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Bikes'n Wines in the hills of Emilia Romagna

Bologna: "the learned one" (la dotta), "the red one" (la rossa) and "the fat one" (la grassa). Come and explore its beautiful architecture – the elegant and extensive arcades – and its rich culinary tradition – the red and white DOC (Controlled designation of origin). Enjoy the unspoiled nature, the history of the region and

let yourself be seduced by the finest food tradition of these ancient burgs.

Taste the delicious "mountain bread" and the chestnut flour products and don't miss the chance to learn the secrets of Parmigiano-Reggiano and of the famous traditional balsamic vinegar.

Day 1

Arrive in Bologna's airport and a private transfer will take you to the hotel in the centre of Bologna. Free time, typical dinner and a small briefing of the tour.

Day 2

Bologna / Ponte Rivabella – Distance: 20 km (13 miles)
Altitude: (+ 85, - 0) Travel time: 2h 30min

The day will start with a short guided tour of Bologna in the morning and the visit of the ancient medieval markets, where you will have the chance to buy your lunch; in the afternoon bicycles will be delivered and the trip will start with a cycle tour along the historical Reno canal, then riding on across Zola Predosa vineyards, where you will taste 3 quality DOC wines. Then you will head to Ponte Rivabella, where you will reach the hotel and have dinner.

Day 3

Ponte Rivabella / Tolè – Distance: 26 km (16 miles)
Altitude: (+ 720, - 150) – Travel time: 4h

After breakfast you will start your tour to the mountains of Emilia Romagna. Here you will have a beautiful view on the Apennines and on Monte Cimone, which is the highest peak of the Northern Apennines (2165 metres). In hotel you will have a cooking class to learn how to make homemade pasta, that you will eat for dinner.

Day 4

Tolè / Montese – Distance: 29.5 (18.3 miles) km
Altitude: (+ 786, - 661) – Travel time: 3h 30min

Luxuriant chestnuts will shade your way to Santa Lucia,

where you will learn the secrets of Parmigiano Reggiano, of ricotta cheese and of prosciutto (italian cured ham). As you cycle to Castel d'Aiano and Villa d'Aiano take in the beauty of the Roffeno Romanesque parish church. Then cycle along the stream that flows here, feel the breeze, enjoy the fresh water and...just have fun! Once arrived in Montese you can choose either to relax indulging in an exclusive visit of the town centre and of the Historical Museum of Montese situated in its fortress, or to go for an extra ride. You will then reach the hotel and have dinner.

Day 5

Montese / Zocca – Distance: 38 km (26 miles)
Altitude: (+ 517, - 557) – Travel time: 4h 30min

The itinerary winds its way along the highest peaks of the Tuscan-Emilian Apennines, offering a breathtaking scenery and a look back at the historical events of 1944-1945; cycle on to the ancient Ospitale di San Giacomo and visit the adjacent Ethnographic Museum, where you will taste the "borlenghi" (thin and crunchy stuffed pancakes) and other delicious chestnut flour products. The final destination of this journey is Zocca, where you can either relax or go for a longer ride (Trappola - Montalto - Semelano - Rosola) or else decide to spend the afternoon in an adventure park for an extra charge. In the evening you will have dinner in the hotel.

Day 6

Zocca / Modena – Distance: 54.5 km (34 miles)
Altitude: (- 737, + 50) – Travel time: 6h

Typical lunch and visit of the fortresses of Vignola and Guiglia; balsamic vinegar tasting. In the morning the tour begins at the Sassi di Roccacalatin Natural Park, where you will admire the beauty of these rocks. Then following the natural course of the river Panaro you will cycle up to Vignola, where you will stop for a lunch break and a visit of the castle. The tour will continue in the afternoon on the bikepath which runs along the river Panaro leading you to Modena. Here you will have the unique opportunity to see a traditional balsamic vinegar producer at work, as well as to do some tasting. You will arrive at the hotel and have a closing dinner at the hotel/ restaurant.

Day 7

Guided tour of Modena and transfer to Bologna's airport.



TRAVELING TOUR

Duration:
6 days / 7 nights

The package includes:

6 nights in double room in 3* and 4* hotel/ farm holiday, 7 breakfasts, 6 packet lunches, 6 dinners, 1 cooking class, guided visits of: typical winery and tasting, Parmigiano Reggiano factory and tasting, Castle of Montese, Castle of Vignola, Bologna city, Modena city, private transfer from/ to Bologna airport, staff monitoring daily 24 h, support van for luggage transfer and for water, minerals, cereals bars, sandwiches and fruits, support for small repairs, and professional cycling guide for 5 days.

not included:

air flights, bike rental (upon request), beverages during meals, city taxes, anything not quoted above in (see included).



RIDER TYPE:
MODERATE





Cycling from Bologna to Firenze

Wonderful experience in Emilia Romagna and Tuscany. We will combine cycling to the culture, tradition and food and wine of two of the most beautiful cities of Italy: Bologna and Florence. We will pass through the Appenines to discover the wonder of this land with its historical centers,

villages and old churches. It will be exciting tasting famous food and visit Parmigiano Reggiano Factory and winerys. We will visit the most important battlefields of Italy of the Second War where the Americans, Brazilians and many others nations fought against the German army.

Day 1

Arrive in Bologna's airport and a private transfer will take us to the hotel in the centre of Bologna. Free time, small briefing of the tour, dinner in typical restaurant

Day 2

Bologna / Ponte Rivabella – Distance: 22 km (13 miles) Altitude: (+ 250 mt)

The day will start with a short guided tour of Bologna in the morning and the visit of the ancient medieval markets, where you will have the chance to buy your lunch; in the afternoon bicycles will be delivered and the trip will start with a cycle tour along the historical Reno canal, then riding on across Zola Predosa vineyards, where you will taste 3 quality DOC wines. Then we will head to Ponte Rivabella, where we will have dinner.

Day 3

Ponte Rivabella / Montese – Distance: 44 km (27 miles) Altitude: (+1200 mt)

After breakfast we will start our tour to the mountains of Emilia Romagna.

Here we'll have a beautiful view on the Apennines and on Monte Cimone, which is the highest peak of the Northern Apennines (2165 metres).

Free time in Montese with dinner and overnight

Day 4

Walking tour through the battlefields of the Second War. After breakfast a short private transfer will take us to the sites of the battles.

We will walk on the ridges up to Monte Belvedere where we'll enjoy a fantastic view.

After the walking tour, we will visit the medieval castle of Montese with its beautiful Museum dedicated to the Second War.

Dinner and overnight

Day 5

Montese / Porretta Terme – Distance: 31 km (19 miles) – Altitude: (+ 350 mt)

In the morning the tour begins with the visit of Parmigiano Reggiano Factory where we will have an unique opportunity to see how the producers make this famous cheese and as well we'll do some tasting.

We'll proceed with our tour to Porretta Terme. Dinner and overnight.

Day 6

Porretta / Pistoia – Distance: 46 km (28 miles) Altitude: (+ 900 mt)

We will cross the Apennines to arrive to the Tuscany side. After that, we'll do a cycle tour to visit the city. Dinner in a typical restaurant in Pistoia

Day 7

Pistoia / Firenze – Distance: 45km (28 miles) Altitude: (+ 0 mt)

An easy path will lead us to the capital of the Renaissance. In the afternoon, guided visit of the most important monuments of the city.

Dinner in a typical restaurant

Day 8

Private transfer from Firenze to Bologna Airport.



TRAVELING TOUR

Duration:

7 days / 8 nights

The package includes

7 nights in double room in 3*S 4*S hotel, 7 breakfasts, 6 packet lunches, 7 dinners, guided visits of: typical winery and tasting, Parmigiano Reggiano factory and tasting, Castle of Montese, Bologna city, Firenze city, 1 walking tour, private transfer from/ to Bologna airport, staff monitoring daily 24h, support van for luggage transfer and for water, minerals, cereals bars, sandwiches and fruits, support for small repairs, professional cycling guide for 6 days.

not included:

air flights, bike rental (upon request), beverages during meals, city taxes, anything not quoted above in (see included).



RIDER TYPE:

MODERATE



Slow cycling across the World Heritage sites

Art, culture and environs of three extraordinary World Heritage Sites all in one tour: from Modena – with its Cathedral, the Torre Civica and Piazza Grande – to Ravenna with its enchanting mosaics, cycling through Fer-

rara and along the river Po. We will visit the Enzo Ferrari Museum and traditional food factories in this fantastic experience in Emilia Romagna.

Day 1

Arrive in Bologna's airport and a private transfer will take us to the hotel in the centre of Modena. Briefing for explaining the bike tour and free time. Dinner and overnight

Day 2

Modena / Finale Emilia

Distance: 52 km (32 miles)

Starting from Piazza Grande, the artistic heart of Modena, with the Cathedral and the civic tower Ghirlandina. Visit to the house where Enzo Ferrari was born and where he built the first factory. During the route we will stop to visit the old vinegar Factory of Aceto Balsamico Tradizionale di Modena. Dinner and overnight

Day 3

Finale Emilia / Ferrara

Distance: 41 km (25 miles)

Beautiful cycle tour in the old lands of Estense Family. This important family of the Renaissance period, built wonderful palaces, churches and squares for their capital city of Ferrara. We will visit the most beautiful monuments of this city. Dinner and overnight

Day 4

Ferrara / Ostellato

Distance: 68 km (42 miles)

From the Castello Estense, through secondary roads that surround small rural towns and large plumbing plant,

churches and country buildings, we will reach the Po di Volano. Dinner and overnight

Day 5

Ostellato / Pomposa / Comacchio / Ostellato

Distance: 63 km (39 miles)

From Ostellato – in the heart of the province we'll ride along the Volano canal and we will arrive up to Pomposa, the important ancient abbey. From here we'll get to Comacchio, with its small canals it looks like Venice. Return to Ostellato for dinner and overnight

Day 6

Ostellato / Marina di Romea

Distance: 50 km (31 miles)

We'll start our tour from Ostellato through the Comacchio's valleys to Marina di Romea with its beautiful pine forest in front of the sea. Dinner and overnight

Day 7

Marina di Romea / Ravenna

Distance: 20 km (12 miles)

Short tour through the Byzantine capital of Ravenna to see its beautiful mosaics. Finish of the cycle tour and private transfer to Bologna. Guided visit of the city and typical dinner in a nice restaurant.

Day 8

Free time to enjoy Bologna. Private transfer to Bologna airport.



EXCLUSIVE TOUR

Duration:

8 Days / 7 nights

The package includes

7 nights in double room in hotel 3*S and 4*, 7 breakfasts, 7 dinners, 6 packed lunches, guided visits of: typical vinegar factory of Aceto Balsamico Tradizionale di Modena, Enzo Ferrari Museum, Pomposa abbey, Modena city, Ferrara, Ravenna, Bologna, private transfer from Bologna Airport to Modena, from Ravenna to Bologna, from Hotel Orologio to Bologna airport, 24h staff monitoring daily, support van for luggage transfer and for water, minerals, cereals bars, sandwiches and fruits, support for small repairs, and professional cycling guide for 6 days.

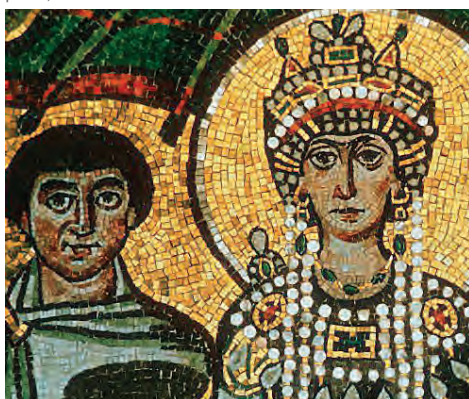
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air flights, beverages during meals, city taxes, anything not quoted above in (see included). Bike rental: on request various models.



RIDER TYPE:

EASY GOING





Cycling in the food valley and Castelli del Ducato zone

An unforgettable experience in the birthplace of Parmigiano Reggiano, Prosciutto di Parma, Salame di Felino, Vini dei Colli Piacentini e Parmensi on other fantastic products. A visit to these factories will be organized, followed by product tasting. We will cycle through this magnificent zone enjoying the most beautiful castles in

Italy and a visit to Busseto where Giuseppe Verdi spent most of his life. During the week will have overnight accommodation in castles or historical buildings. One afternoon is dedicated to shopping in Fidenza Village, a number one outlet in Italy with 92 brand shops like Valentino, Armani etc...

Day 1

Arrive in Bologna Airport, private transfer to Rivalta Castle. Later a guided tour of the castle and dinner in a typical restaurant. Overnight

Day 2

Rivalta Trebbia / Vigoleno – Distance 44 km (27 miles) – Altitude: (+ 450) – Travel time: 4h

After a buffet breakfast, we start on our cycling tour visiting Castel Arquato and Cardinali winery producer of Vini Doc dei Colli Piacentini (with tasting).

Day 3

Vigoleno / Soragna – Distance 53 km (33 miles) – Altitude: (+0) – Travel time: 4h

We leave on a 50 km cycling tour on flat land visiting on the way the town of Busseto where Giuseppe Verdi was born and Villa Verdi where he lived and where his relatives are still living. We proceed to Castello di Polesine Parmense visiting Corte Pallavicino Farm: Michelin Chef Massimo Spigaroli, Culatello di Zibello is produced in the very old cellars (with tasting). Arrive in Soragna for dinner and overnight.

Day 4

Soragna / Tabiano Castello – Distance 55 km (34 miles) – Altitude: (+ 260) – Travel time: 4h

After breakfast, we visit the Magnificent Soragna Castle

and start on our cycling trip. In the morning we discover the Parmigiano Reggiano Factory (with tasting). We continue our way towards the Castles of Roccabianca, San Secondo and Fontanellato. In the afternoon we arrive in Tabiano dinner and overnight.

Day 5

Tabiano Castello – Distance 33 km (20 miles) Altitude: (+ 460) – Travel time: 4h 30min

A wonderful day cycling in the low hilly region of Salsomaggiore. We return to Tabiano for relaxation, dinner and overnight stay.

Day 6

Tabiano Castello / Parma – Distance 55 km (34 miles) – Altitude: (+ 230) – Travel time: 4h

We leave for Parma visiting the majestic Torrechiara Castle, the factory of Prosciutto di Parma and Salame di Felino where we taste these wonderful products. The cycling tour finished in the centre of Parma. Check in at Hotel followed by dinner in a typical restaurant.

Day 7

A three hour guided tour of Parma, followed by transfer to Fidenza Village Shopping Outlet (approximately five hours) where one can also have lunch. Return to hotel. Free evening in Parma

Day 8

Private transfer to Bologna airport.



LUXURY CYCLING TOUR

Duration:
8 Days / 7 nights

The package includes

7 nights in double room in castle or historical hotel 4* or 5*, 7 breakfasts, 6 typical dinners, 6 packet lunches, guided visits of: winery and tasting, Corte Pallavicino Farm and tasting, Parmigiano Reggiano Factory, Villa Verdi, Prosciutto di Parma and salame di Felino factory and tasting, Castle of Soragna, Torrechiara castle, Parma city, staff monitoring daily, support van for luggage transfer and for water, minerals, cereals bars, sandwiches and fruits, support for small repairs, professional cycling guide for 6 days, bike rental for 6 days, all the transfers mentioned in the program.

not included:

air flights, beverages during meals, city taxes, anything not quoted above in (see included). Upgrade Bike rental: on request various models.



RIDER TYPE:
MODERATE





Cycling in the Classical Tuscany

An unforgettable experience in the wonderful Tuscany. We will ride through this famous hills, cypresses and old medieval villages between Florence and Siena. We will see unique places like: Montepulciano, San Gimignano, Monteriggioni, Pienza, Volterra, Montalcino and many others cities and Vilages in Val d'Orcia and Chianti.

Day 1

Arrive in Firenze airport and a private transfer will take us to the hotel in Montepulciano. Free time for relax in the Spa. Short briefing with the guide. Dinner with local products and overnight

Day 2

Montepulciano / Monticchiello / Pienza Distance: 35 km (21 miles) – Altitude: (+ 730 mt) The day will start with a ride through this soft rolling Tuscan hills visiting the famous town of Montecchiello and stop to Pienza for a light lunch in a typical restaurant. In the afternoon we will visit the medieval town of Pienza and in the way back to the hotel we will stop to visit a food factory producing typical cheese and organic olive oil. Dinner and overnight

Day 3

San Quirico d'Orcia / Bagno Vignoni / Castiglione d'Orcia – Distance: 35 km (21 miles) Altitude: (+700)

A magnificent bike tour through this beautiful landscapes of the Val d'Orcia which is part of UNESCO heritage. We will visit important towns like San Quirico d'Orcia, Bagno Vignoni e Castiglione d'Orcia. Short transfer to Montalcino where we will visit a gorgeous winery and have the opportunity to see



Overnight in luxury hotels with Spa to enjoy after the cycle tours. During this week we will taste delicious products and we'll drink famous wines of this beautiful area. We will have the opportunity to visit important cities like Siena with its "Palio" and the beautiful capital city of the Renaissance Florence where we spend a night.

vineyards and have a tasting session. Relaxing evening with dinner and overnight at yourHotel.

