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KIPLING & CLARK LUXURY EXPEDITION ITINERARY

ITALY PRIVATE LUXURY TOUR 2010-2011

ROME - AMALFI - TUSCANY - FLORENCE - 14 DAYS

YOUR SNAPSHOT ITINERARY

DAY 1: ARRIVE ROME

3 Nights – Rome

DAY 4: ROME/NAPLES (AMALFI COAST)

3 Nights – Amalfi

DAY 7: NAPLES VIA FLORENCE TO TUSCANY COUNTRYSIDE

3 Nights – Tuscany

DAY 10: PRIVATE DRIVE FROM TUSCANY VIA CHIANTI TO FLORENCE

3 Nights – Florence

DAY 13: FLORENCE/ROME

1 Night - Rome

DAY 14: DEPART FOR U.S.

DAY 1: ROME

Upon arrival at Rome airport you will be welcomed to Italy by our local representative, as you exit customs into the arrivals hall, and transferred to the Regina Baglioni Hotel where you will be assisted with check-in procedures.

Accommodation: Regina Baglioni Hotel/Grand Deluxe Room or Junior Suite

Breakfast at the hotel

DAY 2: VATICAN CITY

Today, you will be met by your local English-speaking guide, and private vehicle for a half-day sightseeing tour (4 hours) of the Vatican City. Created as a result of the Lateran Treaty in 1929 between Pope Pius XI and the Italian government, the Vatican is the smallest independent state. Explore the treasures of the Vatican Museums, including the Sistine Chapel with its famous frescoes by Michelangelo. Visit St. Peter's Basilica, the dominant structure of the Vatican that was erected on order by Constantine, over the tomb of the crucified St. Peter. The present structure is mostly Renaissance and Baroque, formed under the hands of masters such as Michelangelo, and the inside is an elaborate and detailed display of marble, mosaic, gilt and bronze. Balance of day free.

Meal: Breakfast

Accommodation: Regina Baglioni Hotel/Grand Deluxe Room or Junior Suite

DAY 3: ROME

Breakfast at the hotel

Today you will be met at the hotel lobby by your local English speaking driver and enjoy a full day of discretionary touring of Rome.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Regina Baglioni Hotel/Grand Deluxe Room or Junior Suite



DAY 4: AMALFI

Breakfast/room service at the hotel

Today you will be met at your hotel and privately transferred to the Rome railway station. Here you will be shown to your pre-reserved **1st class seating** and your luggage will be handled onboard for you. Upon arrival at the Naples railway station you will be met from the door of the train and your luggage will be handled for you. **You will then be privately transferred to the Santa Caterina Hotel** (approx. 1 hour and 15 minute drive).

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel Caruso/Junior Suite (No balcony) –or– Santa Caterina Hotel/Deluxe Sea View Room and Balcony

DAY 5: AMALFI

Breakfast at the hotel

Today will be met by your English-speaking guide and private vehicle for a **half-day private touring (6 hours)** along the stunning Amalfi Coast to include Amalfi and Ravello. The Amalfi Drive is widely considered the most romantic drive in Italy, with the road running along the edge of rocky cliffs that plunge into the sea. Amalfi is the coast's largest town with its main attraction being the 10th century Duomo fronted by a beautifully colored 13th century facade. The village of Ravello is said to have the best views along the coast, which can be enjoyed from the Villa Rufolo.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel Caruso/Junior Suite (No balcony) –or– Santa Caterina Hotel/Deluxe Sea View Room and Balcony

DAY 6: ISLAND OF CAPRI

Breakfast at the hotel

Today you will be met in the lobby of your hotel by private driver and transferred to the Amalfi Port where you will be met by your local expert English-speaking guide to commence a **full day private tour (8 hours)** of the Island of Capri.

