

# NORTHERN LAKES AND LIGURIA

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9  days | 8  nights

VENICE - VERONA - SIRMIONE - MILAN - STRESA - BORROMEAN  
ISLANDS - COMO - BELLAGIO - PORTOFINO - SANTA  
MARGHERITA LIGURE - RAPALLO - CINQUE TERRE - LA SPEZIA





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**DAY 1 - MONDAY**

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**MESTRE**

Arrival at the airport and transfer to the hotel in Mestre, with accommodation in the reserved rooms. At 6:00 PM, meet the tour leader at the reception.

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**DAY 2 - TUESDAY**

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**MESTRE - VENICE - MESTRE**

Breakfast at the hotel and guided tour of Venice, a city unlike any other in the world, built on approximately 120 islands, bordered by 150 canals, and connected by over 400 bridges. Venice boasts a cultural and artistic heritage among the most beautiful in the world, which has inspired great poets and artists of its time. Admire the elegant buildings along the Grand Canal, the exquisite beauty of the Doge's Palace overlooking St. Mark's Square, the majesty of St. Mark's Basilica and its campanile, as well as the charming artisan workshops and the picturesque colorful houses. Enjoy free time before returning to the hotel in the afternoon.

**OPTIONAL EXCURSION:****Gondola Ride through the Canals of Venice**

The gondola ride is one of the main attractions of the city and is considered one of the symbols of Venice. Undoubtedly, a gondola ride is an unforgettable experience that must be had to truly say you have experienced the city. There is nothing like it in the world, and this is what makes Venice a unique city. It offers the opportunity to observe the city from below, gently swayed by the water and the rhythmic motion of the gondolier's oar.

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**DAY 3 - WEDNESDAY**

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**MESTRE - VERONA - SIRMIONE - MILAN**





After breakfast, departure to Verona, famously known as the setting for the passionate love story of Romeo and Juliet, the world's most renowned lovers. Its historic center has been declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site for its architecture and urban structure. Verona enchants visitors with its romantic and fascinating atmosphere, its bridges over the Adige River, its magnificent buildings, and its bustling streets. Next, we proceed to Sirmione, a picturesque town located on the southern shore of Lake Garda, known as "the pearl of the islands and peninsulas." The town boasts a rich historical and artistic heritage, including the remains of an ancient Roman villa from the early imperial period, known as the Grottoes of Catullus, the Scaliger Castle, and the Church of San Pietro in Mavino. Afterward, transfer to the hotel in Milan.

**OPTIONAL EXCURSION:**  
**Boat Ride on Lake Garda**

Lake Garda is a treasure of beauty that reveals its best secrets to those who choose to explore it from a different perspective. A boat excursion is a unique experience to enjoy moments of relaxation while discovering stunning landscapes.

**DAY 4 - THURSDAY**

**MILAN**

Breakfast at the hotel and a tour of Milan, a city rich in invaluable historical, artistic, and architectural heritage. Milan is also renowned as the Italian capital of fashion, an industrial hub, and a central player in the Italian economy. A stroll through Milan must include visits to some of its iconic landmarks: Piazza del Duomo, one of the largest and most captivating squares in Italy, home to the magnificent Gothic-style Cathedral; the Teatro alla Scala, a cultural symbol of Milan and one of the most prestigious theaters in the world for its history, architecture, and performances; and the Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II. Enjoy free time before returning to the hotel.

**OPTIONAL EXCURSION:**  
**Navigli District of Milan: A Symbol of Milanese Nightlife**

Excursion to discover the Navigli district, one of the most picturesque areas of Milan, renowned worldwide for its vibrant nightlife and the hundreds of venues scattered along the banks of its canals. The tour includes a stop to admire the illuminated Duomo of Milan, one of the most striking Gothic cathedrals. After a brief walk to explore the history of this fascinating neighborhood, you'll have the opportunity to enjoy an aperitivo during the iconic "happy hour."

**DAY 5 - FRIDAY**

**MILAN - LAKE MAGGIORE: STRESA AND BORROMEAN ISLANDS - MILAN**

Breakfast at the hotel and departure to Stresa, a splendid tourist destination on Lake Maggiore. This charming town is nestled in an unparalleled scenic setting, offering breathtaking views of the Alps and Lake Maggiore, home to the famous Borromean Islands. Next, enjoy an excursion to the Borromean Islands, featuring the monumental Isola Bella, the picturesque Isola dei Pescatori, and Isola Madre, renowned for its botanical garden filled with rare plants. During the excursion, lunch will be served on Isola dei Pescatori, featuring typical dishes of the local cuisine. Return to Stresa and enjoy free time before heading back to the hotel in the afternoon.

