

# GRAND TOUR BY RAIL

## ESCORTED

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Trips by trains instead of a coach, fully guided by an experienced tour director

### 5 ITINERARIES

- # 1 14 DAYS Milan - Venice - Florence - Rome - Sorrento Coast
- # 2 10 DAYS Milan - Venice - Florence - Rome
- # 3 12 DAYS Venice - Florence - Rome - Sorrento Coast
- # 4 8 DAYS Venice - Florence - Rome
- # 5 8 DAYS Rome - Sorrento Coast



### GROUP DEPARTURES GUARANTEED

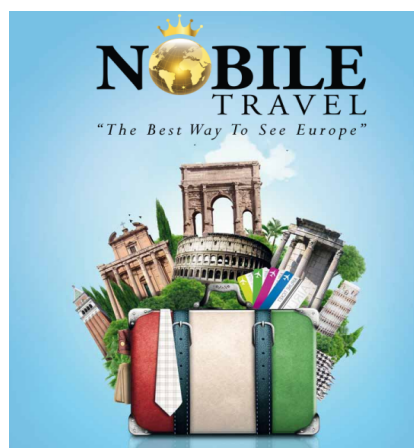
### WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Tour Director
- Centrally located 4\* hotels
- Premium class on high speed train
- Worry-free luggage
- City transfers

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### OPTIONAL

"ART & FOOD" ACTIVITIES AND EXCURSIONS PACKAGE  
AIRPORT TRANSFERS  
HOTEL UPGRADE  
RETURN from Milan or Venice



# GRAND TOUR BY RAIL

# #1

## 14 DAYS

Milan - Venice - Florence

Rome - Sorrento Coast

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# ITALY



## WHAT'S INCLUDED

### TOUR DIRECTOR

Professional English and French speaking guide for the entire duration of the tour

### CENTRALLY LOCATED HOTELS

4\* with continental buffet breakfast

### PREMIUM CLASS

On high speed train

### WORRY-FREE LUGGAGE

We collect and deliver client's luggage directly from hotel to hotel



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## 4\* HOTEL OR EQUIVALENT CATEGORY

MILAN	2 NIGHTS	NH MACHIAVELLI
VENICE	1 NIGHT	CONTINENTAL
FLORENCE	3 NIGHTS	UNA VITTORIA
ROME	4 NIGHTS	BETTOJA COLLECTION
SORRENTO COAST	3 NIGHTS	TOWER



## OPTIONALS

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**Florence:** Best of Florence guided walking tour, Tuscan dinner with "bistecca", Pisa, Siena, San Gimignano and Chianti guided tour with lunch and wine tasting

**Rome:** Best of Rome walking tour, Guided visit of Vatican Museum entrance fees included, Farewell dinner with wine in Frascati

**Sorrento Coast:** Guided visit of Pompeii excavations, Capri full day excursion with cruise around the island and Blu Grotto stop

### AIRPORT TRANSFERS

**HOTEL UPGRADE** in superior room

**RETURN** from Milan or Venice



TRAVEL LIGHT



PEACE OF MIND



ECO FRIENDLY TOUR



## ITINERARY

WITH "ART & FOOD" ACTIVITIES AND EXCURSIONS PACKAGE AND AIRPORT TRANSFERS



### Day 1 - Arrival in Milan. Best of Milan Walking Tour with Aperitivo

Upon your arrival, meet & greet your Tour Director and transfer to the hotel in Milan where your luggage will await you. Enjoy time at leisure or join one of our optional activities like the Best of Milan walking tour with aperitivo. Your walking tour will start from your hotel towards the Quadrilatero della Moda, the elegant fashion district that features famous streets like Via Montenapoleone and Via della Spiga. Discover the best brands in the world, such as Gucci and Armani, Milan's top fashion boutiques and streets. You will visit the imposing Duomo, the real symbol of Milan, and admire its extraordinary Gothic architecture. Afterwards, you will reach Vittorio Emanuele II Gallery and the world-famous La Scala Opera Theatre, where world's greatest musicians and opera singers perform. In the next stop you'll reach the splendid Sforza Castle by tram, the old fashion cable car, going along the most charming streets of the historic centre. You'll be stunned by the massive walls of the Castle, once a military facility. Finally, we will conclude our tour with a gourmet Italian Aperitivo. Sip on a delicious cocktail and savor an authentic appetizer, relishing this simple Milanese tradition. Overnight at your hotel.

