



NOVEMBER 3 - 18, 2025



ITINERARY



November 3 – Depart the USA

Your Italian adventure begins as you depart on your international flight.

November 4 – Milan / Turin

Your guide will greet you and escort you to your motorcoach for your drive through the countryside to Turin (Torino) for dinner and your overnight stay. (D)

November 5 – Turin / Pisa

Enjoy a tour of Turin today, including a stop at the Palatine Gate from the Roman Times. You walk through the cathedral where the Shroud of Turin is kept in the Chapel of the Holy Shroud. While walking there, you will spend time in the Piazza Castello and see such buildings as the Savoy Royal House. This afternoon, you will drive to Pisa for your overnight stay. Dinner on your own in the city. (B, D)

November 6 – Pisa / Florence

This morning, you can take your photo in front of the famous Leaning Tower. This 180-foot round tower is over 10 degrees out of perpendicular. The tower began to lean during its construction in 1173 and corrective efforts failed. You will visit the Duomo next door before heading to Florence. After lunch, you'll see the Piazza della Signoria with its Neptune Fountain and Vecchio Palace. Also, see the Santa Maria del Fiore Cathedral, which houses Michelangelo's unfinished Pietà, the Baptistery, which features Ghiberti's famous Gates of Paradise, and the Academy, where you can view some of Michelangelo's finished and unfinished work, including the awe-inspiring David. Check into your hotel in Assisi for a late dinner and overnight stay. (B, D)

November 7 – Florence / Siena / Assisi

After breakfast, depart for the Tuscan city of Siena. This medieval city is the birthplace of St. Catherine, "Doctor of the Church", and the Apostle of Italy, St. Bernardine. Visit the Basilica of St. Catherine (which is also known as the Basilica of St. Domenico). St. Catherine spent a large part of her life inside the walls of this basilica. It is here that you will also view the incorrupt head of St. Catherine. After, visit the Shrine of St. Catherine, which occupies the site of her family home. Enjoy your walking tour through the Siena, including a visit to its cathedral (Duomo di Siena). Conclude at one of Italy's finest squares, the Piazza Del Campo, where you will be given free time to spend at your own leisure. There are several restaurants surrounding the square to have lunch, as well as shops for gifts and souvenirs. Travel to Assisi for dinner and your overnight stay. (B, D)



November 8 – Assisi

This morning, you will wake up to the atmospheric sounds of chapel bells, cobblestone footsteps and a tangible spirit of St. Francis preserved within the walls of this holy town. Visit the lower city and go inside the Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels, which stands at the foot of the hill of Assisi over the Porziuncola, Saint Francis' Church, given to him by the Benedictine monks. The Church and Convent of St. Damiano are where, in 1205, Saint Francis received his calling to "Rebuild My Church." Saint Claire would later lead her Order of the Poor Ladies from here until her death in 1253. Return to your hotel. Dinner is on your own this evening. (B, D)

November 9 – Assisi / San Giovanni Rotondo

After breakfast, you will walk to the Papal Basilica of St. Francis, the mother church of the Franciscan Order and burial place of St. Francis. This basilica, which was begun in 1228, is built on the side of a hill and comprises an Upper and Lower Church. These are decorated with numerous frescoes by late medieval painters including Giotto. Celebrate Mass here. Continue your guided pilgrimage of the town's highlights featuring the Basilica of St. Clare, where you can kneel before the famous crucifix from which Jesus spoke to St. Francis. Travel to San Giovanni Rotondo for dinner and your overnight stay. (B, D)

November 10 – San Giovanni Rotondo / Monte Sant' Angelo

Visit the Padre Pio Pilgrimage Church, erected in 2004, and walk the Way of the Cross on the forested hillside nearby. Visit St. Padre Pio's crypt in the Sanctuary of Saint Mary, our Lady of Grace. This afternoon, we will have an optional pilgrimage to Mount St. Angelo. The Sanctuary of Mount St. Angelo was built in the 13th century by Charles of Anjou. The archangel Michael appeared here in 490, 492, and 1656, consecrating the shrine and sacred cave. You'll have time for reflection and prayer before returning to your hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

