

# Venice, Dolomites & Lake Garda

A wine & food focused exploration of the sights, cultures & flavors of Italy.



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The Five Senses of Italy

June 4th - 13th, 2021



## Day 1 – Friday, June 4th

Arrive at Venice airport where your tour leader will welcome you, and together you will take a boat to check in at Duodo Palace Hotel. Lunch will be in a traditional Venice Osteria. After lunch, you will have a guided walking tour of Rialto bridge, San Marco square and the hidden places of Venice. Then, you will come back to the Hotel and have some time to relax before going to dinner with the group.

## Day 2- Saturday, June 5th

Will go to the harbor for your boat tour of the small islands Murano and Burano. The first stop will be in Murano, where you will enjoy a glass blowing demonstration, then you will continue to Burano with its beautiful colorful houses and crochet tutorial. Lunch will be at a restaurant in Burano. We will return back to the hotel and the rest of the evening

will be on your own tonight.

## Day 3 – Sunday, June 6th

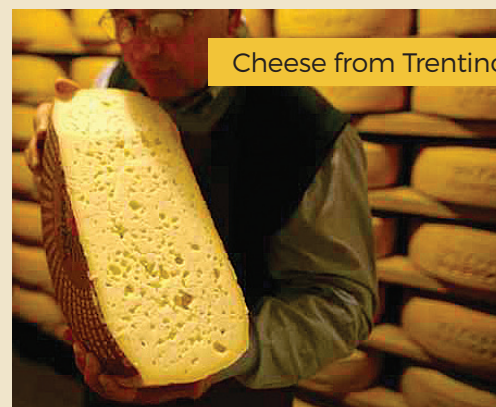
In the morning, we will check out and get on our bus to head to Treviso. Lunch will be at a local restaurant, followed by some time to discover the little gem of Treviso. In the afternoon, we will leave for Bolzano and check in Park Hotel Laurin. We will have some time to relax before having dinner at the restaurant inside the hotel.

## Day 4 – Monday, June 7th

In the morning, we will meet in the lobby and walk to take the panoramic chairlift going to the highest point of the mountains above Bolzano. Then, we will take a small train that will climb further inside the Dolomite mountains, from where we will take a spectacular hike. On the way back we will stop for lunch at the panoramic terrace of the Holzner Hotel for a fantastic meal with a view on the mountains. After lunch, we will come back to the Hotel and have some free time. Dinner will be at the brewery and restaurant Forst.

## Day 5 – Tuesday, June 8th

We will meet in the lobby and go to a shop called Degust in Varna to have a local cheese tasting. After this experience, we will continue to Novacella where we will visit the beautiful Abbey, their vineyards, and have a wine tasting. In the afternoon, we will go to Bressanone for a very nice walking tour of the city center. Dinner will be at Oste Scuro restaurant, one of the most famous and traditional Tyrolese places.



Cheese from Trentino

## Day 6 – Wednesday, June 9th

In the morning we will go to Appiano where we will visit the vineyards, the old bunker of Schloss Korb, and lunch in their beautiful restaurant. After lunch, we will go to visit the Roncolo Castle. Then, we will come back to the Hotel and have time to relax and walk around. Dinner will be on your own.

## Day 7 – Thursday, June 10th

In the morning we will check out and head to the beautiful Lake Garda! We will first stop and see the Varone Waterfall Park and then arrive in Riva del Garda for a lunch close to the water. After lunch, we will have time to walk around the beautiful little town or do the panoramic trail along the lake called

Castle in Alto Adige







Strada del Ponale. Later in the afternoon, we will move to Verona, the romantic capital of Italy, famous for Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet and the incredible Amarone wine! We will check in Hotel Accademia and dinner will be at a local restaurant with our group.

### Day 8 – Friday, June 11th

Today we will explore the beautiful Lake Garda. In the morning, we will go to a fantastic winery that produces Amarone. After the wine tasting we will be transferred to a small town on the lake and take a boat to a private peninsula with a lovely little restaurant right on the water. We will come back to the mainland after lunch and give you time to explore Verona on your own and stroll the beautiful streets.

### Day 9 – Saturday, June 12th

In the morning, we will meet our guide and spend the day in Verona! We will walk around the beautiful center discovering historical locations, including the famous Roman arena. Later, you can take your time to repack and stroll around before the farewell dinner at a restaurant called Trattoria al Pompiere, where will try the unique Amarone Risotto.

### Day 10 – Sunday, June 13th

Depart back to the United States from the Venice or Verona airport, or enjoy an extended trip. Buon Viaggio!

**Please note:** We do our best to ensure that all sites listed in this itinerary will be seen, and that all hotels and restaurants listed will be included. However, due to scheduling conflicts or other circumstances beyond our control, sites may be visited on a different day than listed, or restaurants and hotels may vary. If this happens, we will never sacrifice the quality of your stay. We therefore grant an accommodation or a meal of the same category.

Price for each participant is:

**Double occupancy \$4950**

Single occupancy, \$759 additional

### What is included:

**Hotels:** All charming Medieval and Renaissance period style hotels for 9 nights and 10 days.

**Meals:** lunches and dinners in the most authentic local restaurants. All breakfasts included.

**Activities:** Winery visits and wine tastings, local cheese and cured meat produces visit and product tastings, unique and personalized cooking demonstrations;

**Transportation:** in luxury tourism coach bus.



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