



📍 Lake in the Dolomites region



ROME TO MILAN: ART, LAKES & DOLOMITES JOURNEYS (TOUR CODE: 15334)

STARTS AND ENDS

Rome to
Milan

TRAVEL PERIODS

30 Apr 26 - 08 Oct 26

EXPERIENCE

Group Journeys
Cultural

TRAVEL STYLE

Escorted Group Tour

Journey from Rome to Milan and uncover Northern Italy's artistic icons, romantic canals, alpine lakes, and the dramatic Dolomites — an adventure through history, nature, and culture!

Highlights

- **Guaranteed Departures**
- Group of maximum of **40 People**
- Explore **Rome's Colosseum, Forum, and Palatine Hill** with expert guides
- Admire **Renaissance masterpieces in Florence**, cradle of the Renaissance
- Discover **Venice's canals** and **Verona's romantic heritage**
- Cruise through shimmering **Lake Garda** and **Lake Como**
- Uncover alpine beauty across the **Dolomites**

Embark on a 17-day journey through Italy's cultural heart and alpine splendour, beginning in Rome with guided tours of the Colosseum, Palatine Hill, and Roman Forum. Travel north through Assisi and Siena to Florence, where Renaissance treasures and Tuscan cuisine await. Continue to Bologna for a taste of its culinary heritage before arriving in Venice to explore its canals and historic landmarks.

From Venice, journey through Verona and the Franciacorta wine region to Bergamo, then discover the beauty of Lake Garda with a boat tour in Sirmione. Cruise across Lake Como to Bellagio, before heading to Milan for a scenic ride aboard the Bernina Express through the Swiss Alps. In Milan, enjoy a walking tour through elegant boulevards and gardens.

The adventure continues into the Dolomites, with stops in Peschiera del Garda, Trento, and Bolzano. Explore charming alpine towns like Merano and Vipiteno, and visit stunning lakes such as Braies and Misurina. Conclude in Cortina d'Ampezzo, surrounded by dramatic peaks and serene landscapes, before returning to Milan via Bassano del Grappa.



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

- 14-night accommodation in 4-star hotels
- 2-night accommodation in a 3-star hotel
- Transportation by coach
- Bernina Express ride
- Daily breakfast
- Gastronomic experience in Bologna
- Grappa tasting in Bassano del Grappa
- Meals and drinks as per itinerary
- Spritz & "Cicchetti" experience in Venice
- Wine tasting in Franciacorta region
- Scenic drive around the lakes near Cortina
- Local guide in Florence, Venice, Milan and Verona
- Daily ticket for Hop-On Hop-Off Panoramic Bus
- Entrance fees included for: Colosseum, Roman Forum, Palatine Hill (Skip the Line), Bernina Express ride
- English-Speaking Only Tour Director throughout the journey

ITINERARY

Day

1

Rome

Welcome to Rome! After meeting your driver at the airport, you will be transferred to your hotel. Use your **Hop-on Hop-off bus ticket** to explore Rome's iconic landmarks from a different perspective. Hop on and off at any of the eight stops along the route and enjoy the commentary available in 12 languages. The ticket is valid for one day. After the tour, enjoy the evening at your leisure and return to your hotel.

Overnight stay in Rome at **Hotel St. Martin** or similar.



Day **2**

Rome

After breakfast, depart from your hotel for an included **guided tour of Rome's extraordinary Archaeological Area**. Meet your professional guide and begin your 2.5-hour journey through history. Equipped with a personal radio receiver and earphones, explore the legendary Colosseum, the iconic **Flavian Amphitheatre** where Ancient Romans gathered for gladiator battles and wild animal hunts.

Continue to **Palatine Hill**, the mythical birthplace of Rome. From here, enjoy panoramic views of the city. The tour concludes at the **Roman Forum**, once the center of Roman life. The rest of the day is at your leisure.

Overnight stay in Rome at **Hotel St. Martin** or similar.