November 11 – San Giovanni Rotondo / Pietralcina / Montecasino / Nettuno

Bid farewell to San Giovanni Rotondo and travel to Pietralcina. Visit the house where St. Padre Pio grew up and the chapel where he received the stigmata on September 7, 1910. Continue to Montecasino and visit the Benedictine Abbey, where St. Benedict and his sister Scholastica are buried. Finish the day in Nettuno and check in to your hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)



November 12 – Nettuno / Rome

After breakfast, say goodbye to Nettuno and travel to the eternal city, Rome. History is woven through the streets and neighborhoods of Rome as in no other city. Upon arrival, stop at the Shrine of Our Lady of Divine Love. Here, a pilgrim pursued by dogs appealed to Our Lady, and she intervened for his safety. Pilgrims began to frequent the site, and a chapel was built here in 1745. (B, D)

November 13 – Vatican City

This morning, we will make our way to St. Peter's Square to attend the Papal Audience led by His Holiness Pope Francis. (Papal Audience: This is scheduled to take place every Wednesday, pending the schedule of Pope Francis). Following the audience, you will experience the glory of Christian Rome when you visit the Vatican, home to one of the greatest museums in the world. And, of course, you'll enter St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel, where you'll view Michelangelo's frescoes, which have been restored to their full, colorful glory. This afternoon, enjoy visiting the Forum and the Colosseum, once the heart of ancient Rome and a place of martyrdom for the early saints. Explore the romance of Rome as you stop at the famous Trevi Fountain. Legend says those who toss a coin into the fountain will one day return to Rome to toss another into the waters of Trevi. (B, D)

November 14 – Rome

After breakfast, begin your day with a visit to the Archbasilica of Saint John Lateran. Six popes are entombed here. View the extraordinary collection of relics at the Basilica of the Holy Cross, as well as a full-size replica of the Shroud of Turin. Next, see the Basilica of Saint Paul Outside the Walls. The present structure stands over the place where Constantine built the first church, which is over Saint Paul's grave. The church features a portrait of every pope that has served the church, with the face of Pope Francis illuminated as the present pontiff. San Sebastian Outside the Walls is another magnificent church, built over the Catacombs of Saint Sebastian. The remains of Peter and Paul were temporarily protected here during the Valerian Persecution of 258. Step beneath the surface into the Catacombs of Callixtus, built along the Appian Way. Here, 16 popes from the 2nd through 4th centuries were interred, though they have been removed to various churches over the centuries. Continue to the Basilica of Saint Mary Major (Maria Maggiore). This is the largest Marian church in Rome. Its construction began after the Council of Ephesus, in the year 431, proclaimed that Mary was the Mother of God." (B, D)

November 15 – Rome / Lanciano / Loreto

After breakfast, journey to Lanciano, where a priest was doubtful about the Real Presence. During his celebration of Mass, the host turned to flesh and the wine into blood. Visit the shrine of the Eucharistic Miracle. Travel the rest of the way to Loreto. Check into your hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

November 16 - Loreto / Padua / Venice

See the family house of Jesus, Mary and Joseph located inside the Basilica of Loreto, where it has been since 1294. Enjoy an afternoon tour of Padua with a visit to the Basilica of St. Anthony. Also, visit his tomb, located in the basilica, and take some time for private devotions. Continue to Venice and check into your hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

November 17 – Venice

Travel by boat to the magical city of Venice. Rising between sea and sky, this fascinating city boasts waterways and boats instead of roads and cars, and it comprises 118 islands separated by more than 150 canals. Stand in the Piazza San Marco, bordered on three sides by palatial arcades in two tiers and faced on the other by the Basilica of St. Mark, one of the world's most magnificent churches. Tour the basilica with its treasure of marble and gold background mosaics. From the square, you can see the famous Bell Tower and the Clock Tower, as well as the charming pink and white Doges' Palace. After seeing the romantic Bridge of Sighs, enjoy free time to explore on your own. You can shop, stroll along the bridges and canals, or even indulge in a gondola ride along the Grand Canal. Return to your hotel for dinner and your overnight stay. (B, D)

