

PIETRO'S ITALY

YOUR A-LIST ENTRANCE TO ITALY

**A Private Tour to the most hidden places: South Italy
(Puglia and Amalfi Coast), Rome and Florence**



Alberobello



Matera



Amalfi Coast



Rome



Florence



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LET THE JOURNEY BEGIN....

Puglia, Matera, Amalfi Coast, Rome and Florence, 14 Nights

Please note: during the entire itinerary you will have the same English speaking driver. He will be the most knowledgeable of our drivers and will give you general info about the places you are going to visit.

1st day Arrival at Bari Airport and private transfer by Van to your Hotel

1st-4th day: 3 nights' stay at BORGO EGNAZIA, 5* in Monopoli

Accommodation in one Double Room La Corte Bella Sea View (approx 355-398 sq ft)

2nd day AT LEISURE: Please read below our suggested activities for this day

3rd day OSTUNI AND ALBEROBELLO WITH OLIVE OIL TASTING IN A TYPICAL FARM, approx 8 hours

Today you will visit Ostuni, the "white town", this epithet comes from an old custom of its inhabitants, who every year paint white their houses, due to the antiseptic properties of lime. Its historic center is enclosed by huge city walls, along which you will often find towers that were useful to defence in the past. In its center you will admire the Church of Saint Francis and in the heart of the old town, the magnificent Cathedral with its Gothic facade and its unique rose window, symbol of both Christ and the Sun. The Cathedral square is the religious center of Ostuni, also the Palace of the Bishop and Seminary school are built there.

After some free time tasting a local Cappuccino, or an "Espressino Freddo", you will then continue towards one of the many ancient Farmhouses, mostly fortified and provided with an underground olive oil factory Ostuni is famous for.

The host and his family will be really glad to welcome you, and show you some examples of the most ancient olive trees, some of them older than 1500 years. After a pleasant "passeggiata" in the country, you will hear about the story of the ancient techniques to produce olive oil, and at the end you will taste different kinds of what is considered as the "liquid gold of the Region".

Afternoon visit to Alberobello, town, UNESCO heritage, with its characteristic dome-shaped dwelling called "trulli"

The trulli are quadrangular buildings of ancient origin characterised by a conical roof in "chiancarelle" limestone, which were dry mounted without the use of mortar. Each trullo has a pinnacle which is decorated by symbolic signs, the guide will show you some of them. Originally from propitiatory magic, by pagans or Christians, they hide mysterious meanings that are worth a careful look.



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Inclusions: private Van and private local guide for the entire tour, private visit to the farmhouse, its Old Olive oil factory and its ancient olive trees. Tasting of 3 different kinds of Olive oil with "friselle" bread and water. Lunch not included.

4th day Private transfer by Van from Borgo Egnazia to your Hotel in Matera

4th-6th day: 2 nights' stay at PALAZZO GATTINI, 5* in Matera city center
Accommodation in one Junior Suite (approx 279-344 sq ft)

5th day MATERA HALF DAY TOUR, 4 hours

Pick up at your Hotel with your guide and 3 hours' walking tour, lunch stop at the end in a local restaurant.

During the tour, you will admire some masterpieces of the Apulian-Romanesque and Baroque architecture, and you will immerse into the silence of ancient stone churches enlightened by the beauty of sublime Benedictine and Byzantine frescoes. You will feel the human misery of the former inhabitants of a cave-dwelling, abandoned as soon as the late 50s. Walking through narrow streets and tiny squares you'll have the change to understand the importance and uniqueness of this urban settlement.

Inclusions: Private local guide for 3 hours, entrance fees to some rupestrian churches. You could enter and visit a typical dwelling among the sassi, according to availability. We suggest you stop for lunch in a typical local restaurant, that the guide will suggest you. Lunch not included.

6th day Private transfer by Van from your Hotel in Matera to your Hotel in Sorrento with 3 hours stop in Pompei for a visit

6th-9th day: 3 nights' stay at GRAND HOTEL LA FAVORITA, 5* in Sorrento City Center

Accommodation in one double room Deluxe with partial Sea View (approx 322 sq ft).