Day 4

Colle Val d'Elsa

Private transfer to the famous town of Volterra once an important Etruscan center. Here we will visit the Roman Theatre, Palazzo dei Priori with its beautiful square and the Cathedral. Lunch in typical restaurant ,dinner and overnight.

Day 5

Monteriggione / San Miniato / Siena

Distance: 32 km (19 miles) – Altitude: (+550 mt)

We will ride to the Classical Tuscany where we can admire these little old villages and the charming Piazza del Campo, home of the famous Palio di Siena. Light lunch in a typical restaurant in Siena and guided tour of the city. At the end, dinner and overnight.

Day 6

Colle Val d'Elsa / San Gimignano

Distance: 35 km (21 miles) – Altitude: (+700 mt)

We will start our day with a bike ride to reach San Gimignano to visit the city and the its main monuments. Stop to the Fattoria Il Torciano where we can admire its beautiful winery. Light lunch in the fattoria with own products. Dinner and overnight.

Day 7

Transfer for the magnificent Florence for a guided tour of the Capital of the Renaissance. Dinner in typical Restaurant and overnight in Hotel De La Ville.

Day 8

Transfer to Firenze airport.



LUXURY CYCLING TOUR

Duration:
8 Days / 7 nights

The package includes

7 nights in double room in 4* and 4*S hotel, 7 breakfasts, 7 dinners, 6 light lunches in restaurant/food factory, guided visits of: typical cheese factory and tasting, winery and tasting, Tenuta Torciano and tasting Firenze city, 1 Volterra card private transfer from/ to Firenze airport and all the transfers included in the program, 24h staff monitoring daily, support van for luggage transfer and for water, minerals, cereals bars, sandwiches and fruits, support for small repairs, and professional cycling guide for 6 days.

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RIDER TYPE:
MODERATE



PIEDMONT BY E-BIKE!

A different way to visit less known areas of Piedmont: Canavese and Biella area, two lands separated by the longest moraine hill in Europe, but linked by the same passion for beautiful sceneries, good food and an active yet relaxed life style. Our tour is specifically conceived for people enjoying cycling but not too fit. Stress and competition-free paths are designed with stops along the way to admire the scenery,

make visits, have lunch and taste local wines. The group, up to a maximum of eight people, will allow your cycling guide to take special care of you, and you will feel pampered, relaxed, in tune with the landscape, the places visited and the people you'll meet. It will all be topped with the deserved relax in unique structures, different but always of excellent quality and comfort!

THE DAILY PROGRAM

Day 1: Arrival and relax

Welcome to Piedmont! After arriving in Romano Canavese, you will have plenty of time to enjoy a welcome drink by the beautiful swimming pool of Relais Villa Matilde, and relax in one of its rooms, all different from each other! The day will end with dinner at the Relais Restaurant Le Scuderie and a well-deserved overnight. Meals: dinner and welcome drink. Places: Romano Canavese. Lodging: Relais Villa Matilde

Day 2: Castles, Viverone Lake, a Romanesque church and the number one Golf Club in Italy!

Here you go! After breakfast you will meet your personal cycling guide who will lead you for the next days. The guide will explain the program and provide you with information about the route, the places you will visit, your security and how to make the most of your e-bike. Your assisted bicycles will be waiting in the garage of the Relais, with the battery fully charged and ready to start your adventure. The route runs on the flat land and then up to the wonderful Castle of Masino. The Castle, overlooking the wide plain of Canavese and immersed in a huge romantic park, is located on a hill in front of the long barrier of the Serra, the moraine hill of Ivrea (you will bike it in the following days!).

You will discover its sites and history on a guided tour and will be able to enjoy a drink at the panoramic bar. The next stop will be the Viverone Lake where you'll enjoy a lake fish menu lunch on the terrace of Marina Hotel. After resting, you'll continue your ride along quiet roads to the pretty Bertignano lake, then to the villages of Zimone and Magnano. Do not miss a visit to the Romanesque church of San Secondo, immersed in the tranquility of the surrounding nature. Arrival at the hotel for the night: Golf Hotel Le Betulle. You will be welcomed by the "english style" atmosphere of the hotel inside the Golf Club, for a wine tasting and dinner. Overnight, perhaps in one of the rooms overlooking one of the 18 holes of the course.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner.

Places: Romano Canavese, Masino Castle, Viverone Lake, Zimone, Magnano.

Route: 46 km / 28.5 miles, vertical drop: 820m D +, D- 540m. Accommodation: Golf Hotel Le Betulle (see box). overlooking one of the 18 holes of the course.



Duration:
6 Days / 5 nights

COUNTRY: ITALY

REGION: NORTH WEST PIEDMONT

DURATION: 5 DAYS/4 NIGHTS

LEVEL: EASY

TERRAIN: PAVED/WHITE ROADS. EASY CLIMBS WITH EBIKE HELP.

INCLUDED:

- 4 nights accommodation, reinforced breakfasts and dinners in 4 stars hotels or similar.
- Lunches / light lunches as planned.
- Welcome cocktail at the hotels.
- 4 full days electric pedal cycle bike rental and insurance (see box)
- 4 full days service of a cycling guide.
- luggage transfer service and van support
- Minibus transfer service from last day arrival to the hotel of the first day..
- Tourist guide service as planned.
- Wine tasting as planned.
- Free use of Villa Matilde SPA, Golf Hotel Le Betulle sauna and Hotel Bucaneve SPA.
- 4 hour SPA in La Bossola

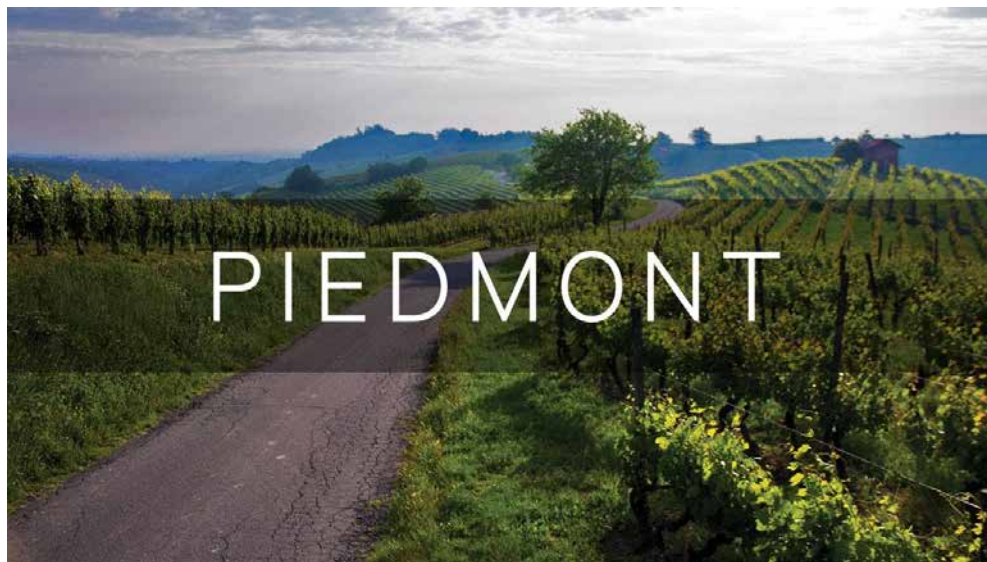
NOT INCLUDED:

- ✓ Extras, gratuities for the bike tour guide, everything not mentioned in "Included"

RIDER TYPE:
MODERATE

Electric pedal cycle bike, unisex, equipped with:

- Rear bags
- Battery charger
- Mixed dirt-road tires.
- Bigger rear gear.
- Liability insurance (€ 1.000.000 limit)
- theft insurance (€ 300 franchise)
- GPS tracker.



PIEDMONT BY E-BIKE!

Day 3: the longest moraine hill in Europe, a SPA in the mountains and the Unesco Heritage Sanctuary!

Up hill day on the Serra, the moraine hill separating Canavese from Biella. Thanks to the ride on your ebike, the climbing hill, will not scare even the less trained! We will be riding along easy off-road trails for nearly 20 km, among its wonderful forests, to reach the village of Andrate and then continue, always slightly uphill, up to our first destination where we'll relax and refresh: The Bossola of Netro. This hotel and restaurant has a special feature: a small and intimate spa where you can relax in a hot tub or sauna and taste the local dishes while enjoying a splendid view on the Biellese, the Serra, the Po Valley and mount Monviso in the background! The ride will continue on Tracciolino, the scenic road that connects the two most important sanctuaries of the Biella area: Graglia and Oropa. Before reaching your final destination of the day, you'll stop at a must: the Trappist monastery of Sordevolo. A surprise among the Biella mountains. Finally you'll get to the Oropa Sanctuary and its Sacred Mount, where you'll have dinner at the lovely Betty's restaurant, nestled among the trees, and will sleep in the rooms of the Sanctuary featured by their unique, mystical atmosphere, yet offering all the comforts of a modern hotel. Rest, relaxation, mysticism, nature and history will accompany you in your stay. Meals: Breakfast, lunch, dinner.

Day 4: The Oropa and Valle Cervo Valleys, the most mysterious village in Italy and the natural oasis born from the dream of Ermenegildo Zegna!

After breakfast at one of the historical bars of the Sanctuary, a tour guide will accompany you to the discovery of the Sanctuary: the Royal Apartments where the Savoy, the Kings

of Italy, used to stay when visiting these places, the gallery of votive offerings, the treasure museum ...you will then resume your bike and, after a paved road with some turns and a tunnel dug into the rock, you'll be right into the next valley: the Cervo valley. There, a guided tour of Rosazza village and its fascinating mysteries will be waiting for you. Attracting especially those interested in esoteric and mysterious places, Rosazza owes its fame to Federico Rosazza, Senator of the Kingdom of Italy, who was said to be the Grand Master of the Freemasons of Biella and hold his secret meetings in this village. After lunch, a last biking effort will take you first on a climb to Oasi Zegna and, after a stop to visit the stone village of Sassaia, to a well-deserved rest at the Bucaneve Hotel. For those still filled with energy and wishing to discover the Sessera Valley, another 10 km cycling tour will let you discover this pristine and wild valley! At dinner, everybody will enjoy a gourmet menu prepared by chef Andrea, accompanied with the fine wines recommended by sommelier Katia. Overnight at the hotel rooms offering the thrill of an alpine residence, in full respect of the original style.

Day 5: Casa Zegna, medieval villages, wine cellars of Piedmont wine and ... a piece of African savannah in Biella!

Before leaving Biella you can't miss two important aspects of life of Biella: the textile and the wine-making tradition. In an extraordinary setting, where the mountain environment surrounds the factory, Casa Zegna tells the story of the Ermenegildo Zegna Group, the global leader of luxury menswear: you will discover the stylistic, technological and human values of the group and of the entire textile industry of Biella! Always down-hill and in complete relax, you will cross peaceful valleys and landscapes, the medieval village of Masserano, and finally reach your wine tasting stop, at one of the wineries in program: the Sella Estate in Lessona, owned by the Sella family of Biella since 1671. Marco will let you taste the wines produced with Nebbiolo grapes (Lessona, Bramaterra, Coste del Sesia) accompanied with very tasty local specialties.



The next wine tasting stop will be the Castellengo Castle with its Centovigne wines. Jutta and Alessandro will take you to the discovery of this castle perched on a hill overlooking the overbeautiful valley below, its back to the smooth hills of Biella. Shortly after leaving this place, the landscape changes completely and you'll find yourself crossing the Natural Reserve of Baragge. The dense heath alternating with vast expanses of prairie, makes it look like the African savannah, with the Biella Alps as a background. After visiting Ricetto, one of the best preserved medieval towns in Italy, your journey will come to an end: a minibus will take you back to Villa Matilde, from where you started four days before, and you'll return home!

Day 6: Flight back home

After breakfast you will be transferred to the airport to board your flight back home...arrivederci!!!!





Walking in Lake Como and Michelin experience

Lake Como has been a popular retreat for aristocrats and wealthy people since Roman times and now days. Many famous people have or had homes on the shores of the lake as: Madonna, George Clooney, Gianni Versace, Sylvester Stallone etc.

The lake is also known for its villas that have been built here since Roman times for example Villa Carlotta at Tremezzo, Villa D'Este in Cernobbio, Villa Serbelloni, Villa Balbianello or Villa Melzi.

1 Day Arrival

Arrival at Milano Malpensa airport and private transfer to Val d'Intelvi. Welcome drink and guided tour of the winery followed by wine tasting. Check-in at Locanda del Notaio**** located between the lakes of Como and Lugano. Free evening and relax in the garden.

Gourmet dinner inside the hotels' Michelin starred restaurant and overnight.

Day 2 Hiking Val d'Intelvi

Nice breakfast in hotel with typical products of the area, prepared by the Michelin Star Chef. You'll meet your local English-speaking guide and you'll start the walking tour directly from the hotel. Wonderful day in the heart of Val d'Intelvi, through meadows and pastures, stories of war and smugglers. An easy circular route starting from Orimento, on the paths of "sfrusadur" and "Line Cadorna", until we will reach the top of Monte Generoso in the spectacular 360° panorama on Swiss Alps and lakes. We will organize a nice pic with typical products in a beautiful location.

Return and hotel, gourmet dinner and overnight.

Day 3 4 hours boat trip on the lake

Breakfast in hotel and private transfer to Cernobbio (about 30 min). You will meet your English-speaking captain and you get embarked in his amazing Venetian boat.

Lake Como is the most romantic lake in the Italian Lake district. The lake is surrounded by sumptuous villas as: Villa Balbianella, Villa Oleandra of George Clooney, Villa Cassinella, Villa Carlotta etc.

You will admire the incredible waterfall of Nesso and the famous old town of Bellagio where you will stop after 4 hours of boat trip. Free time to discover Bellagio and to have a nice lunch in a typical restaurant. After lunch, short transfer by ferry where you will meet your private transfer. Return back to hotel for a gourmet dinner.

Day 4 Walking tour Lake Como

An unforgettable walking tour in the one of the most famous places of Italy. After breakfast you will meet your English-speaking guide and you'll be transferred to Cadenabbia (about 30 min) by private transfer. With an easy walking tour we will discover the incredible Como Lake. We will start from Cadenabbia and we will arrive in the beautiful Church of San Martino, a little church clinging on the limestone rocks. From this limestone perch over the cliffs we have a tremendous view of the lake, especially across to Bellagio and the Lecco arm of the lake. We will organize a nice pic with typical products in a beautiful location overlooking the lake.

Return back in hotel for gourmet dinner and overnight.

Day 5 Departure

Breakfast and check-out.



WALKING TOUR

Duration:
5 days / 4 nights

The package includes:

private transfer from Milano Malpensa to Val d'Intelvi, welcome drink, guided tour of winery and wine tasting (2 glasses of wine (red and white)+ finger food, 4 nights in double room at Locanda del Notaio****, 5 breakfasts, 4 Michelin starred dinners (first dish, main dish, dessert, 1 bottle of wine, water and coffee), 2 Full Days guided hiking tour, 2 Picnic with typical products, Private transfer with English-speaking driver from hotel to Cernobbio/Cadenabbia to hotel, 4 hrs private boat trip and English-speaking captain, tickets ferry Bellagio – Cadenabbia.

The package does not include:

city taxes, lunch in Bellagio, anything not quoted above in (see included)





Walk and boat in Cinque Terre and Portofino

A spectacular 4-day walk in one of the most beautiful places in the world: Cinque Terre. You'll admire these wonderful landscapes during a nice walking tour from Portofino to San Fruttuoso, a little town in the Ligurian region dominated by his important Abbey, dedicated to San Fruttuoso of Tarragona.

1 Day Arrival

Arrival at Genoa or Pisa airport and private transfer with English-speaking driver to Sestri Levante. Welcome drink and check in at Hotel Miramare****, situated inside the Silent Bay. Dinner in hotel and overnight.

Day 2 Boat trip and walking tour

After breakfast, transfer by train to Santa Margherita railway (about 20 min). You'll meet your local English-speaking guide at the train station. You'll walk for about 10 minutes to the boat. Transfer for about 30 min to Portofino by boat. The hiking tour will start from Portofino. Your destination it will be San Fruttuoso. The hike is not very difficult and it offers spectacular views of Portofino. After about 2h of walking you will reach the small town of San Fruttuoso with it's amazing abbey, dedicated to San Fruttoso of Tarragona, You will get finally a well-deserved lunch in a typical restaurant with an amazing view. You'll have some time at disposal to enjoy San Fruttuoso and to get a bath. After that the taxi boat will bring you back to the departure point.

Day 3 Cinque Terre Walking tour

After breakfast you'll take the train to Riomaggiore, where you will meet your local English-speaking guide.



Of course you can't miss Cinque Terre. Your local English-speaking guide will take you into the idyllic heart of the Cinque Terre, following cliffside stairways and narrow trails through citrus and olive groves.

You'll enjoy a beautiful walking tour and visit of the village along the famous "Lovers Walk" trail that affords magnificent views of the coastline. Arrive at Manarola, the most photogenic of the five villages. Lunch and visit of the Medieval Town. After lunch, transfer by boat line to Monterosso another beautiful village situated on the estern side of the Ligurian Riviera with beautiful sandy beaches, surrounded by vineyards and olive trees. You'll visit the medieval center with its historical church, the oratory, the painted houses and local shops. Return by train to Sestri Levante. Dinner and overnight.

