

ROME and FLORENCE Trip

March 1-11, 2012

ITINERARY:

Day 1- DEPARTURE FROM USA

Depart from RDU to Italy.

Day 2 – ARRIVAL AT FLORENCE

Arrive in Florence and transfer to your hotel. Balance of the day at leisure.

Day 3- FLORENCE (half-day guided tour of Florence) (B)

Breakfast and morning guided walking tour of the cradle of Renaissance including the Duomo and Giotto Bell Tower, Signoria Square and Ponte Vecchio Bridge. Visit the Accademia to see many sculpture masterpieces, included the magnificent David by Michelangelo. Lunch on your own and afternoon free.

Day 4- FLORENCE (B)

Free day at leisure.

Day 5-FLORENCE/ASSISI/ ROME (B)

After breakfast depart for Rome and stop along the way in Assisi for independent visit of St. Francis Basilica and the charming Medieval town. Continue for accommodation at your hotel in Rome. Rest of the day at leisure to start exploring the beauties of Rome.

Day 6- ROME (Half-day Vatican tour) (B)

Today begins with the visit to the **Vatican Museums** and Michelangelo's breathtaking **Sistine Chapel**. Stroll through **St. Peter's Square**, passing Bernini's famous colonnade, to visit **St. Peter's Basilica**, where you will view Michelangelo's Pieta. This highly finished marble sculpture depicts the body of Jesus in the arms of Mary after the Crucifixion, and is considered one of the most powerfully moving works of art in the Western world. Rest of the afternoon is free at leisure. Overnight in Rome.

Day 7- ROME (Half-day Ancient Rome tour)(B)

Today enjoy a historic tour of "ancient Rome" takes you to the **Roman Forum**, the political center during the Roman Republic, the triumphal Arch of **Constantine**, the **Arch of Titus** and the **Colosseum**, the largest amphitheater built in the Roman Empire.

Overnight in Rome.

Day 8-9-10 : ROME (B)

Free day at leisure.

Day 11 - DEPARTURE (B)

Breakfast and private transfer to Rome Airport for your departure flight.

PRICES (BASED ON MINIMUM 30 PASSENGERS)

LAND + AIR FROM RDU: \$2,215 PER PERSON + Entrance fees: \$61.40

AIR TAXES + FUEL SURCHARGES: \$215

Basic Trip Insurance group policy: \$112 per person

Total: \$2,603.4 per person

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$395

Package includes:

- Round trip air fare by Lufthansa, Delta or similar from RDU
- 3 nights accommodation at, centrally located, superior tourist class hotel in Florence(Cosimo dei Medici, Alba, San Giorgio or similar)
- 6 nights accommodation at, centrally located, superior tourist class hotel in Rome(Cecile, Diplomatic, Miami or similar)
- Transfer airport /hotel in Florence by private motorcoach
- Half-day walking tour of Florence with an English-speaking local guide
- Transfer hotel in Florence/hotel in Rome by private motorcoach
- Half-day tour of the monuments of Rome with an English-speaking local guide and by private motorcoach
- Half-day tour of Vatican (including Sistine chapel) with an English-speaking local guide and by private motorcoach
- Transfer hotel/airport in Rome by private motorcoach
- Breakfast daily
- All hotel taxes and charges
- Entrance fees in Rome and Florence sites (**\$61.40**)

Package excludes:

City taxes (3 euro per person per day to be paid directly to the hotels)

Full Time Tour Manager

Tips