

#### 8 Nights from AUD 3,924



# Rome - 9 Days (#20386)

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### Overview

Trip Highlights:

-Round-trip transfer from Rome airport to the

hotel.

-Rome: Panoramic "Hop on - Hop off" tour with a daily ticket + entrance to the Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore with its Holy Door.

-St. Peter's Square to attend the Pope's

Angelus and cross the Holy Door.

-Visits to Assisi, Siena, Bologna, and Tuscany's wine region.

-Guided tour in Florence and Venice with an

expert local guide.

-Street food experience in Bologna.

-Spritz and "cicchetti" in Venice (light lunch).

-Option to stay on Venice Island for a supplement.

-Traditional Tuscan lunch in Montepulciano.

-Pilgrim Day in Rome with visits to the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls and its Holy Door, the Abbey of the Three



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Fountains, and the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Revelation.

# **Trip Highlights**

Rome-Assisi-Siena-Florence-Bologna-Venice-Montepulciano-Rome

# **Detailed Itinerary**

### **Day 01**

Day 01: Arrive Rome

Welcome to Rome! Arrival at the airport and transfer to the hotel. Check-in and accommodation. You will receive a one-day ticket for the "Hop on Hop off" bus tour. Explore Rome aboard one of the Gray Line - I Love Rome City Tour open-top buses and enjoy a unique perspective of the Eternal City's iconic landmarks. The panoramic buses provide spectacular views of Rome's most important monuments. Simply hop on, relax, and listen to the audio commentary, with the option to get on and off at any of the eight available stops along the route. The ticket is valid for one day, with audio commentary available in 12 languages. Also included is entry to the Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore, one of the four papal basilicas and a major church dedicated to the Virgin Mary, where you will have the opportunity to cross one of the Jubilee's Holy Doors. Enjoy the rest of the day at your leisure. Return to the hotel for the night.

You may opt to do the Hop-on Hop-off tour and the Basilica entry on Day 2. To modify this, please contact our reservations office.

Meal: No Meal

#### Day 02

### Day 02: Rome

After breakfast, depart for St. Peter's Square to participate in the Angelus, one of the Vatican's most symbolic ceremonies. This moment of prayer, led by the Pope from the window of the Apostolic Palace, gathers thousands of faithful from around the world who seek the Pope's blessing. After the Angelus, you will have the opportunity to cross the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica, an act of spiritual renewal. Crossing it during the Holy Year symbolizes the desire to draw closer to God and receive plenary indulgence, making this a unique experience for all pilgrims. The afternoon is free for you to explore, and you will return to the hotel on your own. Overnight stay.



#### Meal: Breakfast

#### **Day 03**

#### Day 03: Rome · Assisi · Siena · Florence

Departure at 7:15 AM on a Gran Turismo coach to Assisi. Upon arrival, free time to explore this small town surrounded by medieval-style walls, a global centre of spirituality. A visit to the famous Basilica of St. Francis is recommended, where you can admire masterpieces

by Giotto and Cimabue. You may also see the exposed body of Blessed Carlo Acutis in the church of Santa Maria Maggiore. Acutis, a young man who died at 15, is on the path to sainthood, recognized for miracles by the Church in several countries, and is already called the "Internet Saint" for his evangelization through the web.

Free time for lunch (not included) and continuation to Siena, a monumental city surrounded by imposing walls, known for its impressive Piazza del Campo, where the famous "Palio delle Contrade" is held. Then, continue to Florence. Upon arrival, check-in at the hotel, dinner, and

overnight stay.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

### Day 04 Day 04: Florence

Breakfast at the hotel and guided city tour. Florence is a city where Italian genius manifests in all its splendour. The historic centre, together with the Campanile, Baptistery, and Cathedral, forms an extraordinary ensemble of white, green, and pink marbles, representing the transition from medieval to Renaissance Florentine art. During the tour, you will admire the imposing Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, symbolizing Florence's wealth and power in the 13th and 14th centuries, crowned by Brunelleschi's majestic dome. You will also see Giotto's Bell Tower and the Baptistery, famous for its Bronze Doors, including the "Gates of Paradise," as named by Michelangelo. The tour continues through Piazza Della Signoria, with the Palazzo Vecchio and the Church of Santa Croce. Lunch at a typical restaurant in Piazza Santa Croce. The afternoon is free to explore Florence or join an optional visit to Pisa. Overnight stay.

Meal: Breakfast and Lunch





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After breakfast, departure to the elegant city of Bologna. Upon arrival, free time to explore the charming city centre, with its iconic arcades. Begin the tour in Piazza Malpighi, leading to the heart of the city in Piazza Nettuno and Piazza Maggiore. Here, you will admire the Palazzo del Podestà and the Basilica of San Petronio, one of the largest Gothic churches in the world. During free time, enjoy Bologna's vibrant street food scene, known as Italy's gastronomic capital. You'll have the chance to Savor a light street food lunch at a traditional spot. In the afternoon, arrival in Venice (Mestre) and check-in at the hotel. Overnight stay.

