



## ITALY

**BEST OF ROME** ★★ ★ (TOUR CODE: 11704)

## STARTS AND ENDS

in Rome

## TRAVEL PERIODS

until October 2027

## EXPERIENCE

Cultural  
City Stays

## TRAVEL STYLE

Independent Holiday Packages

The perfect starting point for a multi-city Italian holiday. Explore Rome's iconic landmarks, from the Colosseum and Vatican to its historic neighbourhoods, and enjoy authentic local flavours, including freshly baked pizza bianca.

## Highlights

- **Private transfers** to Rome Airport FCO
- **Skip the line small group tour of Vatican**
- Join a **small group of 20 people to the Colosseum**
- Explore the city's iconic landmarks with the **Hop-On Hop-Off bus experience**
- Taste classic **street food, local specialities and artisan gelato** across Rome's historic neighbourhoods

## Entire Bonus

**Customised Welcome Pack on Arrival** with local treats and a refreshing drink to kickstart your Italian adventure

**FREE Hop-On/Hop-Off 24 Hours Bus Ticket for 2**

This holiday package is carefully designed by our team to give you complete Peace of Mind, with access to trusted local partners and expert support at your destination.

Experience the Eternal City at its finest with a journey that blends ancient wonders, timeless art and irresistible Roman flavours. From your first glimpse of the city aboard an open-top bus to immersive visits to the Colosseum, Roman Forum and Vatican Museums, this itinerary showcases Rome's most iconic treasures. Delight in authentic culinary experiences, wander historic neighbourhoods and enjoy the perfect balance of guided exploration and free time. With expert guides, seamless transfers and charming local touches, discover Rome's history, culture and cuisine in

effortless style.

### Start in Rome and tailor your journey through Italy with ease.

From the Eternal City, it's simple to extend your holiday and experience more of Italy's most iconic destinations. Many travellers choose to enhance their itinerary with:

**The Amalfi Coast** – a stunning coastal escape with [Sorrento, Capri & Positano ★★★](#)

**Florence** – immerse yourself in art, culture and timeless charm with [Best of Florence ★★★★★](#)

**Venice** – finish your journey with romance on the canals with [Best of Venice ★★★★★](#)

## INCLUSIONS

- 4 nights in Rome at Best Western Hotel Astrid ★★★ or similar
- Meet and greet on arrival at the Rome Airport
- Return private transfers from Rome Airport to Hotel
- Daily breakfast
- Small group tour to the Colosseum (max 20 people)
- Small group Roman food tour
- Skip the line small group tour of Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel and St.Peter's Basilica (max 20 people)

## ITINERARY

Day **1**

### Rome

Welcome to Rome!

Meet our driver at the airport and transfer to your hotel. Start exploring the city with your **daily ticket for our Hop-On Hop-Off open bus tour**, included in the package. It's the perfect way to get your first glimpse of Rome and admire its most iconic landmarks. You can choose to stay on board and enjoy the panoramic views in comfort or hop on and off at any stop to explore at your own pace — the choice is yours!

In the evening, you'll have the opportunity to **dine in a traditional Roman trattoria** and discover culinary traditions that date back centuries. Don't worry — we'll suggest some excellent options for you to choose from, and if you wish, we can reserve a table on your behalf (at your own expense).

*\*You may also use your ticket on a free day without scheduled activities. Please let us know your preference at the time of booking.*

Overnight stay in Rome at **Best Western Hotel Astrid**.



Day

2

## 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. Wake up in the morning at your centrally located hotel and 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 your group.

Once inside, breath the bloody past of the Amphitheatre 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.

The remainder of the day is at your disposal to discover Rome on your own.

