## ITINERARY GRAND TOUR OF ITALY MARCH 2-11, 2017

#### DAY 1 FLY OVERNIGHT TO ITALY

#### DAY 2 MILAN – VENICE

- o Meet your Tour Director at the airport
- o Travel to Venice

#### DAY 3 VENICE

- o Enjoy a Gondola Ride
- Visit the Doge's Palace
- See a glass-blowing demonstration
- Participate in a Venice City Challenge

#### DAY 4 FLORENCE

o Travel to Florence

#### DAY 5 FLORENCE

- Take a guided tour of Florence
  With your expert local guide you will see:
  - Piazza della Signoria
  - Ponte Vecchio
  - Chiesa di Santa Croce
  - Gates of Paradise
  - Visit the Duomo

## **Optional: Pisa**



Journey to Pisa on this half-day excursion. Enjoy a guided tour of the city's Field of Miracles, where you can snap a picture of the 12th-century Leaning Tower, aslant ever since the third floor was built. This is where Galileo was said to have developed his laws of gravity. Also, visit the adjacent cathedral and baptistery, which contain exquisite marble pulpits carved in the Gothic style.

#### DAY 6 ASSISI

- o Travel to Assisi
- Take a guided tour of Assisi
- Visit the Basilica of St. Francis

#### DAY 7 POMPEII – SORENTO REGION

- Take a guided tour of Pompeii
- Visit the Pompeii Roman Ruins
- Continue on to the Sorrento region

#### DAY 8 SORRENTO – ROME

## **Optional: Capri**



Enjoy stunning views of the Amalfi coastline as you ferry across the Bay of Naples to Capri, where a guided tour will introduce you to the island's timeless charm. Then, enjoy free time before taking in Capris spectacular coast by boat. Note: If weather conditions do not permit a cruise, you will explore the towns of Capri and Anacapri with your guide.

o Travel to Rome

#### DAY 9 ROME

- Take a guided tour of Vatican City
- o Visit the Sistine Chapel
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica
- Take a guided tour of Rome
- Visit the Colosseum
- o Visit the Roman Forum
- Take a self-guided walking tour of Rome

#### DAY 10 DEPART FOR HOME

# Everything you get:

- TRound-trip flights
- Comfortable motor coach
- <sup>lea</sup> 8 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms
- European breakfast and dinner daily
- Full-time bilingual Tour Director
- Image: Sightseeing tours led by licensed local guides
- Entrances: Doge's Palace Glass-blowing demonstration Duomo
  Leather-making demonstration Assisi Basilica Pompeii Roman Ruins • Sistine Chapel • St. Peter's Basilica • Colosseum • Roman Forum • With extension: Catacombs • St. Paul's Outside the Wall • Ostia Antica