



ITALY

ITALIAN ART TREASURES: ROME AND FLORENCE BY TRAIN

(TOUR CODE: 11581)

STARTS AND ENDS

in Rome

TRAVEL PERIODS

01 Mar 2022 - 24 Dec 2023

EXPERIENCE

Food & Wine
Cultural

TRAVEL STYLE

Independent Holiday Packages

Glimpse through the charming Rome and Florence in all their glory: Rome, the Capital of Italy, and Florence, the cradle of the Renaissance.

Highlights

- See the **Vatican Museum** and its galleries, including **Michelangelo's frescoed masterpiece** of the ceiling of the **Sistine Chapel** during your Skip the line: small group tour of the Vatican!
- **Traditional welcome dinner** in Rome with delicious local products of Lazio region
- Stroll down the intriguing **Ponte Vecchio** - a true icon of Florence. This bridge is famous for its exclusive jewellery stores, unique structure, and for being the only bridge spared during the bombings during the Second World War.
- Journey through **Florence** and discover San Giovanni Square, home to the wonderful **Duomo Complex** with Brunelleschi's Dome, as well as the Baptistery and Giotto's Bell Tower!

With its unparalleled history, Rome attracts visitors from all over the world with the most incredible monuments and archaeological sites scattered all over the city - not to mention its renowned cuisine and lively atmosphere.

The enchanting City of Florence, on the other hand, is home to countless Renaissance monuments and amazes tourists with its unique architecture at every turn. Designed to provide the best possible experience, this itinerary will give you the opportunity to take in the best of both these historical Cities.



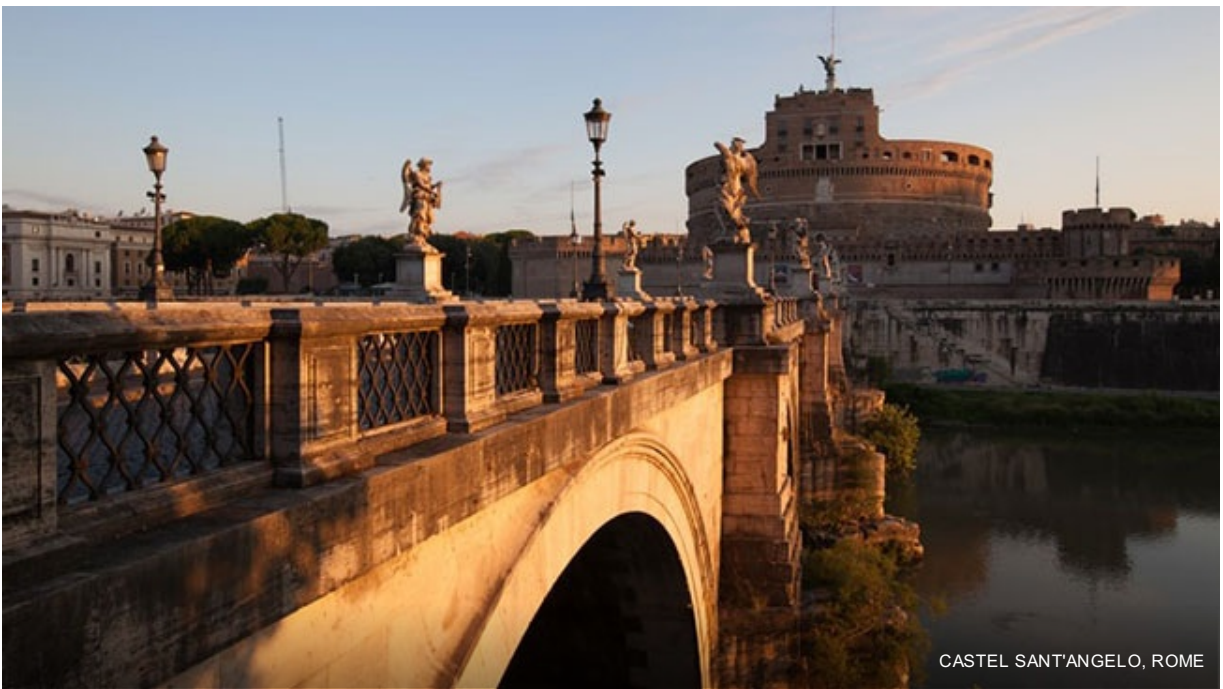
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- ✓ ENTIRE Change of Mind
- ✓ ENTIRE On Ground Support
- ✓ ENTIRE AUD Prices
- ✓ ENTIRE Industry Accredited
- ✓ ENTIRE Australian Owned