**DAY 6 - SATURDAY**

**MILAN - LAKE COMO: COMO, VILLA CARLOTTA, AND BELLAGIO - MILAN**

After breakfast, departure to Como for a guided tour of one of the most beloved cities in northern Italy. Highlights include the Duomo, the Broletto (medieval town hall), the Terragni Palace, ancient alleys, and remnants of the medieval city walls. Transfer to Tremezzo for a guided visit to Villa Carlotta, which overlooks the lake and is surrounded by a magnificent park filled with stunning plants and flowers. From Tremezzo, take a boat trans-



fer to Bellagio, one of the most beautiful tourist destinations on Lake Como. Enjoy free time to soak in the charming atmosphere and explore the enchanting corners of this gem, often called the “Pearl of Lake Como.” In the afternoon, return to the hotel. In the evening, enjoy a dinner featuring typical local dishes from the region.

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#### DAY 7 - SUNDAY

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### MILAN - PORTOFINO - SANTA MARGHERITA LIGURE - RAPALLO - LA SPEZIA

After breakfast at the hotel, we will dedicate the day to exploring the Gulf of Tigullio. Visit Portofino, renowned for its elegant charm and vibrant-colored buildings overlooking the sea, and Santa Margherita Ligure, famous for its pastel-colored facades and its stunning promenade. In the afternoon, take a boat ride back to Rapallo, a city rich in historical heritage, situated at the heart of the Gulf of Tigullio. Later in the day, transfer to the hotel in La Spezia and enjoy free time.

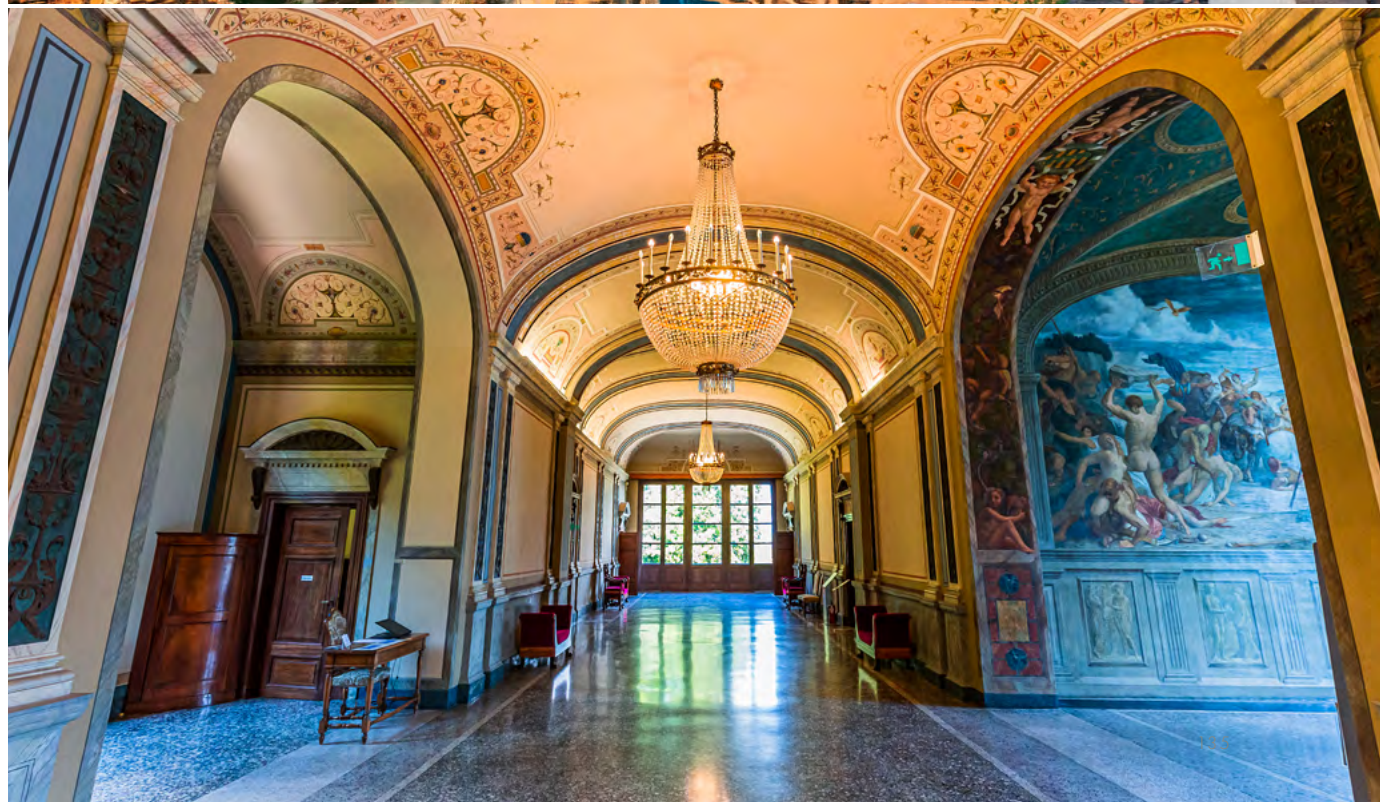
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#### DAY 8 - MONDAY

