



## NORTHERN LAKES & LIGURIAN COAST JOURNEYS (TOUR CODE: 15292)

### STARTS AND ENDS

in Venice

### TRAVEL PERIODS

25 May 26 - 19 Oct 26

### EXPERIENCE

Group Journeys  
Food & Wine

### TRAVEL STYLE

Escorted Group Tour

Explore northern Italy's lakes, mountains, and coast from Venice to Liguria, with scenic views, charming villages, and authentic cuisine throughout the journey.

### Highlights

- **Guaranteed Departures**
- Small group of maximum **25 People**
- Guided visits in **Venice, Verona & Milan**
- Scenic cruise across **Lake Garda & Lake Como**
- Journey through the Swiss Alps on the **Bernina Express**
- Food & wine tasting in **Franciacorta and Sestri Levante**
- Explore the colourful seaside villages of **Cinque Terre & Portofino**

Discover the romance of northern Italy and the charm of the Ligurian coast on this enchanting journey. From the canals of Venice and the historic streets of Verona to the sparkling waters of Lake Garda and Lake Como, each day reveals a new treasure.

Ride the scenic Bernina Express through the Swiss Alps, stroll through Milan's elegant boulevards, and indulge in the timeless beauty of Portofino and the Cinque Terre. Along the way, enjoy authentic food and wine experiences, explore mediaeval fortresses and Renaissance palaces, and immerse yourself in the culture, history, and landscapes that make this region unforgettable.



GUARANTEED  
DEPARTURES



VARIED GROUP  
SIZES



SUSTAINABLE  
TRAVEL



ENGLISH-ONLY  
EXPERT GUIDES



HANDPICKED  
CENTRAL HOTELS



AUTHENTIC  
EXPERIENCES



- ✓ ENTIRE Cooling-Off Period
- ✓ ENTIRE Change of Mind
- ✓ ENTIRE On Ground Support

- ✓ ENTIRE AUD Prices
- ✓ ENTIRE Industry Accredited
- ✓ ENTIRE Australian Owned

## INCLUSIONS

- 10-night accommodation in 4-star hotels
- Transportation by coach
- Bernina Express ride
- Daily breakfast
- Acetaia experience & lunch in Modena with 2 glasses of wine included
- Wine tasting with gastronomic specialities in Sestri Levante
- Spritz & "Cicchetti" experience in Venice
- Guided tour & Happy Hour in Milan with 1 drink included.
- Guided tour of Ferrari Museum
- Local guide in Venice and Verona
- Entrance fees included: scenic boat transfers, Cinque Terre Card
- English-Speaking Only Tour Director throughout the journey

## ITINERARY

Day **1**

Venice    Mestre

Meet your driver at the airport and enjoy your included transfer to the hotel. Check in at your hotel for a restful overnight stay.

Overnight stay in Mestre at **Quality Hotel Delfino** or similar.



Day **2**

## Venice

After breakfast, enjoy your transfer to **Piazza San Marco** and visit Venice's iconic landmarks: the **Palazzo dei Dogi** and the famous **Bridge of Sighs**. After the walking tour, relax with a spritz or prosecco, the perfect way to conclude your visit. Enjoy a taste of Venetian "**cicchetti**", a local tapas variation. Spend the afternoon exploring Venice's canals at your leisure. In the evening, return to the hotel.

Overnight stay in Mestre at **Quality Hotel Delfino** or similar.

Breakfast



Day **3**

## Mestre Verona Franciacorta Bergamo

After breakfast, visit **Verona**, a city rich in history and culture. Explore Roman ruins, medieval structures, and Renaissance palaces on a guided tour. Don't miss Juliet's house and balcony, famous from Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet."

Then, travel to Franciacorta, known for its ideal winemaking soil, for a light lunch with local food and wine. After this, head to

**Bergamo.**

Overnight stay in Bergamo at **BW Hotel Cappello D'Oro** or similar

Breakfast, Lunch



Day **4**

**Bergamo Sirmione Desenzano del Garda Bergamo**

After breakfast, set off for **Lake Garda**, Italy's largest lake. Enjoy a panoramic tour along the west coast, passing the **Brenta Dolomites and Moraine Hills**, surrounded by lush vegetation. In **Sirmione**, take a boat tour to admire its picturesque shores, the Castle, and the Grottoes of Catullus.