November 18 – Return to the USA



Starting at

\$7,598* from New York

YOUR ALL-INCLUSIVE PRICE INCLUDES:

**Basic Tour & Guided Sightseeing,
Round-trip International Airfare**

Additional baggage & optional fees may apply;
see fine print for details

Fuel Surcharges and Government Taxes

Subject to change

**Admin. Fees, Entrance Fees,
Hotel Gratuities & Program Fees,
Breakfast and Dinner Daily,
Deluxe Motorcoaches,
First-Class Hotels & much more!**

*See back for pricing details



TRAVEL REGISTRATION FORM

Please mail completed form with payment and passport copy to:

Departure City: _____ **Departure Date:** 11/03/25 (S)

First, Middle & Last Name must be submitted as it appears on your passport:

Guest 1: First Name: _____ **(Name Tag:)** _____
Middle Name: _____ **Last Name:** _____ **Title:** _____
Street Address: _____ **P.O. Box:** _____
City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____
Phone: _____ **Alt. Phone:** _____
Email: _____
Birth Date: ___/___/___ **State of Birth:** _____ **Sex:** M F
Dietary Restrictions: _____
Emergency Contact: _____ **Phone:** _____
How did you learn about this tour? _____

Guest 2: First Name: _____ **(Name Tag:)** _____
Middle Name: _____ **Last Name:** _____ **Title:** _____
Street Address: _____ **P.O. Box:** _____
City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____
Phone: _____ **Alt. Phone:** _____
Email: _____
Birth Date: ___/___/___ **State of Birth:** _____ **Sex:** M F
Dietary Restrictions: _____
Emergency Contact: _____ **Phone:** _____
How did you learn about this tour? _____

Roommate(s): _____

If No Roommate: Try to Match Me Single Room (availability limited - \$1298)

Important Information Regarding Travel Protection Plan:	Guest 1:
1 Travel Protection coverage cannot be added after you have paid in full.	<input type="checkbox"/> I Accept <input type="checkbox"/> I Decline
2 Premium is based on TOTAL cost of trip and is non-refundable.	<input type="checkbox"/> I Accept <input type="checkbox"/> I Decline
3 Coverage begins when your premium payment is received (separate from deposit & clearly designated as your travel protection premium).	<input type="checkbox"/> I Accept <input type="checkbox"/> I Decline
4 Premium must be paid in full no later than 07/21/2025.	

**\$300 DEPOSIT PER PERSON REQUIRED WITH REGISTRATION
 FINAL PAYMENT DUE 07/21/2025**

via check # _____ via credit card (circle): **VISA MASTERCARD DISCOVER AMEX**
Card Number: _____ **Exp. Date:** ___/___
Name on Card: _____ **CVN:** _____

PASSENGER AGREEMENT

By signing and submitting the registration form, I/we certify that I/we have read Passenger Agreement, Program Conditions, and Statements of Responsibility of the brochure, understand its content, and agree to its terms including but not limited to the potential for price increases that may apply before payment in full has been received as set forth in the Program Conditions and Statements of Responsibility of the brochure and potential price increases after payment in full has been received due to government imposed taxes and fees.

Guest 1 Signature: _____

Guest 2 Signature: _____

Tour: X125 **Date:** 110325 **Code:** S **ID:** _____ **V.002 06/04/24**

Travel Protection Plan - Premium Rates

For a full description of the plan, go to: www.tripmate.com/wpF427E

Trip Cost	Plan Cost	Trip Cost	Plan Cost	Trip Cost	Plan Cost	Trip Cost	Plan Cost
\$ 0 to \$1000	\$ 99	\$2501 to \$3000	\$299	\$4501 to \$5000	\$499	\$6501 to \$7000	\$699
\$1001 to \$1500	\$149	\$3001 to \$3500	\$349	\$5001 to \$5500	\$549	\$7001 to \$8000	\$799
\$1501 to \$2000	\$199	\$3501 to \$4000	\$399	\$5501 to \$6000	\$599	\$8001 to \$9000	\$899
\$2001 to \$2500	\$249	\$4001 to \$4500	\$449	\$6001 to \$6500	\$649	\$9001 to \$10,000	\$999

