

LA DOLCE VITA



NOVEMBER 10 - 17, 2018*

8 DAYS / 6 NIGHTS

**Travel dates to be confirmed upon flight booking*



DAY 1: DEPART – (Saturday)

- Fly overnight to **Rome**.

DAY 2: ROME – (Sunday)

- *Benvenuti in Italia!* Your **Italian Forum Tour Manager** will greet you at the airport and will remain with your group for the length of your stay.
- Transfer to your hotel for check-in.
- While in Rome travel as the locals do, by foot and metro!
- This afternoon, wander through some of the main streets and squares of Rome with your tour director, taking in the **Fontana di Trevi** and the Piazza di Spagna with the famous Spanish Steps. Follow superstition and throw a coin into the fountain to ensure that one day you will return to Rome.
- Enjoy dinner with your group in a local restaurant.
- After dinner enjoy a **2h night bus tour of Rome**. Discover the ancient city on its night light splendor.
- Night accommodation in Rome.



DAY 3: ROME – (Monday)

- After breakfast, meet your **local guide** and visit St. Peter's Square. Enter the grand **St. Peter's Basilica**. Keep an eye out in and around the square for Swiss guards in Renaissance-style uniforms.
- Later, visit the **Vatican Museum**, including the Stanza di Raffaello (Raphael Rooms) & Tapestry Gallery. End your visit with the **Sistine Chapel** and its vaulted ceiling painted by Michelangelo.
- After some free time for lunch, meet your **local guide** and head to the **Colosseum** – a masterpiece of classical architecture where fights between men and beasts, gladiatorial contests, races and mock naval battles took place. An ingenious system of ramps and trap doors provided access to the arena.
- Next, visit the remains of the **Foro Romano** (Roman Forum), the focal point of the Roman world and one of the greatest archeological sites in the world today.
- Tonight, enjoy an entertaining dinner show at **Tanagra Caffe Concerto**.
- Overnight accommodation in Rome.



DAY 4: ROME | ASSISI | FLORENCE – (Tuesday)

- This morning, board your motor coach and depart for Assisi.
- In route, stop for lunch at a **farmhouse**.
- Once in Assisi, visit the **Basilica di San Francesco** with its imposing frescoes from the 13th and 14th Century.
- Walk to **Santa Chiara** to admire the Byzantine Crucifix that spoke to St-Francis.





- If time permits, discover more of the town of Assisi with your group.
- Continue on to Florence for dinner at your hotel and night accommodation.

DAY 5: FLORENCE – (Wednesday)

- After breakfast, meet your local guide for a visit of the **Galleria Degli Uffizi**, one of the finest art museums in the world.
- Walk to Ponte Vecchio and browse the jewellery shops along this famous bridge.
- After lunch, see Florence's famous Cathedral: **Il Duomo** and Ghiberti's famous bronze doors of the Baptistery. **Climb** to the top and admire the impressive views of the city.
- Next, enter the **Galleria Dell'Accademia**, containing Michelangelo's monumental figure of David.
- Visit the **Loggia del Mercato Nuovo**, famous for leather goods.
- Enjoy dinner with your group in a local restaurant.
- Overnight accommodation in Florence.



DAY 6: VENICE – (Thursday)

- After an early breakfast, transfer to the train station and board the train to **Venice**.
- Upon arrival in Venice, check-in to your hotel and have some time to freshen up.
- Next, enjoy a **guided tour of the historical center of Venice**. See the Piazza San Marco, Ponte die Zoospore and Ponte di Rialto and visit the magnificent St. Mark's Basilica. Enjoy a guided visit of the **Palazzo Ducale**.
- Dinner and night accommodation in Venice.



DAY 7: VENICE – (Friday)

- After breakfast, board a **Vaporetto** and cruise to the island of Murano to watch a **Glass Blowing Demonstration** by Venecian artisans.
- This afternoon, visit **Ca' Macana**, one of the oldest mask making studios in Venice. Enjoy a guided tour of the workshop then make your own carnival masks!
- At the end of the day, enjoy a **gondola ride** (6 passengers per gondola).
- Enjoy a farewell dinner in typical Italian fashion!

DAY 8: RETURN TO THE USA – (Saturday)

- Transfer to the airport for your flight back to the USA.



This is your tailor-made travel experience – you will not be combined with another group!

PRICE PER PERSON

40 + participants	\$3,380
35 to 39 participants	\$3,460
30 to 34 participants	\$3,530
25 to 29 participants	\$3,640
20 to 24 participants	\$3,660
15 to 19 participants	\$3,880
10 to 14 participants	\$4,160

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

April 27 th , 2018	\$500
June 1 st , 2018	\$1100
August 1 st , 2018	\$1100
September 1 st , 2018	Balance

PRICE INCLUDES:

- ✓ Round-trip airfare* from Detroit to Rome and from Venice to Detroit
- ✓ Departure taxes and airline fuel surcharges of \$540 per traveler
- ✓ Ground transportation while in Europe
- ✓ 6 nights multiple occupancy (3/4 students per room with private bath) in quality three-star hotels
- ✓ 6 Breakfasts / 1 Lunch / 6 Dinners (includes one beverage and a vegetarian option)
- ✓ All cultural and aforementioned visits, activities, tours, and admissions as per itinerary
- ✓ Service of a dynamic professional bilingual Forum Tour Manager with the group on tour
- ✓ Service of a night hall monitor 4h a night

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- ✓ Meals not indicated in your itinerary
- ✓ Tips are at your discretion – these are standard guidelines:
 - Forum Tour Manager: 4 Euros per day, per traveler
 - Bus Drivers: 1 Euro per day, per traveler
- ✓ Rooming and Adult Supplements:
 - Twin Room Guarantee Supplement \$40 pp/night or Single Room Guarantee Supplement \$80 pp/night
 - Adult Activity Supplement \$10 pp/day

NOTES

- *Airlines have the legal right to increase fuel surcharges to flight tickets after bookings have been made. In the event of an increase in airline taxes and/or fuel surcharges, Forum reserves the right to update prices accordingly.
- **Forum Language Experience** has purchased the **Student Protection Plan** from Travel Insured International on behalf of all participants. **Cancel For Any Reason** is an available **option** that must be purchased at the time of trip deposit. ***CFAR is not available to residents of NY***
- Forum has quoted this package at an exchange rate of 1 Euro = 1.25 USD. In the event of a significant change in the exchange rate, Forum reserves the right to update prices accordingly.

Date of quote: February 14, 2018 | Prices are valid until: First payment deadline | Your Forum Tour Consultant: **Sharmila Hall**

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