

ST ANTHONY'S SOCIETY CUSTOM ITALY ITINERARY

JUNE 05 – 15, 2018

Day 1: Tuesday, June 05th ~ Depart in the evening (9:50 PM), from Logan International Airport for your overnight flight to Florence, Italy (via Rome) to arrive at 3:00 PM on June 06th.

Day 2: Wednesday, June 06th ~ Arrive Florence at 3:00 PM.

Your private transfer with assistance from your tour escort will be waiting to assist you in boarding our private motor-coach. We will enjoy a scenic drive to Montecatini, where we will check into our first-class hotel. The remainder of the afternoon will be at leisure. This evening, we will gather for a "Welcome Dinner" and orientation at our hotel. (Dinner)

Your accommodations from 6/06 to 6/09:

Hotel Nizza & Suisse

Viale Verdi 72

Montecatini, Italy

+38 0572 79691

Amenities include: Free Wi-Fi, hairdryer, and there is an outdoor pool

Day 3: Thursday, June 07th ~ Full day tour.

After breakfast at our hotel, we'll enjoy a full-day guided sightseeing tour of Florence. This will include a walking tour of the historic city center and a visit to the famous Academia Museum, site of Michelangelo's "David". Enjoy leisure time to tour the city. Dinner is on your own. Return to the hotel for overnight. (Breakfast)

Day 4: Friday June 8th ~ Padua

Breakfast at our hotel will be early this morning. We will depart at 8:30 am to drive to the Basilica of St Anthony of Padua. We'll have a Mass upon arrival, and our group will be setting up Mass with our own Parish Priest. After Mass, enjoy a guided sightseeing tour of the basilica and the area. Lunch is on our own and the afternoon is free for shopping and sightseeing on our own. Depart at 4:00 pm to return to Montecatini and the hotel for dinner and overnight. (Breakfast and dinner)

Day 5: Saturday, June 9th ~ Montecatini - Assisi - Rome

After breakfast and hotel check-out, we'll head for with a stop in Assisi to view St. Francis' Cathedral. We'll have some free time to browse the city. Upon arrival in Rome, "The Eternal City", we will check into the first-class Grand Hotel Palatino. There will be free time to rest, relax, shop and freshen-up prior to dinner and overnight at our hotel. (Breakfast and dinner)

Your accommodations from 6/09 to 6/12:

Grand Hotel Palatino

Via Cavour, 213/ M

Rome 00184 Italy

+39 06 481 4927

Amenities include: Free Wi-Fi, and hairdryer (no pool)

Day 6: Sunday June 10th ~ Pope's Blessing and Ancient & Modern Rome

Following breakfast at our hotel, we will transfer to the Vatican City. We will attend the POPE'S BLESSING. Then we meet our guide to discover the "Modern Rome" and we will walk along into the historic center of the city and the Spanish Steps, Trevi Fountain, Piazza Montecitorio, the Pantheon and Piazza Navona. The group will have time to enjoy a snack (on own) during the walking tour. In the afternoon continue to visit the Ancient Rome, birthplace of modern civilization and capital of the Roman Empire and learn how Julius Caesar and many almighty Emperors conquered the world and thrived in the heart of the Roman Forum. We will see the Colosseum (outside) and you can discover the grandeur, the glory, and bloody past of this amphitheater and Forum. Return to our hotel, where dinner is included this evening. (Breakfast and dinner)

Day 7: Monday June 11th ~ Vatican City

Breakfast is at our hotel, then we will meet our local guide and depart for Vatican City. Visit the Vatican Museums, The Raphael Rooms and the Sistine Chapel, which houses Michelangelo's "The Last Judgement". Following this, we will visit St. Peter's Basilica, the largest church in Christendom. Lunch on our own. Transfer back to the hotel and the afternoon will be at leisure. Dinner and overnight at our hotel. (Breakfast and dinner)

Day 8: Tuesday June 12th ~ Rome - Naples - Pompeii

After breakfast, please check out, paying any incidentals you may have incurred. We will say goodbye to Rome! We'll first stop on our agenda is a guided panoramic sightseeing tour of the famous city of Naples, where we will stop at Café Gambrinus for tasting the deliciousness "SFOGLIATELLA". Then we continue to Pompeii, stop for a lunch in a local restaurant, then we will meet our local guide for visiting the lost city destroyed by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 AD and, today, some of the best-preserved ruins of Roman times. Then we will drive to Sorrento, upon arrival, we will check into our hotel for the remainder of the trip. Dinner and overnight. (Breakfast, lunch and dinner)

Your accommodations from 6/12 to 6/15:

Hotel Michelangelo

Via Corso Italia 275

80067 Sorrento, Italy

+39 081 8784844

Amenities include: Free Wi-Fi in lobby (there is a charge in the room), hairdryer, safe, and outdoor pool

Day 9: Wednesday June 13th ~ Montefalcione

Following breakfast, the morning is at leisure and lunch is on our own. We will depart at 2:00 pm for Montefalcione to arrive at 4:30. The Procession of St Antonio is at 6:00. The group has dinner reservations for 8:00 at Restaurant Vineria del Borgo. Depart from Montefalcione at 9:30 and arrive back in Sorrento at 11:30.

Day 10: Thursday June 14th ~ Isle of Capri - Sorrento

After breakfast, we will meet our local guide and depart by Jetfoil ride across the Bay of Naples to the beautiful Isle of Capri! Our excursion begins with enjoy guided tour of Ana Capri (top of the island) where we will visit the amazing Villa St Michele. Then we continue to Capri for the sightseeing in the town of Capri, with its chic shops, hotels, and restaurants lying along winding streets. The main square, Piazza Umberto, has a pretty white church and several open-air cafés where we can sit and watch the world go by. Lunch in a local restaurant on their own. Afternoon free time for shopping then return to Sorrento by jetfoil. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Sorrento. (Breakfast and dinner)

Day 12: Friday June 15th ~ Naples - Boston

Following breakfast and hotel check-out, we'll transfer to Naples Airport where we will board our return flight to US (via Rome) with full meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, while in flight. (Breakfast)

PLEASE NOTE: SCHEDULING IS ALWAYS SUBJECT TO CHANGE