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Breakfast



## Rome

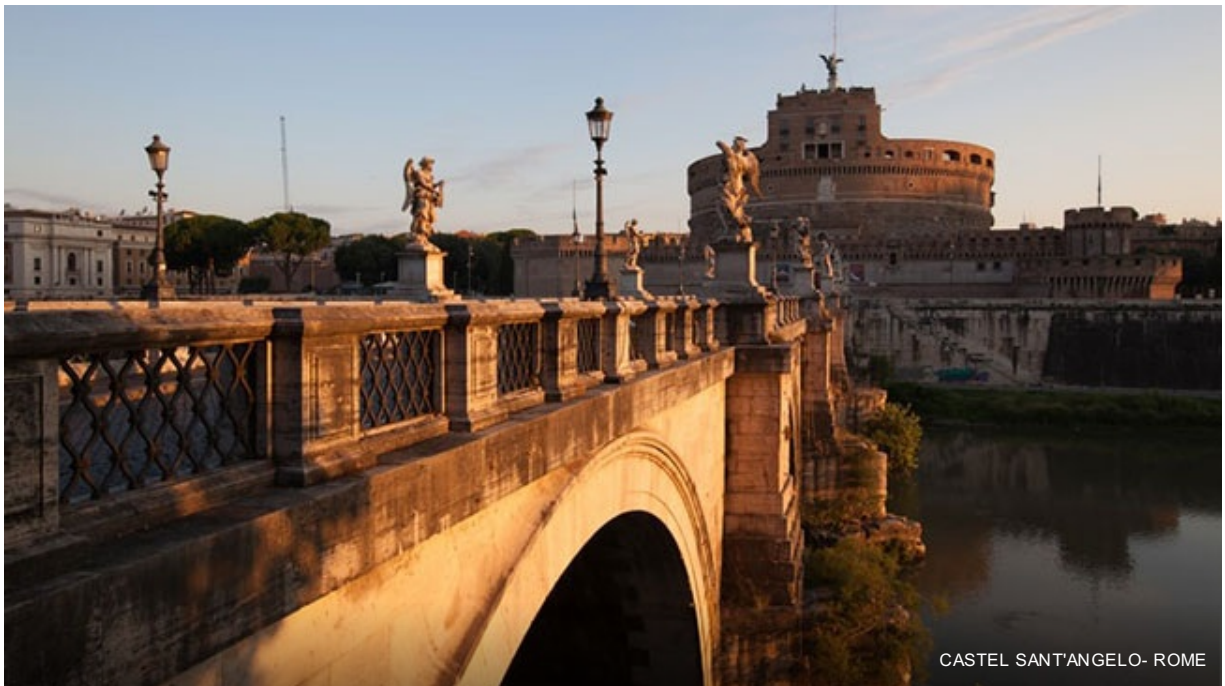
After a rich breakfast, you will meet your driver who will take you to the meeting point with your local foodie guide. You will enjoy a lovely walking tour through **local food markets**, grocery stores and gelato shops in the areas of **Campo De' Fiori, Trastevere, and the Jewish Ghetto**.

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 favourite street food. Pasta will be on the list too, along with some dishes from the Roman Jewish tradition: "*Carciofo alla Giudia*", 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 Vatican area, ready to join your group. Meet your professional guide and take a tour of the **Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica!** 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, to **St. Peter's Basilica**. At the end of the tour, time at your leisure to discover hidden corners of Rome.

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Breakfast, Lunch



## Rome

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

Alternatively, we suggest enriching your day with a full-day Discover Sorrento and Ancient Pompeii tour, combining coastal charm, history, and breathtaking archaeological wonders.

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Breakfast



Day **5**

## Rome

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). 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. Tour ends after the dinner at the restaurant.

**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.

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### Day 3: Supplement for a Private Vatican Museum Tour

This supplement allows you to enjoy a private tour of the Vatican area and includes:

- Private English-speaking guide
- Entrance to the Sistine Chapel, Vatican Museum, and St. Peter's Basilica



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## Day 4: Discover Sorrento & Ancient Pompeii Tour

Take a day to escape the city and explore Sorrento and Ancient Pompeii. We'll pick you up from your centrally located hotel and head to our meeting point where our tour leader will greet you.

Enjoy a comfortable transfer from Rome to Sorrento, taking in stunning views of the Italian countryside and the Amalfi Coast. Upon arrival, explore Sorrento's charming streets and enjoy a limoncello tasting at a local producer.

Next, visit Pompeii, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. With a professional archaeologist guide, walk through the ancient city, exploring preserved homes, shops, and temples. Learn about the eruption of Mount Vesuvius and the incredible archaeological discoveries that bring this ancient world to life. End the day with unforgettable memories of Sorrento, the Amalfi Coast, and the timeless ruins of Pompeii.

### **Includes:**

- Transportation
- Tour leader
- Panoramic tour of the Amalfi Coast
- Local guide in Pompeii
- Limoncello tasting
- Skip-the-line tickets to Pompeii
- Headsets



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## ACCOMMODATION

### Best Western Hotel Astrid

#### Rome

This historic neoclassical hotel in Rome's Flaminio district offers renovated rooms with Wi-Fi, a charming breakfast terrace overlooking the Tiber and St. Peter's dome, and easy access to the Vatican and city centre. Run by a dedicated family of hoteliers, it upholds strict cleaning protocols, supports social distancing technologies, and participates in sustainable practices through the Stay for the Planet project. A nearby garage is available on request.



## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

Italian

### LOCAL CURRENCY

EURO

FROM price reflects the lowest available price within the advertised travel period (e.g. April to October). Pricing varies depending on travel dates, availability and demand, and may not be available on all departures. Higher pricing applies during peak and shoulder periods. Final pricing is confirmed at the time of enquiry or booking. Please refer to [Pricing & Price Conditions](#) for full details, including inclusions, exclusions and other conditions.

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 3-star accommodation.

A night supplement will be added for arrival or departure transfers if clients arrive or leave between 8:00 pm and 7:00 am.

The order of the visits could change for operational reasons