



## ITALY

# VENICE, FLORENCE & ROME BY TRAIN (TOUR CODE: 12956)

### STARTS AND ENDS

Venice to  
Rome

### TRAVEL PERIODS

14 Apr 24 - 27 Oct 24

### EXPERIENCE

Escorted  
Rail

### TRAVEL STYLE

Escorted Group Tour

Enjoy an amazing journey: Venice, Florence, Rome. Get ready to explore some of the world's most beautiful cities, see artisans on Murano Island, walk through Baroque Rome, and enjoy typical food and wine tastings in Chianti.

## Highlights

- Small group sizes (max 26 passengers). Professional English speaking guide for the entire duration of the tour
- Worry-free luggage **porterage service at railway stations** and/or "luggage bus" (that delivers luggage from hotel to hotel)
- Explore the unique floating city of **Venice**, using the **Vaporetto Pass** to navigate its historical center.
- Stay in charming **4-star luxury boutique hotels**

Start your journey in one of the world's most beautiful cities: Venice. Here you will spend two nights and visit the main historical sites and taste plenty of local food, plus an incredible experience on Murano Island, where artisans will show you the art of glass blowing. Head to the center of the country to visit the most important Italian art cities: Florence and Rome. You will spend two nights in each city visiting the main historical sites, including Piazza della Signoria, Brunelleschi's Dome, Uffizi courtyard in Florence, and Trevi fountain, Vatican Museum, Sistine Chapel, St. Peter Basilica in Rome. Plus, on your second day in Tuscany you will visit Siena and enjoy a food and wine experience in one of Chianti's vineyards.



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

## INCLUSIONS

- 7-nights accommodation in 4-star hotels
- High speed train transfer in First class
- Hop-on Hop-off 24H in Rome
- Vaporetto Pass 72H in Venice
- Welcome drinks and snacks on trains
- Meals: 7 continental buffet breakfasts, 1 dinner
- Professional English speaking guide for the entire duration of the tour
- 1x food and wine tasting in Florence
- Guided visits in Venice, Florence and Rome

## ITINERARY

**Intro** Map



Day **1**

## Venice

Upon arrival, make your way to your hotel and take your time to settle. In the afternoon meet your group, enjoy a welcome drink and then follow your tour leader who will let you discover the ancient and precious glass-blowing art in a traditional “furnace”. Return to your hotel and partake in a welcome dinner.

Overnight stay in **Venice** at NH Collection Murano Villa in a Superior Room.



## Venice

Today explore the floating City! Taking advantage of the Vaporetto Pass, move freely across the Historical center of Venice. Your guide will take you through narrow alleys, canals and small bridges to discover the main attraction, witnessing the mighty power of the city across the centuries. You'll see the Rialto Bridge, Piazza S. Marco with its Basilica, the Doge's Palace, and the Bridge of Sighs, that leads to the prisons. Time at leisure to stroll on your own and buy local glass-made souvenirs.

Overnight stay in **Venice** at NH Collection Murano Villa in a Superior Room.



## Venice Florence

In the morning, take a high-speed train that will take you to Florence in two hours. Once there, start our guided tour on foot throughout the **Florentine streets**, admiring the beauty of the Uffizi building with the Vasari Corridor, and the monumental group of the Duomo, including the stunning Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, the baptistery, and the Giotto's belltower famous for its bronze "Gate of Paradise".

Overnight stay in **Florence** at Starhotels Michelangelo in a Superior Room.



DUOMO COMPLEX IN FLORENCE

Day 4

## Florence

Enjoy the morning at leisure, and in the early afternoon join a "**Siena and Chianti Countryside**" tour to experience firsthand some of Tuscany's most breathtaking towns, where amazing views are around every corner. You will reach Siena by train to discover the treasures of one of the most beautiful cities in the world and immerse yourself in its art, culture, and traditions as the horse race the Palio, which takes place twice a year. You will explore the best that Siena has to offer, our guide will accompany you along the ancient streets of Siena through the most beautiful sites. Continue towards a traditional farm and winery where we will learn about the winemaking process from grape to glass. Then enjoy a food and wine tasting session of Chianti wines as well as local products. Finally, sit back and relax on the return journey to Florence by train.