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### LA SPEZIA - CINQUE TERRE - LA SPEZIA

Breakfast at the hotel, and we will continue our journey to the Cinque Terre, traveling by boat or train depending on weather conditions. Over centuries, human ingenuity has shaped this territory by building the famous terraces that make use of the geography of its slopes, creating one of the most beautiful and iconic landscapes of Liguria. The guided tour begins with Manarola, an urban gem with its charming harbor and a cluster of pastel-colored houses. Next is Vernazza, considered one of the most beautiful villages in Italy, preserving its long maritime traditions. Its natural harbor, shaped like an amphitheater extending into the sea, attests to this legacy. Finally, we visit Monterosso, the westernmost and most populous town of the Cinque Terre. Located in a small natural gulf, it consists of two settlements: the







historic center to the east and the more modern, tourist-oriented area to the west. In the afternoon, return to the hotel.

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#### DAY 9 - TUESDAY

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### LA SPEZIA

Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to the station. End of services.  
Optional: Return by high-speed train to Milan/Rome. End of services





MARCH:	24
APRIL:	21
MAY:	05 - 19
JUNE:	02 - 16 - 30
JULY:	14 - 28
AUGUST:	11 - 25
SEPTEMBER:	08 - 22
OCTOBER:	06 - 20

From **€ 2.486.-**  
per person in DOUBLE occupancy

From **€ 2.471.-**  
per person in TRIPLE occupancy

SINGLE supplement: From €691.-  
Half Board supplement: €415.-



## PLANNED HOTELS OR SIMILAR

- **Mestre**  
Smart Hotel Holiday/ Plaza Venice/ Leonardo Royal/ BW Tritone/Voco The Quid Hotel/ Hotel Alexander/ Antony Palace Hotel/ Park Hotel Ai Pini/ Four Points by Sheraton/ Hotel Belstay/ LH Hotel Sirio o similar
- **Milan**  
Best Western Antares Concorde/ Starhotel Ritz / Starhotel E.c.h.o/ WorldHotel Casati 18/ Windsor Hotel/ Milan Marriott/ Antares Hotel Rubens / Best Western City/ Unahotels Scandinavia/ Unahotels Mediterraneo/ NH Nhow or similar
- **La Spezia**  
CDH Hotel La Spezia/ Hotel Firenze e Continentale/ The Poet Hotel/ Hotel Ghironi/ NH La Spezia o similar

## THE PRICE INCLUDES:

- 08 nights of accommodation in a double room at the mentioned hotels with breakfast included.

- Transportation by Grand Touring Bus or tourist minibus with WIFI included.
- Private transfers for arrival and departure.
- Assistance of an English-speaking tour guide throughout the entire tour.
- Guided tours with authorized local guides in English: Venice, Milan, Borromean Islands, Como, Villa Carlotta, Cinque Terre
- Audio guides available throughout the trip.
- Included entry tickets to: Milan Duomo, Borromean Islands, Villa Carlotta
- Boat transfer to the Borromean Islands.
- Lunch on Isola dei Pescatori with typical local dishes, drinks included.
- Boat transfer on Lake Como.
- Dinner in Milan with typical local dishes.
- Boat transfer to Portofino and Santa Margherita Ligure.
- Boat or train transfer to Cinque Terre.
- Traslado en barco o en tren a Cinque Terre

*\*IMPORTANT: Portofino and Santa Margherita Ligure, Lake Maggiore, and Lake Como – In case of adverse weather conditions, the excursion may be canceled without prior notice, or the itinerary may be subject to*

*changes without prior notice.*

## THE PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Flights to/from Italy
- Any internal connections or transfers to reach the starting point of the tour
- City tax
- Beverages during meals, unless expressly indicated under "The price includes"
- Luggage handling, tips, and general or personal extras
- Optional excursions
- Assistance and cancellation insurance (optional and upon request)
- Anything not specifically mentioned in the program and in the section "The price includes"

NOTE: FOR INQUIRIES REGARDING RATES FOR PRE AND POST-TOUR NIGHTS OR EXTRA NIGHTS IN THE RESPECTIVE CITIES, PLEASE REFER TO THE GENERAL CONDITIONS AT THE END OF THIS DOCUMENT.