Breakfast



Day **3**

Rome Assisi Siena Florence

Breakfast at the hotel. Depart at 7:15 AM by deluxe coach to **Assisi**, a medieval town surrounded by ancient walls. Visit the

Basilica of St. Francis, featuring frescoes by **Giotto and Cimabue** and enjoy a lunch in Assisi.

Continue to **Siena**, UNESCO-listed and famous for its shell-shaped **Piazza del Campo** and **Palio horse race**. Later, travel through Tuscany's countryside to reach **Florence**.

Overnight stay in Florence at **Raffaello Hotel** or similar.

Breakfast, Lunch



Day 4

Florence

Explore **Florence**, cradle of the Renaissance. Visit the **Duomo**, **Brunelleschi's Dome**, **Giotto's Bell Tower**, and **Baptistry**. See **Piazza della Signoria**, **Palazzo Vecchio**, and **Santa Croce Basilica**. Enjoy lunch in a traditional Tuscan restaurant.

In the afternoon, choose between free time in the city or an optional visit to Pisa, with its Leaning Tower and Piazza dei Miracoli. Dinner is at leisure.

Overnight stay in Florence at **Raffaello Hotel** or similar.

Breakfast, Lunch



Day **5**

Florence Bologna Mestre (Venice)

After breakfast in Florence, head to **Bologna**. Explore the city center with its iconic porticos and historic sites, including **Piazza del Nettuno** and the **Basilica of San Petronio**. Discover Bologna's gastronomic heritage through a vibrant light local lunch, offering traditional and contemporary treats. Enjoy a light street food lunch at a local eatery.

Later, continue your journey to **Venice**. Upon arrival, check-in at your hotel.

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

Breakfast



Day **6**

Mestre Venice Mestre

Transfer to **Piazza San Marco** and discover Venice's highlights with a guided tour. Visit the **Doge's Palace (outside)** and **cross the Bridge of Sighs**. Afterward, enjoy a glass of spritz or prosecco with cicchetti, traditional Venetian snacks. Relax and soak in the atmosphere. Spend the afternoon exploring the city's canals, artisan shops, or quiet corners on your own.

Return to your hotel.

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

Breakfast



Day 7

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 for the overnight stay.

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

Breakfast, Lunch



Day 8

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 center that reflects traces of Venetian influence. Enjoy dinner in Bergamo.

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

Breakfast, Dinner



Day **9**

Bergamo Como Bellagio Milan

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



Day 10 Milan Bernina Express Milan

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 11 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.



Day

12

Milan Peschiera del Garda Trento Caldaro Bolzano

After breakfast, we depart and head towards **Peschiera del Garda**, a charming town located on the southern shore of Lake Garda. Next, we stop in **Trento**, where we'll admire the impressive **Castello del Buon Consiglio** and the **Santa Maria Maggiore Cathedral**.

After a leisurely lunch, we continue along Italy's oldest wine route, reaching **Caldaro (Kaltern)**, known for its lake and wine. The day ends with our arrival in **Bolzano**.

Overnight stay in Bolzano at **Stadt Hotel Città** or similar.

Breakfast



Day 13 Bolzano Merano Vipiteno Bolzano

After breakfast, we travel to **Merano**, known for its Christmas market and rich cultural heritage. We'll explore the old town, and you'll have free time to enjoy lunch. Next, we visit **Vipiteno**, a picturesque town with medieval architecture and Alpine charm. Stroll through its streets, enjoy local cuisine, and shop for souvenirs.

In the afternoon, we head to **Bolzano** to admire the **Gothic-style Duomo** and **Via dei Portici**, the heart of the city. Bolzano combines Alpine and Mediterranean influences, making it a must-visit destination. The evening is free for personal exploration or relaxation.

Overnight stay in Bolzano at **Stadt Hotel Città** or similar.

Breakfast



Day 14 Bolzano Bressanone Brunico Lake Braies or Lake Anterselva Cortina

Today, we start with a visit to **Bressanone**, a charming town in the Eisack Valley, known for its 10th-century medieval cathedral and Austrian-Italian blend. Enjoy local wines and the serene Alpine atmosphere. Then, we head to **Brunico**, with its colorful medieval streets and panoramic views from **Kronplatz Mountain**.

