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# BEST OF ROME (TOUR CODE: 11704)

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in Rome	01 Nov 23 - 31 Oct 24	Cultural	Independent Holiday Packages
		City Stays	

You will have the chance to get up close and personal with Rome's most iconic monuments and even get the opportunity to taste a freshly baked crispy "pizza bianca"!

## Highlights

- Private transfers to Rome Airport FCO
- Stay in 4\* hotel centrally located in Rome!
- Skip the line: Small group tour of Vatican
- Join a super-agile small group of 10 people to the Colosseum
- Experience the food markets in Trastevere, one of the cores of the Roman nightlife.

With this 5 days city experience, you will discover not only the highlights of the Italian Capital such as the **Colosseum**, **Palatin Hill** and **the Vatican Area** with a small group of no more than 10 people and skipping the line access, but also the local **street food at Trastevere markets** such as "Pizza Bianca" (Rome's own version of focaccia) and a ball of deep-fried tomato sauce risotto known as "Suppli".



- ENTIRE Cooling-Off Period
- ENTIRE Change of Mind
- ENTIRE On Ground Support
- ENTIRE AUD Prices
- ENTIRE Industry Accredited
- ENTIRE Australian Owned

# **INCLUSIONS**

- · 4 nights in Rome at 4\* Imperiale Hotel or similar
- Meet and greet on arrival at the Rome Airport
- · Return private transfers from Rome Airport to Imperial Hotel
- 2 private transfers as per itinerary on Day 2 & Day 3
- Daily Breakfast
- Welcome dinner at Imperiale Hotel
- Skip the line: Small group tour of the Colosseum, Palatine Hill and Roman Forum
- · Small Group: Rome food tour
- · Skip the line: Small Group tour of Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel and St.Peter's Basilica

# **ITINERARY**

## Rome Airport Rome

Welcome to Rome!

Meet our driver at the airport and transfer to your hotel. Dinner at the Hotel Imperiale's Restaurant.

Overnight stay in Rome at Imperiale Hotel.

Dinner



#### Rome

Today a must-see for every traveller who visits Rome: the Colosseum, the symbol of Rome!

You can now take advantage of our exclusive prime service and enjoy this day in the most relaxing way. After breakfast, wear a pair of comfortable shoes and wait for our driver to come and pick you up: you'll reach the archaeological area to join a super-agile **small group of 10 people**. Gain your special access to the **Colosseum** and, once inside, breathe the bloody past of the Amphitheater and its atmosphere led by passionate and expert guides. This huge travertine and tuff structure could hold between 50,000 and 80,000 spectators, all hungering for pretty gory shows such as hunting games or gladiatorial fights. The tour includes also a guided walk in the **Roman Forum**, the cultural and political center of Ancient Rome, as well as a stroll around the **Palatine Hill**, the area where the city of Rome was legendary founded by Romulus and where the emperors used to live for centuries. At the end of the tour time at your leisure and lunch on your own.

The remainder of the day is at your disposal to discover Rome on your own, otherwise, you can add in an optional Pizza-Baking Class in Trastevere!

Overnight stay in Rome at Imperiale Hotel.

Breakfast, Dinner



#### 3 Rome

After a rich breakfast, you will meet your driver who will take you to the meeting point with your local foodie guide. You will enjoy a lovely walking tour through local food markets, grocery stores and gelato shops in the areas of Campo De' Fiori, Trastevere, and the Jewish Ghetto.

We know that walking makes one hungry, that's why we thought you'd appreciate some pit-stops! You'll enjoy a slice of freshly baked crispy "Pizza Bianca" (Rome's own version of focaccia) cut in half horizontally and filled with thin slices of freshly cut "mortadella": a traditional, more-Roman-than-the-Colosseum easy snack that locals love. And what about trying a "Suppli"? This little ball of deep-fried tomato sauce risotto with a heart of melted mozzarella cheese is everyone's favorite street food. Pasta will be on the list too, along with some dishes from the Roman Jewish tradition: "Carciofo alla Giudìa", a deep-fried artichoke that looks like a tiny sunflower, as well as "Filetto di Baccalà", a battered and deep-fried fleshy cod fillet. Save some space for dessert, because we won't skip our portion of artisan "Gelato"!

At the end of this experience, meet your driver to head to the Vatican area, ready to join a super-agile group of 10 people. Meet your professional guide and take a tour of the Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel and St.Peter's Basilica, skipping all lines! Admire the Gallery of Tapestries, the Geographical Maps and the beautiful Raphael's rooms before arriving at the Sistine Chapel, Michelangelo's masterpiece! After the Sistine Chapel you will be taken, through an exclusive access to St.

Peter's Basilica, skipping long lines. At the end of the tour, time at your leisure to discover hidden corners of Rome.

Overnight stay in Rome at Imperiale Hotel.

