

## THE VATICAN, ASSISI & SOUTHERN ITALY

9 days incl. air or 8 days from Rome to Rome (TI)

### Vacation Overview

Visit Italy and its most famous shrines. Start in Rome with a welcome dinner at a local restaurant and visit Rome's most important sights with a Local Guide: St. Paul Outside the Walls, the Catacombs, St. John Lateran Basilica, the Holy Stairs, St. Mary Major Basilica, the Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Square and Basilica, the Colosseum and the Roman Forum. Travel to Assisi and visit the Basilicas of St. Francis and St. Clare. Also visit St. Mary of the Angels Basilica and the Portiuncula. Next up: Pompeii, the Roman city both destroyed and preserved by an eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 AD. Enjoy a walk through the excavations with a Local Guide. Then, two nights in the bayside resort of Sorrento feature an excursion to the Isle of Capri and time to relax. Return to Rome and enjoy a farewell dinner at a local restaurant.

### Map



## **Itinerary**

### **Day 1**

(Mon.) Board your overnight transatlantic flight.

### **Day 2 Arrival in Rome, Italy**

(Tue.) Transfer to your hotel. Balance of the day is at leisure. At 6 pm, meet your Tour Director, then enjoy this evening's welcome dinner with your traveling companions in a local restaurant. (D)

### **Day 3 Rome**

(Wed.) Attend the weekly general audience of the Pope (subject to availability). This afternoon, visit ST. PAUL OUTSIDE THE WALLS and the CATACOMBS with a Local Guide. During the persecutions, the catacombs were used as places of refuge for the celebration of the Eucharist. Then, visit ST. JOHN LATERAN BASILICA and the HOLY STAIRS, which were brought from Jerusalem to Rome around 326 AD by St. Helena, mother of Constantine the Great, and consist of 28 white marble steps. As a favorite of pilgrims everywhere, these steps may only be ascended on the knees. Lastly, visit the impressive ST. MARY MAJOR BASILICA. (B)

### **Day 4 Rome-Assisi**

(Thu.) Morning sightseeing with your Local Guide starts with a visit to the VATICAN MUSEUMS and SISTINE CHAPEL, world famous for Michelangelo's ceiling paintings and *The Last Judgment*. Continue to monumental ST. PETER'S SQUARE and BASILICA. Cross the River Tiber, and visit the COLOSSEUM, one of the New 7 Wonders of the World®, and the ROMAN FORUM, where Roman legions marched in triumph. Next, enjoy a pleasant drive through the Apennine Mountains to the hilltop village of Assisi, home of St. Francis and St. Clare. (B,D)

### **Day 5 Assisi**

(Fri.) Celebrate Mass this morning followed by a guided walking tour of Assisi. Visit the BASILICAS OF ST. FRANCIS and ST. CLARE. See the crucifix that spoke to St. Francis, "Go, Francis, and repair my house, which as you see is falling into ruin." In addition, visit ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS BASILICA and the PORTIUNCULA. Balance of the day at leisure (B)

### **Day 6 Assisi-Pompeii-Sorrento**

(Sat.) Arrive in Pompeii, the Roman city both destroyed and preserved by an eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 AD. During your walking tour with a Local Guide, see a patrician home, public baths, and shops that give a striking picture of what day-to-day life was like in Roman times. Afterwards, arrive in the charming, bayside resort of Sorrento, where you will stay for the next two nights. (B)

### **Day 7 Sorrento. Excursion to Capri**

(Sun.) Speed across the bay to the beautiful Isle of Capri, an ancient retreat for Roman emperors and renowned for its beauty ever since. Ride the FUNICULAR to Capri village for a guided visit of this pretty town. Enjoy free time to explore the little shops on the *Piazzetta*. Afterwards, return via Sorrento to your hotel. (B)

### **Day 8 Sorrento-Rome**

(Mon.) Return to Rome and enjoy a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B,D)

### **Day 9**

(Tue.) Your homebound flight from Rome arrives the same day. (B)

## AIRPORT TRANSFERS

Airport transfers may be included when you make your flight arrangements. [Click Here](#) for more information.

## Vacation Highlights

### INCLUDED FEATURES

#### Rome:

Welcome and farewell dinners at a local restaurant; guided sightseeing, visit St. Paul Outside the Walls, the Catacombs, the Basilica of St. John Lateran, the Holy Stairs, St. Mary Major Basilica, the Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Square and Basilica, the Colosseum, and the Roman Forum; Papal audience (subject to availability)

#### Assisi:

Guided walking tour, visit the Basilicas of St. Francis and St. Clare; also visit St. Mary of the Angels Basilica, and the Portiuncula

#### Pompeii:

Guided walking tour of the excavation

#### Sorrento-Capri:

By jetfoil

#### Capri:

Guided visit of Capri village, including a funicular ride

#### Note:

- Combine this tour with "Journey Through the Holy Land".
- Please check visa requirements with your local consulate(s); responsibility for obtaining visas rests with the traveler
- All arrangements in Medjugorje are under the management of Fortuna Travel

## INSIDE VISITS

Inside visits and special features are shown in the description, including admission charges when applicable.

