



Italian Renaissance
Travel by Train
07 Nights



Summary

Travelling by train is an unforgettable experience. You will enjoy your trip on a modern and air-conditioned high-speed train sitting comfortably in your seat and sipping Italian coffee as you admire the beautiful views from your window. You will see mountains, hills, changing patterns of landscapes and small towns and villages. The VIP treatment starts with a reservation on board of Trenitalia Business Class. The Business Class includes free drinks and newspapers.

You will visit some of the most famous cities in the world like Rome, Florence and Venice.

Wild Discovery Advantages

- A proven expertise in organizing successful holidays
- Experienced and knowledgeable staff
- High quality service & strong commitment to customer satisfaction
- Permanent assistance from Wild Discovery Head Office at any moment
- Attention to details that make the difference

Overview

Interest: couples — family — group

Level of Comfort: 3.5/5

Minimum # of passengers: None

Maximum # of passengers: 15

Information about the destination

- **Currency:** Euro
- **Language:** Italian
- **Dialing Code:** +33
- **Transportation:** private car, train, ferry boat or bus
- **Recommended vaccine :** None
- **Banks & currency exchange:** Currency can be exchanged at major banks, exchanged offices or authorized hotels.

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Day 1 :

Friday, Rome

Welcome to Rome! You will reach your hotel with a driver from the airport. The rest of the day is at leisure. We suggest a casual walk in the stunning city center. You can visit the famous Trevi Fountain: close your eyes, throw a coin over your right shoulder straight into the water... the legend has it that if you do so, you are guaranteed a return to Rome! Maybe walk into Piazza Della Rotonda and enjoy the view of the Pantheon, the only ancient Roman temple that remained standing as it was through the centuries. Why not, reach Piazza Navona and take pictures of the Fountain of the Four Rivers by Bernini; the legend says that the famous Baroque sculptor positioned the Rio de la Plata River as if the statue were covering its eyes so it does not have to look at the facade of the adjacent Sant'Agnese Church designed by his rival Borromini. To know more details about the history of these outstanding sights private guided tours with one of our professional guides are possible. The package includes a dinner in a must-visit neighborhood in Rome: Trastevere. It is one of the cores of the Roman nightlife, bustling and busy with pubs, restaurants and clubs for all ages. You will have the opportunity to dine in a typical Roman trattoria and discover culinary traditions dating back in time. No worries: we will take care of the reservation!

Return to your hotel for your overnight stay.

Day 2 :

Saturday, Rome

You will finally visit the Vatican Museums and the Colosseum. Between 7:45—8:00 AM, after breakfast at your hotel, wait for our driver to come and pick you up. You'll reach the Vatican City for our exclusive Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica Skip-the-line Guided Tour. No trip to Rome is complete without a visit to the Vatican Museums. These galleries contain some of the most famous works of art in the world, including works by artists including Leonardo Da Vinci, Michelangelo, Caravaggio, Raphael and Giotto. The 54th gallery of the Vatican Museums is the famed Sistine Chapel. Completed around 1483, the Sistine Chapel is arguably the most famous chapel in the world due to its famous frescoes including the ceiling and The Final Judgement by Michelangelo. The chapel is also still used for religious purposes such as the Papal Conclave—the process through which a new Pope is chosen.

In the afternoon, you will join our professional guide to access the Colosseum. This was once the most famous meeting place in the world holding 50,000-80,000 spectators. Inside, breathe in the Colosseum's bloody past brought to life again by your guide.

Leaving the Colosseum, you will see the magnificent Arch of Constantine before arriving at the excavated ruins of the Roman Forum archaeological site, where many structures remain intact to this day. Finally, on Palatine Hill you will learn about the legend of Romulus and Remus. One legend suggests this is how Rome was named for Romulus.

Enjoy the rest of the day to explore the city at your leisure.

Overnight stay.

Day 3 :

Sunday, Rome-Florence

Wake up in the morning at your centrally located hotel and meet your tour leader after breakfast. You will easily reach Termini Station, and board the high-speed train to Florence: you will be there in less than two hours! Such comfortable trip this is! Don't miss out on the spectacular Italian landscape from your train window as the train heads toward the capital city of the amazing Tuscany. Your tour leader will travel with you, disclosing local tips and information to get you in the mood for this special day-trip. Once in Florence you will check in at your hotel and enjoy some free time. In the afternoon you will meet your expert local guide so you will be in good hands exploring the amazing architecture of this city. Florence has an important role in the civilization of the Western world and Italy.