Breakfast, Lunch



# <sup>2</sup>4 Rome

After breakfast, the day is your to stroll down the Capital of Italy.

Alternatively, we suggest to fill your day with a Private tour of Tivoli and its Villas, a UNESCO World Heritage Site outside of Rome.

Overnight stay in Rome at Imperiale Hotel.

Breakfast



Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to the airport.

Breakfast



# **OPTIONAL EXTRAS**

## Day 2: Small Group (max 12 pax) Pizza baking Class

Join our family-friendly class of **no more than 12 people** at Lo Studio (Vicolo della Scalaccia 8). We'll meet there for this hands-on activity. You'll learn what ingredients are needed to make the **perfect pizza** dough, how to knead it and how to top it properly. And you'll do it yourself, choosing your own ingredients: you'll be free to experiment with various recipes and toppings. Bake the pizza in the oven and wait for it to turn into a thin-and-crispy-but-still-fluffy delicacy.

While the pizza is in the oven, enjoy your well-earned rest! Relax and immerse yourself in the unique experience of an Italian pizza dinner. Start with a tasty bruschetta and make a toast to the good life: water, wine or a soft drink is included. Taste the pizza you prepared and find out whether you developed the skills of an authentic pizzaiolo.

After this cool experience, you can fully enjoy some time to stroll around on your own. Trastevere is one of the cores of the Roman nightlife, bustling and busy with pubs, restaurants and clubs for all ages. You can enjoy a walk before heading back to your hotel.

#### It includes:

- Cooking lesson
- Dinner (bruschetta, pizza & dessert)
- Water & Wine or Soft Drink

Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to Book Now or Contact Us for details.

## Day 4: Private Tour of Tivoli and its Villas

Visit **Tivoli** and **its Villas** on a private tour. You will meet your Driver to head to Tivoli, a small town located few kilometers away from Rome, in a splendid natural environment between the Eternal city and the high hills to the east of Rome. It's a world-renowned town for hosting two UNESCO

World Heritage Sites. It's here that, back in the 2nd century AD, the emperor Hadrian built his majestic villa: a luxury country residence where he used to retreat and where he lived his late years. The huge complex includes more than 30 buildings, several swimming pools, former thermal stations and covers an area that's larger than a square kilometer, which gives quite an idea of this place's aim: to show the greatness, opulence and vast power of the emperor.

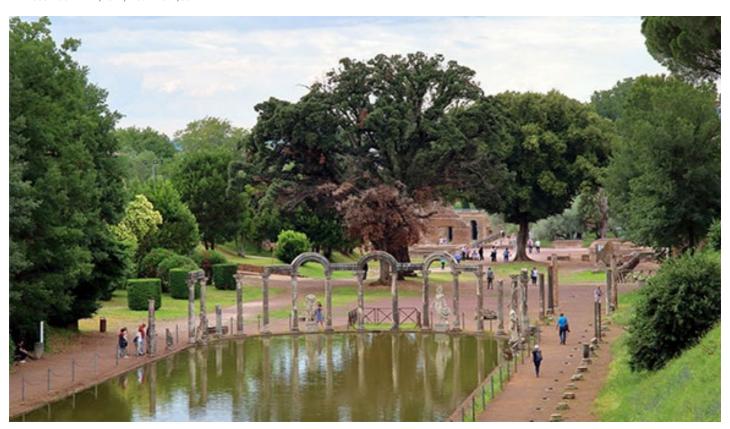
In the 16th century, much of the remaining marble and statues were removed from **Hadrian's Villa** by Cardinal Ippolito II d'Este, to decorate his own villa located nearby: Villa d'Este, another UNESCO world heritage site. Largely frescoed on the inside, the Villa is surrounded by a unique garden, displaying a complex system of pools, water jets, channels, fountains, cascades, and water games. And what makes this system of fountains such an incredible masterpiece of engineering is that it works entirely by the force of gravity, without pumps.

#### It includes:

- · Private car and English speaking guide at disposal for 6 hours
- · Villa D'Este, Villa Adrlana Entrance Tickets

#### Blackout date for Optional Tivoli tour:

December 24th,25th, 26th 29th,30



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## **ACCOMMODATION**

## Imperial Hotel

#### Rome

Ideally located in Via Veneto, the Hotel Imperial offers one of the most exclusive and convenient addresses in the city. This area's finest shopping is just a step away. Cornerstone of the Roman culture such as the iconic **Trevi's Fountain** and **Spanish Steps** are within easy walking distance, and getting to The Hotel Imperiale is hassle-free with the Rome's effective public transports.



## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	LOCAL CURRENCY
Italian	EURO

• We work with a selection of hotels in each location. All bookings are subject to availability, which means our team will confirm your specific hotels upon confirmation and payment of deposit. The package price is based on 4-star accommodation.

#### Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package