INCLUSIONS

- 3 nights in Rome at Hotel Aberdeen - 3*
- 2 nights in Florence at Hotel Corona D' Italia - 3*
- Private transfer from Rome–Fiumicino Airport to Rome Hotel
- Private transfer from Rome train station to the Airport
- Return 1st class fast-train tickets between Rome - Florence
- Daily Breakfast
- 1 traditional dinner in Rome with 1/4 carafe wine and 1/2 carafe water included
- Skip-the-line admission tickets: Small group tour of Vatican Museums, St. Peter's Basilica and Sistine Chapel(max 15 people)
- Half-day small group walking tour of Rome (max 15 people)
- 1 Day hop-on/hop-off ticket in Rome
- Afternoon small walking tour of Florence

ITINERARY

- Day 1** Rome
- Arrival in Rome and transfer to your hotel by private car.
- Check in and remainder of the day at leisure. You will be offered a **Welcome Roman dinner** to enjoy some traditional local products from the Lazio region.
- Overnight stay in Rome at **Hotel Aberdeen** or Similar.
- Dinner



CASTEL SANT'ANGELO, ROME

Day 2

Rome

After breakfast, you will **discover the Eternal City** in a day!

Admire some of the most famous artistic treasures in the world, the highlights of the Vatican Museums and its galleries, including Michelangelo's frescoed masterpiece: the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel. Enter directly into St. Peter's Basilica, the largest in the world, renowned for its inspiring Bernini interiors and Michelangelo's stunning "Pietà".

In the afternoon, our guide will lead you through Rome's treasures, depicting some wonderful stories of the city's most important squares, fountains, and monuments.

Overnight stay in Rome at **Hotel Aberdeen** or Similar.

Breakfast



VIA DELLA CONCILIAZIONE AND ST. PETER'S BASILICA

Day 3

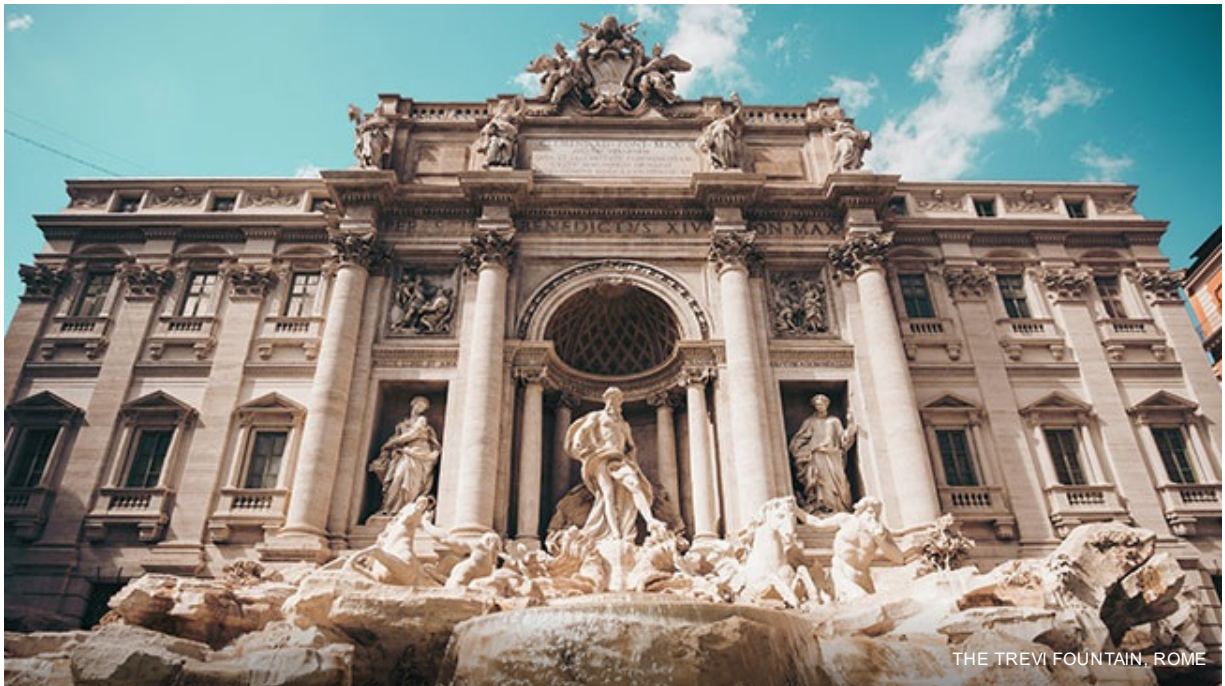
Rome

After breakfast, morning at your own pace to explore the rest of this stunning city, by using the **Hop On/ Hop Off Rome** City Bus Tickets with audio commentary at your disposal.