Overnight stay in **Florence** at Starhotels Michelangelo in a Superior Room.



SIENACATHEDRAL

Day 5

## Florence Rome

After breakfast, take a high-speed train to arrive in Rome. In the afternoon meet again for a guided stroll throughout the alleys of the **baroque Rome**, where you can admire the most representative sites such as the magical Piazza Navona and

the famous Pantheon. You will even have the possibility to make a wish, throwing a coin into the legendary Fontana di Trevi. The rest of the evening will be free. Overnight in the hotel.

Overnight stay in **Rome** at Hotel Massimo D'Azeglio in a Premium Room.



Day **6**

## Rome

This morning take advantage of the Hop-on Hop-off bus to get a panoramic tour of the "eternal city" and reach the **Vatican Museum**. With the "skip-the-line", you will have direct access to the **Sistine Chapel** and to St. Peter's Basilica to visit the breathtaking masterpieces that you will find inside, as well as a great variety of galleries, with ancient sculptures, tapestry, middle-age maps, paintings, and stunning relics. You will admire the Pietà di Michelangelo and the incredible altar in bronze.

Overnight stay in **Rome** at Hotel Massimo D'Azeglio in a Premium Room.



Day **7**

## Rome

The entire day at your leisure or you may choose from optional tours such as Colosseum and Ancient Rome tour, Borghese Gallery tour if you prefer to learn more about local art and history, or maybe a fun Pizza Making Cooking Class to learn the secrets of the most famous Italian dish.

Overnight stay in **Rome** at Hotel Massimo D'Azeglio in a Premium Room.



Day **8**

## Rome

After breakfast, our trip to the discovery of the Italian beauties comes to an end, hoping you always keep this unique experience in your heart. Feel free to book some extra nights in Rome or a private transfer to Rome's railway station or airport. Arrivederci!

## ACCOMMODATION

### NH Collection Murano Villa

#### Venice

The quaint boutique hotel known as the NH Collection Venezia Murano Villa is located on the alluring island of Murano in the Venetian Lagoon. The hotel, which was formerly the location of the well-known De Majo glass factory, emits the fascination of classic hand-blown Murano glass through its magnificent architecture. At the hotel's gourmet restaurant, which serves delectable meals all day, indulge in a great culinary experience. The two chic bars provide the ideal atmosphere for relaxing with a drink. The hotel offers a private 4-berth pier on the picturesque lagoon as well as five well-equipped conference rooms that can hold up to 130 guests for those who require event spaces.



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## Starhotels Michelangelo

### **Florence**

Starhotels Michelangelo stands out with its 119 cosy hotel rooms in the beautiful city of mediaeval Florence. It offers a fantastic position for discovering Florence's cultural treasures because of its central location in the city. A popular dining destination, the hotel's culinary treats provide a true taste of Italy. Our conveniently located hotel makes an excellent site for any event, including conventions, seminars, and business meetings. Starhotels Michelangelo perfectly fuses traditional charm with contemporary luxury, guaranteeing a wonderfully engaging experience for its guests. It is conveniently located near the S. Maria Novella Train Station, the Stazione Leopolda convention centre, and the brand-new Opera Theatre.



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## Hotel Massimo D' Azeglio

### **Rome**

Experience the charm of our family-run hotel in Rome, offering a diverse selection of 185 rooms. The Classic Rooms and Superior Rooms boast spaciousness and brightness, complemented by elegant wood floors, classic furnishings, high ceilings, and expansive windows. A perfect blend of tradition and innovation awaits you, with meticulous attention to every detail. Our exceptional restaurant at the Massimo d' Azeglio Hotel proudly presents a tantalizing array of authentic dishes crafted from locally-sourced ingredients. Our commitment to freshness, simplicity, and preserving culinary heritage is evident in every bite. Our skilled maîtres eagerly await you, ready to delight your taste buds with their delectable recommendations!





## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

Italian

### LOCAL CURRENCY

EURO

- This trip can be enjoyed by just about anyone with a reasonable level of fitness. Average physical ability is required such as long walks of a few hours

### 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