



Sample Itinerary

Your hotel

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Rome New Year prides itself in providing only superior first class hotels. Your accommodations will have en-suite facilities, including bath and/ or shower and W.C. and all of the usual amenities associated with a first class hotel, including full housekeepingservices with linen and towel change, room service, direct dial telephone, flat screen TV with freeview, WIFI and personal safes.





DAY 1

Depart USA on flights to Europe.

Dinner and breakfast will be served on your transatlantic flight.

DAY 2

On your arrival into Rome after clearing immigration and customs you will be met in the arrivals area by your tour assistant and taken by coach to your hotel.

On arrival at your hotel your tour assistant will assist with your hotel check-in.

During the day your tour assistant will present an orientation meeting for you where you will receive your information book and itinerary and learn all about your week in Rome. You will also have time to explore the vicinity of your hotel to find the nearest general stores and ATM machines.

7.00pm This evening a buffet dinner will be served in in your hotel.

The rest of the evening is free for you to acclimatise to European time.

DAY 3

A buffet breakfast with hot and cold items will be served each morning in your hotel. The breakfast menu will include all the continental breakfast items including cereals, yogurts, breads and sweet pastries, cheeses and hams.

This will be supplemented with a hot buffet including scrambled eggs and bacon, plus tea, coffee, hot chocolate and fruit juices.

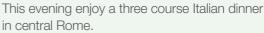
Breakfast is served in a banqueting suite in your hotel.

This morning depart for a 3½ hour guided Panoramic Tour of Rome with English speaking guides. The first part of the tour will be a coach tour around famous landmarks in central Rome. Highlights will include the Colosseum, Vatican City, the Circus Maximus and the Baths of Caracalla. After the coach tour you will begin the walking part of the tour around central Rome to see the Trevi Fountain, the Spanish Steps and the Pantheon.

Lunch at leisure in central Rome.

This afternoon has been left free for independent shopping and sightseeing. Your tour assistant will be on hand to suggest things you might like to see or do. Perhaps a visit to see some of the Renaissance paintings in the Borghese museum, or a visit to Castel St. Angelo to see Hadrian's Mausoleum or perhaps you might like to climb up the Vittorio Emanuele monument otherwise known as the wedding cake for fabulous views out over the city of Rome. If you would rather have some shopping time head to the Via del Corso or to the Christmas Market in Piazza Navona.





This evening indoor concert performance opportunities are available in the Basilica of San Giovanni Battista dei Fiorentini in the centre of Rome.

Return by coach to your hotel.



DAY 4

Breakfast is served in a banqueting suite in your hotel.

This morning depart by coach for Pompeii located approximately three hours from Rome near to modern Naples in the region of Campagnia.

On arrival in Pompeii enjoy a two course lunch in Pompeii before starting a 2 hour guided tour with English speaking guides around the excavated sights of Pompeii. Pompeii is a Roman city that was buried under several feet of ash after the huge eruption of Mount Vesuvius in ad 79 before its accidental rediscovery 1600 years later. Today it is one of Italy's leading tourist attractions and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Late afternoon depart from Pompeii and return by coach to Rome.



OR

This morning depart by train for Florence located 1.5 hours (by train) from Rome. The Historic Centre of Florence was declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1982. The city is noted for its culture, Renaissance art and architecture and monuments. On arrival in Florence start a 2 hour audio guided walking tour called 'Florence' on your personal MP4



player. The walking tour starts at the station and takes you through the San Lorenzo Market and past the most important sights in Florence including the Duomo Cathedral, the Uffizi Gallery and the Ponte Vecchio bridge. Enjoy lunch in the indoor Mercato Central filled with all types of food stalls. There will be time in the afternoon for personal shopping and sightseeing. Late afternoon depart from Florence and return by coach to Rome.

7.00pm This evening a buffet dinner will be served in in your hotel.

DAY 5

Breakfast is served in a banqueting suite in your hotel.

Depart by coach from your hotel.

This morning take a 2½ hour guided tour with English speaking guides around the Vatican Museum. St Peter's Basilica and the Sistine chapel. The Vatican City is a sovereign city-state almost completely walled within the city of Rome. It is the smallest independent Nation in the world and is governed by the pope, the Holy father of the catholic church. The most prominent building inside the Vatican City is the basilica of Saint Peter, dominated by Michelangelo's dome. One of the largest churches in Christianity it covers an area of six acres and has a capacity of over 60,000 people. One of the holiest sites of Christendom, it is the burial site of

saint peter, one of the twelve apostles. No visit would be complete without a visit to the Sistine chapel, which dates back to 1483. In 1508, Pope Julius ii commissioned Michelangelo to repaint the ceiling and his fresco, which took four years to complete.

Continue on by coach to Frascati. Frascati is located less than 15 miles southeast of Rome, on the Alban hills close to the ancient city of Tusculum. There will be some time before lunch for you to discover the traditional buildings, winding streets, piazzas and shops, as well as the Archaeological Museum, Cathedral and Church of the Gesu.

A two course Italian lunch will be served in Frascati.

This afternoon perform as part of the Frascati Festival in three outdoor locations in Frascati, the outlook at the entrance to the town and the two main piazzas in the town; Piazza San Pietro and Piazza Mercato.

Enjoy some further shopping and sightseeing time in Frascati after your performance.

Early evening indoor concert performance opportunities are available in the Frascati Cathedral subject to repertoire.

Depart by coach from Frascati.

Tonight enjoy a buffet dinner in your hotel with other groups, followed by a



New Year's Eve party with music and dancing to see in the New Year.

DAY 6

Happy New Year!

Breakfast is served in a banqueting suite in your hotel.

Depart by coach from your hotel.

Group photograph

Continue on by coach to the parade assembly area.

A sack lunch with a sandwich, piece of fruit, cake and drink has been arranged for performers today.

3.30pm The Rome New Year's Day Parade.

After the parade return by coach to your hotel.

This evening a buffet dinner will be served in a banqueting suite in your hotel.



DAY 7

Breakfast is served in a banqueting suite in your hotel.

This morning tour the Colosseum and the Roman Forum using your personal audio player, the audio tour lasts 1 hour 30 minutes although you will need additional time to take photographs and look at the exhibition/displays in the Colosseum. The colosseum was the largest amphitheatre built in the roman empire. Capable of seating 50,000 spectators, the Colosseum was used for gladiatorial contests and public spectacles such as mock sea battles, animal hunts, executions and re-





enactments of famous battles. A short walk from the colosseum is the Roman Forum, the centre of the city around which ancient Rome developed, in which commerce, business and the administration of justice took place. It is the most important archaeological area in Rome.

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This evening enjoy a four course Italian dinner at Café Concerto Restaurant with opera singing and audience participation.

Return by coach to your hotel.

DAY 8

Breakfast is served in a banqueting suite in your hotel/ breakfast boxes (subject to flight times).

Depart from your hotel by coach to the airport.

Check-in for your flight home.