Day 4 Departure

Breakfast and check out.



WALKING TOUR

Duration:
4 days / 3 nights

The package includes:

private transfer from Genoa/Pisa airport to Hotel Miramare**** Sestri Levante, 3 nights in Superior Room no sea view at Hotel Miramare****, free use of the exclusive beach, sun umbrella, beach-bed, towels, 3 breakfasts in hotel, 3 dinners at "Baia del Silenzio" Restaurant, inside of the hotel, half-day English-speaking guided at disposal, Train tickets (round trip) as per program, Private transfer by taxi boat (round trip), English-speaking skipper, icebox, Radio CD, shower, sunbathing area, beach towels, snorkelling equipment, 1 bottle of wine and fresh "focaccia" bread, Lunch in San Fruttuoso, Full-day English-speaking guide, Train tickets (round trip) as per program, Lunch in Manarola.

The package does not include:

city taxes, beverages during meals, ferry from Manarola to Monterosso, anything not quoted above in (see included)



Walking in the Classical Tuscany along the via Francigena

An unforgettable experience in the wonderful Tuscany. We will walk through this famous hills, cypresses and old medieval villages, between Florence and Siena along the Via Francigena. We will see unique places like: Montepulciano, San Gimignano, Monteriggioni, Pienza, Montalcino and many others cities in Val d'Orcia

Day 1

Arrive in Firenze airport and a private transfer will take us to the hotel in Montepulciano. Free time for relax in the Spa. Short briefing with the guide. Dinner with local products and overnight in Etruria Resort Hotel.

Day 2

Abbazia Sant'Antimo – Montalcino (about 4 hours)

Short transfer from Montepulciano to Abbazia Sant'Antimo. We will start with a walking tour through this beautiful Tuscan hills visiting the famous town of Montalcino. We will stop for a nice picnic with traditional food. Return to the hotel for a relaxing evening, dinner and overnight.

Day 3

Montepulciano (about 3 hours)

Beautiful hike around Montepulciano. After that we will visit the gorgeous winery of Casanova di Neri where we will admire its vineyards and we will have a tasting sessions with Brunello di Montalcino and other famous wines. Relaxing evening in Spa, dinner and overnight in Etruria Resort Hotel.

Day 4

Quartaia – San Gimignano (about 5 hours)

Short private transfer to Quartaia. Our tour starts with a walking tour to San Gimignano known as the "Town of Fine Towers". We will stop along the way for a picnic and we will continue with the visit of this medieval town. In the afternoon we will visit an Oil Olive factories with tasting sessions. Transfer to Palazzo San Lorenzo. Return for dinner and overnight.

and Chianti. Overnight in luxury hotels with Spa and excellent cuisine. During this week we will taste delicious products and we'll drink famous wines of this beautiful area. We will have the opportunity to visit important cities full of history like Volterra and Siena with its "Palio" where we will spend a night.

Day 5

Monteriggioni (about 5 hours)

Nice walking tour through this soft rolling Tuscan hills. We will see tower houses, dense forests of oaks, isolated farm, mills and the famous medieval walls of Monteriggioni. We will stop for a picnic in this amazing scenery.

Transfer to Palazzo San Lorenzo for a relaxing evening with dinner and overnight.

Day 6

Volterra (about 3 hours)

Wonderful trekking who follows the old rack – railway that ran from Volterra to Saline famous for its salt extractions. We will continue to Volterra once an important Etruscan center. Here we will visit the Roman Theatre, Palazzo dei Priori with its beautiful square and the Cathedral. Lunch in typical restaurant.

Transfer to Palazzo San Lorenzo hotel for relax in Spa, dinner and overnight.

Day 7

Monteriggioni – Siena (about 5 hours)

Short transfer to Monteriggioni. Leave Monteriggioni and walk along the road in the Siennese hills to the famous city of Siena. We will have the opportunity to see the charming Piazza del Campo, home of the famous Palio di Siena. Lunch in a typical restaurant. Overnight in Il Chiostro del Carmine.

Day 8

Transfer to the Firenze airport.



WALKING TOUR

Duration:

8 days / 7 nights

The package includes

7 nights in double room in **** and ****S hotel, 7 breakfasts, 7 dinners, 3 picnic with typical products, 3 light lunches in restaurants/food factory, guided visits of: oil olive factory and tasting, typical winery and tasting, Il Poggetto Farm and tasting, 1 Volterra card, private transfer from/to Firenze airport, staff monitoring daily 24h, guide for 6 days, all the animations and transfers mentioned in the program.

not included:

air flights, beverages during meals, city taxes, anything not quoted above in (see included).





Walking in the hidden Tuscany

A wonderful week in the Apennines between Emilia Romagna and Tuscany, in the Foreste Casentinesi National Park. It will be a unique experience to walk in the sacred forests of the monks of Camaldoli, in suggestive places where St. Francesco d'Assisi lived, surrounded by an enchanting landscape. It will also be

a tasty week for lunches and dinners with traditional products from Emilia Romagna and Tuscany. Going back from the excursions, it will be great to stay and relax inside the cave and thermal pool of a Spa, in a beautiful **** Hotel or in wonderful Farm Holiday in the Tuscany Hills.

Day 1

Arrive in Bologna airport and transfer to Bagno di Romagna. Welcome drink and relax in the SPA. Dinner and overnight in Grand Hotel Terme Roseo.

Day 2

Ridracoli (about 2 hours)

Short transfer to Ridracoli, with its beautiful lake between the mountains. We will take a electric boat to see the lake. Visit to the museum of the water and explanation about how the dam works. Transfer to the Grand Hotel Terme Roseo, for Spa, dinner and overnight.

Day 3

Balze – Monte Fumaiolo (about 4 hours)

Short transfer to Balze for a wonderful hike to the hermitage of Sant'Alberico with a fantastic view over the Val Marecchia. The journey will continue towards the Fumaiolo Mountain till the sources of the Tevere river. On the way back to Alfero, find the Farm "Petruschio" where the secrets for the preparation of "Raviggiolo" fresh cheese typical of the area. Relax in spa, dinner and overnight in Grand Hotel Terme Roseo.

Day 4

Rimbocchi – La Verna (about 3 hours)

Private transfer to Rimbocchi, departure for an easy hike till the Sanctuary of La Verna, founded by St. Francesco d'Assisi, after receiving the stigmata. Lunch in the Refectory of the Pilgrims and visit the museum, with wonderful rooms dedicated to ceramics of Della Robbia. In the afternoon it can be

a unique experience attend to the procession of the Stigmata with Gregorian chant accompanied by monumental organ. Transfer to Agriturismo Colline delle Stelle for relax in Spa, dinner and overnight.

Day 5

Private Transfer to Poppi where we will visit the wonderful castle, a lot alike the Palazzo della Signoria in Firenze. After that we will go to Faggeto Farm to discover the secrets of the olive oil with tasting sessions. After the light lunch we will visit the beautiful historic centre of Anghiari. Transfer to Agriturismo Colline delle Stelle for relax in Spa, dinner and overnight.

Day 6

Camaldoli Monastery – Hermitage of Camaldoli (about 3 hours)

Short transfer to Camaldoli, for a wonderful day immersed in nature, discovering two magical places like the Monastery and the Hermitage of Camaldoli, rich of history, art and charm. It will be wonderful to walk in the sacred forests of the Camaldolese monks, who care these trees since a thousand years. Visit of the ancient monks' Pharmacy with its precious furniture. In the afternoon, arrival at the Hotel, SPA and relax. Dinner at the Agriturismo Collina Delle Stelle.

Day 7

Transfer for magnificent Florence for guided tour of the Capital of Renaissance. Dinner and overnight in Hotel de la Ville.

Day 8

Transfer to Firenze Airport.



WALKING TOUR

Duration:
8 days / 7 nights

The package includes

7 nights in double room hotel ****/farm holiday, 7 breakfasts, 7 dinners, 6 light lunches in restaurant/farm, guided visits of: Petruschio farm, dam of Ridracoli, Museum of the Water, La Verna Museum, Monastery and Hermitage of Camaldoli, Il Faggeto Farm and tasting, Florence city, 1 cruise upon the lake staff monitoring daily, guide for 6 days, all the animations and transfers mentioned in the program.

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Walking in the Food Valley and Castelli del Ducato zone

An unforgettable experience in the birthplace of Parmigiano Reggiano, Prosciutto di Parma, Salame di Felino, Vini dei Colli Piacentini e Parmensi and other fantastic products. A visit to these factories will be organized, followed by products tasting. We will walking through this magnificent zone enjoying the most beautiful cas-

ties in Italy and a visit to Busseto where the Maestro Giuseppe Verdi spent most of his life. During the week we will have overnight accommodation in 2 different luxury castles. In the end we will visit the magnificent city of Parma and we will spend a night in the beautiful *****Hotel Pacchiosi.

Day 1

Arrive in Milano Malpensa Airport, private transfer to Rivalta Castle. Later a guided tour of the castle and dinner in a typical restaurant. Overnight in superior room in Torre di San Martino Castle.

Day 2

Pietra Parcellara – Pietra Perduca (about 3 hours)

Short Transfer for Pietra Perduca, where our tour will start. We will walk through the rolling hills where we will see this two ophiolic roks. It will follow a nice pic nic immersed in this beautiful landscape. In the afternoon a short transfer will take us to the Cantina Val Luretta with its ancient cellers inside the Castle Momeliano. Return to Torre di San Martino Castle for dinner and overnight.

Day 3

Marsaglia Church – Bobbio (about 3 and half hours)

Our tour of today will start with the Church of Marsaglia for a panoramic tour through the oxbow of the river Trebbia. This itinerary belongs to Ancient Via Francigena and it will take us to the town of Bobbio where we will take a light lunch. In the afternoon we will visit the famous Abbey founded by San Colombano in 612 AD, the Devil's Bridge and the Castle of Bobbio. Dinner and overnight in Torre di San Martino Castle.

Day 4

Vigolo Marchese – Castel d'Arquato (about 3 hour)

Wonderful walking tour through the rolling hills of Arda Valley.

We'll start with the thousand-year old Church of Vigolo Marchese to arrive to the spectacular town of Castel d'Arquato with its beautiful castle fwhere we'll have a light lunch. After lunch we'll visit the most beautiful monuments of the inner center and with a short transfer we'll arrive to the Castle of Tabiano. Relax time in the Spa, dinner and overnight in Tabiano Castle.

Day 5

Round trip to the Castle of Bardi (about 3 hours)

Beautiful trip around the imposing cliff of Castle of Bardi where we'll enjoy this spectacular view. Visit to the Castle, once the capital city of a small autonomous state of Landi's family. Light lunch in restaurant. In the afternoon visit of the Parmigiano Reggiano Diary Factory with tasting sessions. Relax time in Spa, dinner and overnight in Tabiano Castle.

Day 6

Round trip to Corte Pallavicina Castle (about 2 hours)

Easy walking tour along the banks of the largest river of Italy and inside of the farm of the Michelin Chef, Massimo Spigaroli. Here we will visit the old cellers of the castle where the Chef prepares the famous Culatello di Zibello wich we will also taste. Private tranfer to Busseto, the birthplace of Giuseppe Verdi. Visit to Villa Verdi, housing the original furnishings chosen by the Maestro, who spent long periods of his life and where his heirs still live. Relax in Spa, dinner and overnight in Tabiano Castle.

Day 7

Round trip to the Torrechiera Castle (about 3 hours)

Walking tour around the castle in the heart of Prosciutto di Parma area. We'll visit this spectacular Renaissance castle, buit by the Visconti's general Pier Maria Rossi. We will continue with a light lunch with Prosciutto di Parma and other typical food. Short transfer to Parma and guided tour of the city. Dinner and overnight in Hotel Pacchiosi.

Day 8

Private transfer to Milano Malpensa airport.



WALKING TOUR

Duration:
8 days / 7 nights

The package includes

6 nights in Superior double room in castle, 1 night in historical hotel***** 7 breakfasts and 7 typical dinners (beverages not included), 6 light lunches in factories/typical restaurants, guided visits of: typical winery and tasting, Corte Pallavicino Farm, Parmigiano Reggiano factory and tasting, Villa Verdi, Castle of Bobbio, Castel d'Arquato, Bardi Castle, Torrechiera Castle, Parma city, private transfer from/to Milano Malpensa airport, staff monitoring daily 24 h, guide for 6 days, all the animations and transfers mentioned in the program.

not included:

air flights, beverages during meals, city taxes, anything not quoted.





Walking in the Food and Motor Valley

A splendid week immersed in the Apennine mountains discovering the wonderful region of Emilia Romagna. You will enjoy easy itineraries that will take you through a magical territory. It will also be a “delicious” holiday since you will tour factories that produce Parmigiano

Reggiano, Traditional Modena Balsamic Vinegar and a special cooking class. You will also visit the beautiful city of Bologna and the Galleria Ferrari in Maranello where was born the most famous automobile company in the world.

Day 1

Arrive in Bologna Airport and private transfer to Montese. Free time, typical dinner and overnight in hotel Belvedere.

Day 2

Montello – Montese (about 2 hours)

We will start our tour with the visit of Montese's castles with its beautiful Museum dedicated to the Second War. After a short walk we will arrive upon the Montello where we will find many trenches and the remains of German fortifications. Return to the hotel and start the cooking class with the preparation of “borlenghi” a traditional food. Dinner and overnight in Belvedere Hotel.

Day 3

Monteforte – Castelluccio di Montese (about 4 hours)

Short transfer to Monteforte, where we will start our tour. We will visit the sites of the battles of the Second War. We will walk on the ridges up to Monte Belvedere where we'll enjoy a fantastic view. After the walking tour, we will visit one of the finest Parmigiano Reggiano Daily factories accompanied by a tasting session. Dinner and overnight in Belvedere Hotel.

Day 4

Castellino delle Formiche – Villabianca di Marano S/P (about 4 hours)

Private transfer of the Sassi di Roccamalattina Regional Park with its fabulous sandstone cliffs. The guided tour includes the discovery of medieval villages and the extraordinary view of Panaro Valley. Arrive to the Vinegar factory of Aceto

Balsamico Tradizionale di Modena where we will taste this wonderful product. Dinner and overnight in Agriturismo Acetaia Sereni.

Day 5

Montese – Montequestiolo (about 5 hours)

Walking tour through the hills and forests. Along the route we'll discover old villages, ruins of Medieval castles. Private transfer to Villabianca with a short break in Zocca to having a drink. Dinner and overnight in Agriturismo Acetaia Sereni.

Day 6

Riserva Naturale Salse di Nirano (about 2 hours)

Private transfer to the Salse di Nirano Park to admire this mud volcanoes. The Salse are the product of mainly gaseous (methan) and partly liquid (oil) hydrocarbons deposits. As they ascend to soil surface, they wash out clay materials: the ejected mud is then responsible for the Salse's typical cone shape. After that, we'll reach the Galleria Ferrari with its great collection of cars. Follows the visit of Castle of Vignola. Return to Agriturismo Acetaia Sereni for dinner and overnight.

Day 7

Bologna

We'll start our tour with a private transfer to the historical center of Bologna. We'll admire its beautiful monuments and will have a nice dinner in a typical restaurant. Overnight in Hotel Orologio.

Day 8

Private transfer to Bologna International Airport.



WALKING TOUR

Duration:

8 days / 7 nights

The package includes:

7 nights in double room in ***S or **** hotel/ farm holiday, 7 breakfasts, 7 dinners with typical cuisine, 6 picnic lunches, 1 cooking class, guided visits of: Traditional Modena Vinegar factory, Parmigiano Reggiano factory, Galleria Ferrari, Castle of Vignola, Castle of Montese, Bologna city, 1 climb to Sassi di Roccamalattina, staff monitoring daily 24 h, guide for 6 days, all the animations and transfers mentioned in the program.

not included

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The Belvedere Trek

A spectacular 4-day walk in the heart of the countryside of the Reno and Panaro Valley, between Modena and Bologna. The route takes you past Roman churches, castles and the wonderful Regional Park Sassi di Roccamalatina with its extraordinary

rocks and breathtaking views. In the evenings there is the chance to try the local food and the excellent local wines. In the end you will visit and discover the beautiful city of Bologna

Day 1

Casona - Montalbano di Zocca – Distance: 16 km (10 Miles) – Altitude: (+850 m) – Time (indicative): 5 h

A splendid day in the Sassi di Roccamalatina Regional Park, including a climb up the marvellous cliffs and a visit to the finest hamlets, castles and parish churches in the Park. We will be sleeping in the ancient fortified village of Montalbano, in what was once the parsonage, where a dinner of typical local produce will be served in front of centuries-old stone hearths. Overnight in Locanda la Canonica in Montalbano.

Day 2

Montalbano di Zocca - Montese – Distance: 18 km (11 Miles) – Altitude: (+760 m) – Time (indicative): 6 h

Along our way we will have the chance to admire three alluring medieval castles, attesting to the importance of these places, nestling in a marvellous landscape. We will have the chance to discover the fantastic world of the Gea Gorge, with its age-old mill. Overnight in Hotel Belvedere Montese.

