

Taste of Italy with Sorrento

Starting at **\$3,495***

Savor the romance of Italy

Enjoy a little more time—and a lot more beauty—on this extended tour of Italy. Visit the most spectacular sights of Venice, Rome, and Florence with our Taste of Italy tour, then move on to the historic remains of the tragic city of Pompeii, and postcard-perfect seaside favorites, Sorrento and the Isle of Capri.

ITALY IS AN ACTIVE DESTINATION: Visiting Italy requires the ability to walk on cobblestones and uneven terrain, climb stairs and vehicle steps, and walk or stand for several hours at a time. Traffic restrictions often require coaches to drop off passengers a substantial distance away, with a 20-minute walk to the attraction. Some tours include activities in late evening. Typical tour days may require five miles of medium-paced walking.

Trip details

Tour start **Venice**



Tour end **Sorrento**

10 ☆ Days

9 D Nights 15 % Meals

* Prices listed are in US dollars, and are per-person, double-occupancy. If you would prefer a single room, there is a single-room supplement of \$1,225



Trip Highlights:

- · Isle of Capri
- Pompeii
- Gondola Ride in Venice
- The Vatican, with the Sistine Chapel & St Peter's Basilica
- Orvieto Wine Tasting
- Roman Colosseum & the Forum
- Michelangelo's David

Hotels

- Hotel Bonvecchiati Venezia
- StarHotels Tuscany Florence Hotel
- The Tribune Hotel
- · Carlton International Hotel

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Trip Itinerary

Day 1 Venice | Welcome Dinner

Meet your tour director at 4:00 PM for a welcome reception, and take an orientation walk with your Tour Director of the city known as the 'Queen of the Adriatic.' Spend a couple of hours exploring on your own before gathering again for a Welcome drink and dinner with your fellow travelers. (D)

Day 3 Bologna | Florence

Take a private group water taxi from your hotel to your coach and travel on to Florence. During your journey, stop for free time in the lively, historic foodie city of Bologna. Arrive at your hotel outside Florence's city center. Take a break, then depart for an orientation walk with your Tour Director and enjoy some free time in this beautiful city, the capital of Tuscany and the birthplace of the Renaissance. Enjoy a typical Tuscan dinner with your group at a local Florence restaurant (B, D)

Day 5 Orvieto | Roman Colosseum

They say that all roads lead to Rome, so you are off to the Eternal City with a special and delicious stop in Orvieto for a local wine tasting. Visit the historic Colosseum, the iconic structure of Imperial Rome constructed between 72 and 80 AD. This engineering marvel could hold 50,000 - 80,000 spectators at public spectacles, gladiator battles and classical dramas. (Please note that on some departures, the Colosseum visit may be moved to Day 6). Imagine the ghosts of the Caesars in the ruins of the Forum, the ancient heart of the Roman Empire. Your hotel tonight is in Rome's historic center. (B)

Day 2 The Sights of Venice | Gondola Ride

Take a guided walking tour of Venice, the most serene of cities. See its glorious architecture, and charming bridges and canals. Visit the magnificent Doge's Palace and the acclaimed Piazza and Basilica of San Marco. Journey along the canals for a view of the city from a gondola. Delight in an evening of independent dining and exploration. (B)

Day 4 Florence Walking Tour | The Accademia Gallery

Take a walking tour of Florence with a local guide and marvel at the sights of the city center such as the Duomo, Palazzo Vecchio and Piazza della Signoria. Visit the Accademia Gallery to see Michelangelo's iconic sculpture of David. Savor a local lunch in the heart of Florence. After lunch you will have the rest of the day to explore this magnificent city at your leisure. (B, L)

Day 6 Independent Exploration | Vatican Tour

Discover Rome independently this morning, as you enjoy free time to explore. In the afternoon visit the Vatican for a guided tour of the Museums, with entrance to the Sistine Chapel and St Peter's Basilica. (Please note that the Sistine Chapel and St Peter's Basilica are sometimes closed by the Vatican so visits are subject to availability). Then it is off to dinner in a local restaurant (B, D)

Day 7 Pompeii | Sorrento

Depart from Rome for the World Heritage site of Pompeii, a city frozen in time after a volcanic eruption in 79AD. Learn about the city's rediscovery in 1748 and excavation on a guided tour of this archaeological treasure. Savor lunch at an authentic Neapolitan pizzeria before arriving at your hotel in Sorrento, a lively resort town popular since Roman times now famous for stunning views of villas dotting the rocky cliffs along the coastline. (B, L)

Day 9 Independent Exploration in Sorrento

The day is yours in Sorrento, a town popular with tourists since the days of the 19th-century Grand Tour. Beloved by writers such as Bryon, Keats and Dickens. Famed for its lemons and Limoncello digestif, this charming town has many quaint antique stores and artisan shops to discover. In the evening, enjoy a farewell dinner with your group. (B, D)

Day 8 Isle of Capri | Independent Exploration

This morning take a fast ferry across the Bay of Naples to the charming Isle of Capri. Enjoy the breath taking sights of this beautiful island. You will explore independently today, Capri is beloved as a day trip destination for its Roman ruins and colorful Blue Grotto, as well as its wonderful beaches. Return to Sorrento in the afternoon for an evening at leisure (B)

Day 10 Tour Ends in Sorrento

Your tour ends after breakfast. Nearest international airport is Naples.(B) B: Breakfast; L: Lunch; D: Dinner >



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