



Simply Italy

12 days from only

R31 565

per person sharing incl. taxes

ID # 1985

Valid: 11 May 19 - 23 May 19

Duration: 12 Days

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Return flights from Johannesburg
- Approximate airport taxes
- 11 nights twin-share hotel accommodation
- 11 continental breakfasts & 3 Regional Dinners
- 12 Day Simply Italy Tour
- Modern, air-conditioned coach
- An experienced & professional Trip Manager & Driver team
- Sightseeing tours of all major cities plus orientations in all other destinations

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DAY 1: Arrive Rome

Italy - you have our attention! These are the 12-days we've been dreaming of since the day we booked. Our group

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of globe-roamers will meet up at 4pm at our Rome digs before hitting the streets for our first dinner and a taste of the city. La perfezione!

DAY 2: Rome to Sorrento via Vatican City

Rome

After last night's sample of Rome, your appetite for all things Italian will be well and truly whet. And you'll be wildly thankful we're coming back for more of this city at the end of the trip.

Vatican City

Before we head off to sunny Sorrento there's time to swing by the Pope's house and gawk at the magnitude of the Sistine Chapel & St Peter's Basilica.

Sorrento

"So so so so in love with Sorrento" are about the only words you'll muster up tonight as you sit seaside watching the sunset in this famous town of beauty.

DAY 3: Capri Excursion

There's nothing quite like the gorgeous island of Capri and today it's soon to be yours. You've seen the pictures, now it's time to get some of your own. The isle of Capri is famous the world over, with travellers drawn to its endless appeal and glamorous lifestyle. Take a walk around the island, or you could opt for a glamorous boat trip to see grottos glowing in blue, green and white, ocean caves & dramatic rock formations on a private wooden motorboat. Tonight, full of Italian love, you could opt for a feast overlooking the Bay of Naples, where you'll indulge in local food and wine and toast the trip.

DAY 4: Sorrento to Florence via Pompeii

Sorrento

See you, Sorrento! Thanks for making our Instagram feeds look like shoots for Italian Vogue!

Pompeii

Once a totally vibing hang-out of the Romans, Pompeii is now an archaeological site showing remains of what was

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destroyed by a mountain eruption in the year ... wait for it...79AD. The saying "stepping back in time" is about to take on a whole new meaning.

Florence

The famous dome of the Duomo Cathedral sits above the city, making certain we know we have arrived in Florence. Tonight you can continue your Tuscan love affair with a stroll along River Arno & ponder the prettiness of Florence over another vino or two.

DAY 5: Florence

Explore the city's markets complete with gelato in hand; marvel at artworks from the likes of legends like Michelangelo; and be impressed by the skillful art of leather at an included demonstration. These are the sorts of activities likely to fill your Florence agenda.

DAY 6: Florence to Venice via Verona

Florence

From one romantic city to the next, today we're venturing on to Verona and Venice to find Shakespearean vibes and a city that floats.

Verona

In fair Verona, we'll be lapping up the city where the story of Romeo & Juliet was set. Deemed a UNESCO World Heritage Site thanks to its urban structure and architecture, we'll absorb it over a stroll past the Roman Arena and find a spot to eat before our next destination.

Venice

Already in the spirit of Italian history and romance, tonight we'll land in the nest of Venice, which rivals the beauty of any other body of canals in the world, it's immensely charming thanks to drifting gondolas. You'll get the chance to explore this beautiful city tomorrow morning.

DAY 7: Venice

Today you're likely to burst out of bed and ready to explore the city. Find hidden lanes & story book bridges, & take

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our private boat ride through character filled canals. Cruise through the canals of Venice on an optional gondola ride, or opt in for a magical trip to Burano for a Venetian dinner this evening.

DAY 8: Venice to Milan via Lake Garda

Venice

Now that Venice has charmed us, it's time to strut our way to Milan for all things fashion & good taste.

Lake Garda

En route, we'll stop at Sirmione to gaze upon vine-covered villas, Roman ruins and a fable like castle. For those keen to get panoramic with the Dolomite Mountain range & suss out lake life, an optional cruise is up for grabs.

Milan

Here we are in the Capital of Cool. Spend your free afternoon faking fabulous at the glam shopping arcade of Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II. You'll also need to put La Scala Opera House and Duomo Cathedral on your Milan must-do list.

DAY 9: Milan to The Riviera

Milan

This morning we make an exit from Milan with coastal villages on the mind. Get your camera at the ready and on max charge; this will be a day of pretty.

The Riviera

Today is truly one for the bucket list, as we're in the glamorous Cinque Terre. Today you'll see this area the right way, by water and land. We'll head to Monterosso by boat, before train hopping your way back to our base, La Spezia.

DAY 10: The Riviera to Rome

The Riviera

Walk away from the Italian Riviera with plans to come back here for a few weeks or months, why not?

Pisa

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It's our last leg before we loop back to Rome, and we plan to make the most of it. Which means a final stop in Pisa to ogle at the world's most famous #AwkwardLean, no less.

Chianti Region

Endless lines of olive trees & the golden Tuscan sun will have us in a stupor of happiness. And that's before we've pulled up at a 16th century Tuscan winery to explore an old cellar & try a local drop paired with delicious antipasto.

Rome

Now that you're 10-days deep in your Italian odyssey, you will set your eyes upon Rome with heightened love and appreciation for the great country she's nested in. Get a glimpse of the greats, maybe down some pizza and stroll the streets in la mode of leisure knowing you have all day tomorrow to see the sites.

DAY 11: Rome

The end might be near, but we're in no great hurry to start winding down the adventure. As it's our last night on our trip, an optional dinner has been organised in a Roman restaurant complete with an opera singer, live music and pasta. We like to end things on a high note - no opera pun intended.

DAY 12: Depart Rome

That's a wrap! Our Italian love affair has officially come to a close but will carry on filling our thoughts way into the future. Particularly when we're back in the real world dreaming of the good life on tour.

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