7th day AT LEISURE: Please read below our suggested activities for this day

8th day CAPRI BOAT TOUR + CABRIO CAR

Pick up at your Hotel with your guide and transfer by Van to Sorrento harbor to take the hydrofoil to Capri. You can visit the isle through a 2 hours excursion on a private boat, called "gozzo" that will disclose to you all the enchanting grottos along the isle (the Blue Grotto is not included). If you want to visit the Grotto, the fastest way to do it without many queues would be a lunch at restaurant O' Riccio, which has direct access to the Grotto. Afterwards you can continue your visit with your guide walking with the guide along hidden streets of Capri. Take the opportunity also to feel the atmosphere of the island seating at a local Cafè in the famous Piazzetta. The taxi cabrio will pick you up at the end of your lunch and take you to capri harbour to return to your Hotel in Sorrento.



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Inclusions: transfer from your hotel to Sorrento harbor and return, hydrofoil from Sorrento to Capri and return, local guide for the entire tour, upon arrival meeting with our local representative, who will take you to your private boat. A 2 hours' tour on board of this characteristic boat will follow, with sun towels and soft drinks included; cabrio car at disposal for approx 2 hours on the island, return transfer to your hotel. Lunch not included.

9th day Private transfer by Van to your Hotel in Sorrento to your Hotel in Rome with lunch stop in Castelgandolfo. Lunch not included

9th-12th day: 3 nights' stay at ST REGIS HOTEL 5* in Rome

Accommodation in one Double Room Deluxe (approx 388-539 sq ft)

10th day HALF DAY HIGHLIGHTS OF ROME 4 HOURS

A half day tour to discover the highlights of Rome: Pantheon, Trevi Fountain, Colosseum, Piazza di Spagna. Meeting with your guide at the hotel, 9 am, transfer to Rome city center by private Van to start your tour with our expert local guide. At the end of the tour you will be returning to your hotel by our private car with driver.

Highlights: Pantheon, Trevi Fountain, Colosseum, Piazza di Spagna.

Inclusions: private Van at disposal for 4 hours, private guide at disposal 4 hours. Colosseum entrance fees included.

11th day HALF DAY VATICAN CITY 4 HOURS

The Vatican is one of the world's greatest museums. Home of the Sistine Chapel and Raphael rooms, this Museum is undoubtedly one of the symbol of Western culture and a unique site to appreciate the genius of artists like Michelangelo, Raffaello, Bernini, Giotto and many others. Ending your tour at the Vatican, return transfer to your Hotel

Highlights: Vatican City walking tour, 4 hours, including Museum Pio Clementino, Maps Gallery, Tapestry Gallery, Sistine Chapel and Saint Peter's Basilica.

Inclusions: Van and driver at disposal for the 4 hours, private guide at disposal for 4 hours, Vatican Museum entrance fee.

12th day Private transfer by Van from your Hotel in Rome to tour Hotel in Florence with stop in Montepulciano and Pienza

12th-15th day 3 nights' stay at HOTEL PORTRAIT FIRENZE, 5* in Florence City Center

Accommodation in one Studio Deluxe River View (approx 527 sq ft)

13th day UFFIZI + ACCADEMIA PRIVATE WALKING TOUR, 4 hours

Your tour will start with a private visit to the Uffizi: a tour to explore most magnificent artwork, while skipping the line for easy entry to the Gallery, you will have the opportunity to see and hear the stories and anecdotes narrated by the experienced guides about Tuscan artists that changed the course of Art: Michelangelo and his



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mysterious life, Raffaello, Botticelli's famous "Birth of Venus", the genius of Leonardo da Vinci and hear about their techniques which have paved the history of art. Then you will be escorted up to the Accademia Museum, where you will admire one of most popular sculptures in the world, Michelangelo's David. You will learn how this masterpiece was created and know more about the life of this fascinating artist and poet, you will also have the opportunity to enjoy an introduction to other famous works of Florence Renaissance.

Inclusions: private guide for 4 hours, entrance fees to Accademia and Uffizi. Please be informed that all the Museums in Florence are closed on Monday.