Upon arrival to the Amalfi Port you will board the public boat to the island of Capri. Capri has constant sunshine and enjoys a well-deserved reputation as a Garden of Eden. The home of emperors, seat of monasteries, place of exile, former haunt of goats and fisherman, its fortunes changed during the 19th century when England and German expatriates discovered its charms. Your tour of the island will include a visit to Villa St. Michele in Anacapri and a boat excursion to the

iridescent Blue Grotto. At the end of your excursion you will be driven back to the hotel.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Santa Caterina Hotel/Deluxe Sea View Room and Balcony

DAY 7: NAPLES/FLORENCE/TUSCANY COUNTRYSIDE

Breakfast at the hotel

Today you will be met at your hotel and privately transferred to the **Naples railway station**. Here you will be shown to your pre-reserved 1st class seating and your luggage will be handled onboard for you. Upon arrival at **the Florence railway station (approx. 1:50pm)** you will be met from the door of the train and your luggage will be handled for you. You will then be privately transferred to your hotel in **Castelnuovo Berardenga (near Siena) in the Tuscany countryside (approx. 1 hour and 30 minute drive)**.

Renowned for its art, history and evocative landscapes, Tuscany is a region where the past and present merge in pleasant harmony.



Hill-towns gaze across the countryside from high, many encircled by Etruscan walls and slender cypress trees. In the countryside, among the vineyards and olive groves, there are hamlets and farmhouses, as well as fortified villas and

castles that symbolize the violence and inter-communal strife that tore Tuscany apart in the Middle Ages.

When touring by private car with a driver-guide, we use an experienced driver-guide who will give commentary en-route, based on their experience in the Tuscany countryside. Within Italy, driver/guides are not permitted to guide within museums and certain historical sites.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Castel Monastero/Junior Suite Room

<http://www.castelmonastero.com/en/>

DAY 8: TUSCANY

Breakfast at the hotel

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Castel Monastero/Junior Suite Room



DAY 9: TUSCANY

Breakfast at the hotel

Today you will enjoy a **full day private touring (8 hours)** with your English-speaking driver-guide and travel to some of the Tuscan towns to the Southeast of Siena, including the town of Pienza. The center of **Pienza** was redesigned by Pope Pius II, who wanted to build a model Renaissance square in his native village. Nearby **Montepulciano** is an archetypal Tuscan hilltop town, set 605 meters above sea level and offering superb views over the surrounding countryside. Inside the ancient city walls and fortifications you will find winding streets and a wealth of Renaissance style palazzi and churches. **During your excursion today you will have the opportunity to enjoy wine-tasting.**

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Castel Monastero/Junior Suite Room

<http://www.castelmonastero.com/en/>

DAY 10: CASTELNUOVO BERARDENGA TO FLORENCE VIA CHIANTI

Breakfast at the hotel

Today your private driver/guide will drive you to Florence, with en route stopovers in the **Chianti** countryside, including the hilltop towns of **Greve** and **Castellina**.

You will enjoy more wine tastings at local vineyards enroute.

The driving time from Castelnuovo to Chianti is approx. 50 minute, and also approx. 50 minute driving time from Castellina to Florence.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Relais Santa Croce/Deluxe Double

<http://www.baglionihotels.com/en>

DAY 11: FLORENCE WALKING TOUR (UFFIZI & ACCADEMIA)

Breakfast at the hotel

Today you will be met by your local English-speaking guide for a **4-hour walking tour** of the world's favorite Renaissance city – Firenze!

Your tour will include the Duomo (**Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore**), the famous landmark of Florence, and a visit to the **Galleria dell'Accademia** (Academy of fine arts) to see the most famous of Michelangelo's work; David, a colossal 5.2m (17ft) nude of the biblical hero who killed the giant Goliath. You will also visit the **Uffizi Gallery** housing

some of the world's most important art treasures, such as Botticelli's breathtaking Birth of Venus.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Relais Santa Croce/Deluxe Double

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DAY 12: FLORENCE

Breakfast at the hotel

Today you are free to explore Florence on your own – enjoy!

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Relais Santa Croce/Deluxe Double

DAY 13: FLORENCE TO ROME

Breakfast at the hotel

Today you will be privately transferred from Florence to your hotel in Rome (approx. 3 hour drive via motorway – although not a scenic drive, the most expeditious way to travel to Rome). Balance of day is free in Rome.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Regina Baglioni Hotel/Grand Deluxe Room or Junior Suite

DAY 14: DEPART TO ROME

Breakfast at the hotel

Today you will be privately transferred from your hotel to the airport for your departure flight back to the U.S.

Meals: Breakfast

– END OF SERVICES –



For more information/costs or to book your customized journey, please contact:

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