### Day 2 - Milan. Como Lake and Bellagio

After breakfast you'll have the opportunity to discover the beauty of the Italian lakes! This charming experience includes the transfer by train from Milan to Como and a walking tour of the chic lake town of Como with your tour leader. You'll discover the majestic white marble Duomo, walk along the elegant Via Vittorio Emanuele, the ancient medieval walls and the Romanesque Sant'Abbondio Church. If you like shopping, you will love the beautiful and picturesque streets with traditional local shops and products. Our walk continues along the lakeside promenade to reach Villa Olmo with its ornate garden and magnificent views of the lake and town. You'll then enjoy a boat-cruise on the lake reaching the charming village of Bellagio, pearl of the Como Lake. Your One Day pass (Free boat circulation ticket included) will allow you to explore the area as you wish, for instance you could lose yourself in the magnificent Villa Carlotta botanic gardens or through the alleys of graceful villages. After the tour, your tour leader will accompany you back to Milan. Overnight at your hotel.

### Day 3 - Milan to Venice. "Chicchetti" walking tour with wine tasting/Gondola ride

Morning at your leisure, and travel to Venice by high speed train. Once arrived, you can enjoy time on your own or join our guided walking tour into the secrets of Venice and the Venetian cuisine in a "Chicchetti" Tour. Afterwards, you will enjoy the magical atmosphere of Venice with an optional ride on the most famous Venetian boat: The Gondola. Overnight at your hotel.



### Day 4 - Venice to Florence/Best of Florence/Tuscan Dinner with Bistecca Fiorentina

In the morning, you will have some free time to discover the city or take an optional tour of the Venetian Islands: Murano and Burano.

Early in the afternoon you'll board a high-speed train to reach Florence (approx: 2 hours). At destination you will take a short walk to the hotel and find your luggage there. Time at leisure or join one of our optional activities like the walking tour of the Best of Florence, exploring the beauties of the City by night. We will visit Piazzale Michelangelo with its amazing view over the city. Followed by the city's Roman origins to a 15th century palace, the Ponte Vecchio, the famous Uffizi courtyard, the amazing Brunelleschi's Dome which overlooks the Baptistery's golden "Gates of Paradise". Afterwards, you will surely appreciate the exclusive dinner in the heart of Florence and a typical florentine-style T-bone steak (optional, not included in the package). Overnight at your hotel.



### Day 5 - Florence. Pisa, San Gimignano, Siena, Chianti tour/lunch and wine tasting

After breakfast enjoy time at leisure or join one of our optional activities like a guided excursion to discover the beauty of Tuscany and visit its enchanting medieval towns. You will reach Pisa and visit its stunning Piazza dei Miracoli, to admire the Baptistery, the Cathedral and, of course, the famous Leaning Tower. Lunch in a wine bar or restaurant. Enjoy a wine tasting of renowned local wines as well as a traditional Tuscan dish. After lunch, the wonders continue with a visit to San Gimignano, the splendid Medieval town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Following the panoramic roads of the Chianti region, you will get to Siena, the city of the Palio Horse Race. Overnight at your hotel.

### Day 6 - Florence. Day at Leisure: optional activities

Enjoy this entire day at leisure or choose from optional tours like exploring the treasures of the City, like the Accademia Gallery and its David, or the Uffizi and its masterpieces. Otherwise, you might take a day tour to Cinque Terre or experience the Tuscan Countryside on a Vespa tour or Horse-back riding. Overnight at your hotel in Florence.



#### **Day 7 - Florence to Rome. Panoramic tour: Colosseum/Trevi Fountain/ Sistine Chapel**

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#### **Day 8 - Rome. Day at Leisure: optional activities**

Entire day at your leisure or choose from optional tours such as Colosseum and Ancient Rome tour or Borghese Gallery tour, if you prefer to learn more about local art and history, or maybe you could enjoy a fun Pizza Making Cooking Class to learn the secrets of the most famous Italian dish. At the end of the day, if you'd like, you might treat yourself with an optional Gourmet Dinner paired with wines.

#### **Day 9 - Rome. Day at Leisure: optional activities/ Special Dinner in Frascati**

After breakfast time at your leisure for the day. Late in the afternoon you may join an optional tour with special dinner. Board a regional train that in about 30 minutes time will take you to the exquisite town of Frascati. Set in the Castelli Romani area, Frascati has been chosen through the Centuries by Popes and aristocratic families for their summer residences. Frascati will give you a breathtaking bird's-eye view of the Eternal City as a special souvenir and an unforgettable dinner in a typical "Fraschetta". The fraschetta in Frascati is uniquely Italian, and something you should try at least once in your life, drinking wine and eating local food in a friendly atmosphere.