After free time for lunch, head to **Desenzano del Garda** with its elegant lakeside promenade and historical centre that reflects traces of Venetian influence. Dinner and overnight stay in Bergamo.

Overnight stay in Bergamo at **BW Hotel Cappello D'Oro** or similar

Breakfast, Dinner



After breakfast, enjoy a brief visit to **Como**, renowned for its breathtaking views of Lake Como and the surrounding Alps. From Como, you will embark on a boat to **Bellagio**, an elegant village nestled at the junction of the lake's two southern branches, famous for its charming streets, luxury hotels, historic villas, and lush gardens. Lunch at your leisure.

In the afternoon, take the ferry to Cadenabbia, where you will meet your driver and begin your journey to **Milan**.

Overnight stay in Milan at **Ramada Plaza** or similar.

Breakfast



After breakfast, meet your driver and travel to **St. Moritz** for some free time. Then, board the **Bernina Express** and enjoy one of the world's most scenic train rides through the Swiss Alps. Marvel at alpine villages, tunnels, and breathtaking mountain views as you cross the Bernina Pass toward Tirano.

Upon arrival, your driver will be waiting to take you back to Milan.

Overnight stay in Milan at **Ramada Plaza** or similar.

Breakfast



## Day 7

### Milan

After breakfast, enjoy some free time to explore **Milan** at your own pace. In the afternoon, meet your local guide for a **three-hour walking tour** through the heart of the city. Begin at **Porta Venezia**, a historic gate with medieval and Roman origins, and continue to Corso Venezia.

Walk through the **Giardini Indro Montanelli**, pass by the **Galleria d'Arte Moderna** and continue along Viale Manzoni. From the outside, see the iconic **Teatro alla Scala** and admire the majestic façade of the **Milan Cathedral (Duomo)**. The tour ends at **Castello Sforzesco**, a medieval fortress, followed by a relaxing aperitivo. Free time before returning to your hotel

Overnight stay in Milan at **Ramada Plaza** or similar.

Breakfast



## Day 8

Milan Santa Margherita Ligure Portofino Sestri Levante La Spezia

Begin your day with breakfast at the hotel before departing Milan by coach to the **Liguria Region**. The first stop is **Santa Margherita Ligure**, known as "La Perla del Tigullio," surrounded by the sea and mountains. Admire its port and luxury hotels.

Next, a boat ride takes you to glamorous **Portofino**, famous for its boutiques and colourful streets. Explore this stunning seaside village, cherished by writers like Guy de Maupassant. In the afternoon departure to **Sestri Levante** for a local food and wine tasting experience. Finally, reach **La Spezia** for an overnight stay.

Overnight stay in La Spezia at **CDH Hotel La Spezia** or similar.

Breakfast



Day **9**

## La Spezia Cinque Terre La Spezia

Enjoy a hearty breakfast at the hotel before embarking on a memorable journey to the **Cinque Terre**, one of the Mediterranean's most pristine regions, featuring the villages of **Monterosso, Vernazza, Corniglia, Manarola, and Riomaggiore**. These charming villages are nestled between rugged cliffs and lush hills, boasting some of the cleanest waters in the Mediterranean. Explore the Cinque Terre by local train, with free time to savor a delightful lunch. In the afternoon, return to La Spezia for a relaxing overnight stay.

Overnight stay in La Spezia at **CDH Hotel La Spezia** or similar.

Breakfast



## Day 10 La Spezia Maranello Modena Mestre (Venice)

After breakfast, depart La Spezia and travel inland through scenic Italian countryside. Stop in **Maranello** to experience the world of Ferrari with a guided visit to the iconic **Ferrari Museum**, celebrating speed, innovation, and Italian style. Continue to a traditional acetaia near **Modena** for a unique experience learning about Aceto Balsamico Tradizionale. Enjoy a **guided tasting** paired with regional flavors and a genuine lunch in a welcoming family atmosphere.

In the afternoon, drive northeast across the plains of Emilia-Romagna and Veneto. Arrive in **Venice** by early evening, check in at your hotel, and enjoy free time.

Overnight stay in Mestre at **Quality Hotel Delfino** or similar.

Breakfast, Lunch



## Day 11 Mestre Venice

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel as your tour with us comes to a close with the last service, transfer to the airport. End of our

services.

Breakfast

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- No age limit
- All passengers must be able to independently board and alight the coach.

### 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

## IN PARTNERSHIP

