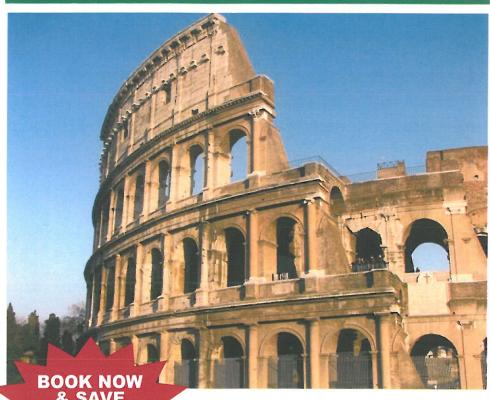
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# Italia Classica

September 15 - 23, 2014



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Included in Price: Round Trip Air from San Antonio Intl, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

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"Value Tours" Value Tours provide all the key destination attractions and core benefits of a standard Collette tour, including the services of a professional Tour Manager. These lower-priced packages feature 3-4 star hotels that may be less centrally located. They also offer more free time, allowing guests to pursue a wider choice of independent sightseeing and dining options.







HIGHLIGHTS... Rome, Colosseum, Florence, Venice, St. Mark's Square, Milan

Day 1: Monday, September 15, 2014

Overnight Flight Join Collette Vacations for a fabulous vacation in Italy, exploring the magic of Rome, Florence and Venice. These cities are filled with history, culture, art and romance, waiting to be discovered. Your vacation begins with an overnight flight.

Day 2: Tuesday, September 16, 2014
Rome, Italy - Tour Begins Your tour
begins in Rome, "the Eternal City." This
evening, meet your fellow travelers and
roll up your sleeves for a true taste of
Italian culture. A pizza-making class with
an expert will teach you the art of creating
this Italian specialty! Once your delicious
creations are complete, sit back and enjoy
your meal, paired with traditional antipasti
and fine Italian wine! (D)

Day 3: Wednesday, September 17, 2014

Rome Enjoy a tour of Classical Rome
viewing the Piazza Venezia, the Roman
Forum, the Circus Maximus and the Arch
of Constantine. Visit the famed
Colosseum, where gladiators and exotic
animals once entertained the Roman
crowd. This afternoon you are free to
continue exploring Rome on your own.
Perhaps you will take an optional
excursion devoted to the splendors of
Vatican City, the Vatican Museums and
St. Peter's Basilica. (B)

Day 4: Thursday, September 18, 2014 Rome - Florence Depart Rome this morning for a scenic journey through Italy's graceful low-lying hills to the spectacular capital of Tuscany, Florence. En route, ease your way into the local culture as your tour manager teaches you a few key phrases of the native language. Upon arrival, learn about the traditional Italian techniques of leather-making during a visit to a family-owned leather shop. Then, begin your exploration of the great city of Florence! A local expert provides a leisurely-paced walking tour featuring the Piazza del Duomo, the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore and the Baptistry. You also visit the Piazza della Signoria with its impressive Palazzo Vecchio. End your day with an informative explanation of Florentine gold and its fascinating techniques at a local gold shop, overlooking the Church of Santa Croce. (B)

Day 5: Friday, September 19, 2014
Florence Today is at leisure to relax or continue independently exploring the city's cultural riches. Perhaps you would like to sign up for an optional tour to see the famous Leaning Tower of Pisa followed by a visit to a Tuscan winery complete with a regional lunch. (B)





Day 6: Saturday, September 20, 2014 Florence - Mogliano Veneto This morning you journey through central Italy, crossing over the wooded Apennine Mountains toward the Po River valley. Arrive in Mogliano Veneto and enjoy a relaxing afternoon in this quaint Venetian town. You may choose to sign up for an optional excursion to the islands in the Venetian lagoon. (B, D)

Day 7: Sunday, September 21, 2014
Mogliano Veneto - Venice - Mogliano
Veneto Board a train toward enchanting
Venice, with 117 tiny islands and its
latticework of 150 canals and 400 bridges.
Your Venetian adventure will begin with
a boat trip (weather permitting) to
charming St. Mark's Square, the lively
hub of the city's activity and events. A
local expert will guide you on a walking
tour of the area featuring St. Mark's
Basilica and the Clock Tower with its
famous Moors. (B)

Day 8: Monday, September 22, 2014 Mogliano Veneto - Milan - Milan Malpensa Say good-bye to the Veneto region as you travel toward the exciting and modern city of Milan. Visit the magnificent Duomo (Cathedral) and the Vittorio Emmanuele II Gallery in one of the city's most elegant squares. Time is allowed to explore the city at your own pace before continuing to nearby Malpensa. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner commemorating the end of a fabulous trip through Italy. (B, D)

Day 9: Tuesday, September 23, 2014 Milan Malpensa - Tour Ends Your tour ends today in the Milan Malpensa area. (B)

Overnight Flight

#### **ITINERARY AT A GLANCE**

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Days 2, 3	Hotel Cardinal St. Peter's, Rome	
Days 4, 5	Hotel Palazzo Ricasoli, Florence	
Days 6, 7	Mogliano Veneto Hotel , Mogliano Veneto	
Day 8	Malpensa Hotel, Malpensa	
On some da	ates alternate hotels may be used.	

For important reservation information visit www.collettevacations.com/link/562362. You can also find this information on your tour documents.



#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

# Book Now rates valid until Mar 15, 2014, valid on air inclusive packages only.

To complete your vacation, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing Collette airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

Please note that most shops and businesses in Italy are closed on Sundays and on national/religious holidays.

