Starhotels Michelangelo  
Florence

### Culinary

Breakfast

### Weather

High 69°

Low 51°

Rain 4"

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## Day 5: Florence



This morning, meet a local expert for a walking tour of this city that is a work of art all its own. Your guide will highlight the Piazza del Duomo, the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore and the Baptistery. You also visit the Piazza della Signoria with its impressive Palazzo Vecchio.

### Hotel

Starhotels Michelangelo  
Florence

### Culinary

Breakfast

### Weather

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## Day 6: Florence - Bologna - Venice



Today, travel the beautiful Emilia Romagna region to Bologna, Italy's foodie capital. Join a local expert on a leisurely paced walking tour highlighting the culinary side of this historic city. Discover Bologna's culture, architecture and history as you enjoy tastings of cheese, cured meats, bread, chocolate, gelato and so much more. Later, continue to Venice, often called La Serenissima (the most serene) of cities. The remainder of the day is yours to independently explore the hidden spots of this charming city; perhaps you will take an optional gondola ride. The locals say the best way to get to know Venice is to "get lost" here.

### Hotel

Hotel Santa Marina Venice  
Venice

### Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

### Weather

High 64°

Low 50°

Rain 3"

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## Day 7: Venice



Explore enchanting Venice with its 117 tiny islands surrounded by a latticework of 150 canals and 400 bridges. Your Venetian journey opens on Murano Island\* for a glass-blowing demonstration. Then we make our way to St. Mark's Square, the city's lively hub. A local expert will guide you on a walking tour through the area highlighting St. Mark's Basilica and the Clock Tower with its famous Moors. Gather tonight to toast the end of your Italian adventure at your farewell dinner.

### Hotel

Hotel Santa Marina Venice  
Venice

### Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

### Weather

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## Day 8: Venice - Tour Ends



Your tour comes to a close today, leaving you with many fond memories of incredible Italy.

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## Post Night: Hotel Santa Marina Venice



Hotel Santa Marina, Venice is an elegant and comfortable 4-star hotel. It is located nearby to Piazza San Marco and the Rialto. Built on the walls of an old convent, Hotel Santa Marina has a splendid terrace in the centrally-located but quiet Santa Marina Square.