

A Custom Designed Pre- or Post- Cruise Itinerary to

Italy

by

IN QUEST OF THE CLASSICS

DAY 1: ROME/ NORCIA. Guests will either be met at Rome airport (pre-cruise) or at the Civitavecchia disembarkation location (post-cruise) by a top IQOTC driver and vehicle and privately transferred to Norcia (about 2 hours 30 minutes). Upon arrival check in at the **Palazzo Seneca** for a three night stay in a double bedded room. Palazzo Seneca is a lovingly restored 16th century building full of charm. The property is a fusion between design and tradition, simplicity and quality. All rooms are unique, with wrought iron poster beds or carved wooden headboards, leather desks, designer bathrooms and luxury bed linen – www.palazzoseneca.com. Time to relax at the spa center with complimentary use of the jacuzzi, Turkish baths and steam room. Later this evening enjoy a welcome dinner at the traditional restaurant “Granaro del Monte”, open since 1850. Here taste the real flavors of the local cuisine.

DAY 2: LOCAL TOURING. After breakfast this morning guests will visit a local olive oil mill to learn about the olive oil production process. This will be followed by a light lunch of samples that are matched to the mill’s oil. Then depart for the small, quaint hamlet of Montefalco. Here visit a local wine estate which produces the delicious Sagrantino di Montefalco red wine, with a tasting of 3 wines. After the tasting return to Norcia for a 4:00PM cooking class at Casa Bianconi. Casa Bianconi is a historic house in Norcia where guests will learn some of the secrets of the local cuisine. Enjoy a hands-on cooking class and tasting of your “masterpiece” for approximately 3 hours. Return to Palazzo Seneca.



DAY 3: LOCAL TOURING. Enjoy a morning experience of truffle hunting in the wild and breathtaking area around Norcia. Guests will be transferred to the hunting area by minivan to meet an expert truffle hunter, and his devoted dog, to hunt for the black truffle of Norcia. This experience will not be possible in May and September. During these two months a visit to a cheese making school, to learn how to make cheese, and also visit a local salami factory will take the place of truffle hunting. Lunch on your own. In the early afternoon perhaps spend some time in Norcia for strolling down the main street lined with gourmet shops.



At 4:00PM enjoy a 2 hour chocolate experience class where the chef will introduce you to the art of chocolate making and will teach you how to prepare delicious chocolate with pralines, truffles and local cereals. Return to the Palazzo Seneca and enjoy an evening farewell dinner at the elegant and unique Lounge Restaurant in the Palazzo.

DAY 4: DEPARTURE. After breakfast guests will be transferred back to Rome to either the cruise embarkation location (pre-cruise) or Rome airport (post-cruise).

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NETT LAND PRICE PER GUEST (based on 2)	\$ 2,374.00 EACH
Reduction for payment by agency check	\$ 90.00 EACH
NETT LAND PRICE PER GUEST (based on 4)	\$ 2,030.00 EACH
Reduction for payment by agency check	\$ 77.00 EACH
NETT LAND PRICE PER GUEST (based on 6)	\$ 1,945.00 EACH
Reduction for payment by agency check	\$ 74.00 EACH
NETT LAND PRICE PER GUEST (based on 8)	\$ 1,623.00 EACH
Reduction for payment by agency check	\$ 62.00 EACH
NETT LAND PRICE PER GUEST (based on 10)	\$ 1,472.00 EACH
Reduction for payment by agency check	\$ 56.00 EACH

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: UPON REQUEST

NETT LAND COST INCLUDES

ACCOMMODATIONS: 3 nights as quoted, *subject to availability once exact 2009 dates are determined and deposit is received.* All rooms with private facilities; hotel taxes, service charges, VAT included.

MEALS: 3 buffet breakfasts, 2 dinners, 1 lunch

LAND TRANSPORTATION: Private vehicle (deluxe car for 2 guests, deluxe minivan for 4 and 6 guests, deluxe mini coach for 8 and 10 guests). Top English-speaking drivers

OTHER: olive oil tasting, wine tasting, cooking class, truffle hunting OR cheese school/salami factory visit, chocolate experience class

SIGHTSEEING: As stated.

PRIVATE TRANSFERS: As stated. *Please note that IQOTC must have full flight and cruise schedule in order to provide private transfers.* A supplement will apply to any transfers between the hours of 7PM and 7AM

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES: Communications costs; itinerary planning; documents portfolio sent by 2nd day delivery; assistance of our local staff while in Italy.

COST DOES NOT INCLUDE

Air; travel insurance; personal expenses such as laundry, phone calls, hotel extras, etc.; gratuities; all other items not specifically mentioned above.

IMPORTANT NOTES

PRICE: All rates are **NETT PER PERSON** and based on travel from May 1 – October 31, 2009, on numbers stated and on exchange rates of August 13, 2008. Price is subject to change in the event of any major currency fluctuation. Final price **will be** based on final numbers and rate of exchange at time of final payment.

DEPOSIT: Once exact dates are determined a \$100.00 per guest deposit will be required. After confirmation of all services, a further \$150.00 per guest deposit will be required. (Agency check, Visa, MasterCard & American Express credit card deposits are accepted.)

TERMS & CONDITIONS: Please refer to IQOTC's Terms and Conditions as attached. It is the travel agent's responsibility to inform clients of our terms and conditions.