



## GOURMET ITALY: FROM CANALS TO COUNTRYSIDE

VENICE - BOLOGNA - PARMA - FLORENCE - CHIANTI COUNTRYSIDE - ROME - COLOSSEUM

Trip duration: 10 days | Travelers: 1 Adult

ITINERARY

*A journey through Italy's great cities, where art, flavor, and tradition come together in unforgettable ways.*

Begin in **Venice**, rising above the rooftops for a magical **aperitivo** and **Prosecco tasting**, then drift through the canals on a **private gondola ride**, experiencing the city at its most intimate and timeless. Continue to **Bologna**, the heart of Italian gastronomy, where you'll roll up your sleeves for a **private traditional pasta-making class**, followed by a deep dive into local excellence with a **Parma cheese and ham factory tour**, tasting the icons of Emilia-Romagna where they are born.

In **Florence**, come face to face with Renaissance genius during a guided visit to the **Accademia**, then explore the city's most authentic food scene at **Sant'Ambrogio Market** with a local chef. The Tuscan countryside awaits with a **half-day Chianti tour**, featuring rolling vineyards and two memorable **wine tastings**. End in **Rome**, walking through history on a guided tour of the **Colosseum and Ancient Rome**, then celebrate Italy's most beloved flavors in a hands-on **cooking class**, learning to prepare **pizza, supplì, and gelato** like a true Roman.

*An itinerary where Italy reveals itself through masterpieces, markets, kitchens, and timeless moments: a journey shaped by taste, culture, and pure Italian soul.*

Day 1



VENICE: THE FLOATING CITY OF FLAVORS



Suspended between land and sea, Venice delights both the eyes and the palate. Beyond its shimmering canals and marble palaces lies a city deeply shaped by taste and tradition. Savor lagoon-born flavors in **hidden bacari**, where locals gather over **cicchetti** and a glass of crisp **prosecco**. Discover the art of **winemaking** at **Venissa's vineyard** on **Mazzorbo**, where vines grow between air and tide. From the scent of freshly baked **pastries** in morning markets to the sparkle of **aperitivo hour** along the Grand Canal, every moment invites you to experience Venice not just as a dream to admire, but as a feast to savor.



Check-in 14:00

# YOUR HOTEL IN VENICE

Venice Veneto, Venice, Italy -



🕒 2 nights    👤 1 Adult

You can choose from a carefully selected range of accommodation, available in 3- or 4-star options depending on your preference.

Each property is chosen for its comfort, reliability, and excellent location — perfect for exploring the city easily on foot or by public transport. Expect **modern amenities, warm hospitality, and consistent quality standards** in every destination, ensuring outstanding guest experiences.



## A DAY TO YOURSELF IN VENICE



Enjoy the freedom to shape your own Venetian day! Wander through Venice's maze of canals and bridges, get lost in quiet corners, or simply sit at a café in Piazza San Marco, watching gondolas glide by. You might shop for handmade masks or delicate Murano glass, visit the colorful island of Burano, or enjoy a spritz by the lagoon at sunset. Every corner holds a little magic waiting to be found.

### Day 2



Start at 10:30

## PROSECCO WITH A VIEW: HIDDEN VENICE ROOFTOPS EXPERIENCE

Venice Veneto, Venice, Italy -



🕒 2 hours 30 minutes 🧑 1 Adult

Explore **Venice's hidden corners and secret rooftops** with a **local guide**. Open the doors to beauty, discovering incredible places and incredible panoramic terraces, that are not easily accessible without a local, and admire an undiscovered side of Venice made of simplicity and great elegance.

Wander through **San Polo's** lively streets, visit private palaces, and admire breathtaking panoramic views of canals, bridges, and churches from a **privileged view**. Discover **Rialto Market** and the city's ancient streets, imagining Casanova's footsteps. Enjoy a **traditional Aperitivo** while gazing over the Grand Canal. A small-group journey revealing the authentic elegance and timeless charm of Venice.



Start at 16:00

## PRIVATE GONDOLA RIDE EXPERIENCE

📍 Riva degli Schiavoni, Venezia, Veneto 30124, Venezia, Italy -



🕒 30 minutes 🧑 1 Adult

Explore Venice on board the most famous boat in the world: the Gondola! Enjoy your **private gondola**, quieter and more **exclusive**: a more intimate journey beyond the standard ride.

You will navigate along the Grand Canal and other minor canals to discover the city from a **new extraordinary point of view**. The majestic Basilica Della Salute, the mysterious and spooky palace of Ca' Dario, and the museum of Peggy Guggenheim are only a few of the marvelous buildings you will see along the way. You will then navigate along minor canals to discover the most authentic side of Venice.

