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ROME EXPLORER

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8 DAYS



Travel to Europe often requires an overnight flight. Please arrange flights to arrive on or before Day 1.

DAY 1 Arrive Rome

Welcome to Rome, capital of Italy. Relax after check-in at your centrally located hotel, or take a leisurely stroll through the city's ancient streets. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers this evening for a traditional pizzeria Welcome Reception.

Meals: Welcome Reception

DAY 2 Rome City Highlights Walking Tour and Catacombs Visit

After a leisurely start enjoy a walking tour with a Local Specialist through some of the oldest streets in Rome. Visit the famous Spanish Steps, immortalized in many Italian movies, and the Trevi Fountain where you will stop to toss a coin over your shoulder and make a wish to return to Rome. Visit the breath-taking Pantheon and marvel at the most preserved and influential building of ancient Rome. See some of the impressive squares and admire the many monuments including Bernini's Fountain of Four Rivers. Enjoy free time in Piazza Navona for lunch and a gelato. This afternoon leave the city center and visit the ancient catacombs with a Local Specialist for a fascinating insight into Christian history in the city.

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 3 Rome Market Visit ► Cooking Experience

Today experience life like a local. Visit a local food market for a Cultural Insight with your insider host and select delicious local ingredients. Take a walk through the Jewish quarter and try focaccias and other delicious specialties in the neighborhood bakeries. Arrive at Fooxia for a cooking course with a professional chef and learn how to make proper Italian pasta. Enjoy a delicious lunch with typical Italian hospitality.

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch

DAY 4 Rome At Leisure or Optional Experience to Pompeii

A completely free day to explore the city. Your Travel Director will give you some ideas and suggestions on how to spend your day. Alternatively you may wish to take an Optional Experience to visit the renowned excavations at Pompeii.

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 5 Rome ► Vatican Experience

Enjoy your morning at leisure, exploring the magnificent historic sites of Rome, indulging in its café culture and perhaps even a shopping

experience to Via Condotti. This afternoon, gain priority access to the Vatican Museums where a Local Specialist will take you on a guided tour. Admire Michelangelo's magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel when it is less crowded and meet an official representative of the Vatican Museums during your private guided tour of the Missionary Ethnological Museum, founded by Pope Pius XI in 1926, with its remarkable collection of artworks and historical relics from missions all over the world. You'll also enjoy an exclusive after hour's dinner at the museum amidst three centuries of Vatican art, history and antiquities.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

DAY 6 Ancient Rome Sightseeing and Tivoli Villa d'Este Gardens Visit

This morning after a leisurely start visit ancient Rome with a Local Specialist. Visit inside the impressive Colosseum and see the Circus Maximus where chariot races were once held. Later travel to Tivoli for a guided visit with a Local Specialist of the UNESCO World Heritage Italian gardens of Villa d'Este. The architectural elements and water features here had an enormous influence on European landscape design.

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 7 Rome At Leisure and Roman Farewell Dinner

Your last day in the city is completely yours to explore further or do last minute shopping for souvenirs. Your Travel Director will be able to suggest activities such as museums, shopping or sightseeing in the city. In the early evening meet for a unique Cultural Insight. Enjoy a Roman Farewell Dinner with a local family in their Isola Tiberina apartment. This apartment formerly belonged to film director Michelangelo Antonioni amongst other famous inhabitants. Today it is the home of Fabio and either he or other members of his family will host you for a delicious meal with your fellow travel companions.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

DAY 8 Depart Rome

After breakfast, say farewell to Rome and your newfound friends as you prepare to return home after a memorable week in one of the world's greatest cities. Transfers to Rome Fiumicino Airport are available. Conditions apply.

Meals: Breakfast

YOUR VACATION INCLUDES

- ✓ Unwind into a hassle-free journey with VIP access, the right accommodations and travel by luxury coach
- ✓ Meet your expert Travel Director and locals with Insider Experiences and must-see sightseeing
- ✓ Taste the flavors of the destination: 7 hot buffet breakfasts, 1 lunch and 3 dinners