

**Romantic Italy**  
**9 days – 8 nights**  
**Rome, Florence, Chianti, Verona**  
**Culture, History, Art, Wines, Fun**

**Day 1: Rome**

Upon arrival at Rome's Fiumicino airport you will be met and assisted on your transfer to your hotel in Rome. Rest of the day is free. Overnight in Rome.

**Day 2: Rome**

After breakfast at your hotel you'll be picked up for a half-day walking group excursion to the Coliseum, Roman Forum and Palatine Hill. The Coliseum, the most emblematic monument in Rome, originally known as the Flavian Amphitheater, is the well-known place of the gladiators' games and the theme of many a movie. Close by is an important and unique collection of ruins of what was the heart of Imperial Rome: The Roman Forum and surrounding official buildings! In the same area is the most important elevation of Roman's history: The Palatine Hill where, according to Roman mythology, the brothers Remus and Romulus, possibly sons of Hercules, were kept alive by a she-wolf and ended-up being the founders of Rome. The rest of the day is at leisure for you to continue exploring. Overnight in Rome. [B]

**Day 3: Rome**

Today is dedicated to Vatican City. Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before touring the extraordinary Vatican Museums with floors of exhibitions, the impressive Sistine Chapel where Michelangelo painted sacral masterpieces, The Last Judgment probably being the best known, St. Peter's Basilica and St. Peter's Square with its colonnade designed and sculpted by Bernini in the 16<sup>th</sup> Century. The rest of the day is at leisure, to continue to discover Rome. Overnight in Rome. [B]

**Day 4: Rome, Florence**

Breakfast at the hotel and morning departure from Roma Termini train station and journey to Florence Santa Maria Novella train station by high-speed train (second class tickets included) that is expected to arrive around 1:5 pm. After arrival in Florence take a cab to check-in at your hotel. Spend the night in Florence. [B]

**Day 5: Florence, Chianti**

After breakfast at the hotel join a group tour of Florence, definitely a open air museum full of masterpieces and the cradle of Renaissance. Walk around the charming old city and visit to Duomo, with its Giotto Bell Tower and renowned Accademia Gallery full of unique masterpieces. Some free time to walk along the Arno River and a chance to see Ponte Vecchio and admire artisans' workshops before your transfer from your hotel in Florence to your hotel in the Chianti region. The evening is at leisure. Overnight in the Chianti region. [B]

**Day 6: Chianti**

Breakfast. Small group excursion to the Chianti\* area including an explanation on aromatic herbs harvested and dried following the ancient techniques of this wine region, wine tastings and light lunch or dinner with English speaking escort. Then, transfer to your hotel. Evening at leisure and overnight in Chianti region. [B/T]

\* Depending on the availability, clients can choose between the following excursions: (1) San Gimignano, Chianti & Montalcino Tour, (2) Chianti & San Gimignano Grand Tour, (3) Chianti & Castles Tour or (4) Dinner in the Chianti vineyard

**Day 7: Chianti, Florence, Verona**

Breakfast at your hotel and transfer from to Florence's Santa Maria Novella train station to board your high-speed train to Verona (2<sup>nd</sup> class train tickets included) for a 2-hour ride. Then, transfer from

Verona train station to hotel in Verona. The rest of the day is free to start discovering this marvelous city. Accommodation and overnight in Verona. [B]

### Day 8: Verona

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before taking a morning small group walking tour of Verona, with your English-speaking guide, including Arena di Verona and the historical center. Although it's not proven that Romeo & Juliette ever lived in Verona, the author of the world-renowned love story gave the city the right to claim the title World's Romantic Capital! In fact Verona became a World Heritage site not because of the famous "balcony" and "tomb" but because its rich history, culture and architecture! After your walking tour you may want to visit, or revisit some of its treasures Like the Basilica di San Geno Maggiore, Piazza del Erbe, Porta Borsari, Castelvecchio, Arche Scaligery and Il Duomo. Overnight in Verona. [B]