## Day 3



Depart 09:38

## HIGH-SPEED TRAIN FROM VENICE S. LUCIA TO BOLOGNA CENTRALE

📍 Venice, Veneto 30121, Venice, Italy -



👤 1 Adult

Proceed to Venice S. Lucia Train Station to take your high-speed train to Bologna Centrale Railway Station.



## BOLOGNA: WHERE FLAVOR MEETS SOUL



Bold, warm, and endlessly inviting, **Bologna** is a city where every corner feels alive with history, flavor, and unmistakable charm. Walk beneath miles of elegant porticoes, climb the medieval towers that watch over the city, and lose yourself in vibrant streets filled with students, artisans, and locals who live *La Dolce Vita* their own way.

This is the birthplace of Italy's most iconic cuisine: from silky **tagliatelle al ragù** to cured meats, balsamic vinegar, and **Parmigiano Reggiano**. Markets spill onto the streets, trattorias glow with laughter, and every bite tells a story of tradition and pride.

Bologna isn't just visited, **it's savored, felt, and remembered**. A city of passion, authenticity, and irresistible flavor.



Check-in 14:00

## YOUR HOTEL IN BOLOGNA

📍 Bologna Emilia-Romagna, Bologna, Italy -



🕒 2 nights 🧑 1 Adult

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Start at 16:00

## PRIVATE COOKING CLASS: THE ART OF FRESH PASTA IN A SFOGLINA'S HOME

📍 Bologna Emilia-Romagna, Bologna, Italy -



🕒 3 hours 🧑 1 Adult

Step into a private home in the heart of Bologna and discover the true art of **fresh pasta making** alongside a local **Sfoglina**. In this intimate cooking experience, learn how to prepare traditional egg pasta from scratch, rolling the dough by hand just as Bolognese families have done for generations. Under expert guidance, create classic recipes such as **tagliatelle** paired with authentic **Bolognese sauce**, while uncovering the techniques and traditions behind regional cuisine.

The experience concludes with a **relaxed lunch** at the Sfoglina's table, where you'll enjoy the dishes you've prepared accompanied by local wines.

Day 4



Start at 07:00

## PARMA CHEESE AND HAM FACTORY TOUR

📍 31 Viale Paolo Borsellino, Parma, Emilia-Romagna 43122, Parma, Italy -



🕒 7 hours 🧑 1 Adult

Step into the heart of Italy's legendary **Food Valley** and discover two of its greatest icons: **Parmigiano Reggiano** and **Parma Ham**.

Begin with a visit to a traditional **Parmigiano Reggiano dairy**, where you'll witness the magic of production unfold from fresh milk to golden wheels of cheese, crafted exactly as they have been for centuries. The experience ends with a guided **tasting of two different ageings**, paired with local **wine**, revealing the depth and character of Italy's most celebrated cheese.

The journey continues into the gentle **Parma hills** to a renowned **prosciuttificio**, where time, air, and tradition transform pork into the world's finest cured ham. Learn the secrets behind **Prosciutto di Parma**, then savor its delicate flavors during a tasting accompanied by a glass of **wine**. A delicious immersion into craftsmanship, tradition, and taste.

Day 5



Depart 10:02

## HIGH-SPEED TRAIN FROM BOLOGNA CENTRAL STATION STATION TO FLORENCE SANTA MARIA NOVELLA

📍 Bologna, Emilia-Romagna 40121, Bologna, Italy -



🧑 1 Adult

A high-speed train will take you to the city of Florence.



# FLORENCE: THE RENAISSANCE OF FLAVOR





Step into Florence, a city where centuries of art and culinary tradition meet in perfect harmony. Wander through streets lined with Renaissance masterpieces, from **Brunelleschi's Dome** to **Michelangelo's David**, and marvel at the treasures of the **Uffizi**. Beyond the galleries, Florence invites you to taste its soul: sample freshly baked focaccia and pastries at bustling markets, savor rich **Tuscan wines** in intimate **enotecas**, or enjoy a perfectly grilled **bistecca alla fiorentina** at a local **trattoria**. Let the aroma of fresh pasta and the golden light of the Arno at sunset guide your exploration. Here, every corner tells a story, every flavor celebrates tradition, and every moment invites you to experience the city not just as a sight to see, but a feast to savor.

 Check-in 14:00

## YOUR HOTEL IN FLORENCE

 Florence Tuscany, Florence, Italy -




 3 nights  1 Adult

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 16:15

## MEET MICHELANGELO'S DAVID UP CLOSE

 19 Via Camillo Cavour, Firenze, Toscana 50129, Firenze, Italy -



Step into **Michelangelo's world** and uncover the secrets behind one of the **most celebrated masterpieces** of all time. With **skip-the-line** access to Florence's Accademia Gallery, enjoy a small-group guided tour that brings the **story of David** to life in a vivid and engaging way.