Day 3

Montese - Castelluccio di Montese; Length: 15 km – Altitude: 530 m – Time: 5 h

This route runs along a ridge, and will take us up to the peak of Mount Belvedere, where we can admire fabulous views out over the surrounding valleys. Because of their strategic importance, these places were fortified right from Roman times up to the days of the German troops fighting in the Second World War.

Along the route, we will be able to admire ancient walls and a huge number of trenches and other signs of the Great War, as well as the marvellous landscape. In the afternoon we will visit a Parmigiano Reggiano Food Factory with tasting. Transfer to the hotel for dinner and overnight in Belvedere Hotel.

Day 4

Montese

After breakfast we'll start with a guided visit of the Historical Museum of the Rocca di Montese, dedicated to World War II. Private transfer to Bologna where we will have a guided visit of the city of Bologna. Self-organized lunch and a free evening. Dinner Self organize and overnight in Hotel Orologio/similar.

Day 5

Breakfast and private transfer for the airport.



TREKKING

Duration:
4 nights / 5 days

The package includes

1 night in "La Locanda la Canonica" in Montalbano with breakfast and dinner, 2 nights in Belvedere Hotel in Montese with breakfast and dinners, 1 night in Orologio Hotel in Bologna or similar with breakfast and dinner, 3 packet lunches which include sandwiches, fruit and a bottle of mineral water each, walking guide for 3 days, half-day guided visit in Bologna, 1 guided visit of Parmigiano Reggiano Food Factory, 1 guided visit of Rocca of Montese, baggage transportation, transfer from Bologna Airport to the departure point, transfer from Castelluccio to Montese, transfer from Montese to Bologna.

not included:

city taxes, beverages, anything not quoted above in (see included).



NORDIC WALKING PASSION THROUGHOUT MONFERRATO'S HILLS

Day 1

Arrival of the guest in **Monferrato**, check-in and accommodation at Resort La Fermata in Spinetta Marengo. Presentation of NWP structure and an aperitif of welcome Dinner and overnight

Day 2

Breakfast.

TOUR D2: a Nordic walking excursion with the instructor in Spinetta Marengo across fields and farmsteads.

Circular flat route - length 14.92 km - Drop: 0 m

Lunchtime

In the afternoon transfer to Masio where we will depart for the second excursion on a circular route with touching landscape of Tanaro river and the hills around Masio. Circular route - Length 9.80 - Drop: 0 m. Visit at the ancient medieval tower of the XIII century which has the museum "La Torre e il Fiume": seven flat which tells with images and duplicate of the ancient document the history of Masio tower and, in general, the history of the land. Once you're at the top of the internal flat, you can reach the top where you can admire the exciting landscape of the river, the plain and the hills of Monferrato.

Return to the hotel

Dinner and overnight

Day 3

Breakfast

Tour D3: Excursion with the instructor in Morsasco and departure for the route "At the spring of Sambuco"

Circular route - Length: 3.78 km - Drop: 118m

Lunchtime at the Farmhouse La Rossa in Morsasco

Transfer to Acqui Terme for a tour of the city and a walking next to the river

Circular route - Length: 2.5 km - Drop: 0m

Return to the hotel

Dinner and overnight

Day 4

Breakfast

TOUR D4

Departure for Cassine where, with the instructor, we will cross the "Bosco delle sorti", a natural reserve located between the ramification of the Appennino Ligure - Piemontese and the "Pianura Padana", and Nordic walking excursion on the "Pope's path", a beautiful route until the end where is placed a stone statue of the Pope John XXIII, the difference of altitude is between the 150 mt and the 210. Circular route - Length: 6 km - Drop: 86m

Lunchtime in the Farmhouse Ma che bel castello in Maranzana

Transfer to wine cellar Carpini for a degustation

Transfer to Locanda dell'Arte in Solonghello

Dinner and overnight at Locanda dell'Arte in Solonghello

Day 5

Breakfast.

Tour D5

Transfer to Mombello Monferrato where with the Nordic Walking Instructor we will walk on a ring which offers some moving landscape of the hills of Monferrato, alternate passage inside little village and woods of Val Cerrina. Circular route - Length: 10.81 km - Drop: 194 m

Lunchtime

Transfer to Serralunga di Crea to visit the Holy Mount of Crea, composed by 23 chapels linked with the path that clamber in the wood bring to the Heaven's Chapel, located at the top of the hill.

Return to the hotel - Greetings of the NWP groups and delivering of the certificate. Dinner and overnight

Day 6

After breakfast transfer to the airport for your flight back home



Duration:

6 days / 5 nights

The holiday package includes:

- 5 overnight with HB treatment (in a single or double room)
- meal in the structure of the day
- nordic walking poles for the excursion
- nordic walking instructor for the excursion

The holiday package not include:

- City tax;
- Wine during the meal;
- Extra;
- Personal expenses, tips and everything not specified in "the holiday package include"





NORDIC WALKING WEEK_END THROUGHOUT MONFERRATO'S HILLS

Day 1 (Friday)

The arrival of guests in Monferrato, check-in and accommodation at one of the following facilities:

- Resort "La Fermata", Spinetta Marengo
- "Ma che bel castello", Maranzana
- Farmhouse "La Rossa", Morsasco
- Farmhouse "Casa Tui", Pozzol Groppo
- "Locanda dell'Arte", Solonghello

Welcome aperitif and presentation of NWP facilities (by the host structure) Dinner and overnight stay.

Day 2 (Saturday) Choice of one of the following walks:

❖ NWP in Alessandria

-Breakfast.

-Meeting with the instructor in Spinetta Marengo and departure for the first part of the route between cultivated fields and farmsteads.

Flat loop route - Length: 14.92 km - Altitude difference: 0 m - Lunch stop.

-In the afternoon transfer and continuation of the tour with a loop route that offers pleasant panoramic views of the Tanaro river and the gentle hills surrounding the village of Masio.

Loop route - Length: 9.80 km - Altitude difference: 0 m

- Visit the ancient medieval tower of the XIII century that houses the Museum La Torre and the River: seven floors that tell through images and reproductions of ancient documents the history of the tower of Masio and more generally the history of the towers of the territory. Once the internal floors are finished, you can reach the top from which you can admire the breathtaking view of the river, the plain and the hills of Monferrato. - Return to hotel, greetings from the NWP group certified delivery - Dinner and overnight stay.

❖ NWP in Morsasco

-Breakfast.

-Meeting with the instructor in Morsasco and departure for the first part of the route "At the source of elder" in the direction of Trisobbio and return.

Ring route - Length: 3.78 km - Altitude difference: 118m.-

Lunch stop at Agriturismo La Rossa - Morsasco

-Transfer to Acqui Terme with a walk along the banks of the river Loop route - Length: 2.5 km - Altitude difference: 0 m.-

Visit spa town of Acqui Terme

-Return to Agriturismo, greetings from the NWP group certified delivery

-Dinner and overnight stay.

❖ NWP in Tassarolo

-Breakfast.

-Departure from the sports ground of Tassarolo for the family-friendly walk "The Dwarves of Tassarolo

-Visit the biodynamic winery "Tassarolo Castle"

-Lunch break

-Return, greetings from the NWP group, certified delivery

-Dinner and overnight stay.

❖ NWP in Pozzol Groppo

-Breakfast.

-Departure from the farm "Casa Tui" along the path towards Volpedo to the Shrine of the Fogliata and return Loop route - Length: 12 km

-Tasting of artisan beers and visit the brewery.

-Lunch

-Return to the hotel, greetings from the NWP group, certified delivery

-Dinner and overnight stay.

Monferrato - Novi Ligure - Alessandria



Duration:

3 days / 2 nights

The holiday package includes:

- 2 nights in HB treatment (accommodation in double/twin room)
- lunches and dinners at the main structures of the day
- Nordic walking sticks for the days of the tour
- qualified Nordic walking instructor for the days of the tour

The holiday package not include:

- City tax;
- Wine during the meal;
- Extra;
- Personal spend, tips and everything is not specified in "the holiday package include"





NORDIC WALKING WEEK_END THROUGHOUT MONFERRATO'S HILLS (continuation)

❖ NWP in Morsasco

- Breakfast.
- Meeting with the instructor in Morsasco and departure for the first part of the route "At the source of elder" in the direction of Trisobbio and return.
- Ring route - Length: 3.78 km - Altitude difference: 118m.-
- Lunch stop at Agriturismo La Rossa - Morsasco
- Transfer to Acqui Terme with a walk along the banks of the river Loop route - Length: 2.5 km - Altitude difference: 0 m.-
- Visit spa town of Acqui Terme
- Return to Agriturismo, greetings from the NWP group certified delivery
- Dinner and overnight stay.

❖ NWP in Tassarolo

- Breakfast.
- Departure from the sports ground of Tassarolo for the family-friendly walk "The Dwarves of Tassarolo
- Visit the biodynamic winery "Tassarolo Castle"
- Lunch break
- Return, greetings from the NWP group, certified delivery
- Dinner and overnight stay.

❖ NWP in Pozzol Groppo

- Breakfast.
- Departure from the farm "Casa Tui" along the path towards Volpedo to the Shrine of the Fogliata and return Loop route - Length: 12 km
- Tasting of artisan beers and visit the brewery.
- Lunch
- Return to the hotel, greetings from the NWP group, certified delivery
- Dinner and overnight stay.

❖ NWP in Solonghello

- Breakfast.
- Meeting with the instructor in Mombello Monferrato and departure for the loop route that offers pleasant panoramic views of the Monferrato hills, alternating passages in small towns and sometimes immersed in the woods of Val Cerrina.
- Ring route - Length: 10.81 km - Altitude difference: 194 m
- Lunch at a fully equipped facility
- Transfer to Serralunga di Crea for a visit to the Sacred Mount of Crea, consisting of twenty-three chapels and five hermitages connected by paths that climb in the woods leading to the chapel of Paradise, located on top of the hill.
- Return to hotel, greetings from the NWP group certified delivery
- Dinner and overnight stay.
- Day 3 (Sunday)
- Breakfast and check-out.
- Here are some opportunities offered by the structures and the Territory:

- Golf practice course - Spinetta Marengo -Acqui Terme
- Outlet - Serravalle Scrivia
- Painting exhibitions Palazzo Monferrato -Alessandria
- Cappello-Borsalino Museum - Alessandria
- the Citadel of Alessandria
- Gardens UNESCO World Heritage Villa Ottolenghi - Acqui Terme
- Fort of Gavi
- Palaeontological Museum Maini - Ovada
- Roman archaeological area - Libarna
- Visit of the historic centre of Casale Monferrato - Novi Ligure - Alessandria



Trekking **ITALY**

Cycling **ITALY**



EVENTS

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TRAVELING TOUR

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- ⇒ Golf and Castles in Tuscany
- ⇒ Golfing in Biella, the fashion area of Italy



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- ◆ Chateau de Chailly
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- ◆ Golfing North of France

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- ❖ Beer and golf

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- * River Cruising and Golfing

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Italy

Lake District Golf Heavens



Day 1) Arrival

Arrive in Milan airport, meet with tour escort and transfer to the hotel on Lake Maggiore. Welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2) Castelconturbia Golf Club

Play golf at Castelconturbia Golf Club. 27 holes: 6,230m: Par 72 - Architect: R. Trent Jones Snr. (1987). There are three excellent loops of nine holes around the wondrous burnt sienna Clubhouse that looks out over the surrounding forest. The course is reasonably flat, the greens are not, so landing approach in the correct quarter of the green is a distinct challenge (unless your name is T. Woods or H. Potter). A beautiful place to play golf; not to be missed. Return to your hotel and free time to relax. (B)



Day 3) Borromean Islands

Boat trip to the Borromean Islands: Isola Bella, Isola del Pescatore and Isola Madre. The Isola Bella is the most famous island and is almost entirely occupied by the Borromeo Palace and its gardens. Visit of the Palace; walk from the Gobelin room to the garden. Stop for lunch at a restaurant on Isola del Pescatore followed by afternoon visit to Isola Madre, the largest of the three islands. The main attraction here is the botanical garden, which occupies almost all the surface. The garden is composed of five terraces with many rare



Italy

Lake District Golf Heavens

examples of plants, such as camellia, Chinese magnolia, Mexican yucca, Louisiana and Canadian cypresses. Return to the hotel. (B, L)



Day 4) Golf dei Laghi

In the morning play golf at the Dei Laghi Golf Club. Return to Stresa. Afternoon departure for Como, the town founded on a Celtic site by the Romans in 196 BC, which gave its name to the lake. Return to your hotel on Lake Maggiore. (B)

Day 5) Departure

Extend stay in Italy or transfer to departure airport. (B)

INCLUSIONS:

- 4 nights - 4* hotel on Lake Maggiore - basis BB
- 1 welcome dinner
- 1 lunch on Isola del Pescatore - Lake Maggiore
- Admission Charges & tickets:
 - Borromean Islands - Lake Maggiore
- Multilanguage tourescort throughout
- Licensed official guides as per itinerary
- Transportation by luxury coach as per itinerary
- Ferry on Lake Maggiore
- VAT





Italy

Greens of Rome and Around



Day 1) Arrival

Arrive in Rome, meet Tour Manager. Enjoy a panoramic tour of Rome. See Via Veneto, cradle of la dolce vita, and move on to Piazza Barberini, to view Gian Lorenzo Bernini's Triton Fountain. Next up is Piazza Venezia and the gigantic Vittoriano monument. Via dei Fori Imperiali leads on to the Coliseum, the Arch of Constantine, the Palatine Hill, the Temple of Hercules, the Theatre of Marcellus, the Capitol, Tiber Island, the Roman Synagogue, Castel Sant'Angelo, and finally St. Peter's Square. Transfer by private coach to the hotel in Fiuggi. Check in and dinner. (D)

Day 2) Fiuggi Golf Club

High up, at 621m above sea level, amid verdant hills and placid woods, is Fiuggi Golf Club, one of the most amenable and relaxing greens of the Italian peninsula. It is a splendid eighteen-hole course set within a large natural park elevated above the Ciociaria countryside. It has a high profile: 18 hole, par 70 for 5888 yardage. Moreover, the facilities include a practice area, putting green, and club house, pro shop, bar, restaurant, swimming pool and tennis courts. Dinner at the hotel. (B, D)



Day 3) Rome

Guided tour of St Peter's Basilica, the largest of all Catholic churches, with its amazing grand and elaborate interior, and the Vatican Museums. Admire the Sistine Chapel, with Michelangelo's masterpiece ceiling and Last Judgement. Rest of the day free to stroll along the streets of the center or shop. Back to Fiuggi and dinner at the hotel. (B, D)



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Greens of Rome and Around

Day 4) Country Club Castel Gandolfo

Click on logo to get more info

Architect: R. Trent-Jones Snr. - 18 holes: 5,855m: par 72.



CASTEL GANDOLFO
golf club

This golf club offers the stunning combination of a unique setting and an exceptional course. This Trent Jones' masterpiece is cradled in the bowl of an extinct volcano, with the clubhouse (a 17th century Bishop's residence) perched on the rim of the caldera above - simply amazing!

In the afternoon depart for a half day excursion around the Castelli Romani, the hill towns outside Rome, which are interesting for their ancient history and for their production of some very well-regarded wines. Back to Fiumicino and dinner at the hotel. (B,D)

Day 5) Acquasanta Golf Ancient Rome Tour

Click on logo to get more info

Architect: Cpt. A. Flach. - 18 holes: 5,835m: par 71.



Circolo del Golf Roma
Acquasanta

A very private member's club with a wonderful atmosphere both on the course and in the excellent clubhouse. Set amongst rolling hills and tall pines, although quite hilly in many areas it often feels almost links-like, as you play through the bumps and hollows and back and forth over every present brook. Visiting times are limited at this very exclusive Club.

In the afternoon proceed to Rome's historical center for a guided walking tour of Ancient Rome including the Coliseum (exterior), the Roman Forum, the Palatine Hill, Piazza Venezia, the Capitol, Trevi Fountain, the Pantheon, and finally Piazza Navona. Back to Fiumicino and dinner at your hotel. (B,D)

Day 6) Departure

Extend stay in Italy or transfer to departure airport. (B)

INCLUSIONS

- * 5 nights - 4* hotel in Fiumicino - basis HB
- * Admission Charges & tickets:
- * Vatican Museums - Rome
- * Multilanguage tour escort throughout
- * Licensed official guides as per itinerary
- * Transportation by luxury coach as per itinerary
- * VAT





Italy

Golfing In Tuscany & Umbria



Day 1) Arrival

Arrival at Florence, Pisa or Rome airport. Meet with tour escort and transfer to the hotel in Montecatini, Italy's most famous thermal spa. Welcome drink and dinner at the hotel. (D)

Day 2) Versilia Golf Club



Play golf today at Versilia near Pietrasanta on the Tuscan coast. The Golf Course, inaugurated in 1990, was designed by Marco Croze and is an 18 hole course, set in a splendid landscape, featuring sand bunkers and water obstacles. In the afternoon visit Pisa and proceed to

Montecatini for dinner at the hotel. (B, D)



Option: Non-golfers can visit the charming walled renaissance city of Lucca with lunch at a historic villa.