Afternoon AT LEISURE: Please read below our suggested activities for this day

14th day Guided tour of Siena of old town and a typical "contrada" (8 hour). Siena is one of the most beautiful cities of Tuscany, also famed for the "Palio", the annual historic horse-race and for its Duomo, the art-filled cathedral that features works of Michelangelo and Donatello. Then lunch and wine tasting in a local winery

15th day Private transfer by Van from your Hotel in Florence to Florence Airport

Total Rate per 2 People: starting from \$ 24,660.00

IMPORTANT!!

When you book a vacation with Pietro's Italy we will provide you an Italian I phone for the entire duration of your trip so you can interact with our passionate local on line concierge 24/7 team players because we want to give you that extra service and the feeling of living your time in Italy like a local and just a phone call away to assist you with your needs.

Package Price Includes:

- English speaking Driver for the entire Trip from your arrival at Bari Airport until your departure from Florence airport;
- All transfers are private and by Mercedes Van;
- All tours are private and with a local guide; they include also entrance fees as per program;
- 3 nights' stay at BORGIO EGNAZIA, 5* in Monopoli in one Double Room La Corte Bella Sea View (approx 355-398 sq ft) with breakfast;
- Ostuni and Alberobello Tour with olive oil tasting in a typical farm;
- 2 nights' stay at PALAZZO GATTINI, 5* in Matera city center in one Junior Suite (approx 279-344 sq ft) with breakfast;
- Matera half day tour;



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- 3 nights' stay at GRAND HOTEL LA FAVORITA, 5* in Sorrento City Center in one double room Deluxe with partial Sea View (approx 322 sq ft) with breakfast;
- Capri Boat tour + Cabrio car;
- 3 nights' stay at ST REGIS HOTEL 5* in Rome in one Double Room Deluxe (approx 388-539 sq ft) with breakfast;
- Half Day Highlights of Rome;
- Half Day Vatican City Tour in Rome;
- 3 nights' stay at HOTEL PORTRAIT FIRENZE, 5* in Florence City Center in one Studio Deluxe River View (approx 527 sq ft) with breakfast;
- Uffizi + Academia private walking tour (4 hours);
- Guided tour of Siena with lunch and wine tasting in a local winery.

Not included:

- International flights to and from Italy
- Tips
- City Taxes to be paid on the spot upon check out: city tax is approx Eur 7 per person per night, but it changes according to local laws
- Everything not mentioned under "inclusions" list above

POSSIBILITY TO FINISH YOUR TRIP IN VENICE



15th day Private transfer by Van from your Hotel in Florence to Piazzale Roma in Venice. Upon arrival in Piazzale Roma private transfer by motor boat to your Hotel in Venice

15th-17th day: 2 nights' stay at HOTEL DANIELI, 5* in St Mark's Area
Accommodation in one Double Room Lagoon View (approx 355 sq ft)

17th day Deluxe Transfer from your Hotel in Venice to Venice Airport
(Full assistance of our representative, Private motor-launch from Venice airport to



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the reserved hotel or closest pier, Private Van from Venice airport terminal to the airport landing stage, Portorage of two piece of luggage per person at the airport).
TOTAL RATE for 2 people: starting from 4,198.00

OTHER SUGGESTED TOURS

2nd day LECCE AND OTRANTO FULL DAY TOUR, 8 hours



Today the tour is dedicated to a visit to the "Florence of South Italy", with reference to the city of Lecce, full of history and churches that gave them that name. Roman remains like the Roman Amphitheater in Sant'Oronzo Square, blend with the richness and abundance of Baroque, a style typical of the XVIIth century, which gave birth to thousands of churches and palaces, that you will admire during your walking tour of the city. The most famous examples of the Lecce Baroque style are: the Cathedral of Lecce, the Basilica of Santa Croce (in the old Jewish quarter), with the annexed Convento dei Celestini; the Church of Sant'Irene, the church of Saint Matteo, the Church del Gesu' and many other buildings along the itinerary.

After visiting Lecce we suggest a stop at the local restaurant "Torre di Merlino", then continue with your private driver and guide up to Otranto.