## STANDARD INCLUDED FEATURES

Learn more about transportation, hotels, and other standard included features offered.

## Accommodations

### MEALS

Buffet breakfast daily (B); 3 three-course dinners (D), including welcome and farewell dinners in Rome

## SUPERIOR HOTELS

**Rome** Nova Domus (F), **Assisi** Windsor Savoia (F), **Sorrento** La Residenza (F)

## Dates and Prices

View the following dates and prices to find just the right date for your vacation. Below you'll find the date you'll depart, the date the vacation starts and date you'll return.

Once you've selected your date, you'll move to the next step to get an airfare quote and to begin booking your vacation. When you book your flights with us, you'll find we offer competitive and hassle-free airfares, plus you'll receive free airport transfers, flights coordinated with vacation dates and you'll avoid strict internet terms and conditions.

Departure Details	Departure Date	Tour Start Date	Return Date	Land/Cruise Price	Status
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3/30/2009	3/31/2009	4/7/2009	\$2,049.00	Book Now!
4/13/2009	4/14/2009	4/21/2009	\$2,049.00	Book Now!
4/27/2009	4/28/2009	5/5/2009	\$2,049.00	Book Now!
5/11/2009	5/12/2009	5/19/2009	\$2,049.00	Book Now!
5/25/2009	5/26/2009	6/2/2009	\$2,049.00	Book Now!
6/8/2009	6/9/2009	6/16/2009	\$2,049.00	Book Now!
7/6/2009	7/7/2009	7/14/2009	\$2,049.00	Book Now!
7/20/2009	7/21/2009	7/28/2009	\$2,049.00	Book Now!
8/3/2009	8/4/2009	8/11/2009	\$2,049.00	Book Now!
8/17/2009	8/18/2009	8/25/2009	\$2,049.00	Book Now!
8/31/2009	9/1/2009	9/8/2009	\$2,049.00	Book Now!
9/14/2009	9/15/2009	9/22/2009	\$2,049.00	Book Now!
9/28/2009	9/29/2009	10/6/2009	\$2,049.00	Book Now!
3/29/2010	3/30/2010	4/6/2010	\$2,139.00	Please Call
4/12/2010	4/13/2010	4/20/2010	\$2,139.00	Please Call
4/26/2010	4/27/2010	5/4/2010	\$2,139.00	Please Call

#### US\$ Price Details

- Applicable air fare taxes and fees

#### Single room supplement:

\$325, \$341 (2010: 0330-0427);

#### Triple room reduction per person:

\$40, \$42 (2010: 0330-0427);

#### Extra nights per person in Rome:

Mar '09-Apr. '09: in single room \$212, in twin room \$155, in triple room \$123

May '09-May '10: in single room \$267, in twin room \$195, in triple room \$160

#### 2010 departures are subject to itinerary and price modification.

#### Our Volume Buying Power Saves You Money!

-We may be able to provide you with flight arrangements from your gateway city.

-Additional accommodations before or after your tour may be available at our low prices.

#### Additional Information:

-Departure/arrival taxes and fares from other cities will be advised at the time of booking.

-2008, 2009 & 2010 vacation itineraries and prices are subject to change.

#### Guaranteed Air-Inclusive Price:

Air-inclusive prices do not include a September 11th fee up to \$10, passenger facility charges of up to \$18, Federal domestic flight segment fees of up to \$3.50 per segment and U.S. and International arrival and departure and other government imposed fees of up to \$300 depending on your itinerary. Please see the Applicable Airfare Taxes and Fee link above for more information.

Air booked in conjunction with a land vacation is considered an air-inclusive vacation. Air can only be booked by Globus in conjunction with a land package and is only available for passengers traveling from the United States. For vacation departures in 2008, your final air-inclusive vacation price is guaranteed when your air schedule had been confirmed and your entire vacation package has been paid in full. For vacation departures in 2009, an additional \$250 non-refundable deposit (total \$500 non-refundable) is required for air booked in conjunction with any land vacation and your final air-inclusive vacation price is guaranteed when your flight information is confirmed and Globus has received your full land and air deposit.

#### Not Included in the Vacation Price:

Federal inspection fees for the Federal U.S. Customs and Immigrations; International Air Transportation tax; agricultural tax; other per person taxes imposed by government entities; airport taxes and fees including the

September 11th Security fee up to \$10 per person, Passenger facility charges up to \$18 per person, Federal domestic flight segment fees up to \$3.50 per segment and U.S. and International arrival and departure, and other government imposed fees up to \$300 per person; port taxes; passports; visas and vaccinations; tips to your Tour or Cruise Director, Local Host, driver, Local Guides, and/or ships' crew; gratuities on ferries, trains, and cruise ships; laundry; telephone; minibar; alcohol, beverages, and food outside of the contracted Globus menu as presented at a hotel or restaurant (these extra items will be billed to you before leaving the hotel, ship, or restaurant); optional excursions; airport transfers on non-qualifying flights; portage at airports and train stations; Travel Protection premiums; all airline imposed baggage fees (including internal flights); and all other items of a personal nature.

## **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

For travel terms and conditions, visit the Globus Web site, [www.globusjourneys.com](http://www.globusjourneys.com).

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