After dinner, board your train back to your hotel in Rome.

#### **Day 10 - Rome to Naples. Pompeii and Sorrento Coast**

You'll start your journey early in the morning, once you've boarded your high-speed train to Naples. After the 1-hour ride, transfer to Sorrento Coast or join an optional tour of the excavations of Pompeii and get touched by the dramatic story of the Roman city destroyed and buried by the eruption of Vesuvius in 79 AD. After the guided tour, you'll proceed to Sorrento where you'll find your luggage. Dinner and overnight.



#### **Day 11 - Sorrento Coast. Capri full day tour**

After breakfast, enjoy time at leisure or join one of our optional activities like a full day excursion to Capri. Transfer to the harbour and reach the enchanting Isle of Capri, favourite vacation spot of the Emperor Tiberius. Once arrived at the port of Marina Grande, you'll take the trip around the island while taking a glimpse of the "Scugnizzo" welcoming statue, Tiberius' leap, Coral Grotto, White Grotto, Natural arch, Villa Malaparte, Faraglioni, Bay of Marina Piccola, Siren's rock, Green Grotto, Punta Carena lighthouse, and if sea and weather conditions permit, also the famous Blue Grotto (the visit inside the sea cave by row boat is not included in the price of the trip and must be purchased separately at the entrance to the Blue Grotto). After returning to Marina Grande you will take the minibus and reach the glamorous La Piazzetta to enjoy its elegant atmosphere and have time sightseeing the Island on your own.

Return to Sorrento where you'll enjoy a tasting of the unique Limoncello, the zesty liquor made from the fragrant lemons of Sorrentine Area. Dinner and overnight.

#### **Day 12 - Sorrento coast.**

Whole day at your Leisure in the charming Sorrento.

#### **Day 13 - Sorrento coast/Napoli/Rome**

After Breakfast, private transfer to Naples to board your high speed train back to Rome. You'll have time at your leisure to explore the Eternal City or reach the hotel where the luggage will await you. Overnight at your hotel.



#### **Day 14 - Rome / Airport**

Transfer to Fiumicino Airport (B). End of services.



# GRAND TOUR BY RAIL

# #2

## 10 DAYS

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**PEACE OF MIND**



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After dinner, board your train back to your hotel in Rome.

#### **Day 10 - Rome / Airport**

Transfer to Fiumicino Airport (B). End of services.

# GRAND TOUR BY RAIL

# # 3

# ITALY

## 12 DAYS

## Venice - Florence - Rome Sorrento Coast

## ESCORTED



**TRAVEL LIGHT**



**PEACE OF MIND**



**ECO FRIENDLY TOUR**



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**HOTEL UPGRADE** in superior room

**RETURN** from Milan or Venice





## ITINERARY

WITH "ART & FOOD" ACTIVITIES AND EXCURSIONS PACKAGE AND AIRPORT TRANSFERS



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Upon your arrival, meet & greet your Tour Director and porter and transfer to the hotel in Venice, where your luggage will await you.

Enjoy time at leisure or join our guided walking tour into the secrets of Venice and the Venetian cuisine in a "Chicchetti" Tour. Afterwards, you will enjoy the magical atmosphere of Venice with an optional ride on the most famous Venetian boat: The Gondola. Overnight at your hotel.

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### Day 4 - Florence. Day at Leisure: optional activities

Enjoy this entire day at leisure or choose from optional tours such as exploring the treasures of the City like the Accademia Gallery and its David, or the Uffizi and its masterpieces. You might take a day tour to Cinque Terre or experience the Tuscan Countryside on a Vespa tour or Horse-back riding. Overnight at your hotel in Florence

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Meet and Greet 2018-2019

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#### **Day 12- Rome / Airport**

Transfer to Fiumicino Airport (B). End of services.