Alternatively, you can add one of the optional tours to fill your day (own expenses).

Overnight stay in Rome at **Hotel Aberdeen** or Similar.

Breakfast, Lunch



Day **4**

Rome Florence

After breakfast, check out and travel to **Florence** by train. Upon arrival, make your own way to your hotel, located close to the station, either on foot or by taxi.

Check-in at your accommodation before setting off to explore the City. Florence was home to the Medici family dynasty, the greatest art patrons of their time. Michelangelo, Leonardo da Vinci, Brunelleschi, Donatello, Dante and Galileo are just a few of the geniuses who thrived in this unique City! To start your tour, you will head to Repubblica Square, one of the most elegant and historically important "piazas" in Florence, overflowing with refined cafés and luxury shopping.

Follow your guide through the characteristic streets and picturesque alleys until you reach "Loggia del nuovo mercato", where your guide will demonstrate a symbol of good luck by caressing the nose of the famous bronze statue wild boar. On this tour, you will learn all sorts of local legends, fascinating stories, and unexpected facts about Florence.

Right around the corner, your guide will lead you to the intriguing Ponte Vecchio - a true icon of the city. This bridge is famous for its exclusive jewellery stores, unique structure, and for being the only bridge spared during the bombings of the Second World War. Your journey through Florence will lead to San Giovanni Square, home of the wonderful Florence Cathedral and Brunelleschi's Dome, as well as the Baptistery and Giotto's Bell Tower.

Overnight stay in Florence at **Hotel Corona D' Italia** or Similar.

Breakfast



Day 5 Florence

After breakfast, enjoy a day at leisure to discover the beautiful renaissance city on your own.

Alternatively, you can add one of our optional extras to fill your day (own expenses).

Overnight stay in Florence at **Hotel Corona D' Italia** or Similar.

Breakfast



Day 6 Florence Rome

After breakfast, check out of your hotel and depart for Rome by train.

On arrival, a private transfer from the train station will take you to Rome Airport for your return flight.

Breakfast



OPTIONAL EXTRAS

Day 3: Tour of the Market of Rome with Pasta making class

Take part to a walk in the best and ancient **Market of Rome**; enjoy and trying the goodness from the Local producers. You can find best products from all around Italy and especially top quality from small Farmer's producers from Lazio. After the walk, you will **make your own pasta**, learning about the flour and the cut. Enjoy your homemade pasta in the heart of Rome, Piazza Navona.

The tour includes 15 tastings in Campo de Fiori Market with Pasta making class(1h30 of tour and the rest of time to have the meal).



Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to [Book Now](#) or [Contact Us](#) for details.

Day 5: Small group activity Perfume Masterclass (Max 8 people)

Learn the techniques and secrets of the ancient Florentine chemistry tradition!

The lesson (duration: 1h30) will take place in an historical workshop. With centuries of experience, this laboratory has mixed the scientific knowledge of medical care together with the experimental knowledge of healing properties with herbs, flowers and fruits. Re-live the magical atmosphere of alchemists and apothecaries once residing in Florence during the time of the Renaissance.

The laboratory is surrounded by unique glassware, ampules and rare essences. The Master Perfumer will take you through the process and ultimately lead you to **create your own, unique custom-made perfume!** Take home a 50ml bottle of your personalised perfume and an award certificate as a memory of the day.



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Day 5: Small group tour: Accademia Gallery

Small group tour for a visit of the marvelous **Accademia Gallery** with some of Michelangelo's world-renowned masterpieces, such as the original version of The David and The Prinsons of Saint Matthew.



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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

Italian

LOCAL CURRENCY

EURO

- This package is excluded from the **"CHANGE OF MIND"** Portion of our Peace of Mind Booking Plan.
- We work with a selection of hotels in each location. All bookings are subject to availability, which means our team will confirm your specific hotels upon confirmation and payment of deposit. The package price is based on 3-star accommodation.

Blackout dates may apply during festive season.

Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package