Day 3) Florence

Departure to Florence. Upon arrival fascinating walk through the historical center of the city. The tour includes the Franciscan church of Santa Croce, known as the "Pantheon of the Italian Glories" where many illustrious Italians, such as Michelangelo, Galileo, Rossini and Machiavelli, are buried. The visit also includes the religious center (the Baptistery, the Duomo and Giotto's Bell-tower), as well as the political center (Piazza della Signoria) of the city. Free time for shopping. Dinner in Montecatini. (B, D)



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Golfing In Tuscany & Umbria

Day 4) Montecatini Golf Club

Play at Montecatini Golf Club. Immersed in the Tuscan countryside, the Montecatini Golf Club is an 18 hole golf course of natural beauty that has been built in the hilly countryside. The player is faced with many natural hazards such as lakes, streams, forests, and ditches which form part of the natural contours of the land. The course also features many dog legs and the greens are very fast and undulating, putting the best golfers' skills to the test. This afternoon relax in Montecatini, try a thermal treatment or enjoy some window shopping around the town. Dinner at your hotel. (B, D)



Day 5) Golf Ugolino



Play golf today in the Chianti wine region south of Florence at Ugolino. It was 1889 when the English colony of Florence founded the Florence Golf Club, the first Italian golf association. It was founded in the Cascine area, and then transferred to the Osmannoro area after the First World War. Between the 1920s and '30s the idea of creating a new golf course took shape; in 1933 the Ugolino was designed on the Chiantigiana road to the plans of English architects, Blandford and Gannon. A natural course, it is challenging because of the difference in levels, the handicaps, and the small and well defended green. It has been named among the 50 most beautiful golf courses in the world by the American writer Chris Santella. In the afternoon departure for Assisi. Check in and dinner at the hotel. (B, D)

Option: Non-golfers can visit vineyards and have a cooking lesson.

Day 6) Lamborghini Golf Club



The nine hole course of the Lamborghini Golf Club, which was designed by Ferruccio Lamborghini, stretches over a beautiful, hilly landscape close to Lake Trasimeno. Recent changes in its design make the course much more challenging to today's golfers, inviting experts and enthusiasts alike to its greens. Apart from the standard 9 holes, there is a large driving range with lighted putting and pitch-in greens where the Club's Golf School operates. The entire golf course is dominated by a modern and comfortable clubhouse. There is a Pro Shop with a large variety of golfing accessories and a bar. In the afternoon return to Assisi. Free time to discover the hometown of St. Francis. Dinner at the hotel. (B, D)

Day 7) Perugia Golf Club



Perugia Golf Club is situated only 3 miles from the centre of the historic city of Perugia. The course is gently undulating parkland - Par 72 - SSS 70 - 6,272 yards in length, redesigned by the Architect Davide Mezzacane and increased to 18 holes in the early nineties. The holes are not exceptionally long, but the rich vegetation and mature trees lining many fairways call for precision, particularly with the drive, and on the fast, undulating



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greens. In the afternoon visit Perugia. Its Etruscan walls, medieval churches, 16th century and baroque palaces still testify to its past splendor. Back to Assisi for dinner. (B, D)

Day 8) Departure

Extend stay in Italy or transfer to departure airport. (B)

INCLUSIONS

- ◆ 4 nights - 4* hotel in Montecatini - basis HB
- ◆ 3 nights - 4* hotel in Assisi - basis HB
- ◆ Golf - green fees
- ◆ Multilanguage tour escort throughout
- ◆ Licensed official guides as per itinerary
- ◆ Transportation by luxury coach as per itinerary
- ◆ VAT





Italy

Golfing and hiking in the Dolomites



You'll enjoy both golf and hike in one of the beautiful and popular places in Italy.

We will stay in Cortina's best hotels of the Alps, Cristallo Golf & Spa.



DAY 1

Arrivals

Arrival at Venice airport and private transfer to Cortina d'Ampezzo. Overnight at Cristallo Hotel*****L.

DAY 2

Golf

After breakfast you will start your golf tour inside the resort (8 holes). Lunch inside the Club House. Golf cart, trolley/ electric trolley, golf bag included. The activity last about 4/4h 30min. Relax in the spa and overnight.

DAY 3

Artisan workshop in Cortina

Half-day dedicated to the genuine and original artistic expression of the local craftsmen. A nice thought to take some souvenirs back home. Free afternoon and overnight at Cristallo Hotel*****L

DAY 4

Hiking in Monte Cristallino

At 9.30 AM private transfer to Rio Gere and climb to the chairlift to Lorenzi Shelter. You will return back on the same path. Overnight at Cristallo Hotel*****L





Italy

Golfing and hiking in the Dolomites

DAY 5

Golf

After breakfast you will start your golf tour inside the resort (8 holes). Lunch inside the Club House. Golf cart, trolley/electric trolley, golf bag included. The activity last about 4/4h 30min. Relax in the spa and overnight.



DAY 6

Hiking tour Monte Sas de Stria

At 9.30 private transfer to Passo del Falzarego. You will arrive upon the peak of Sas de Stria through a labyrinths of trenches and tunnels of the Great War. Overnight at Cristallo Hotel*****L

DAY 7

Golf

After breakfast short private transfer to another golf resort (18 holes). Lunch, Golf cart, trolley/electric trolley, golf bag included. The activity last about 4/4h 30min. Relax in the spa and overnight.

DAY 8

Departure

Transfer to airport.

The package includes:

- ◇ 7 night-stay in B&B basis at Cristallo Hotel*****L
- ◇ All the private transfers, description with Mercedes Sedan (2/3 person), Mercedes Minivan (4/6 person)
- ◇ 2 days of hiking with expert Alpin guide
- ◇ 3 days of green fees, lunch, Golf cart, trolley/electric trolley, golf bag
- ◇ Half-day guided tour of Cortina local craftsmen





Italy

Golf and Castles in Tuscany



Tuscany is widely known for its picturesque landscape of rolling hills, amazing wine and typical products but also for its important golf clubs.

You'll admire the stunning views around the golf resort while you'll enjoy a nice round of golf or even during wine tour in the Castle, walking through medieval old towns like: Pitigliano, Capalbio, Saturnia.

DAY 1

Arrival

Arrive at the airport and pick up with a private transfer to a 5* Golf Resort in Tuscany countryside. Accommodation in the room and relax in the wonderful spa of the hotel. You can also choose some of the treatments that the Spa offers.

Overnight in hotel.

DAY 2

Golf

After breakfast you will start your golf tour inside the resort (18 holes). Packet lunch included. Golf cart, trolley/electric trolley, golf bag included. The activity last about 4/4h 30min. Relax in the spa and overnight.

DAY 3

Wine and lunch inside the castle Breakfast in hotel and private transfer to Banfi Castle, a wonderful place, surrounded by beautiful vineyard. The heart of this castle is the winery. You will visit the winery and you will taste different types of wine. Of course you will have lunch with typical Tuscan products. Return to the hotel for relaxing and overnight.





Italy

Golf and Castles in Tuscany

DAY 4

Golf

After breakfast you will start your golf tour inside the resort (18 holes). Packet lunch included. Golf cart, trolley/electric trolley, golf bag included. The activity last about 4/4h 30min. Relax in the spa and overnight.



DAY 5

Pitigliano and Capalbio

After breakfast transfer to Pitigliano, a medieval village built upon a volcanic rock situated in the Maremma region. This small village is full of Etruscan remains such as the town walls, houses and tombs.

You will visit this charming little town and you'll have also lunch in a typical restaurant. At about 2PM transfer to Capalbio, another beautiful medieval town. You will admire the Fortress of Aldobrandeschi with its tall tower stands out over the stone homes. Overnight in hotel.

DAY 6

Golf



After breakfast you will start your golf tour inside the resort (18 holes). Packet lunch included. Golf cart, trolley/electric trolley, golf bag included. The activity last about 4/4h 30min. Relax in the spa and overnight.

DAY 7

Saturnia natural springs

After breakfast you will be transferred to Saturnia. This is a real experience trying this type of Thermal baths. There is no dressing room. You have to bring also bathrobe, beach towels etc. After this relaxing bath you will have a nice light lunch in typical restaurant. Transfer back to hotel for a relaxing evening, and over-night.

DAY 8

Departure

Private transfer to Rome airport.

The Package includes:

- 7 nights in B&B basis in Hotel 5* free access to the wellness center, fitness class and sport activities (acquagym and fitness courses, jogging track, tennis courts, golf driving range)
- All the private transfers mentioned in the daily description with Mercedes Sedan (2/3 person), Mercedes Minivan (4/6 person)
- 3 days of Green Fee (18 holes), Golf bag hire, golf cart (1 each 2 people), light Guided visit of winery (1h), Pitigliano (2hrs), Capalbio (2hrs)
- 4 course-lunch and wine pairing in winery, light lunch in typical restaurant in Pitigliano, light lunch in restaurant in Saturnia
- Relax at Saturnia Natural Springs (*you need to take all the necessary: bathrobe, beach towels etc)





Italy

Golfing in the fashion area of Biella



DAY 1

Arrivals

Arrival at Milan or Turin airport and private transfer to Biella.

Overnight at Golf Club Cavaglia'

DAY 2

Golf

After breakfast you will start your golf tour inside the resort

Lunch inside the Club House. Golf cart, trolley/electric trolley, golf bag included.

The activity last about 4/4h 30min.

This evening a welcome dinner at local Restaurant



DAY 3

Breakfast at hotel. This morning we depart to Turin to enjoy a city tour including a visit of the Cathedral where the Holy Shroud is kept and also entrance fee to the Nation Cinema Museum. The Museum is more than a museum and whoever enters it isn't just a visitor but also an explorer, an author, an actor, a spectator... We continue with a visit to Eataly Torino. Walking into Eataly is like entering the Land of Oz . You will receive a voucher which you can exchange for lunch at one of the many food stands. Have some free time to walk around before returning to the hotel in Biella.
Balance free (B & LV)





Italy

Golfing in the fashion area of Biella

Day 5.

Breakfast at the hotel. Morning visit of a local cheese factory. We will have the chance to see how they produce the cheese of the Piemonte region and also get a chance to taste it. We then continue to Desana to visit the Agricultural farm where many of the types of rice are produced. After the visit of the fields continue to the shop where you will have the chance to taste the different types of Rice and . Return to Biella. Afternoon walking tour of Biella. Enjoy dinner at local restaurant. (B, RT, & D)



Day 6

Breakfast at hotel. Today we will visit the city of Biella and then we will transfer to visit the worldwide famous fashion manufactures Ermenegildo Zegna. Then we will continue our sightseeing to the Oasis Zegna and Biemonte where a lunch will be served at local restaurant. This evening enjoy a lovely farewell dinner at a local restaurant (B & D)

Day 7

After breakfast transfer to the airport for your flight back home.





France

Golfing at the Chateau



Hôtel Golf Château de Chailly

A 16th century four-star château hotel with a championship 18-hole golf course in Burgundy, France. The château is situated in a beautiful setting with green rolling hills.

The hotel has 45 bedrooms including family rooms, junior suites and castle suites. The hotel features an exterior heated swimming pool, jacuzzi, steam room and tennis court. Clients can enjoy the other hotel amenities including a fine dining restaurant, bistrot, café in the golf pro-shop and two bars.

The hotel is a prestigious setting and is ideal for a conference, workshop or a special event given there are six spacious conference or event salons which can be organised based on the needs of the clients.

Hôtel Golf Château de Chailly is perfectly located to visit the famous Burgundy vineyards (within a 30-45 minute drive to Côte-de-Nuits and Côte-de-Beaune), and within a 60 minute drive to historical sites including castles and abbayes as well as very pretty medieval villages.



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France

Golfing at the Chateau

Day 1 - Arrival

Arrival at Paris Airport and transfer to your hotel.

Rest of the day free—Tonight Welcome dinner at local restaurant

Day 2—Paris

After breakfast a guided tour of the Ville Lumiere.

Explore the icons of the city center, with your English speaking private Guide and private car.

Stop to the TOUR MONTPARNASSE to enjoy the wonderful panorama from the Roof Top and end your experience in a typical Parisian “Brasserie” for your lunch. Return to the hotel and rest of the day at leisure.

Day 3—Paris—Chateau de Chailly



After breakfast transfer to the Gare de Lyon - railway station - to board the TGV , the high speed train to Dijon. In just 90 minutes we will arrive at Dijon railway station and transferred to the Chateau de Chailly. Lunch at the Hotel and then first round of Golf.

Return to the Chateaux and relax time. The Spa is the perfect place to recharge your body with a massage or a sauna or even better an detox hammam.

Day 4—Chateau del Chailly.

After breakfast we will depart for a full day excursion in the Burgundy area. We will stop first in Dijon.

The Roman fortress known as Castrum Divionense, located on the military road from Lyon to Mainz, was long a secondary settlement. Sacked, pillaged and burned on numerous occasions, to be built up again, Dijon entered history in 1015, when it was taken by the French king Robert the Pious. In 1137, a terrible fire razed the city. Change came when the duchy became an integral part of the kingdom of France. The local population rose up against annexation by the Louis XI, and suffered at the hands of the King’s troops. But certain concessions were won: The Etat de Bourgogne (regional assembly made up of representatives from the Clergy, the Nobility and the Third Estate) was maintained in the old ducal palace, along with various other privileges and, most importantly, the Burgundy Parliament was transferred from Beaune to Dijon. The King visited Saint-Bénigne in 1479 and solemnly swore to preserve “the freedoms, liberties, protections, rights and privileges” previously enjoyed by the duchy. Nonetheless, he did build a fortress, repair the fortifications and appoint a governor. From 1851 onwards, the construction of the railway from Paris through Dijon and to the Mediterranean brought new life and new people: the population doubled between 1850 and 1892, as the industrial era took hold. The old district around the palace of the dukes of Burgundy is quite charming. As you stroll along the streets, many of which are for pedestrians only, you will come across beautiful old stone mansions and numerous half-timbered 15th to 16th century houses. The remains of the ducal palace are now surrounded by buildings in the Classical style. Content source: Michelin’s Burgundy/Jura The Green Guide.

Then we will continue to Beaune where a lunch will be served at local restaurant. After lunch the visit of this beautiful city will continue with your local English speaking guide At the heart of the Burgundian vineyards lies Beaune, a name synonymous with good wine: that is why a visit to this ancient city, which boasts a splendid architectural heritage and some fine museums. First a Gaulish centre and then an outpost of Rome, Beaune was the residence of the dukes of Burgundy up to the 14th century, before they moved permanently to Dijon. The original charter of communal liberties granted by Duke Eudes in 1203 is the in the town’s archives. The fortifications and towers that exist today were





France

Golfing at the Chateau

built from the 15th century onwards. After the death of the last Duke of Burgundy, Charles the Bold, in 1477, the town stubbornly refused all efforts to annex it by Louis XI and surrendered only after a siege lasting five weeks

Day 5—Chateau de Chailly

After breakfast your teetime is reserved for your Golfing time. Afternoon free to enjoy the Chateau and its activities

Day 6—Wine tur

Today ful day to enjoy the symbol of this area of France: the Wine. Meet with your driver in your hotel lobby. Leave for a day of discoveries in the Northern part of Burgundy called **Côte de Nuits**. On the way, stop in **Nuits Saint Georges**, **Vosne Romanée** or the **Clos de Vougeot**. These places are a must see in the wine world. You will have a first wine tasting in **Côtes de nuits area** in a family-run estate. Your host will show you the cellars and give you explanations about the wine making process. We will have lunch in a restaurant or in a wine estate in the area of **Beaune**.

After lunch we will keep going south while crossing the vineyards. Stop in **Pommard** or **Volnay** for a second tasting and visit of the wine estate (Red wines). Then, still in the **Côte de Beaune region**, make a last stop in **Chassagne Montrachet** or **Meursault** for a white wine tasting and visit of the winery. Return to the Chateau for dinner time.



Day 7—Chateau de Chailly.

Enjoy your last day at the Chateau de Chailly with you farwell golf tour at the Golf of Chatrau de Chailly. Tonight a farewell dinner will be served at the hotel on a “regal” atmosphere.

Day 8—Chateau de Chailly—Paris

After breakfast transfer to Dijon to board the TGV back to Paris. Overnight at local hotel.

Day 9—Flight back home.





France

Golf & lifestyle tour in Basque Country & Bordeaux



Day 1

Arrival at Bordeaux Airport

Pick up at the airport by a private minibus/coach and transfer to Biarritz.

Settle in 5-star Hotel du Palais

Welcome Dinner at the 1-star michelin restaurant Villa Eugenie at Hotel du Palais. Overnight

Day 2

GREEN FEE at MAKILA GOLF CLUB

Breakfast at your Hotel. Pick up at your hotel .

Transfer to Ascaïn where you will take the authentic vintage rack railway train dating from 1924, to discover at the summit of La Rhune the panoramic views on the French and Spanish Atlantic coast and on the peaks of the Pyrenees.

Then on for short sightseeing tours of Ainhoa and Sare, typical villages of the Basque Country. Transfer to Bassussarry.