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It is visited because of its beauty, and known for the amazing art and architecture. It was a home to many artists, architecture masters and painters along its history - you will be fascinated by its monuments, churches, and buildings. You will see Santa Maria del Fiore, more commonly referred to as the Duomo, Piazza della Signoria, Palazzo della Signoria (also known as Palazzo Vecchio), and the Basilica of Santa Croce. This tour will also offer you the opportunity to visit the famous Galleria dell'Accademia di Firenze or "Gallery of the Academy of Florence", the home of Michelangelo's sculpture David, an absolute textbook masterpiece.

Overnight stay.

Day 4 :

Monday, Florence

After breakfast, get ready to depart for one of the most beautiful and characteristic areas of Tuscany, the Chianti. Green hills strewn with kilometers and kilometers of vineyards and olive groves, small hamlets surrounded by intact medieval walls, winding streets, castles and fortresses. Montefioralle will be our stop a wonderful town immersed in nature. Highlight will be a characteristic family-run winery, known for its sustainable agriculture and low impact. It received the Organic Certification in 2019. The staff will show you the basic processes for the production of wine, from the mashing of the grapes to actual winemaking, to aging to bottling. A visit to the cellar and tasting of their wines* (one vintage of Chianti Classico, one vintage of Chianti Classico Riserva, one vintage of IGT and Vin Santo) is included, accompanied by snacks (polenta croutons with ragu, meatballs, bread with tomato and own-production oil).

After the wine tasting indulgence, enjoy a walk in Montefioralle, a jewel of rare beauty developing around the ancient castle, an important stronghold during the wars between Florence and Siena in medieval times.

Return to Florence. Rest of the day at your leisure.

Overnight.

*The selection of wines may change according to production.

Day 5 :

Tuesday, Florence

After breakfast, day at leisure: you decide how to spend your last day! You can spend the day strolling the cobblestone streets of Florence on your own or choose one of our exclusive optional tours and activities. What about a guided tour to Siena, San Gimignano or Pisa? Or the thrilling experience of driving a Ferrari or vintage car? Check out our PRIME optional tours.

Overnight stay.

Day 6 :

Wednesday, Florence- Venice

After breakfast, depart for the city of dreams, Venice. There, your water-taxi will take you to your hotel. The morning will be free. In the afternoon, you will meet your tour leader and set off for one of the most dreamed-about experiences: gondola ride along the city canals! That's the best way to appreciate the beauty and uniqueness of this lagoon city. Gliding through Venice's Grand Canal and minor canals, you will admire the splendid palaces, churches, bridges, gardens and warehouses lining the city's liquid streets. After the ride, the "Bacaro Tour" will be next, a visit to a couple local wine bars in the less touristic areas of Venice, where you will taste local wines and the so-called "cicchetti", a kind of Venetian tapas. An exclusivity for our luxury guests!

Evening at your leisure.

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Day 7 : Thursday, Venice

After breakfast, you will go ahead and enjoy your walking tour, including a Skip-the-Line ticket to the magnificent St. Mark's Basilica and, after this, check out the most iconic places of Venice: the Palazzo dei Dogi, symbol of Venice's glorious past as well as the legendary Ponte dei Sospiri or "Bridge of Sighs".

Roam along Venice's canals at your leisure, then return to the hotel and spend the night. However, we do suggest you pay a visit to Harry's Bar, a Venetian icon that served most of the European royalties and Golden Age Hollywood celebrities since it first opened its doors in 1931. But everyone is welcome now, if you follow the correct dress code. The bar is famous for inventing the Bellini cocktail (white peach juice and Prosecco).

Day 8 : Friday, Venice

This will be the last day of the tour. Enjoy your last breakfast at your hotel and think about the opportunity to add an escapade to Milan (optional).

This is a product sheet elaborated in order to give you a quick overview of our package with details pertaining to hotels, flights and proposed tours. This is not a tailor made quotation and should you wish to have specific details reviewed to better suits your need please do not hesitate to contact one of our travel consultants or visit one of our branches.

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