This city stands along the sea, you will have a guided walking tour through its narrow streets up to the Cathedral, where worth of note is the magnificent floor mosaic, that covers the 3 aisles of the Cathedral and is one of the biggest mosaic works in all Italy. It represents the "Tree of life", with all its pertaining religious and pagan meanings. Also the Castle of Otranto is worth of note.

Inclusions: private Van with driver and local guide for 8 hours. Entrance to the Churches is possible free of charge. Lunch not included.

TOTAL RATE for 2 people: starting from 1,618.00



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7th day

AMALFI DRIVE COASTAL TOUR, HALF DAY TOUR



Morning at disposal. In the afternoon discover the Amalfi Coastal Road “One of the most scenic Coastal Drives in Europe”. The scenery is superb, looking out over the Mediterranean and along the coastline as the road twists. You can visit Positano - the town is built on different levels from the main road all the way down to sea level - Amalfi, where you can enter the magnificent IXth century Cathedral which proudly dominates the main square of Amalfi and wander through the narrow streets of the town and browse around the many shops or enjoy a coffee in one of the cafes around Amalfi and Ravello, situated on the hillside above Amalfi, it was the town where Wagner was inspired to write part of one of his operas and it is from here that you can enjoy the best views of the Amalfi coastline looking over to Minori, Maiori and beyond. Possible dinner at Ravello (not included).

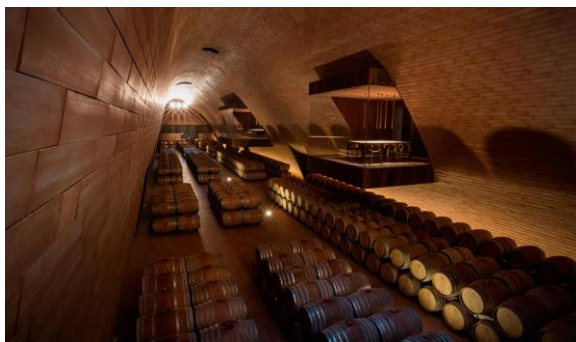
Inclusions: private Van with driver, local guide for the entire tour. Dinner not included.

TOTAL RATE for 2 people: starting from \$ 1,014.00

13th day In late afternoon transfer by Van for a wine tour at Antinori Wine farm: visit the historical cellar underneath the Abbey of Passignano and dinner in one star Michelin restaurant Osteria di Passignano, with special menu and selected wines combined. At the end of your dinner return to your Hotel in Florence

Inclusions: Private Van + driver at your disposal for the entire tour. Private visit to Antinori wine farm, dinner at Osteria di Passignano, beverages and wine included.

TOTAL RATE for 2 people: starting from \$ 1,342.00



Antinori Cellar



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QUICK NOTES:

- All rates are in USD
- **All hotel rates are per total stay and include breakfast + general vat**
- You will have to pay at each hotel the local city tourist tax of approx. 4/5 euros per night per person
- All private transfers/ tours /tickets are quoted per service
- All rates are subject to reconfirmation if an actual booking is made
- Accommodation is subject to availability unless otherwise stated
- **For bookings exceeding \$ 10,000.00 we require a bank wire. In case you decide to pay by credit card we need to add 3,5% bank charge**
- No actual reservations have been made yet unless stated
- Pietro's Italy cannot be held liable for any delays due to airline or air charter services not running to schedule and cannot refund passengers missing any other services in the itinerary due to delays.
- These services are non refundable so we highly suggest you to purchase travel insurance

ANY PAYMENT TO PIETRO'S ITALY CONSTITUTES YOUR ACCEPTANCE OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET OUT HERE IN THIS DOCUMENT AND WE UNDERLINE THAT THE ENTIRE RESERVATION/ITINERARY/INVOICE IS NON REFUNDABLE AND WE STRONGLY ADVISE YOU TO PURCHASE TRAVEL INSURANCE.

NOT INCLUDED :

- International flights not included.
- Travel Insurance.
- Tipping and Gratuities.
- Visas and entry fees.
- Lunches/dinners if not mentioned on the offer
- Any service not mentioned on the offer



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