



SMALL GROUP
Maximum of
28 Travelers

**LAND
JOURNEY**

Pearls of Italy

Inspiring Moments

- ▶ Sip Chianti wine during a visit to the cellars of **Castello di Monsanto**.
- ▶ Stroll through the exquisite gardens of the **Borromean Islands**.
- ▶ Witness Leonardo da Vinci's "**The Last Supper**" and Michelangelo's **David**.
- ▶ Breeze through the **canals of Venice** aboard a water taxi.
- ▶ See the glittering mosaics of **St. Mark's Basilica**.
- ▶ Admire the towers that form **San Gimignano's medieval skyline**.
- ▶ Enjoy early access to the **Vatican Museums**.
- ▶ Experience six **UNESCO World Heritage sites**.

San Gimignano



INCLUDED FEATURES

ACCOMMODATIONS

(With baggage handling.)

- **Three nights** in Stresa, Italy, at the first-class Hotel La Palma.
- **Two nights** in Venice at the first-class Hotel Saturnia & International.
- **Three nights** in Florence at the first-class Grand Hotel Baglioni.
- **Two nights** in Rome at the first-class Rose Garden Palace.

TRANSFERS

- All transfers within the Land Program: high-speed trains, deluxe motor coaches and water taxis, including baggage handling.

EXTENSIVE MEAL PROGRAM

- Ten breakfasts, two lunches and four dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.

YOUR ONE-OF-A-KIND JOURNEY

- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history.
- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- Free time to pursue your own interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- Clearly hear your English-speaking guide with your VOX headset.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.

ITINERARY

- Day 1** Depart gateway city[†]
- Day 2** Arrive in Milan | Transfer[†] to Stresa
- Day 3** Borromean Islands | Stresa
- Day 4** Stresa
- Day 5** Milan | Train to Venice
- Day 6** St. Mark's Square | Venice
- Day 7** Train to Florence | Walking tour
- Day 8** Accademia Gallery | Florence
- Day 9** Chianti | Florence
- Day 10** Train to Rome | Walking tour
- Day 11** Vatican City | Rome
- Day 12** Depart for gateway city[†]

[†]Flights and transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions. Excursions often require walking on cobblestones, unpaved paths or other uneven surfaces.



DISCOVERY

The Borromean Islands. Cruise Lake Maggiore to visit all three Borromean Islands: Isola Madre, which has a beautiful botanical garden; Isola dei Pescatori, which has a charming fishing village; and Isola Bella, home to a 17th-century baroque palace and gardens.

Milan. Visit the Church of Santa Maria delle Grazie to see Leonardo’s “The Last Supper” and the Duomo. Enjoy some time at leisure in the city.

The Piedmontese Kitchen. Take a drive into the hills to a family-owned restaurant to learn how to prepare the delicious regional cuisine. Then, tuck into this delicious meal, complemented by the view of the lake.

Venice. Visit St. Mark’s Square. Take in the Italo-Byzantine exterior of St. Mark’s Basilica before stepping in to see the gilded interior. Visit the Doge’s Palace.

Florence. Discover the Renaissance legacy of Florence. See Brunelleschi’s dome, the Piazza della Signoria, the Ponte Vecchio and the Palazzo Vecchio.

Accademia Gallery. Visit the museum that is home to Michelangelo’s David.

Chianti. Journey to San Gimignano, known for its medieval towers, and Castellina, a quintessential Chianti town. Taste Chianti wine and enjoy lunch at the Castello di Monsanto winery.

Ancient Rome in a Modern City. Stroll by the remnants of ancient Rome’s greatest monuments, the Colosseum and the Forum. Continue to Piazza Navona to see its ornate fountains and Bernini sculptures.

The Vatican. Enjoy early access to the Vatican Museums, which are home to some of the world’s most exciting art collections. Step into the Sistine Chapel to marvel at the incredible frescoes, which Michelangelo spent four years creating. Then step into St. Peter’s Basilica, the largest cathedral in the world.



Florence

ENRICHMENT

Italy’s Lake District. Discover how this beautiful region became one of Europe’s favorite retreats.

Renaissance Art. Examine the artistic genius of this age and the resulting gifts to the world.

Italy Today. Discuss current affairs shaping contemporary Italy.

AHI Travel Expertise

Passenger Service Representative | Helps with everything from arranging flights to fulfilling special requests.

Travel Director | Manages all details to ensure a memorable trip.

Travel information | Prepares you fully for your journey.

Expert local guides | Provide friendly, knowledgeable service.

Lecturers | Share their knowledge of and passion for their country.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Hotel La Palma | Stresa ●●●●●

<http://www.hlapalma.it/en/>

Hotel Saturnia & International | Venice ●●●●●

<http://www.hotelsaturnia.it/>

Grand Hotel Baglioni | Florence ●●●●●

http://www.hotelbaglioni.it/index_eng.html


Rose Garden Palace | Rome ●●●●●

<http://www.rosegardenpalace.com/en/>




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ELECTIVE EXPERIENCE

 We have designed an optional activity to allow you to craft your individual trip.

Uffizi Gallery. Tour the 16th-century, Vasari-designed Uffizi Gallery. Trace artwork from the 12th-16th centuries, with an emphasis on Renaissance masterpieces.

 Elective experiences available at an additional cost

UNESCO World Heritage

1. Church and Dominican Convent of Santa Maria delle Grazie with “The Last Supper” by Leonardo da Vinci, Milan
2. Venice and its Lagoon
3. Historic Center of Florence
4. Historic Center of San Gimignano
5. Historic Center of Rome
6. Vatican City

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- **price guarantee**
- arrival and departure **transfers**
- **flexibility** to change or cancel
- discounted upgrades
- **assistance** with changes or delays
- flight insurance



Milan