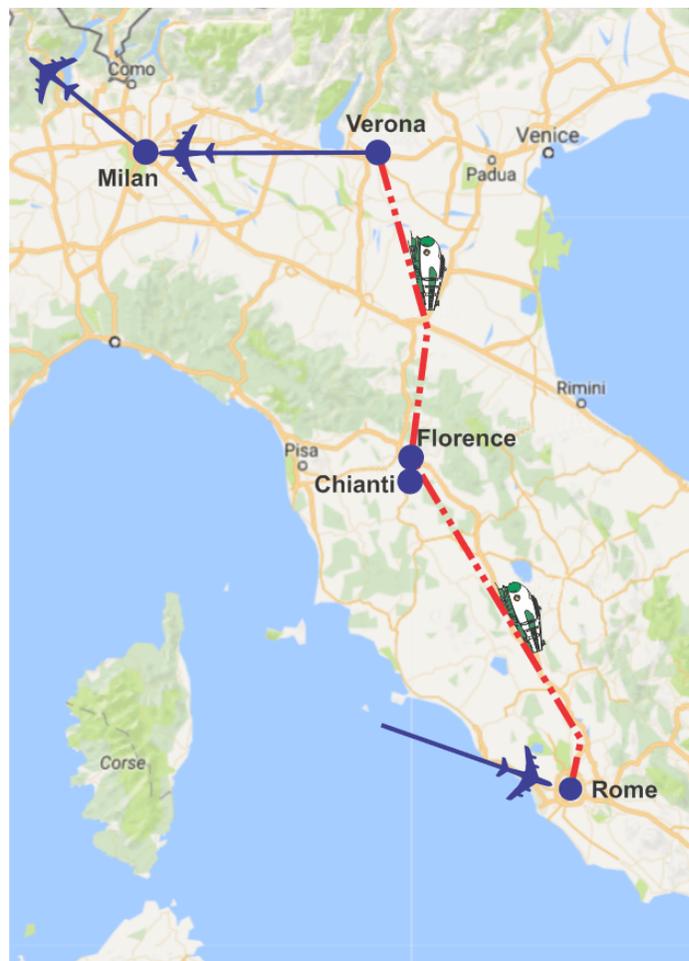
### Day 9: Verona, USA

After breakfast, be ready for your transfer to Verona's airport to board your connecting flight on your way back home. [B]

[B] = Breakfast | [B/T] = Breakfast and Wine Tasting

### Your Tour includes:

- Airfare USA-Rome/Verona-USA
- Transfers in:
  - Rome (Fiumicino airport to the hotel)
  - Florence
  - Florence to hotel in Chianti region
  - Verona
- 8 nights' accommodation in hotels of your choice:
  - Rome – 3 nights
  - Florence – 1 night
  - Chianti – 2 nights
  - Verona – 2 nights
- Breakfast daily
- 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> class high-speed train tickets
  - Rome to Florence
  - Florence to Verona
- 2.5-hour walking sightseeing group tour in Rome



- 3-hour group visit of the Vatican
- 3-hour walking group tour in Florence
- Half-day excursion to Chianti region including tastings and light lunch or dinner
- 2-hour walking group tour and gondola ride in Venice
- 2.5-hour walk sightseeing tour of Verona
- English-speaking guides for tours
- Entrance tickets for sites visited

### Tour does not include:

- Taxes or surcharges related to airline tickets
- Cities tax
- Travel insurance
- All alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks
- Other meals not mentioned in itinerary
- Extras and gratuities
- Early check-in, late check-out
- Expenses of personal nature

**Hotels in your Tour:**

City	Hotel Name	Tripadvisor
<b>Superior Tourist</b>		
Rome	Giolli Nazionale	4
	Accademia	4
	Tritone	4
Florence	Kursaal & Ausonia	4
	Boccaccio	4
	Cosimo de' Medici	4.5
Chianti	Palazzo San Lorenzo	4.5
	Tenuta di Ricavo	4.5
	L'ultimo mulino	4.5
Verona	Mazzanti	4.5
	Marco Polo	4
	Tenuta di Ricavo,	3.5
<b>First Class</b>		
Rome	Bernini	4
	Imperiale	4
	White	4
Florence	Roma	4
	Albani	4.5
Chianti region	Pal. San Lorenzo	4.5
	Tenuta di Ricavo	4.5
	Pal.San Niccolò	4.5
Verona	Accademia	4.5
	Roccaforte Scaligera	4.5
	Des Arts	4.5

Hotels will be confirmed at time of booking

**Tour Prices:**

**From: \$2,049 including airfare**

Add-ons available from all US gateways.

Prices are per person and may change without notice

This program can be customized for individuals and groups.

Changes to this program may be requested by phone (1855-55-TOURS) or using the web FIT Quote Request

• **Airfare**

We also be glad to adjust the airfare from your gateway so you take advantage of our special discounted leisure fares

• **Program**

You may add or remove;

- Trip days
- Cities and sites
- Meals

• **Other options**

- The program was designed with private services, however, we may substitute shared sightseeing where available
- If you prefer deluxe services we may operate this program including private driver, private guide and concierge service.

• **Quotation**

Once we have designed the program the way you want we'll give you a quote within 2 business days.

**Tour Code:** IT04ROM21IC

**Options:**

- Lunches and dinners can be arranged for individuals, families and groups at top restaurants or any restaurant requested by you.
- We can revise the itinerary to spend more time and provide more depth in those areas that you are interested on.
- Any other changes to the itinerary will be accommodated depending on the facilities available in the area.
- Private arrival and/or departure transfer

**Group Quotations**

- The options suggested in the itinerary will be quoted at time of booking
- If you wish to use these programs for your group or as the basis for a customized journey please either call us (1-855-55-TOURS or use the web Group Quote Request.
- In either case our specialists will work with to refine all the details and they will get you a quote with 2 business days. Quotes may be obtained for the air and land portions of just for the land journey.
- Booking both air and land with us will represent savings for you because of our buying power and longtime relationship with the airlines.
- We will also may have the choice between regular fares and special leisure fares not available to the public.