\*Departure on February 8 - Day 5 has a different itinerary: Florence > Padua > Bologna > Venice. Only for this departure, the group will visit Padua, and there will be no light street food lunch in Bologna.

Meal: Breakfast

#### **Day 06**

### Day 06: Venice

Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to St. Mark's Square for a guided tour of the city. The walking tour includes St. Mark's Square, the Doge's Palace—symbol of Venice's glory and power, the residence of the dukes, and the seat of government. The Palace is connected to the Prison by the famous Bridge of Sighs, known for being the place where Casanova was imprisoned. After the guided tour, enjoy a typical Venetian aperitif with the famous "cicchetti" (local tapas), accompanied by a spritz or prosecco. The rest of the afternoon is free to explore Venice at your leisure or join optional visits. Overnight stay at the hotel.

#### Meal: Breakfast

#### **Day 07**

#### Day 07: Venice Montepulciano (Tuscan Wine Region) · Rome

After breakfast, depart by coach from Piazzale Roma to the wine region of Val di Chiana in Tuscany, famous for its rolling hills, vineyards, and medieval villages. You will visit the picturesque town of Montepulciano, renowned for its internationally acclaimed "Nobile" wine. After a traditional lunch in a typical restaurant, enjoy free time to explore the charming town, taste local wines, or buy souvenirs. In the afternoon, return to Rome. Arrival and overnight stay at the hotel.

#### Meal: Breakfast and Lunch





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#### **Day 08**

Day 08: Rome

A day dedicated to pilgrimage and spirituality. After breakfast, visit three important sacred sites in Rome. The first stop will be the majestic Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls, one of the four papal basilicas, built over the tomb of the Apostle Paul. Here, you can admire the magnificent apse mosaic, the medieval cloister, and the papal medallions that tell the Church's story. Next,

visit the Abbey of the Three Fountains, a monastic complex surrounded by nature, where, according to tradition, St. Paul was beheaded. You can stroll through the tranquil gardens and learn the story of the three miraculous fountains associated with his martyrdom. The final stop will be the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Revelation, a site of great Marian devotion where the Virgin Mary is said to have appeared to Bruno Cornacchiola in 1947, inviting him to conversion and prayer. This will be a perfect moment for reflection and spiritual connection. The rest of the day is free. Overnight stay at the hotel.

Meal: Breakfast

#### **Day 09**

Day 09: Departure

Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to the airport. End of our services.

Meal: Breakfast

### Inclusions

- Transportation by deluxe motorcoach.
- Monolingual tour escort in English.
- Accommodation in 4 stars.
- Meals as per itinerary (please inform us at the moment of the booking, in case of any food allergy or alimentary restriction).
- Visits with a local expert guide as per itinerary.
- •Entrance tickets to the archaeological site in Pompeii with "Skip the Line" (when included in the itinerary)
- Entrance tickets to Vatican Museums & St. Peter's Basilica with "Skip the Line" (when included in the itinerary)
- Spritz & "Cicchetti" Experience in Venice (light lunch)





- Tips
- Porterage service
- Drinks (except where included in the experience)
- Entrance fees to monuments or museums when not mentioned
- City tax for overnight stays (according to each city council rules)
- Everything that is not mentioned in the paragraph "The tour includes"

## Note

Hotels Used OR Similar

ROME NYX ROME BY LEONARDO HOTELS 4\* ROME EXE INTERNATIONAL PALACE 4\* (DEPARTURES 8 FEBRUARY AND 29 MARCH) FLORENCE RAFFAELLO 4\* VENICE (MESTRE) DELFINO 4\* OR B&B TRONCHETTO 3\*(VENICE TRONCHETTO)

#### IMPORTANT NOTES

-One child aged 1 to 6 years stays free when sharing the room with their parents (only one child per room is allowed). -Local accommodation tax not included, to be paid on site.

-To facilitate all Jubilee experiences, it is necessary to register on the official Iubilaeum2025.va portal or via the official Jubilee app. Once registered, it will be possible to sign up for the pilgrimage to St. Peter's Holy Door and the Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore for the main Jubilee events without hassle.

We inform all clients that rates do not include city tax when applicable. City tax will have to be paid directly from clients at the hotel upon arrival or at the checkout. We remind you that the city tax may change according to the hotel category.

Rates indicated include Service and the current applicable VAT. All prices are subject to automatic change without prior notice due to VAT increase, local fees or bus congestion charge.

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Escorted Experience

# **Fixed Departure**



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