Afterward, we visit the stunning **Lake of Braies**, surrounded by towering Dolomite peaks, or **Lake Anterselva** if Braies is inaccessible. Both offer tranquil beauty and photo opportunities. Finally, we conclude the day in **Cortina** for dinner at the hotel and an overnight stay, surrounded by the breathtaking Dolomites.

Overnight stay in Cortina at **B&B Hotel Passo Tre Croci Cortina** or similar.

Breakfast, Dinner



DOMES DE BRESSANONE

Day 15 Cortina Lake Misurina Lake Dobbiaco San Vito di Cadore Cortina

Begin your day with a hearty breakfast at the hotel and get ready to explore the stunning surroundings of **Cortina d'Ampezzo**. Enjoy panoramic views of the **Dolomite Mountains** and spot the iconic **Tre Cime di Lavaredo**.

Continue to **Lake Misurina**, the largest natural lake in the region, offering mesmerizing mountain views. Then, visit **Lake Dobbiaco** with its unique emerald-colored waters. Drive to **San Vito di Cadore**, a charming village surrounded by UNESCO-listed mountains, **Mount Antelao** and **Mount Pelmo**. Afterward, return to Cortina for free time, relax, and enjoy dinner at the hotel.

Overnight stay in Cortina at **B&B Hotel Passo Tre Croci Cortina** or similar.

Breakfast, Dinner



LAKE DOBBIACO

Day 16 Cortina Bassano del Grappa Milan

After breakfast, reach **Bassano del Grappa**, a charming town at the foot of the Venetian Prealps, known for its rich history

and timeless charm. Walk its cobbled streets to see medieval towers, elegant Venetian palaces, and mountain traditions shaped by centuries of culture. Don't miss the iconic **Ponte degli Alpini**, designed by Andrea Palladio, crossing the Brenta River with postcard views. Visit the **Museo della Grappa** to explore Italy's famous distillate origins. The experience includes a tasting session, offering insight into local craftsmanship. After Bassano, head to **Milan**.

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

Breakfast



Day 17 Milan

After breakfast, transfer to the airport. Arrivederci!

Breakfast

ACCOMMODATION

Hotel St. Martin

Rome

Hotel St. Martin is a contemporary 4-star hotel in Rome that has been recently renovated. Conveniently situated near the Castro Pretorio metro station and Roma Termini train station, and just a short walk from Piazza della Repubblica, its prime location makes it an excellent choice for both business travelers and tourists exploring the city.



Raffaello Hotel

Florence

The Hotel Raffaello, which is situated just at the city's entry, is the best place to start your exploration of Florence, learn about its past, and take in the beauty and allure of this genuinely exceptional city. Whether you're traveling by vehicle or train, Hotel Raffaello is easily accessible and offers a courteous, professional, and attentive welcome.



Quality Hotel Delfino

Venice

Hotel Delfino Venezia Mestre is ideally located at the gateway to Venice, making it a convenient base for discovering the charm and history of the lagoon city. Easily accessible by car or public transport, the hotel offers modern comforts, attentive service, and a welcoming atmosphere for both leisure and business travelers.



BW Hotel Cappello D'Oro

Bergamo

Discover four-star comfort at Best Western Hotel Cappello D'Oro, perfectly located in the heart of Bergamo. Blending over 150 years of hospitality tradition with modern amenities, it's ideal for both business travellers and leisure guests seeking convenience and charm.



Stadt Hotel Città

Bolzano

Stadt Hotel Città offers a refined and cosmopolitan retreat in the heart of Bolzano. Overlooking the main square, it's the perfect choice to immerse yourself in the city's charm, vibrant atmosphere, and authentic Italian hospitality.



B&B Hotel Passo Tre Croci Cortina

Cortina d'Ampezzo

B&B Hotel Passo Tre Croci Cortina offers modern comfort at 1,800 metres in the heart of the Dolomites. Nestled by Monte Cristallo, it's the perfect base to explore Lake Misurina, Tre Cime di Lavaredo, and charming Cortina d'Ampezzo.



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