# GRAND TOUR BY RAIL

# # 4

## 8 DAYS Venice - Florence - Rome

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### 2019 GUIDED GROUP DEPARTURES GUARANTEED

MAY	05	12	19	26	■
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OCTOBER	■	06	13	■	■



### 4\* HOTEL OR EQUIVALENT CATEGORY

VENICE	1 NIGHT	CONTINENTAL
FLORENCE	3 NIGHTS	UNA VITTORIA
ROME	3 NIGHTS	BETTOJA COLLECTION



### OPTIONALS

#### "ART & FOOD" ACTIVITIES AND EXCURSIONS PACKAGE

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**Venice:** "Cicchetti" guided walking tour in Venice, Gondola ride

**Florence:** Best of Florence guided walking tour, Tuscan dinner with "bistecca", Pisa, Siena, San Gimignano and Chianti guided tour with lunch and wine tasting

**Rome:** Best of Rome walking tour, Guided visit of Vatican Museum entrance fees included, Farewell dinner with wine in Frascati

#### AIRPORT TRANSFERS

**HOTEL UPGRADE** in superior room



## ITINERARY

WITH "ART & FOOD" ACTIVITIES AND EXCURSIONS PACKAGE AND AIRPORT TRANSFERS



### Day 1 - Arrival in Venice. "Chicchetti" walking tour and wine tasting - Gondola ride

Upon your arrival, meet & greet your Tour Director with porter and transfer to the hotel in Venice, where your luggage will await you.

Enjoy time at leisure or join our guided walking tour into the secrets of Venice and the Venetian cuisine in a "Chicchetti" Tour. Afterwards you will enjoy the magical atmosphere of Venice with an optional ride on the most famous Venetian boat: The Gondola. Overnight at your hotel.

### Day 2 - Venice to Florence/Best of Florence/Tuscan Dinner with Bistecca Fiorentina

In the morning, you will have some free time to discover the city or take an optional tour of the Venetian Islands: Murano and Burano.

Early in the afternoon you'll board a high-speed train to Florence (approx: 2 hours). At arrival you will take a short walk to the hotel and find your luggage there. Enjoy time at leisure or join one of our optional activities like the walking tour of the Best of Florence, exploring the beauties of the City by night. We will visit Piazzale Michelangelo with its amazing view over the city. Followed by the city's Roman origins to a 15th century palace, the Ponte Vecchio, the famous Uffizi courtyard, the amazing Brunelleschi's Dome which overlooks the Baptistery's golden "Gates of Paradise". Afterwards, you will appreciate the exclusive dinner in the heart of Florence and a typical florentine-style T-bone steak (optional, not included in the package). Overnight at your hotel.



### Day 3 - Florence. Pisa, San Gimignano, Siena, Chianti tour/lunch and wine tasting

After breakfast enjoy time at leisure or join one of our optional activities like a guided tour to discover the beauty of Tuscany and its enchanting medieval towns. Reach Pisa and visit its stunning Piazza dei Miracoli, admire the Baptistery, the Cathedral and, of course, the famous Leaning Tower. Lunch in a wine bar or restaurant and enjoy a wine tasting of renowned local wines as well as a traditional Tuscan dish. After lunch, the wonders continue with a visit to San Gimignano, the splendid Medieval town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Following the panoramic roads of the Chianti region, you will get to Siena, the city of the Palio Horse Race. Overnight at your hotel in Florence.

### Day 4 - Florence. Day at Leisure: optional activities

Enjoy this entire day at leisure or choose from optional tours such as exploring the treasures of the City like the Accademia Gallery and its David, or the Uffizi and its masterpieces. You might take a day tour to Cinque Terre or experience the Tuscan Countryside on a Vespa tour or Horse-back riding. Overnight at your hotel in Florence.

### Day 5 - Florence to Rome. Panoramic tour: Colosseum/Trevi Fountain/ Sistine Chapel

In the morning you'll board a high-speed train to Rome (approx: 1 h 30). Upon your arrival, time at leisure or join one of our optional activities like a Best of Rome tour: you'll take a panoramic tour of the Colosseum and Forum from outside, followed by a walking tour of the Baroque Rome near Piazza Navona including the treasures of the amazing Trevi fountain as well as the Pantheon, unique jewel of architecture. After a quick break, you will skip-the-line to get in the Vatican Museums (optional) where, following a carefully planned itinerary, you will visit the famous Sistine Chapel, plus a wide variety of galleries featuring ancient sculptures, tapestries, medieval maps, paintings and precious relics. Accompanied by your guide, you will be shown particular details in Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel frescos such as the painful punishments. With skip-the-line, you'll have direct access from the Sistine Chapel to St. Peter's Basilica so you can visit the stunning masterpieces held within. You'll see Michelangelo's 'Pietà' and the incredible bronze altar. Overnight at your hotel in Rome and find the luggage directly delivered from Florence.