Lunch pre-ordered at the club House.

Round of Golf 18 holes at Makila Golf Club : Course : PAR 72 – 6176 m

The 18 hole course of Makila Golf Club was designed by the american Rocky Roquemore. This is the longest golf course of South-west of France. Well situated in vast natural areas and surrounded by wonderful oak-trees in rolling and wooded landscapes.

Transfer back to Grand Hotel du Palais. Dinner at Le Bistrot Gourmet in Biarritz - Overnight at your hotel.

Day 3

SAN SEBASTIAN & BILBAO

After breakfast at your Hotel transfer to San Sebastian.

Enjoy a guided walking tour of San Sebastian. You will discover the old Quarter, rich with historical treasures and its narrow, cobbled streets, specialty shops & local market of Brexta. You will visit the baroque the Basilica de Santa Maria del Coro and discover the Plaza de la Constitucion with its beautiful arcades & balconies. You will enjoy a guided pintxos tasting tour.

You will dive straight into the culinary heart of the city for an eating and drinking experience. The pintxo tasting tour changes every day but always features a range of traditional spots and chic, avant-garde bars. You will as we'll be pairing each pintxo





France

Golf & lifestyle tour in Basque Country & Bordeaux

with local whites and reds.

Transfer to Bilbao where you will visit the most impressive modern masterpiece of the city : the iconic Guggenheim Museum. Admire architect Frank Gehry's eye-popping abstract design and browse an impressive collection of modern and contemporary art. In continuation you will visit the old town quarter and admire its beautiful architecture like the neo-baroque Arriaga Theater and the 14th century Santiago Cathedral.

Transfer to Hondarribia where you will enjoy a dinner at the 1 michelin-star restaurant La Alameda

Transfer back to Biarritz & Overnight at your hotel.

Day 4

GREEN FEE at CHIBERTA GOLF CLUB



After breakfast you will be picked up at your hotel and transfer to Anglet.

Green Fee at Chiberta Golf Club - Round of Golf 18 holes. Course: PAR 70 - 5650m

The 18 hole course of Chiberta was designed by Tom Simpson. The majority of the course is played in a genuine link setting with sea views and open landscape. The remainder of the course is set amidst the trees. The slick greens look relatively flat but be warned they do contain an array of deceptive slopes.

Lunch at the club House

Pick up at the Club House and transfer to Saint-Jean-de-Luz to discover this coastal town between Biarritz and the Spanish border, known for being the site of King Louis XIV's marriage to Infanta Maria Teresa of Spain in 1660. The old town is a mix of white, red, and green buildings of the Basque tradition, most dating back to the 17th century.

Then you will meet a basque wine maker producer of the famous and unique Egia Tégia. Its technic is aging wines under water. You will enjoy a wine tasting session of this unique wine !

Transfer back to Biarritz. Dinner at Bistro 2 Genies in Biarritz - Overnight at your hotel.

Day 5

GREEN FEE at SEIGNOSSE GOLF CLUB

After breakfast at your hotel, Pick up at your hotel and transfer to Bayonne, the Basque Country capital and discover its characteristic arcades, façades of stone, half-timbered houses and Sainte-Marie Cathedral. You will visit the 'Atelier du Jambon' where you will learn about the techniques for preparing and smoking the famous « Jambon de Bayonne ».. Then you will retrace the fabulous history of chocolate with l'Atelier du Chocolat. From the tropical forests, where the cacao tree grows, to the windows on the production line where you can see the confectioners making the chocolatiers' specialities. At the end of your visit, you will taste different chocolates from around the world.

Transfer to Seignosse: Lunch at the club House.

After lunch Green Fee at Seignosse Golf Club - Round of Golf 18 holes: Course: PAR 72 - 5774 m

The 18 hole course of Seignosse was designed by Robert Van Hagge. As a genuine jewel, the course proves to be a tremendous pleasure to walk through a still wild nature, its one-hundred-year pines hugeness and the splendor of its cork-oaks standing in cathedral. This legendary golf, located in the most beautiful French golf regions is no doubt an exceptional place.



Transfer back to Biarritz. Dinner at the restaurant Le B in Biarritz - Overnight at your hotel.



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France

Golf & lifestyle tour in Basque Country & Bordeaux

Day 6:

GREEN FEE at SAN SEBASTIAN GOLF CLUB

After breakfast and check-out you will be transfer to San Sebastian. Lunch at the club House After lunch Green Fee at Real Golf Club of San Sebastian – Round of 18 holes:
Course : PAR 71 – 5790 m

The 18 hole course was designed by the french Pierre Hirigoyen on the slopes of Mount Jaizkibel. Characterised by its hills and slopes, it is set in an area surrounded by woodland, around a watercourse with many ups and downs. It offers a challenge to any golfer. Transfer to Bordeaux & Settle in 4-star Hotel de Sèze. Dinner at the fine restaurant of Hotel de Sèze. Overnight at your hotel.



Day 7:

THE MEDOC VINEYARDS

Breakfast at your hotel. Enjoy a full day tour in the Medoc vineyards. This morning, we will arrange visits and wine tastings at the Château Haut-Brion, Château la Lagune, Château Mouton Rothschild & Château Cos d'Estournel - please note that we will reduce the visit to 1h15mns, I have attached all details about this prestigious wine tasting session called "in the steps of the Maharajah". Lunch at the restaurant Hotel de France et d'Angleterre in Pauillac , then, your tour continues with visits & wine tasting sessions at Château Pichon Longueville Baron and the Château Phélan Segur. Transfer back to Bordeaux.

Dinner at 1-star Michelin-star restaurant Le Gabriel - Overnight at your hotel.

Day 8

POMEROL & SAINT-EMILION VINEYARDS

Breakfast at your hotel and transfer for a full day tour in Pomerol & Saint-Emilion vineyards.

This morning, we will arrange you visits and wine tastings at the Château de la Dauphine. Then, on to Château de Sales and Chateau la Dominique. Lunch at La Terrasse Rouge in St Emilion, then, your tour continues with the Château Troplong Mondot and Chateau Pape Clément. Your tour ends at the Chateau Smith Haut Lafitte. Farewell Dinner at 2-star Michelin restaurant La Grand'Vigne, part of Les Sources de Caudalie estate. Back to Bordeaux. Overnight at your hotel in Bordeaux.

Day 9

GREEN FEE at MEDOC GOLF CLUB

Breakfast at your hotel and Check Out. Pick up at your hotel transfer to the Medoc Golf Club Teetime at the Chateau Course – Medoc Golf Club - Round of Golf 18 holes. Course: PAR 71 - 6576 m Classed among the top 15 golf courses in continental Europe, the Golf du Médoc offers golf lovers two superbly well designed courses, exceptional for the technical challenge of the layouts that oblige golfers to play various inventive strokes.

The Par 71, 6576 metres, Chateaux Course, which was designed in 1989 by American golf course architect, Bill Coore, is in the purest Scottish links tradition. The broad fairways lined with heathers, gorse and broom, lead players through unspoilt natural surroundings. The quality of the greens, the influence of the winds coming in from the ocean and the layout's technical difficulties make this championship course a top notch golfing challenge. Lunch at the club House

Transfer to Bordeaux Airport.





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Day 1: Welcome to Ireland

Arrive at Shannon Airport, meet with coach driver and guide and transfer to Cork.

Enjoy a **panoramic city tour of Cork**

Spend time at leisure in Cork and then check in to your hotel

Tonight a welcome dinner at your hotel

Overnight & breakfast at your hotel in Cork or area

Day 2: Fota Island or Cobh

Golfers:

Enjoy a round of golf at **Fota Island Golf Club**

Fota Island Golf Club is just a few minutes drive from Cork City's international airport and passenger ferry terminal. Located in the heart of a 780 acre estate which is included in "The Inventory of Outstanding Landscapes in Ireland". The splendid woodlands are woven into three challenging championship courses which are very much in the traditional mode, featuring strategically placed bunkers and undulating putting surfaces.

Non-golfers:

OPTIONAL: Visit Cobh Heritage Centre

A unique Irish port town, Cobh is situated on the southern shore of the Great Island in one of the world's finest natural harbours. Between 1848 and 1950, over 6 million adults and children emigrated from Ireland including over 2.5 million from Cobh, making it the single most important port of emigration in the country. The Heritage Centre is located in the old Victorian Railway station in Cobh formally known as Queenstown. The Centre hosts a multi-media exhibition of the Origins, History and Legacy of Cobh. The Queenstown Story relates Cobh's dramatic maritime history including how it was the last port of call for the ill





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-fated Titanic. The steamers and ocean liners continued carrying the Irish to new lives and new lands for many years afterwards. New permanent exhibitions opened in 2011 include the Building of the Titanic, the White Star Line Collection and Female Convict Transportation. Cobh Heritage Centre now offers a genealogy service, where the staff can assist you in tracing your Irish Ancestors.

Spend free time in Cobh.

All pax then visit **Jameson Distillery Midleton**

Whiskey has been distilled in the town of Midleton, County Cork since the early 9th Century. The Jameson Distillery Midleton was founded by the Murphy brothers in 1825. The 45 minute guided tour of the distillery commences with a short audio-visual, after which visitors are taken on a tour of the old distillery by local guides. Follow the old distillery trail through mills, maltings, stillhouse, warehouses and kilns and view the largest pot still in the world - some of these buildings date back to 1795. The tour ends in the Distillery pub, where all are invited to enjoy a glass of Irish Whiskey. During the visit a number of volunteers are selected to take part in a tasting session to compare a Jameson whiskey with a Scottish Whisky and American bourbon. Participants will receive a diploma for their achievement! It is possible for the whole group to participate in the whiskey comparison tasting. The visitor attraction has a Malt House Restaurant and a shop where guests can buy a range of whiskeys and souvenirs. Dinner at a local restaurant in Kinsale – Ireland's gourmet capital

Overnight, bed and breakfast at your hotel in Cork or area

Day 3: Ring of Kerry



This morning depart Cork and enjoy a day on the **Ring of Kerry**

The Ring of Kerry (166km) is the most famous and panoramic route in Ireland. The astonishing beauty of this large peninsula, Iveragh, comes from the great diversity of its scenery, which offers incessant contrasts. En route around the Ring, take in spectacular scenery - mountains, peat bogs, lakes and magnificent views of the Atlantic Ocean as one travels along the coast road. Leaving Killarney pass through Killorglin, famous for its Puck Fair, then to Glenbeigh where the cliff road affords panoramic views of the Dingle Peninsula and Dingle Bay. Continuing to Cahirciveen, you'll pass the birthplace of our National hero, Daniel O'Connell. Next, continue on through peat bogs to the town of Waterville. Continue to Sneem Village, famous for its brightly coloured houses. The road then continues through the mountains to Molls Gap and Ladies View with

superb views of the famous Lakes of Killarney. Molls' Gap is a spectacular photographic viewing point on the famous Ring of Kerry Tour. The visitor is presented with a magnificent view of Black Valley. Close by is the famous Ladies View viewing point with gives a different perspective of this magnificent countryside, with the 3 Lakes of Killarney all surrounded by the Kerry Mountains. Ladies View received its name from Queen Victoria, who was so impressed with the view that she insisted that her ladies-in-waiting should also visit here.

Visit **Muckross House and Gardens**

Muckross House is a magnificent Victorian mansion built in 1843 and is one of Ireland's leading stately homes. Built on the shores of Muckross Lake, it is beautifully situated amidst the spectacular scenery of Killarney National Park. The elegantly furnished rooms portray the lifestyle of the landed gentry, while downstairs in the basement area one can experience the working conditions of the servants employed in the house. The gardens of Muckross House are famed for their beauty worldwide. In particular they are noted for their collections of azaleas and rhododendrons. However the extensive water garden, the children's sunken garden and the outstanding rock garden, hewn out of natural limestone, are just some of the features to be discovered.



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Day 4: Waterville or the Skelligs

Golfers:

Enjoy a round of golf at **Waterville Golf Club**

Over 100 years old, Waterville is rated among the top 5 golf courses in Ireland and the top 20 links courses in the world. Links golf combines sand dunes, gorse and native grasses, firm fairways, sod faced bunkers and subtle putting surfaces all intertwined by the ever changing weather.

Non-golfers:

OPTIONAL: Visit the **Skellig Experience Centre**

The Skellig Experience is a heritage centre dedicated to life on the Skellig islands and was developed by Cork Kerry Tourism in 1992 to make the four treasures of the off shore Skellig Islands more easily understood by all. The Skellig Islands are found 12km off the coast of Kerry. The larger island, Skellig Michael, an UNESCO World Heritage site, was a monastic site occupied from the 6th until the 12th century. The second Island is renowned as a bird sanctuary and houses a colony of 20,000 pairs of breeding gannets, the second largest breeding colony in the world. The exhibition building is a purpose built visitor centre designed to be rugged in feeling and finishes, to reflect the experience which will be undertaken by visitors. The use of concrete vaults with grass topping is designed to echo the wild quality of the south west of Ireland and to blend in with the surrounding hills.

OPTIONAL: Enjoy a **boat tour around the Skelligs**



****This service runs April – October only. Weather permitting. Does not stop on the island.***

This evening enjoy **dinner and entertainment at the Jarvey's Rest**

You open the door and feel the heat of the welcoming fire. You hear the rousing sounds of instruments and talented musicians. You smell the freshly prepared traditional dishes. A Jarvey's Irish Night Show is one to remember! Set in an authentic pub venue with a capacity of 250 guests, there is history and folklore all around. The Irish Night Show is a genuine Irish pub experience with great food and entertainment. The evening

consists of an authentic 3 course dinner using the best ingredients from the Kerry area. Our entertainers are all local and highly skilled. The mixture of traditional tunes, rousing ballads and Irish music performed by Onora creates a magical atmosphere. Added to this is The Torc Irish Dancers, award winning dancers performing jigs, reels and heart pounding Irish dances. Overnight, bed and breakfast at your hotel in Killarney or area

Day 5: Killarney to County Clare

This morning depart Killarney and journey to County Clare. En-route journey through the **picturesque village of Adare**

Visit the **Hunt Museum**

The Hunt Museum exhibits one of Ireland's greatest private collections of art and antiquities, dating from the Neolithic to the 20th Century, including works by Renoir, Picasso and Yeats, collected by John and Gertrude Hunt during their lives. At present, The Hunt Museum develops and provides many activities, such as tours around the museum, arts and crafts classes, kids activities, camps and lectures. Many of the rooms in the museum provide great opportunities for different events, such as meetings, lectures, seminars, receptions and dining.

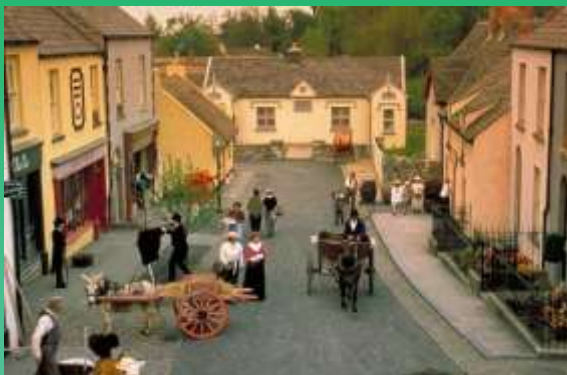




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Then visit **Bunratty Castle and Folk Park**



Bunratty Castle, was built in the 15th century by the Earl of Thomond and stands on the banks of the Rath River. For over 40 years the ladies of the Castle, aided and abetted by the Earl's Butler, have welcomed guests from all over the world to join them at The Earl's Banquet. The evening begins with a mead reception in the Great Hall of the castle, then downstairs to enjoy a four course meal with red & white wine. This is followed by entertainment by the world renowned Bunratty Castle Entertainers accompanied by harp and violin. The banquet is held twice nightly during the high season.

Overnight, dinner, bed and breakfast at your hotel in County Clare or area

Day 6: Lahinch or the Aran Islands

Golfers:

Enjoy a round of golf at **Lahinch Golf Club**

At Lahinch Golf Club, golfers visiting County Clare in the west of Ireland can test themselves on windswept dunes on a championship links course, defying water traps and other dangers on a new course created by some of the most famous course designers in the world or simply play a relaxing 18 holes on a course with tree-lined fairways. Lahinch Championship Golf Course is one of the great classic links courses in the world and it hosts the South of Ireland Amateur Championship every year. The Castle Course presents a test with cleverly positioned bunkers and water hazards that make for an unforgettable experience. Doonbeg Golf Course is a marvellous course that runs along 1.5 miles of beach and dunes. The ocean is visible from the greens and fairways of the 16th and 18th holes.



Non-golfers:

OPTIONAL: Take a ferry to Inishmor – the largest of the **Aran Islands**

OPTIONAL: Enjoy a **minibus tour around the island**

Inishmore, the largest of the Aran Islands, it is made up of 14 tiny villages. A ferry-boat is taken from Connemara. A 2,5 hour minibus tour starts the excursion, followed by a walk to Dun Aengus. Afterwards return to the village for lunch on your own. You will return in the late afternoon to Rossaveal and the mainland, which allows free time for exploring the island before departure.