Explore the **Hall of Prisoners** and the unfinished *San Matteo*, discovering the fascinating process behind **Michelangelo's genius** and the struggles of his tormented life. After the guided visit, feel free to remain in the museum and admire the artworks at your own pace.

Day 6

 Start at 10:00

CHEF'S INSIGHTS: SANT'AMBROGIO MARKET & TUSCAN FLAVORS

 Florence Tuscany, Florence, Italy -



 3 hours  1 Adult

Step into the heart of Florence's most authentic food market alongside a **local chef born and raised in the Sant'Ambrogio district**, and discover Tuscan cuisine from the inside out. The experience begins like a true Florentine morning with an **espresso**, before entering the historic **Sant'Ambrogio Market**, a cornerstone of daily life since 1873.

Walking stall by stall with your chef guide, you'll explore the market's finest producers, tasting **renowned Tuscan cured meats**, followed by a selection of **local cheeses**. The tour continues at a traditional delicatessen, where you'll sit down to enjoy some of the **pillars of Tuscan home cooking**, such as **pappa al pomodoro, brasato**, and francesina, paired with a glass of house wine.

After leaving the market, a short walk through the lively neighborhood leads to a cozy **local wine shop**, where you'll taste **two Tuscan wines** served with **bruschette**, offering a relaxed moment to savor the region's winemaking heritage. The experience concludes on a sweet note with **artisanal Italian gelato**, enjoyed at one of Florence's best gelaterie. An immersive food tour designed for travelers who want to **understand Tuscan cuisine through people, places, and flavors**, not just taste it.



## FLORENTINE AFTERNOON YOUR WAY



Spend the afternoon discovering Florence at your own pace. Stroll through Renaissance streets, admire charming piazzas, linger at a café, or simply follow your curiosity — this is your time to experience the city’s art, history, and charm exactly as you wish.

Day 7



## FLORENTINE MORNING YOUR WAY



Begin your morning in Florence at your own pace, as the city awakens with golden light. Explore lively markets, stroll past iconic landmarks, or enjoy a peaceful moment at a café. Follow your curiosity and let the city reveal its art, history, and charm in your own way.



Start at 14:30

## CHIANTI VINEYARDS ESCAPE FROM FLORENCE WITH TWO WINE TASTINGS

📍 Piazzale Montelungo, Firenze Toscana, Firenze, Italy -



🕒 5 hours 👤 1 Adult

Spend the day strolling around the **gorgeous landscape of Tuscany**, a region known around the world for its **gentle hills, gaping views**, and bursting with **rows of vineyards**. Your journey through the **Chianti wine region** begins with a visit to a beautiful **family-run estate**, whose belief is that **making beautiful wine is an art**. You will see and have the opportunity to **walk around the small vineyards** on the hills above Greve in Chianti, where the family produces their fine Chianti wines, and explore the cellars while learning about the wine making and aging process. After, take a seat on the beautiful terrace of the wine estate and relax with some **appetizing, local Tuscan products** to accompany your **Chianti wine tasting!** Indulge in the locally produced **Extra Virgin Olive Oil, cheese, and salami** while you **taste up to 3-4 different wines!**

The tour will then head to the next winery to sample even more flavors of Tuscany. Driving through the Chianti region will leave you amazed as you drive through the **rolling green hills** surrounded by **views of cypresses, colorful flowers and sunny valleys**. At the **second winery** you will have a chance to walk around the **lush vineyards, take amazing photos**, visit the cellar and aging room, and learn about the process of winemaking before heading to the tasting room. Here you will sample some more **locally produced wine** together with a **sommelier**, a real Chianti expert! After each winery visit you will have the opportunity to purchase bottles to bring or ship directly home and enjoy some free time to relax immersed in the beauty of the nature that surrounds you.

Day 8

 Depart 09:48

HIGH-SPEED TRAIN FROM FLORENCE SANTA MARIA NOVELLA STATION TO ROMA TERMINI

 Piazza di Santa Maria Novella, Firenze, Italy -



 1 Adult

Proceed to Florence Santa Maria Novella Railway Station to take your high-speed train to Rome Termini Railway Station.



ROME: THE ETERNAL CITY OF "CARBONARA"





Step into Rome, where history, culture, and gastronomy intertwine at every corner. Wander through ancient streets and piazzas, marvel at the **Colosseum**, **Pantheon**, and **Vatican** treasures, while savoring the scents of the city's culinary icons: creamy **cacio e pepe**, rich **carbonara**, crispy **suppli**, and freshly baked **pizza bianca**. Explore hidden **trattorias** and lively **markets** where local specialties — from aged **pecorino** and cured meats to seasonal produce — invite you to taste the city like a true Roman. Sip a glass of **Frascati wine** or a classic **aperitivo** as the sun sets over cobblestone streets, letting Rome reveal its vibrant energy through flavors and unforgettable moments.

