



The Sistine Hall of the Vatican Library

ART CITIES

8 Days/7 Nights

Day 1 After arriving at **Rome's** Leonardo da Vinci Airport, you'll be greeted by your private driver and transferred to the hotel to check-in and relax after your overnight flight. Spend an easy day getting to know a bit of the city before enjoying a late afternoon aperitivo and an early dinner at the hotel. (D)

Day 2 It is said of **Rome** that it is not so much a city with museums as a city within a museum. Guided tour of the city begins with Rome's ancient past. Visit the Roman Forum, Rome's emblem, the magnificent Coliseum, and the Pantheon, an almost perfectly preserved Roman temple. In the afternoon discover Rome's renaissance and Baroque heritage, taking in the Spanish Steps, Piazza Navona and the elaborate Trevi Fountain. Return to the hotel. (B)

Day 3 In the morning you'll visit the Vatican City, the heart of the Catholic faith. With skip the line tickets and your own private guide, you'll experience a magical visit of the Vatican Museums, the exquisitely frescoed Sistine Chapel and the Basilica of St. Peter, the world's largest church. Your afternoon is going to be free to enjoy **Rome**. Some time for shopping or a chance to wander and explore

some of the incredible historic sights of the city. Tonight is on your own, to enjoy dinner at maybe in a Trattoria in Trastevere, or near one near your hotel. (B)

Day 4 **San Gimignano - Siena**, a little town situated in the Tuscan hills. It is famous worldwide for its medieval towers and panoramic views of the Chianti area. Visit a wine cellar and enjoy a wine tasting. After San Gimignano continue on to Siena, well known for its "Palio" horse race, which takes place twice a year. Enjoy a city tour before transfer to the hotel in Montecatini. (B, WT, D)

Day 5 In **Florence** admire the artistic treasures of the world's oldest gallery on a guided tour of the Uffizi. Commissioned by the distinguished Medici family, the gallery contains a vast collection of priceless renaissance pieces including works by Leonardo da Vinci and Raphael. The rest of the day is at leisure in Florence. (B, D)



Day 6 **Pisa - Venice** Departure for Pisa. Time to admire the famous "Piazza dei Miracoli" and the leaning tower before continuing on to Venice. Enjoy a guided tour of the monumental heart of the city taking in the Rialto Bridge which spans the snaking Grand Canal and then head to St. Mark's Square. View the towering Campanile and visit the Basilica of St. Mark. (B, D)





St. Marks Cathedral and Square, Venice

Day 7 Murano - Burano - Torcello Experience several of the different facets of Venice. Embark on a boat journey to some of the Venetian Lagoon's remarkable islands. First stop in Murano, home of the world-famous blown glass, where there is the opportunity to visit the small family run workshops and witness art in creation. Burano, next stop, is famous for the beauty and complexity of the lacework that their craftsmen have created for centuries. Burano is also known for the brightly and vividly painted houses that line this tiny island's streets. The final island on tour is the delightfully peaceful Torcello, a silent haven of repose in the otherwise active Venetian Lagoon. Once the original Venetian colony, it is now virtually deserted.

Here find Venice's oldest cathedral and the throne that Attila the Hun used when he conquered the city-state over one thousand years ago. Rest of the day at leisure. Return to the hotel. (B, D)

Day 8 Departure



Murano Glass Factory

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- 3 nights - hotel in Rome
- 2 nights - hotel in Montecatini
- 2 nights - hotel in Venice
- 6 Breakfast and 3 Dinners
- Wine tasting in Chianti area
- Admission Charges & tickets:
 - Coliseum & Roman Forum - Rome
 - Vatican Museums - Rome
 - Uffizi Gallery - Florence
 - Ferry boat to visit Murano, Burano & Torcello
- Multilanguage tour escort throughout
- Licensed official guides as per itinerary
- Transportation by private transfer between cities in luxury vehicles or 1st class high speed trains.
- VAT

Legend

B	Breakfast	LT	Limoncello Tasting
L	Lunch	CT	Cheese Tasting
D	Dinner	CL	Cooking Lesson
WT	Wine Tasting;	A	Aperitif
OT	Olive Oil Tasting	HD	Half Day
MT	Mozzarella Tasting		