OPTIONAL: Enjoy a visit to **Dun Aengus**

Perched spectacularly on a cliff overlooking the Atlantic ocean, this is the largest of the prehistoric stone forts of the Aran Islands. It is enclosed by three massive dry-stone walls and a "chevaux-de-frise" consisting of tall blocks of limestone set vertical-



ly into the ground to deter attackers. The fort is about 900m from the Visitor Centre and is approached over rising ground. There is access for visitors with disabilities to the Visitor Centre but the route to the fort is over rough terrain in parts that is not suitable for wheelchairs. The small visitor centre contains some displays on the history and geology of the area.



This evening enjoy a **medieval banquet and entertainment at Bunratty Castle** or similar. Bunratty Castle is one of the most complete and authentic medieval castles in Ireland. Built in 1425 and plundered on many occasions, it was authentically restored in 1954 to its former medieval splendour and now contains mainly 15th and 16th century



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furnishings and tapestries capturing the mood and the style of the times. The castle hosts evening medieval banquets and takes the participants back to the time that the castle entertained its visitors with fine food, wine and song. Within the grounds of Bunratty Castle is Bunratty Folk Park where 19th century life is vividly recreated. Set on 26 acres, the impressive park features over 30 buildings in a 'living' village and rural setting. Meet and chat with the Bean an Ti (Woman of the House) and various street characters including the Policeman and Schoolteacher. Enjoy the tastes, scents, sights and sounds of this enchanting place as you stroll from house to house or around the charming village complete with school, post office, doctors house, hardware shop, printers and of course the pub!

Overnight, bed and breakfast at your hotel in County Clare or area

Day 7: Farewell

Transfer to Shannon Airport for your journey home.





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Day 1: Welcome to Ireland

Arrive at Dublin / Shannon Airport, meet with coach driver and guide and transfer to Limerick.

En-route visit the **Rock of Cashel**

Possibly the most photographed site in Ireland, the Rock of Cashel towers over the town of Cashel from its perch on a 200-foot high outcrop of limestone. Once the seat of the Kings of Munster. St. Patrick visited the rock in 450 AD, while Brian Boru was crowned the first high King of Ireland here in the tenth century. Granted to the church in the twelfth century, by the O'Brien clan, today the impressive stone walls enclose a round tower, a cathedral, a twelfth century Romanesque chapel and high crosses. The Vicars Choral has been recently restored and its basement houses a small museum of artefacts found on the site. One of the leading visitor attractions in Ireland, in 2011 it was visited by Queen Elizabeth II on her historic first visit to the Republic of Ireland. Continue to Limerick and spend the balance of your day at leisure

Tonight a welcome dinner at your hotel . Overnight and breakfast at your hotel in Limerick or area

Day 2: Golf at Lahinch or Cliffs of Moher

This morning transfer to Co. Clare

Golfers:

Enjoy a round of golf at **Lahinch Golf Club**

At Lahinch Golf Club, golfers visiting County Clare in the west of Ireland can test themselves on windswept dunes on a championship links course, defying water traps and other dangers on a new course created by some of the most famous course designers in the world or simply play a relaxing 18 holes on a course with tree-lined fairways. Lahinch Championship Golf Course is one of the great classic links courses in the world and it hosts the South of Ireland Amateur Championship every year. The Castle Course presents a test with cleverly positioned bunkers and water hazards that make for an unforgettable experience. Doonbeg Golf Course is a mar-





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vellous course that runs along 1.5 miles of beach and dunes. The ocean is visible from the greens and fairways of the 16th and 18th holes.

Non-golfers:

OPTIONAL: Visit **Cliffs of Moher**



Situated on the Atlantic Ocean and bordering the Burren region, the Cliffs of Moher are one of Ireland's most spectacular sights. Standing 230 metres above the ground at their highest point and 8km long, the Cliffs boast one of the most amazing views in Ireland. On a clear day, the Aran Islands are visible in Galway Bay as well as the valleys and hills of Connemara. The cliffs reach their highest point just north of O' Brien's Tower built by Cornelius O' Brien, a descendant of Brian Boru, to entertain his lady friends. A visit of the tower is also possible. The sweeping view across the Atlantic has recently been ranked the best 'cliff-view' on the planet by Conde Nast Traveler. The respected travel publication has voted the world-famous landmark at the top of a new chart of 'Nine

Gorgeous Cliff Views That Rival The Grand Canyon'. Atlantic Edge is the exciting new interpretive centre at the Cliffs of Moher and is built into the natural landscape. The centre is a huge domed cave that contains images, exhibits, displays & experiences exploring different elements of the mighty Cliffs of Moher: Ocean, Rock, Nature and Man. The visitor centre has a restaurant, shop facilities and ample coach and car parking. A spectacular upgraded 13 km of scenic coastal pathway along the Cliffs of Moher links Doolin to Hags Head.

Spend free time in Dingle and explore the **Burren Region**

The Burren landscape covers over 150 square kilometres and is one of Ireland's 6 National Parks. The region is visually similar to a moonscape, yet shelters a mixture of flora and archaeological sites which have attracted visitors for centuries. Man came here over 6000 years ago, cleared the forests and set in motion soil erosion. Centuries of weathering has produced a terrain of fissured limestone pavements, disappearing lakes, terraced mountains, and underground cave systems. For millennia man has left his mark, megalithic tombs and cooking sites litter the pavements, while medieval towerhouses and churches guard the valleys. Today man is absent from most of the upland, leaving behind ancient field systems, routeways and placenames. Today's visitors to the Burren will find Arctic, Alpine and Mediterranean plants growing together.

Return to Limerick and spend the balance of your evening at leisure with dinner under own arrangements

Overnight, bed and breakfast at your hotel in Limerick or area

Day 3: Ballybunion or Dingle

Today you will depart for Kerry via Shannon Car Ferry across the Shannon Estuary

Golfers:

Enjoy a round of Golf at **Ballybunion Golf Club**

Ballybunion Golf Club, in County Kerry, is a private members golf club founded in 1893. Home to two unique and challenging links courses – The Old Course and The Cashen Course, visitors from around the world have been visiting the club for many decades. Located by the Atlantic Ocean, Ballybunion Golf Club has two traditional links golf courses. They are both unique in character, testing all aspects of shot making. The Old Course was established in 1893, while the Cashen Course was established in 1984. The Old Course requires shot-making, placement and trajectory control. The Cashen Course requires acute precision especially off the tee as fairways frequently disappear around corners. The careless can easily run out of fairway and find their golf ball buried in marram. It's a wonderful challenge from start to finish.



Non-golfers:

Today you will enjoy a full day touring the **Dingle Peninsula**

Some of the finest coastal scenery to be seen in Ireland can be found in West Kerry, on the Dingle Peninsula, the most northern of the Kerry Peninsulas. This peninsula is famous for its Celtic, pre-Christian monuments and Christian churches. It is also a 'Gaeltacht' (Irish speaking) area, where the Irish language and traditional ways of life are preserved. Dingle town itself is a thriving fishing town and offers plenty of opportunity for shopping or simply savouring the atmosphere of a typical country Irish town with



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its plentiful pubs, narrow streets and busy harbour.

OPTIONAL: Enjoy a **Dingle Bay Cruise**

Relish the delights of a short boat cruise of Dingle Bay with an enlightening commentary on local history and look out for Fungie the local celebrity dolphin. The Harbour Cruise is guided tour, takes about 1 hour and is operated with 70 passenger covered boats. As you cruise around the harbour and into the bay learn about the local maritime history, the era of the landlords, the Great Famine and Dingle's historical connections to Spain and France. Continue to Inch Beach for free time.

Overnight, dinner, bed and breakfast at your hotel in Killarney/Tralee or area



Day 4: Killarney Golf Club & Ring of Kerry

Golfers:



Enjoy a round of golf at **Killarney Golf Club for a round of Golf**

Killarney Golf & Fishing Club was established in 1893 and is one of the oldest clubs in the country. Nestled amidst the serene splendour of the famous Lakes of Killarney and in the shadow of the majestic Macgillycuddy's Reeks, the club's Championship courses are set in a 25,000 acre National Park. At 7,252 yards from the Championship tees, the Killeen course is amongst the most challenging in the country. The beauty of the natural setting is matched by the treachery of the layout with water in play in virtually every hole. In addition to the 1991 and 1992 Irish Opens, Killeen played host to the Curtis Cup in 1996, and welcomed the European Tour back again in 2010 and 2011 for the Irish Open. At 6,800 yards, Mahony's Point offers golfers a more relaxing round from a scoring perspective, though with strategically placed water hazards and bunkers, combined with vast undulating greens, the course still possesses plenty of potential trouble for even the most skilled golfer.

Non-golfers:

Today **explore the Ring of Kerry**

The Ring of Kerry (166km) is the most famous and panoramic route in Ireland. The astonishing beauty of this large peninsula, Iveragh, comes from the great diversity of its scenery, which offers incessant contrasts. En route around the Ring, take in spectacular scenery - mountains, peat bogs, lakes and magnificent views of the Atlantic Ocean as one travels along the coast road. Leaving Killarney pass through Killorglin, famous for its Puck Fair, then to Glenbeigh where the cliff road affords panoramic views of the Dingle Peninsula and Dingle Bay. Continuing to Cahirciveen, you'll pass the birthplace of our National hero, Daniel O'Connell. Next, continue on through peat bogs to the town of Waterville. Continue to Sneem Village, famous for its brightly coloured houses. The road then continues through the mountains to Molls Gap and Ladies View with superb views of the famous Lakes of Killarney. Molls' Gap is a spectacular photographic viewing point on the famous Ring of Kerry Tour. The visitor is presented with a magnificent view of Black Valley. Close by is the famous Ladies View viewing point which gives a different perspective of this magnificent countryside, with the 3 Lakes of Killarney all surrounded by the Kerry Mountains. Ladies View received its name from Queen Victoria, who was so impressed with the view that she insisted that her ladies-in-waiting should also visit here.

OPTIONAL: Return to Killarney and enjoy a **jaunting car ride in Killarney National Park**

Killarney National Park became Ireland's first National Park in 1932 when the Muckross Estate was presented to the Nation by Senator Arthur Vincent the owner of Muckross house. Situated in South-west Ireland, close to the most westerly point in Europe, the National Park covers over 10,000 hectares of mountain, moorland, woodland, waterways, parks and gardens. A major geological boundary occurs within the Park, and this, in combination with the climatic influence of the Gulf Stream and the wide range of altitudes in the Park, gives rise to an unusual and varied ecology.





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Step aboard a jaunting car and discover areas of the National Park that you might not otherwise visit. Relax aboard a jaunting car as your Jarvey (driver) takes you through the magnificent scenery of Killarney National Park. Overnight, bed and breakfast at your hotel in Killarney/Tralee or area

Day 5: Kerry to Dublin

This morning depart Kerry for Dublin

First visit **Blarney Castle**

Attracting visitors from all over the world, Blarney Castle is situated in Blarney 8 km from Cork City. An ancient stronghold of the McCarthy's, Lords of Muskerry, it is one of Ireland's oldest and most historic castles, and indeed one of the strongest fortresses in Munster. Built in 1446, Blarney Castle is famous for its *Blarney* stone - The Stone of Eloquence, which is traditionally believed, to have the power to bestow the gift of eloquence on all those who kiss it. Many legends tell the story of the Stone, but why not kiss it and find out the truth behind the legend.

Spend some brief time at leisure at **Blarney Woollen Mills**

The presence of the Woollen Mills during the famine shielded Blarney from the worst effects of the famine, due to its employment of local workers. The success story at the mills continued until a disastrous fire in 1869. By August 1871, the mill was once again operational with a labour force of 222. In 1976 Chris Kelleher, himself a mill worker, bought the old mill property. Within a short period of time Chris and his family transformed the mill into what is perhaps the largest quality craft shop in Ireland.

Arrive in Dublin this afternoon and spend the balance of your day at leisure for personal sightseeing or shopping.

Overnight, bed and breakfast at your hotel in Dublin or area



Day 6: Portmarnock Golf Club & Dublin

Golfers:



Enjoy a round of Golf at **Portmarnock Golf Club**

The Portmarnock Hotel and Golf Links is set in splendid surroundings overlooking the beach. The house was originally owned by the Jameson family, famous for their Irish whiskey. Their home has been tastefully converted to an international hotel with the grounds now hosting a magnificent 18 hole Bernhard Langer-designed golf links. Portmarnock is ranked amongst the top golf courses in the world, with a rich history closely aligned to the progression of golf in Ireland. The Club features two courses: Championship Course (18 holes) and Yellow Course (9 holes). The practice facilities at Portmarnock Golf Club are set to a championship standard. The facilities include a driving range and short game area. There is also a putting and chipping green adjacent to the clubhouse.

Non-golfers:

OPTIONAL: Enjoy a **panoramic tour of Dublin**

Enjoy a panoramic tour of Dublin City. Here you will discover the north and south side of the River Liffey. This area offers great striking monuments such as the GPO (General Post Office) on the city main thoroughfare, O'Connell Street, or the Custom House along the quays, as well as the Phoenix Park, the largest public park in Europe. The south side appears more sophisticated with its vast Georgian squares, such as Merrion Square, where Oscar Wilde's House can still be found (today owned by an American College), its colourful doors, along with Grafton Street and its quality shops. Not so far from St. Stephen's Green, in Kildare St., you will see the house of Bram Stoker, the author of Dracula. This part of the city is also dominated by the students of Trinity College, where the famous book of Kells is permanently exhibited in its library. The university is facing the medieval district where Dublin Castle and the two Anglican Cathedrals can be found.





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OPTIONAL: Visit the Guinness Storehouse

The Guinness Brewery in Dublin is Europe's largest stout producing brewery and home to the Guinness Storehouse. Opened in 1904, the Storehouse was an operational plant for fermenting and storing Guinness. Today it houses a very fine exhibition dedicated to the Guinness story. Visitors will discover what goes into the making a pint of Guinness - the ingredients, the brewing process, the time, the craft and the passion. The exhibition shows how the brew has been marketed and how it is today sold in over 150 countries. Once the tour has finished, the guest is invited to the Gravity Bar to enjoy their pint of Guinness. Regular demonstrations on the art of pulling a pint of Guinness also take place in the Storehouse. Launched on the fifth floor in 2011, "Five" at Guinness Storehouse, includes a small replica authentic Irish Bar, an 18th Century inspired Brewers Dining Hall, and a restaurant named Gilroy's where guests enjoy a Guinness gastronomic experience driven entirely by the Irish tradition of wholesome local produce. Menus include local foods such as Ardsallagh goat's cheese, Irish mussels from Carlingford and the Waterford Blaas bread supplied by MD Bakery in Waterford. This area will host from time to time live cooking demonstrations using Guinness in the recipe and it includes an interactive recipe sharing bank that allows visitors to take Guinness recipe cards home.



This evening enjoy **dinner and entertainment at the Merry Ploughboy Pub** or similar



The Merry Ploughboys live in concert is widely regarded as the best traditional music show in Dublin and also as a must see for any visitors to Dublin city. The show is a highly entertaining performance of live traditional Irish music, song and Irish dancing. From start to finish, this is a show based on fantastic interaction between the performers and the audience.

Day 7: Farewell

After your final breakfast, transfer to Dublin Airport for departure flight.





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Beer & Golf

Day 1: Welcome to Ireland

Arrive at Dublin Airport, meet with coach driver and guide and transfer to Dublin City Centre.

On arrival enjoy a **panoramic city tour**

Enjoy a panoramic tour of Dublin City. Here you will discover the north and south side of the River Liffey. This area offers great striking monuments such as the GPO (General Post Office) on the city main thoroughfare, O'Connell Street, or the Custom House along the quays, as well as the Phoenix Park, the largest public park in Europe. The south side appears more sophisticated with its vast Georgian squares, such as Merrion Square, where Oscar Wilde's House can still be found (today owned by an American College), its colourful doors, along with Grafton Street and its quality shops. Not so far from St. Stephen's Green, in Kildare St., you will see the house of Bram Stoker, the author of Dracula. This part of the city is also dominated by the students of Trinity College, where the famous book of Kells is permanently exhibited in its library. The university is facing the medieval district where Dublin Castle and the two Anglican Cathedrals can be found.

Visit the **Guinness Storehouse**

The Guinness Brewery in Dublin is Europe's largest stout producing brewery and home to the Guinness Storehouse. Opened in 1904, the Storehouse was an operational plant for fermenting and storing Guinness. Today it houses a very fine exhibition dedicated to the Guinness story. Visitors will discover what goes into the making a pint of Guinness - the ingredients, the brewing process,



the time, the craft and the passion. The exhibition shows how the brew has been marketed and how it is today sold in over 150 countries. Once the tour has finished, the guest is invited to the Gravity Bar to enjoy their pint of Guinness. Regular demonstrations on the art of pulling a pint of Guinness also take place in the Storehouse. Launched on the fifth floor in 2011, "Five" at Guinness Storehouse, includes a small replica authentic Irish Bar, an 18th Century inspired Brewers Dining Hall, and a restaurant named Gilroy's where guests enjoy a Guinness gastronomic experience driven entirely by the Irish tradition of wholesome local produce. Menus include local foods such as Ardsallagh goat's cheese, Irish mussels from Carlingford and the Waterford Blaas bread supplied by MD Bakery in Waterford. This area will host from time to time live cooking demonstrations using Guinness in the recipe and it includes an interactive recipe sharing bank that allows visitors to take Guinness recipe cards home.