Schedule of Coverages	Maximum Benefit	Additional Cancellation Protection
Part A Trip Cancellation	Trip Cost	When you purchase this Travel Protection Plan at or before the final payment due date for Your Trip, you also receive the Educational Travel Services Pre-Departure Cancellation Waiver Benefit that allows you to cancel your Educational Travel Services travel arrangements up to the day of departure for any reason (excludes no shows and those not permitted boarding). With this Educational Travel Services Cancellation Waiver, your non-refundable land cancellation penalties will be refunded in Educational Travel Services travel certificates. Certain travel programs are not eligible for this benefit, such as cruise and land programs listed and detailed on the Educational Travel Services website (www.eltours.com). Premiums must be paid in addition to initial or second deposit prior to the final payment for coverage to be in effect.
Part B Trip Interruption Missed Connection Travel Delay (Up to 10 days & up to \$150 Per Day)	Trip Cost \$500 \$1,500	
Medical Expense / Emergency Evacuation Accident and Sickness Medical Expense Emergency Evacuation and Repatriation	\$25,000 \$50,000	
Accidental Death & Dismemberment Baggage and Personal Effects Baggage Delay	\$25,000 \$1,000 \$200	

Part A - Travel Arrangement Benefits are provided by Educational Travel Services. **Part B** - Travel Protection Benefits are provided by United States Fire Insurance Co. For New York Residents Only: Part A Benefits are travel arrangement benefits underwritten by United States Insurance Company.

Conditions and Limitations

This is a brief description of the plan available for all Travel Protection sales for Trips departing January 1, 2013 and after. Certain exclusions and limitations apply and are detailed in the Certificate of Coverage. For example, coverage does not apply to: any Sickness or condition of you, a Traveling Companion or a Family Member traveling with you that existed during the 60 days prior to the effective date of the coverage (The Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion is waived if payment for this plan is received by Educational Travel Services at or before the final payment due date for Your Trip or 105 days before departure date, whichever occurs first.), suicide, normal pregnancy, war or any act of war. Other Covered Reasons, as defined, includes the following events or their consequences: Cancellation or interruption of your Trip due to: Inclement Weather, unannounced Strike, mechanical breakdown that causes complete cessation of services of Your Common Carrier for at least 12 consecutive hours; a documented traffic accident while en route to departure; being hijacked or quarantined; jury duty; destruction of your home or destination by fire, flood, burglary or natural disaster; being called to the emergency service of government to provide aid or relief in the event of a natural disaster; a documented theft of passports or visas; a transfer of employment of 250 miles or more; or Revocation of military leave. For further information ask for the Certificate of Coverage which fully details the coverages, provisions, limitations and exclusions of the plan offered and is available to you, upon request, at any time prior to your purchase of the plan. The Travel Protection Plan is only available for citizens or residents of the United States of America. This plan is underwritten by: United States Fire Insurance Company, Eatontown, NJ. Benefits are administered by: Trip Mate, Inc., 8225 Ward Parkway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO, 64114, 1-800-898-7232 (In CA, dia Trip Mate Insurance Agency).

PROGRAM CONDITIONS

INCLUDED IN PRICE:

Round-trip international airfare • Deluxe motorcoaches • 1st class hotels • Guided sightseeing • Entrance fees to sites visited (as listed in itinerary) • Breakfast and Dinner Daily • Hotel gratuities • Program fees • Administrative Fee • Fuel surcharges • Government Taxes \$98 (Increases in government tax and fees are subject to change)

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE:

Optional sightseeing as listed in the brochure • Miscellaneous fees i.e. individual transfers; passports, laundry, lunches, beverages & baggage fees • Visas for non-US citizens • Visas and Transfers for all ground only passengers • Optional Travel Protection Program (see premium schedule) • Tips for guide (\$6/day) & driver (\$3/day)