Florence state museums, including the Uffizi and the Accademia, are closed on Mondays.

Vatican Museums are not available on Sundays.

When reserving single accommodations, be advised that single rooms in Italy are often smaller in size.

Due to the nature of this itinerary, both 3 and 4 star hotels will be utilized that may be located in the vicinity of historic centers.

Days of features are interchangeable.

This tour includes moderate physical activity. Walking tours, as well as walking slightly longer distances, up stairs or on uneven walking surfaces should be expected. Some of the most unique sightseeing can mean accessing locations that restrict motorcoaches, especially in historic areas. For your comfort, we recommend bringing walking shoes. If you require a walker or wheelchair, or have difficulty walking, you may not be able to access some of these areas and may want to consider an alternate program with us. Our travel counselors can provide additional information or assistance to help you determine the perfect trip for you.

Air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

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# Italia Classica

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# **Available Options**

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult.

#### Rome

#### The Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Basilica

\$85 USD

The Vatican Museums are not only home to one of the world's greatest collections of art, but also to the world-famous Sistine Chapel. Priceless artifacts from ancient Egypt, Etruscan Italy and cultures around the world are preserved in the Vatican's palaces, galleries, halls, and rooms. Follow a local expert guide on a three hour, in-depth visit through this vast collection. Highlights include the Gallery of Maps, the Gallery of Tapestries, and of course, a visit to the Sistine Chapel. The chapel's famous ceiling frescoes took Michelangelo four years to complete. His brilliant Last Judgment, which rests on the altar wall, was a topic of controversy for centuries. Other walls feature paintings by Pietro Perugino, Sandro Botticelli, Cosimo Rosselli, and Domenico Ghirlandaio. Your final stop will be at St. Peter's Basilica, one of the most important churches in Christendom, and until recently, the largest in the world. Price includes admission and the use of headphones inside the museum. It is highly recommended to book this optional tour in advance of your tour departure. *Duration: Approximately 4 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.



# Rome by Night

\$85 USD

"Dine with the Tenors" at a very popular Roman restaurant, where you'll indulge in a hearty, traditional, four-course menu complete with wine. As you enjoy the delicious tastes of Italy, talented performers serenade you with favorite arias from best-loved operas. This lively, fun-filled evening will be an unforgettable part of your visit to Rome and an engaging immersion into Italian culture. After dinner, embark on the enchanting Rome by Night tour, seeing the famous landmarks of the "Eternal City" illuminated against the night sky. See the Colosseum, Roman Forum, Victor Emmanuel Monument, and many other highlights. Remember your evening of Italian romance and charm with a souvenir opera CD – one per couple and one for singles. Please note: Gratuities are included. *Duration: Approximately 4 hours.* Please note a minimum of 10 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

## **Florence**

Tuscan Feast \$85 USD

This evening, set off on a scenic drive to nearby Galluzzo, a historic town famous for its Carthusian monastery which rests upon one of the beautiful hills surrounding Florence. Prior to dinner, enjoy an after-hours visit to this 14th century monastery – La Certosa. Revel in the beauty that lurks inside and experience the monastery's magnificence as you learn about monastic daily life. Then, your evening of fun continues at one of the area's most popular dining establishments. Experience an authentic and traditional dinner – served family-style! Savor local wines and Tuscan food and enjoy the entertainment. It's a memorable – truly Italian – evening out that you won't want to miss! Gratuities are included. *Duration: Approximately 4.5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

### Pisa and Lunch at a Tuscan Winery

\$75 USD

The famous Leaning Tower of Pisa is just one of many reasons to visit the ancient maritime Republic of Pisa. This day your tour begins with a trip to this famous town. Pisa's Piazza del Duomo, also known as Piazza dei Miracoli ("Field of Miracles") has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage site. Here you'll find the Duomo, the world-famous Leaning Tower, the historic Baptistery and the Camposanto. Enjoy free time to shop before heading to a winery located in the scenic Tuscan hills and the Chianti region. Learn about Italian wines and olive oil production on this guided visit of the winery. Then enjoy a delicious lunch and sample local wines and specialties. *Duration:* Approximately 7.5 hours. Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

#### Venice

# Venetian Serenaded Gondola Cruise

\$75 USD

Experience the romance that can only be found in Venice – La Serenìssima – while traveling on its famous waterways, when you partake in one of Venice's most famous pastimes – a gondola cruise. Take a pleasant stroll toward the Grand Canal to board your gondola. As you relax in your elegant watercraft, your gondolier navigates the Grand Canal as well as smaller side canals. Sip on a glass of local Prosecco as you listen to the melodic voice serenading you in true Italian style – just like in those romantic Italian movies! This option operates weather permitting. Duration of the gondola cruise is approximately 35 minutes. Gondolas hold 5 to 6 passengers. Transportation not included and in most cases not required as option is usually within walking distance. *Duration: Approximately 1 hour.* Please note a minimum of 12 passengers is required. Transportation is not included.

# The Islands of the Venetian Lagoon

\$80 USD

Hop on a train this afternoon to Venice, where you will then board a private boat to experience the Venetian Lagoon and its islands. A local expert will guide you on this fascinating tour to include special stops at the islands of Burano and Murano. Burano is one of the most unique places in the lagoon with its lace shops and colorful homes that line its canals. Murano is home to hundreds of glass factories and artisan studios. While there, visit one of Murano's oldest glass factories for an up-close glass making demonstration. *Duration: Approximately 6 hours.* Please note a minimum of 20 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

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