### Day 6 - Rome. Day at Leisure: optional activities

Entire day at your leisure or choose from optional tours such as Colosseum and Ancient Rome tour or Borghese Gallery tour, if you prefer to learn more about local art and history, or maybe you could enjoy a fun Pizza Making Cooking Class to learn the secrets of the most famous Italian dish. At the end of the day, if you'd like, you might treat yourself with an optional Gourmet Dinner paired with wines.

### Day 7 - Rome. Day at Leisure: optional activities/ Special Dinner in Frascati

After breakfast time at your leisure for the day. Late in the afternoon you may join an optional tour with special dinner.





Board a regional train that in about 30 minutes time will take you to the exquisite town of Frascati. Set in the Castelli Romani area, Frascati has been chosen through the Centuries by Popes and aristocratic families for their summer residences. Frascati will give you a breathtaking bird's-eye view of the Eternal City as a special souvenir and an unforgettable dinner in a typical "Fraschetta". The fraschetta in Frascati is uniquely Italian, and something you should try at least once in your life, drinking wine and eating local food in a friendly atmosphere. After dinner, board your train back to your hotel in Rome.

#### **Day 8- Rome / Airport**

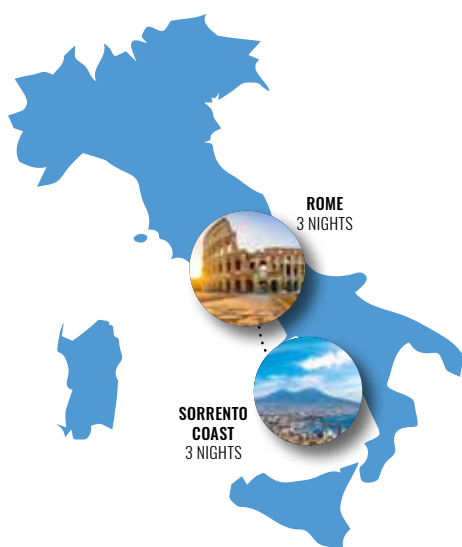
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# GRAND TOUR BY RAIL

# 5

8 DAYS  
Rome - Sorrento Coast

ESCORTED



TRAVEL LIGHT



PEACE OF MIND



ECO FRIENDLY TOUR



## WHAT'S INCLUDED

### TOUR DIRECTOR

Professional English and French speaking guide for the entire duration of the tour

### CENTRALLY LOCATED HOTELS

4\* with continental buffet breakfast

### PREMIUM CLASS

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### Day 4 - Rome to Naples. Pompeii/Sorrento coast

You'll start your journey early in the morning, once you've boarded your high-speed train to Naples. After the 1-hour ride, transfer to Sorrento coast or join an optional tour of the excavations of Pompeii and get touched by the dramatic story of the Roman city destroyed and buried by the eruption of Vesuvius in 79 AD. After the guided tour, you'll proceed to Sorrento where you'll find your luggage. Dinner and overnight.



### Day 5 - Sorrento coast. Capri full day tour

After breakfast, enjoy time at leisure or join one of our optional activities like a full day excursion to Capri. Transfer to the harbour and reach the enchanting Isle of Capri, favourite vacation spot of the Emperor Tiberius. Once arrived at the port of Marina Grande, you'll take the trip around the island while taking a glimpse of the "Scugnizzo" welcoming statue, Tiberius' leap, Coral Grotto, White Grotto, Natural arch, Villa Malaparte, Faraglioni, Bay of Marina Piccola, Siren's rock, Green Grotto, Punta Carena lighthouse, and if sea and weather conditions permit, also the famous Blue Grotto (the visit inside the sea cave by row boat is not included in the price of the trip and must be purchased separately at the entrance to the Blue Grotto). After returning to Marina Grande you will take the minibus and reach the glamorous La Piazzetta to enjoy its elegant atmosphere and have time sightseeing the Island on your own. Return to Sorrento where you'll enjoy a tasting of the unique Limoncello, the zesty liquor made from the fragrant lemons of Sorrentine Area. Dinner and overnight.

### Day 6 - Sorrento coast.

Whole day at your Leisure in the charming Sorrento.

### Day 7 - Sorrento coast/Napoli/Rome

After Breakfast you'll reach Naples by private transfer to board your high speed train back to Rome. You'll have time at your leisure to explore the Eternal City or reach the hotel where the luggage will await you. Overnight at your hotel.



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