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Price is per person based on double occupancy. When available, single rooms are often smaller than doubles. While we will try to match roommates, we cannot guarantee a roommate will be available. Roommates may be assigned as late as 30 days prior to departure and, if one is not available or you request a single room, the following charges apply: \$1298 during the basic tour.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Deposit	Payment Amount	Due Date
Registration Deposit	\$300	At time of registration
Final Payment	Full payment	07/21/25 If paid after the due date, a late payment fee of \$100 will be assessed.
Travel Protection Premium Amount	The Travel Protection Plan premium will be due no later than 07/21/25 to be in full effect. Travel protection premiums must be paid in addition to our deposits and in advance of the final payment for coverage to be in effect.	

RREGISTRATIONS RECEIVED after July 21, 2025:

We welcome registrations after 07/21/25. Registrations received between 07/22/25-08/05/25 will incur a \$100 per person fee. Registrations received between 08/06/25-08/20/25 will incur a \$200 per person fee. Registrations received after 08/21/25 will incur an additional fee based on air availability. Additional fees will be advised upon registration.

CANCELLATION FEES:

100% of Cancellation Fees are covered by the optional Travel Protection Program, provided premium has been paid and reason for cancellation is coverable. Those who do not take travel protection should be aware of the following per-person cancellation penalties: From day of registration to 105 days prior to departure, you will be charged the \$100 non-refundable cancellation fee plus any airline fees. Additionally, thereafter, you will be charged any airline penalties and a single room supplement if your cancellation forces your roommate into a single plus the following per-person charges: 104-60 days = \$400; 59-45 days = \$600; 44-31 days = 40% of total cost; 30 days to day of departure = 100% of total cost. Submit cancellation in writing. On or after day of departure, there will be no refund for any services not used.

STATEMENTS OF RESPONSIBILITY

We do not accept responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air schedules, hotel overbookings, other hotel related problems or causes, and/or travel supplier cancellations or postponements. Travel suppliers include all tour operators, cruise lines, airlines, hotels, bus companies, entertainment venues, and any other travel supplier used to operate the tour. All such losses or expenses will be the responsibility of the passenger. We reserve the right to make adjustments to the itinerary as deemed desirable by us, and we reserve the right to cancel any tour prior to departure. If a tour is canceled beyond the control of us, we will provide a refund or a future travel credit to be used two years from the date of issuance for the value of all funds paid by the passenger less nonrefundable travel supplier prepaid deposits, travel supplier change fees, nonrefundable travel protection premiums, and a \$150 administration fee.

FIT TO TRAVEL STATEMENT:

Passengers registering for the tour accept the responsibility for being in good health and able to walk and travel on the tour. Because many of the sites are not accessible to the physically challenged and space limitations on tour buses, wheelchairs and scooters cannot be accommodated. Those needing oxygen or other ambulatory assistance will find the tour extremely limiting in their experiences. Persons using C-pap machines requiring distilled water will need to inform us ahead of time, so we can work with local operators to prepare as it is not always available. We reserve the right to refuse or revoke travel to anyone who is, in our sole judgment, incapable of group travel without causing undue demands upon the staff or other tour participants. Accessible rooms/cabins are limited and subject to confirmation after receiving the passenger's written request. If you have questions, please contact us for more details.

PASSPORT INFORMATION:

Passport information must be submitted to our office no later than 07/21/25. Failure to provide your passport information to our office by this date may result in change fees or denial of travel. Discrepancies in information may result in change fees, delays in receiving travel documents for your trip, or denial of travel. Any fees incurred due to discrepancies are the responsibility of the passenger. Passports must be valid for at least 6 months after the return date.

PRICE INCREASES:

All prices quoted in this brochure are subject to change prior to payment in full due to currency fluctuations, fuel surcharge increases, government taxes and fees increases or unforeseen circumstances. In addition, you may be subject to a price increase after payment in full has been received due to potential government imposed taxes and fees.

