



COACH TOUR - SECRETS OF ITALY - 6N/7D



ITINERARY

Secrets of Italy:
7days Tour (Trafalgar)

Taking you deep into the scenery and gastronomy of Italy's Piedmont region, famous for its antipasti, amaretti and wines – and the stunning Aosta Valley, this trip is a feast for all senses. You'll enjoy Insider moments like...tasting Piedmont's flavours on a trip to the Barale Fratelli winery, to learn about the region's wines, and enjoying local treats such as biscotti and 'bicerin' hot chocolate in Turin.



Itinerary:

Day 1 : ARRIVE MILAN

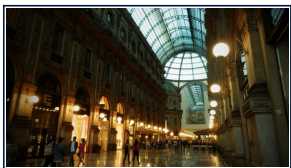
Welcome to Milan. On arrival meet your Travel Director and fellow companions for an enjoyable Welcome Reception followed by an orientation drive where you will see some of the main sights.

Meal(s)

Welcome Reception

Hotel

Starhotels Business Palace



Day 2 : MILAN - AOSTA VALLEY SCENIC DRIVE - ALBA REGION
(POLLENZO) (4 NIGHTS)

This morning enjoy a city sightseeing tour of Milan with a Local Specialist. See the Gothic Duomo and La Galleria before free time to explore on your own. Later travel to the Aosta Valley, a dramatic mountainous region that borders France and Switzerland. Visit Fort Bard, built by the House of Savoy in the 19th century. The fortress replaced an even earlier castle which controlled the trade routes between France and Italy. It is now the Museum of the Alps and gives a fascinating insight into the region and its history. This evening check in to your hotel in nearby Pollenzo for a four night stay.

Meal(s)

Buffet Breakfast

Hotel

Albergo Dell Agenzia Authentic Accommodation

Day 3 : CHERASCO AND WINE TASTING - LA MORRA EXCURSION

After a leisurely morning visit Cherasco, a town with medieval and baroque buildings. See the Salmatoris Palace and the impressive colonnades. The town is also famous for Baci de Cherasco, a traditional sweet made from chocolate and hazelnuts. Visit a local winery for an insight into the wine making process and taste the delicious wines of the region including Barolo. Later visit La Morra, a hilltop village with great views across the Piedmont region which is famous for its local chocolate and nougat.

Meal(s)

Buffet Breakfast

Day 4 : ASTI EXCURSION

Visit Asti, a town synonymous with sparkling wine and enjoy an orientation where you will see the magnificent Romanesque Gothic Cathedral. Experience a delicious Be My Guest lunch with a local family on their wine estate.

Meal(s)

Buffet Breakfast

Be My Guest Dining

Day 5 : TURIN EXCURSION

Your Local Specialist will take you on a sightseeing tour of Turin. Enjoy views of Italy's largest and most famous river the Po. In Turin see the Antonelliana building and the Piazza San Carlo during your orientation tour. Visit Piazza San Carlo with its 17th century facades and the Church of San Lorenzo where a full scale picture of the famous Shroud of Turin is on display. Try the local Biscotti and Bicerin, a typical hot drink from Turin. Visit Europe's largest open air food market and sample local produce. During your free time why not visit the fascinating Cinema Museum or the newly refurbished Egyptian Museum, one of the most important ones outside of Cairo. Alternatively stroll along the elegant shopping streets of Via Roma and Via Garibaldi.

Meal(s)

Buffet Breakfast

Day 6 : ALBA REGION (POLLENZO) - LAKE ORTA - BAVENO (LAKE MAGGIORE)

Today travel to picturesque Lake Orta, known locally as La Cenerentola (Cinderella). Locals consider the lake to be more scenic and far superior than other lakes in the region. Later at Lake Maggiore enjoy a Farewell Dinner to toast the end of a memorable trip.

Meal(s)

Buffet Breakfast

Farewell Dinner

Hotel

Simplon

Day 7 : BAVENO (LAKE MAGGIORE) - TRANSFER TO MILAN
MALPENSA AIRPORT

This morning say 'arrivederci' to Italy as your fascinating holiday comes to an end. Transfers are available to Milan Malpensa Airport. Conditions apply.

Meal(s)

Buffet Breakfast

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Sightseeing Highlights

City tour in Turin and Milan

Orientation of Aosta Valley, Asti, La Morra, Pollenzo, Cherasco and Barolo

Visit Bard Fortress, Cherasco which is famous for Baci de Cherasco, a winery for a wine tasting, the food markets of Turin and the spectacular Lake Orta

View the Cathedral and La Scala in Milan, the stunning scenery of the Aosta Valley, Piazza San Carlo and Piazza Castello in Turin

See the Salmatoris Palace in Cherasco, Romanesque Gothic

Cathedral in Asti, Antonelliana building and the Piazza San Carlo in Turin and the Gothic Duomo and La Galleria in Milan

Dining

6 hot buffet breakfasts.

1 lunch

(Be My Guest).

2 dinners.

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Travel Highlights

□Luxury air-conditioned coach with WiFi in most countries or alternative transportation (such as rail journeys)

□Hand-picked 4 and 5 star accommodation

□Hand-picked Insider Experiences

□Optional Experiences and free time

□All portorage and restaurant gratuities

□Must-see sightseeing and surprise extras

□An expert Travel Director and separate Driver

□All hotel tips, charges and local taxes

□VIP entry to many sights

□Audio Headsets for flexible sightseeing

Airport Transfers