



ROME
ITALY



DAYS 10
FROM RM 7778

DEPARTURE DATES

Every two weeks
on sundays

EXPECTED HOTELS

See the hotels provided for this trip in the final part of the brochure and on the website's «My Trip» page.

THE PRICE INCLUDES

- **General Services:** Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance and breakfast buffet.
- **Includes arrival transfer**
- **Boat:** To the island of Venice, Zurich Lake.
- **City tour in:** Rome, Florence, Venice.
- **Evening Transfer:** Via Cavour in Rome, Trastevere in Rome.
- **Transfer:** Piazzale Michelangelo in Florence.
- **Ticket admission:** Coliseum of Rome, Saint Mark's Basilica and Murano Glass Factory in Venice, botanic garden in Mainau, Rhine Waterfalls.
- **Funicular:** Cable Car to Grindelwald First.
- **1 Lunch or Dinner Included in:** Grindelwald.
- **Train:** Piazza del Miracoli in Pisa, Rapperswill- Zurich.



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ITALIAN AND SWISS PANORAMA

01 SUN. Rome.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Evening transfer to the Via Cavour district.

Welcome to Rome! Upon arrival, we will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel. Later, our guide will greet you and provide all the necessary information, which you can also check in the informative panels in the hotel reception area. At the end of the evening we will arrange a **transfer to the Via Cavour area**, a great introduction to Rome, where you will find restaurants serving Italian, Indian, Chinese and international food.

02 MON. Rome.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: City tour of Rome. Roman Coliseum (admission price included). Evening transfer to the Trastevere area.

In the morning, we have a **scenic tour**, which will be a great introduction to "The Eternal city". We will visit the tiny state of the Vatican, the epicenter of Christianity in the world. You will be able to visit St. Peter's Basilica. We have **included admission to the Roman Coliseum**, the symbol of Rome. This impressive construction dates back 2,000 years and will transport us in time so that we can learn about ancient society in the Roman Empire.

At the end of the evening we arrange a **transfer to Trastevere** area for a stroll in the narrow cobbled streets of the district with hidden treasures, such as some modest medieval churches, small shops with the most peculiar of objects or scenes of daily life. Many trattorias (informal Italian eating establishments) and osterias (inns) imbued with the Italian spirit will be ready to serve you local dishes. Other restaurants serving Indian, Chinese and international food can be found in this area. Return to hotel.

03 TUE. Rome - Florence.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Tour with a local expert from Florence. View from Piazzale Michelangelo.

Today we will leave Rome, heading north. This route has beautiful landscapes. Arriving in **FLORENCE**, we head straight to the impressive **Piazzale Michelangelo**. In the evening we take a **tour with a local expert**, walking through the historic center, taking in places such as the Ponte Vecchio, the Duomo, and Plaza della Signoria. This city is truly an outdoor museum. Enjoy some leisure time to explore. In the evening you will have time for dinner, as, in this district you can find many restaurants serving international cuisine.

04 WED. Florence - Venice.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Boat on Venice's Canal. Visit and admission to the St. Mark's Basilica. Admire the technique of crafting Murano Glass.

Today we enjoy stunning mountain landscapes while crossing the Apennine Mountains. We will arrive in **VENICE** and take the boat and cross the Giudecca to the Island of Venice. With a **local guide**, we will visit the marvelous **St. Mark's Square** and enter the **Basilica (entrance included)**. Afterwards, we will visit the Murano Glass Factory. It is fascinating to see the technique of how this ancient glass is made. Enjoy some time at leisure to explore. Accommodation in the Mestre district.

05 THU. Venice - Innsbruck- Zurich.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Breathtaking alpine scenery, lakes and snow-peaked mountains.

We will depart Venice and head to Austria. Arrival in **INNSBRUCK**, time to take a stroll in its historic town center and to have lunch. Next, we will continue our journey through the wonderful Tyrolean sceneries as we cross into Switzerland. Arrival in **ZURICH**. Free time in the historic city center which

sits right by the lake. There is a wide variety of local and international restaurants where you can have dinner at.

06 FRI. Zurich - Grindelwald - Lucerne.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Admire the fantastic landscapes. Cable car included to Grindelwald. Lunch included.

Today's journey has beautiful landscapes with high mountains and lakes. Breathtaking scenery in the region of Interlaken. We will stop in **GRINDELWALD** where we will have time for a coffee before taking the **cable car** up to mountain. We will walk along the winding path which will lead us to the "footbridge over the empty". Dare to walk along the bridge amongst the fantastic scenery enjoying glaciers all around us. We will take **lunch** up the mountain (**included**) before heading back down. We continue to **LUCERNE**, one of the most beautiful cities in Switzerland. In the evening we have time to stroll around, enjoying the city.

07 SAT. Lucerne - Einsiedeln- Heididorf - Vaduz - Feldkirch.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Baroque Abbey. Heidi's Village. Journey through beautiful landscapes.

We leave Lucerne driving along the Four Cantons Lake towards **EINSEDELN**, its immense baroque abbey is the most important pilgrimage center in Switzerland. After that we continue towards the East of Switzerland. **MAIENFELD** is the village which inspired Heidi's story. In **HEIDIDORF** we will be visiting Heidi's House (ticket not included. Entry to the facility is free), a picturesque place with beautiful landscapes that we will reach through a pedestrian path. Then we enter into the independent country of Liechtenstein, and its capital city **VADUZ** with its impressive castle. Time to stroll and have lunch. Subsequently, we go to the neighbor city of **FELDKIRCH**, in Austria, located next to the borders of Switzerland, Liechtenstein and Germany: charming walled city with a genuine historic city center and a castle. Free time.

08 SUN. Feldkirch - St. Gallen - Constance - Stein am Rhein - Rhine Waterfalls - Zurich.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Constanza Lake. Botanic Gardens. Rhein Waterfalls. Fantastic scenery.

We start our day heading to **ST. GALLEN**, whose center is part of the World Heritage List by UNESCO with a wonderful cathedral and its historic center. Afterwards we will continue by Constance Lake, between Germany and Switzerland. We will have time for a walk at Constance's center before visiting **MAINAU** Island (access by pedestrian bridge) with its stunning botanic garden (**entry included**). Then, again in Switzerland, we will take a stroll in **STEIN AM RHEIN**, a typical village on the Rhine River with precious houses with painted walls. We will also visit **Rhine Waterfalls (entry included)**, the waterfalls with the most abundant flow in Europe. Arrival in **ZURICH** at the end of the day.

09 MON. Zurich- Rapperswill- Zurich.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT: Zurich. Cruise on the Lake Zurich. Train.

With our guide, we will have a tour of **ZURICH**, the most populated city of Switzerland, and the country's financial and cultural capital. The city of the banks has twice been declared the city with the best quality of life in the world. Afterwards, we will include a cruise of almost two hours on **Lake Zürich**. The boat makes brief stops to allow us to see the villages on the way. We get off in **RAPPERSWILL**, a picturesque little village overlooked by its mediaeval castle. We go back to Zurich **by train** and appreciate the efficiency and punctuality of the Swiss railways. **Note:** Depending on the number of travelers, the transfers to the center and from the station may be made on public transport.

10 TUE. Zurich.-

After breakfast, end of our services.