AIRLINE ROUTES and TICKETS:

In order to keep prices low, we do not guarantee the most direct routing to your final destination. Once issued, airline tickets cannot be changed or refunded thereafter. Air transportation to/from your destination will be economy class on IATA and ARC carriers utilizing APEX or SUPER APEX non-refundable, non-amendable tickets for groups of 10 or more flying together on entire itinerary. If you choose to depart from a different city than your group or traveling companion, or deviate your flight and/or trip plans, and/or you are taking a pre or post tour, you may fly on a different scheduled flight(s) than the rest of your group. If you make your own air arrangements, you are responsible for booking all needed flights for your travel unless specified otherwise. Contact your travel advisor for further details.

FLIGHT TIMES and SEATING:

All flights are subject to change by the airlines without advance notice. We are not responsible for such changes or delays and do not reimburse expenses resulting from such delays. If you are making your own flight arrangements to the departure city, we recommend you purchase a ticket that can be exchanged without large penalties. There is no advance seat selection for groups on most airlines. Early check-in is necessary to secure seats with travel companions and those with special needs. Due to security measures taken at airports, it is advisable to arrive at the airport three hours prior to departure time. Seating is solely under the control of the airlines. You will receive your flight information 60-30 days prior to departure. Final documents are sent approximately 2-3 weeks prior to departure.

ADDITIONAL AIRLINE FEES:

You will likely incur additional airline checked baggage fees that are not included in the price of the tour. These fees vary by airline and are at the airline's discretion on each segment of the flight itinerary. You may also incur optional fees i.e. food, excess baggage, overweight baggage, items of personal nature, etc.

DEVIATIONS AND AIR UPGRADE REQUESTS:

Deviation and Air Upgrade requests must be submitted in writing and are subject to additional airline fees. Deviations and Air Upgrades are not always possible given the group schedule and time of ticketing. Passengers who are ticketed with air deviations and/or upgrades will likely not fly with the group and will therefore need to provide their own transfers.

ITINERARY CHANGES:

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this brochure. While we will make every effort to ensure you will see all sites listed in this brochure, the availability of sites, order of sites and/or days and number of days may be altered to accommodate changes in airline, hotel schedules, and local conditions. No changes to the itinerary are effective unless approved in writing and signed by an authorized officer of the tour operator. Except as stated herein, no other person is authorized to cancel, modify or vary the tour arrangements or to make any representation of warranty concerning the tour. Due to airline schedules, some participants may receive one or two extra leisure days at a nominal per day charge and some extensions may not be available on all departure dates. If itinerary changes necessitate extra overnights, you will be charged \$125 per night; single rooms \$175 per night. Meals for extra nights are not included.

VALIDITY DATE:

This brochure is valid until 12/04/24. Registrations will still be accepted after the validity date.

RELEASE INFORMATION:

Payment of deposit indicates permission for us or our agents to record the registrant's participation and appearance on video tape, audio tape, film, photograph, or any other medium and to use the registrant's name, likeness, voice, comments, submitted documentation, written papers, and/or biographical material without restrictions or limitation for any advertising, marketing, publicity, educational or promotional purpose which we or our agents deem appropriate, unless the registrant or guardian otherwise notifies us in writing prior to departure.

Enrollment in, payment of deposit and/or acceptance of final documents, vouchers, or tickets shall be deemed to be consent to the Passenger Agreement and Program Conditions of the brochure. Prices are based on tariffs in effect as of January 1 of the previous year and are subject to adjustment without notice in the event of any change or currency fluctuation.

Except where otherwise stated, we act only as agent for the relevant supplier in securing hotels, transportation and other travel services and in no event shall we be liable for failure by any such supplier to render any transportation, lodging or other travel service to be provided on the tour. The passenger agrees that we assume no liability for injury, death, damage, loss, theft, accident, delay, any lost or damaged luggage, or irregularity which may occur by reason of any negligent or willful act or omission of any suppliers of services.

We do not own or operate any of the suppliers of services to your tour. Similarly without limiting the foregoing, passenger agrees to hold us harmless for any defect in any vehicle, plane, boat, bus, car, van or other vehicle, act of war or insurrection, terrorist activity, revolt or civil uprising, military action, strikes or labor unrest or any Act of God or for any other act of any third party.