Check in to your hotel. Tonight a welcome dinner at your hotel. Overnight and breakfast at your hotel in Dublin or area



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Day 2: Portmarnock or Malahide

This morning transfer to the North Coast of Dublin

Golfers:

Enjoy a round of Golf at **Portmarnock Golf Club**

The Portmarnock Hotel and Golf Links is set in splendid surroundings overlooking the beach. The house was originally owned by the Jameson family, famous for their Irish whiskey. Their home has been tastefully converted to an international hotel with the grounds now hosting a magnificent 18 hole Bernhard Langer-designed golf links. Portmarnock is ranked amongst the top golf courses in the world, with a rich history closely aligned to the progression of golf in Ireland. The Club features two courses: Championship Course (18 holes) and Yellow Course (9 holes). The practice facilities at Portmarnock Golf Club are set to a championship standard. The facilities include a driving range and short game area. There is also a putting and chipping green adjacent to the clubhouse.



Non-golfers:



OPTIONAL: Spend time in the seaside town of Malahide and visit **Malahide Castle**

Malahide Castle is one of Ireland's oldest and most historic castles. The 100-hectare estate was founded in the 12th century by the Anglo-Norman Talbot family and was occupied by this family until 1976. The castle contains much of its original 16th Century furnishings, a minstrel's gallery and a unique collection of Irish historical portraits. The guided tour of the castle is recommended. Audio Guides are available to take guests through the castle and recount many of the interesting tales associated with it.

Lunch in Malahide at a local café / restaurant

OPTIONAL: Visit **Butlers Chocolate Experience**

Butlers Chocolate Experience is located at the Butlers Chocolate factory in north Dublin, close to the junction of the M1 and M50 motorways. There are three elements to the interactive tour, which lasts 90 minutes in total. There is a 15 minute introductory video, followed by a guided tour of the factory area from a glass viewing area, which takes visitors to nine key viewing / talking points. Each viewing point is supplemented by a video. In the Experience Room, visitors enter a mini-factory area, where they put on factory hats and coats and get to see up close demonstrations of some key elements of chocolate production. There are work stations set up where guests get an opportunity to be a chocolatier and decorate their own novelty to bring home. At all stages of the tour, there is lots of chocolate sampling! If guests do not wish to take the full Experience, it is possible to do the guided tour and hot beverage option, or the guided tour only. The Butlers Chocolate Cafe on-site allows guests the possibility to enjoy a hot beverage and sandwich or pastry.

This evening enjoy **dinner and entertainment at the Merry Ploughboy** Pub or similar

The Merry Ploughboys live in concert is widely regarded as the best traditional music show in Dublin and also as a must see for any visitors to Dublin city. The show is a highly entertaining performance of live traditional Irish music, song and Irish dancing. From start to finish, this is a show based on fantastic interaction between the performers and the audience.

Overnight, bed and breakfast at your hotel in Dublin or area

Day 3: Dublin to the North Antrim Coast

This morning depart Dublin and journey to the North Antrim Coast.

En-route visit **Monasterboice**

In the 5th century, St. Buite founded a monastic community near Drogheda in County Louth and today, it is home to an impressive collection of ruins. On the site, visitors can discover an old graveyard, two churches and a sundial. Monasterboice is most famous for its spectacular high crosses, especially the cross of Muineadach an outstanding example of high crosses of the early Christian period, noted as being the tallest in Ireland. The crosses stand in the shadow of a magnificent round tower, about 300 metres high. Monasterboice was a thriving centre of religion and learning until 1142, when the Cistercians arrived at the nearby Mellifont Abbey.





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Continue and visit the **Giant's Causeway**

Encounter Northern Ireland's favourite giant Finn McCool at the new Giants Causeway Visitor centre on the North Antrim coast which opened in the summer of 2012. According to legend Finn McCool created the Giants Causeway by building stepping stones to Scotland to challenge the Scottish giant Benandonner! The new Visitor centre explores the major themes of mythology, geology, landscape, ecology, culture and social history based on the UNESCO World Heritage site that consists of 40,000 basalt polygonal columns formed 60 million years ago after a volcanic eruption. There are various interactive exhibits and short video presentations within five designated interpretive exhibition areas and the self-guided visit will culminate with a spectacular two minutes audio-visual projection of a volcanic eruption flowing over the walls and onto the floor. Other services and facilities include a large craft and souvenir shop, Tourist Information and restaurant. To enhance the wider visitor experience around the site, a hand held audio guide is available in a range of languages which will bring the wider World Heritage Site to life and inform visitors of unique features to look out for across this amazing landscape. Guided tours of the site are also available. The walks and trails around the World Heritage Site have been upgraded, with the addition of a new accessible cliff top walk for families and people with disabilities. In 2015, Conde Nast Traveler magazine included hopping the stones of the Giant's Causeway as one of the '50 things to do in Europe before you die'.

Overnight, dinner, bed and breakfast at your hotel on the North Antrim Coast or area



Day 4: Castle Rock or Derry

Golfers opt 1:



Enjoy a round of Golf at **Castle Rock Golf Club**

Castlerock Golf Club, is a classic links course set amid towering dunes. Situated on the Causeway coast and only a 20 minute drive from both Royal Portrush Golf Club and Portstewart Golf Club, Castlerock is a more than worthy neighbour to both of these great Irish links.

Golfers opt 2:

Enjoy a round of golf at **Ballycastle Golf Club**

The course is a unique golfing challenge in that it covers both parkland and links holes. The first five holes are parkland in nature, flanked by the Rivers Margy and Carey with various trees and natural hills as the main landscape. The 12th century Bon-a-Margy abbey ruins provides an historical out of bounds. From hole six onwards you are presented with some outstanding links golf holes running alongside the strand and between gorse and sand dunes encompassing impressive views of the famous North Antrim Coastline, Scotland and the hills of Donegal.



Non-golfers:

Enjoy a **walking tour of Derry City Walls**

Discover the only remaining completely walled city in Ireland. These famous walls which date back to the early part of the seventeenth century have been a place of several sieges. There are fine views from the top of the walls, which encircle the old city, a circuit of one mile. By walking on Derry's Walls, you have splendid views of cathedrals and churches, you will learn about the historical events that shaped the city and explore attractions such as The Bogside, The People's Gallery: The Murals, The Diamond, the Tower Museum and the Guildhall. Enjoy free time in Derry.

Overnight, bed and breakfast at your hotel on the North Antrim Coast or area

Day 5: North Antrim Coast to County Down

This morning depart the North Antrim Coast and journey to County Down.

En-route enjoy a **panoramic tour of Belfast**



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A guided city tour is an excellent way to discover Belfast City. The tour will take in the leaning Albert Memorial Clock tower (Ireland's answer to the Tower of Pisa) and the Opera House, which is one of Belfast's great landmarks. Your tour will pass by the City Hall, the Opera house, The Crown Bar (dates from 1885), Queens University and the Botanic Gardens. Some tours will take in a visit to the Harland and Wolfe Shipyard, where the Titanic was built and launched in 1912. A visit to the Shankill and Falls road will be of interest as it will give the visitor an indication of how life was in Belfast during the troubles.

Visit **Titanic Belfast**



Located in the heart of Belfast, the Titanic Belfast recreates the story of the world's most famous ship in an iconic, six floor building right beside the historic site of the original ship's construction. Opened in April 2012 to coincide with the centenary of its launch, the self-guided journey begins on entering the building's giant atrium, where the visitor is surrounded by the four 'ship's hull' shaped wings which house the Titanic Experience. As you journey through the nine large galleries of the interactive exhibition, you will uncover the true story of the Titanic, from her conception in Belfast in the early 1900's, through her construction and launch, to her famous maiden voyage and subsequent place in history. Continue to County Down.

Overnight, bed and breakfast at your hotel in County Down or area

Day 6: Royal County Down or Breadmaking

Golfers:

Enjoy a round of golf at **Royal County Down Golf Club**

Royal County Down is located in one of the world's most naturally beautiful links settings in the Mourne National Park. Against the magnificent backdrop of the Mountains of Mourne, the links stretches along the shores of Dundrum Bay, zigzagging back and forth to provide a different vista from virtually every hole. The narrowest ribbons of fairways thread their way through as impressive a set of sand dunes as could be imagined. The fairways are surrounded by purple heather and golden gorse, so beautiful to look at but so punishing for any who may stray from the prescribed path. The 'bearded' bunkers are world famous and feature overhanging lips of marram, red fescue and heather. The greens are fast and many are domed, rejecting any shot lacking conviction. This is a true test of any player's command of the traditional bump and run, the preferred way to play any links. The ninth hole is one of the most photographed holes in world golf.



Non-golfers:

Enjoy a **hands on breadmaking session in a local home** in County Down

Upon arrival you will be offered a warm Irish welcome and a cup of coffee or tea and some homemade sweet treats. The session starts with a traditional Irish Fruit Soda Cake. This is a sweet treat and delicious with lots of homemade Irish butter. While the Fruit Soda Cake is baking in the stove oven, you will make some potato bread or fadge as it's known in these parts and Soda Bread. You will take home a bag filled with your handmade products and all of the recipes that we made here in a traditional Northern Irish house.

After today's activities depart County Down and journey to Dublin.

Overnight, dinner, bed and breakfast at your hotel in Dublin or area

Day 7: Farewell

Transfer to Dublin Airport for your journey home.





Special program

Golf Cruise on the Seine River



This week-long cruise aboard the AMADEUS Diamond, which starts and ends in Paris, combines what is probably the most romantic city in the world with a fascinating journey into the past of the Impressionist masters. Follow the footsteps of van Gogh, Cezanne and Gauguin on this tour along the winding Seine River into Normandy (without doubt one of the most beautiful regions of France), up to Le Havre on the rugged Atlantic coast. Normandy is also an important part of European history due to events that took place there during the Second World War. Visits to idyllic Normandy villages, the “museum town” of Rouen and the picturesque harbour town of Honfleur are only some of the wonders to be explored on this cruise program.





Special program

Golf Cruise on the Seine river

DAY 1 PARIS

Embark in the afternoon and get settled in your cabin. This evening, enjoy a Welcome Cocktail, followed by a specially prepared Welcome Dinner. Afterwards, you will be briefed on all onshore excursions, golf clubs and starting times, while the ship will have left Paris and cruise to the next port of call: Conflans

DAY2

Arrive in Conflans, at the confluence of the Oise and the Seine. In the morning, you are transferred to the famous Le Golf National club, which is situated southwest of Paris in Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines, near the Palace of Versailles. Le Golf National features the Albatros golf course, which is considered one of the best in Europe and has seen further improvements since it was chosen as the host venue for the Ryder Cup 2018. Enjoy dinner on board in the evening.

Le Golf National

The Golf National complex, founded in 1985, is situated southwest of Paris in Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines, near the Palace of Versailles. Designed by architects Hubert Chesneau and Robert von Hagge as a permanent home

for the Open de France, Le Golf National features the championship Albatros course, which is considered one of the best in Europe. Extensive renovations have taken place on the Albatros course since it was chosen as the host venue for the Ryder Cup 2018. Players can expect a course that offers plenty of risk/reward situations, with undulating fairways and links-style bunkers, and can look forward to the challenging water hazards that surround the final four holes. The Albatros course masterfully combines a traditional links feel with the modern features of target golf. Golf National's second 18-hole course, the Aigle, offers a more relaxed experience – a perfect warm-up course for the more challenging Albatros course. Oiselet, the 9-hole third course of Golf National, is ideal for practice sessions.

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DAY 3

This morning, we reach Rouen, often called the “Ville Musée” (Museum Town) because of the many art, history, and antiquities museums scattered across the city. The town is also known for the cathedral that inspired Claude Monet, the modern Church of Joan of Arc, with its magnificent 16th century stained-glass windows, the “Gros Horloge” (astronomical clock), and the Parliament of Normandy. Get to know this fascinating town in Normandy better on a guided walking tour in the morning. Thereafter, you will be transferred to the Golf Hôtel de Saint

Saëns, which is picturesquely situated bordering the Eawy Forest – the largest beechwood forest in France.

Golf Hôtel de Saint-Saëns

The Golf Hôtel de Saint-Saëns is situated between Rouen and Dieppe, bordering the Eawy Forest – the largest beechwood forest in France. Designed by architect Denis Robinson, the first five holes of the golf course opened in 1988. The course opened fully in 1989 and has hosted various European championships. The 71-



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par woodland golf course stretches over 6009 meters and is considered one of the most picturesque courses in Normandy, providing not only a charming setting but also a challenging course with plenty of variety for players, as it is composed of three distinct sections, each of which presents its own unique challenges. From hole 1 to hole 5, the Varenne River flows along the greens and fairways. The next section, up to hole ten, is characterized by a lovely beech and oak forest. Finally, on the other side of the forest, the course opens onto a plateau, with spectacular views of the Normandy countryside and the club house, which is housed in the charming 19th century manor, “Le Vaudichon”.

DAY 4



Although the harbor of Le Havre was largely destroyed in World War II, it was rebuilt and continues to be an important port city in Normandy. In the morning, you are transferred to the breathtaking Golf d’Étretat Golf Club. Set above the cliffs of Étretat with a spectacular view of the English Channel, the magnificent, wave-cut arches of the famous cliffs and the charming village below, the Étretat Golf Club is over 100 years old and is considered one of the three best French seaside golf courses. After visiting this famous golf club, join the walking tour along the cliff paths of Étretat, where the iconic,

steep chalk cliffs and impressive needle-like formations of the Normandy coastline have inspired many well-known artists.

Étretat Golf Club

Set above the cliffs of Étrete with a spectacular view of the English Channel, the magnificent, wave-cut arches of the famous cliffs and the charming village below, the Étretat Golf Club is considered one of the three best French seaside golf courses. The club, which is over 100 years old, was founded in 1908 by Englishmen. The first president was Bernard Forbes, 8th Earl of Granard. Honorary members included the likes of Lord Denman, future vice-governor of Australia and Lord Wodehouse, Baron of Kimberley. The original 13-hole course was designed by Julien Chantepie and Arnaud Massy (the only Frenchman to have won the Open). The club closed during WWII, but reopened in 1949, after the landmines had been cleared out. Didier Fruchet revised the layout in the 1990s and today the resort extends over 6,000 meters. The 18-hole course will test every facet of players’ games, particularly with the exciting sequence of holes at the back nine, between the 10th and the 14th, where the fairways run along the cliff edge.



DAY 5

In the morning, you are transferred to the renowned Barrière de Deauville Golf Club club. In the evening, celebrate your success at the Champions-Cocktail and the Award Ceremony with the captain.



Special program

Golf Cruise on the Seine River

Barrière de Deauville Golf Club



Situated on the heights of Mont Canisy, just outside Deauville, the Barrière de Deauville Golf Club opened in 1929 and is considered one of the most beautiful golf courses in France. Its three 9-hole courses, with a mix of tree-lined and open

parkland holes, stretching across rolling terrain, were designed by architects Tom Simpson and Henry Cotton. This is a genuine championship course which has hosted the French Open, the Ebel Match Play and the Air France Madame, as well as players such as Gary Player, Tony Jacklin and Peter Fowler. It offers stunning views of the sea and the surrounding Normandy countryside, while presenting technical challenges that will test even experienced players, particularly on Cotton's Bleu course, with par 36, which is characterized by its green speed and many bunkers. Simpson's 9-hole Rouge course fits well with the 9-hole Blanc course, as well as the additional Bleu course. From the Blanc course, usually played as the back-nine of the 18, golfers can enjoy stunning views over Deauville.

DAY 6

Today, your vessel anchors in the little town of Les Andelys in the shadow of Château Gaillard, once home to Richard Lionheart. This is the starting point for the optional excursion to Richard Lionheart's Château and the nearby village of Giverny, which was home to the famous Impressionist Claude Monet until his death in 1926. The beautiful surroundings and vivid flora in-works. Return to the ship in mandy experience which inspired many of his most famous Vernon for lunch. Round out your Normandy experience with an optional visit to the spectacular Palace of Versailles. Originally a small hunting lodge, the palace was extended to its current size by the "Sun King" Louis XIV and is now one of Europe's largest palaces. In the evening, the captain invites you to his Gala Dinner - a wonderful finish to a fantastic day.



DAY 7

In the early hours of the morning we will say "Bienvenue" to the French capital once again. The day is yours to explore this romantic city. An optional city tour takes you to the Cathedral of Notre-Dame, the Eiffel Tower, and the bustling Champs-Élysées in the morning. In the afternoon, another optional tour allows you to explore the quirky artists' district of Montmartre and the Sacré-Coeur, located on the highest hill in northern Paris. Since this is your last evening, why not join the optional boat ride, "Paris by Bight: Illumination Cruise on the Seine," to see the "City of Lights" in all its glory. Whatever you choose to do, we are sure you will fall in love with this iconic city.



DAY 8

After breakfast, your Amadeus Diamond crew bids you "adieu". We hope to see you again soon!



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