 Check-in 14:00

YOUR HOTEL IN ROME

 Rome Lazio, Rome, Italy -



 2 nights  1 Adult

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 Start at 15:00

GLADIATORS' PATH: SEMI-PRIVATE COLOSSEUM & ANCIENT ROME TOUR

 1 Piazza del Colosseo, Roma, Lazio 00184, Roma, Italy -



🕒 3 hours 🧑 1 Adult

Step back in time and experience Rome like a true gladiator on this **semi-private tour**. **Skip the long lines** and explore the iconic **Colosseum**, the **Arch of Constantine**, and the **Roman Forums** with **expert guidance**.

Begin atop the Oppian Hill, enjoying breathtaking views of Rome's most famous monuments. Once you enter the Colosseum, your guide will bring the stories of ancient battles and triumphs to life, immersing you in the drama of the arena. Wander through the heart of the **Imperial Forum**, discovering hidden secrets and legendary tales of emperors and citizens alike. With priority access to all sites, enjoy an intimate, unrushed journey through the grandeur of ancient Rome.

## Day 9



Start at 10:00

### ROME COOKING CLASS: PIZZA, SUPPLÌ AND GELATO

📍 Rome Lazio, Rome, Italy -



🕒 3 hours 🧑 1 Adult

Step into the heart of **Rome** and discover the joy of Italian cooking in a fun, hands-on **pizza and gelato experience**. Guided by a passionate local chef, you'll learn how to craft authentic pizza dough from scratch, top it like a true Roman, and prepare **creamy gelato** using fresh, seasonal ingredients.

As the aromas fill the kitchen, stories, laughter, and tradition come together, turning cooking into a shared moment rather than a lesson. Once everything is ready, sit down to **savor the dishes you've created**, enjoying the flavors that define Italian life at its best.



### ROMAN AFTERNOON YOUR WAY



Spend the afternoon embracing Rome at your own rhythm. Choose to wander through cobbled alleys, linger over an espresso in a sunlit piazza, or join an optional experience that catches your eye. This is your moment to live the Eternal City exactly as you wish.

Day 10



**Your Italian adventure comes to an end, but the memories you've created will stay with you forever.**

***From iconic sights to authentic experiences and local flavors, every moment has been carefully curated to show you the real Italy.***

**We can't wait to welcome you and make your travel dreams come true!**

## WHAT'S INCLUDED

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### Accommodation

**9 nights in centrally located hotels.**

**Choose between two carefully selected options:**

- **Smart Collection**
  - Venice: Hotel Canaletto 3\* or similar
  - Bologna: Hotel Accademia 3\* or similar
  - Florence: Hotel La Fortezza 3\* or similar
  - Rome: Hotel Canada 3\* or similar
- **Signature Collection**
  - Venice: Hotel Principe 4\* or similar
  - Bologna: Starhotels Excelsior 4\* or similar
  - Florence: C-Hotels Ambasciatori 4\* or similar
  - Rome: Leonardo Boutique Hotel Rome 4\* or similar

The hotels listed are our main partner in each city; they presented as examples for your reference only. We only select the finest places in the city centers, and in compliance with high international standards. You will receive the list of hotels you will be staying at right upon booking.

### Meals

- Daily **Breakfast**
- **Aperitivo** and **Prosecco Tasting** in Venice
- **Pasta Making Class** with **Food and Wine Tasting**
- **Cheese & Ham tastings** in Parma
- **Food and wine tastings** in Sant'Ambrogio Market
- **Wine and food tastings** in Chianti countryside
- **Pizza, Suppli and Gelato Cooking Class** in Rome

### Activities

- **Venice**
  - Venice from the Rooftops with **Aperitivo** and **Prosecco Tasting**
  - **Private Gondola Ride** Experience
- **Bologna**
  - **Private** Traditional **Pasta Making Class** with **Food and Wine Tasting**
  - Parma **Cheese & Ham Factory Tour**
- **Florence**
  - **Accademia** Guided Tour **with skip-the-line tickets**
  - **Food Tour**: discover Sant'Ambrogio Market with an expert local Chef
  - **Half-day Tour** to Chianti with **two Wine Tastings**
- **Rome**
  - **Colosseum** and Ancient Rome **Guided Tour**
  - Rome **Cooking Class**: Pizza, Suppli and Gelato

### Transportation

- **High-speed train** tickets in **Premium Class** (Venice→ Bologna→ Florence→ Rome)

### On-site Assistance

- **24/7 Assistance** throughout your trip, offering help and guidance at any time