

## **Cruise Details**

Name: Grande Italia

Reference: UNIWORLD51521

Operator: Uniworld

Cruise Type: River

Cruise Rating: Luxury

Ship: S.S. La Venezia

Regions: Po

Departs On: 04 Apr 25

Departs From: Milan

Arrives On: 16 Apr 25

Arrives At: Rome

Cruise Nights: 12

Total Vacation Days: 13

# **Itinerary**

#### Day 1: Milan (Italy)

Arrive at Milan Malpensa Airport. If your cruise/tour package includes a group arrival transfer or if you have purchased a private arrival transfer, you will be greeted by a Uniworld representative and transferred to the Rosa Grand hotel.

Arrives On: 04 Apr 25

#### Day 2: Milan (Italy)

Milan is a mecca for Italian fashionistas, famous for its innovative design and stylish flair. Venture inside the city's hulking Gothic cathedral, as well as its cathedral to capitalism, Europe's oldest shopping arcade. Alternatively, you can join a Masterpiece Collection optional excursion to Lake Como and Bellagio. This experience is bookable upon arrival, so please inquire with your tour manager about pricing and availability after check-in on Day 1.

Arrives On: 05 Apr 25

## Day 3: Verona (Italy)

En route to Venice, you'll stop in the literary hometown of Shakespeare's famously star-crossed teen lovers to see the sights. Later, enjoy lunch at a historic wine estate owned by descendants of Dante and learn about one of the most unique Italian wines, Amarone di Valpolicella.

Arrives On: 06 Apr 25

## Day 4: Venice (Italy)

With your early morning arrival at Doge's Palace, you'll be able to marvel at the estate in total peace. Wander through a Venetian neighborhood and experience daily life in an authentic Venetian residential quarter. Later in the evening, cap the day off with a private once-in-a-lifetime experience at an after-hours lighting ceremony inside St. Mark's Basilica without the crowds.

Arrives On: 07 Apr 25

## Day 5: Venice (Italy)

Start your morning in one of two of the Veneto region's UNESCO World Heritage cities, Vicenza or Padua. In the afternoon, you'll reboard the ship for scenic sailing across the lagoon as we head towards Mazzorbo and Burano. In the evening, you may wish to take your free time to stroll into town to appreciate this charming island when most of the tourists have left for the evening. Burano's brightly painted fishermen's cottages are an artist's dream —hot pink, chartreuse, orange, lemon yellow, and more.

Arrives On: 08 Apr 25

#### Day 6: Chioggia (Italy)

Spend the day exploring the northern lagoon of Venice and its captivating islands. Start with a visit to Torcello's famous basilica with an art historian, then stroll through the agricultural island of Mazzorbo and the rainbow-hued island of Burano during your free time after lunch. Alternatively, you can take the afternoon to see the renowned glassblowing artisans of Murano at work.

Arrives On: 09 Apr 25

## Day 7: Chioggia (Italy)

Today, you'll admire the greatest sites of charming and coastal Chioggia, including a stop at the local and lively market.

Arrives On: 10 Apr 25

Day 8: Venice (Italy)

This morning, join a sailing excursion where you'll explore the Po Delta where the Po River and the Adriatic Sea meet. Later, during lunch, we sail back to Venice.

Arrives On: 11 Apr 25

## Day 9: Venice (Italy)

As your water taxi glides past narrow side canals and the Canal Grande, you'll arrive in style at the Rialto Bridge. The iconic stone arch bridge sits at the narrowest point of the Canal Grande and holds numerous shops and restaurants.

Arrives On: 12 Apr 25

## Day 10: Rome (Italy)

After disembarking the ship this morning, we'll make our way by train to the capital city of Rome. Check into the Anantara Palazzo Naiadi Rome hotel (or similar) and, if you'd like, you can join an Orientation Walk of the neighborhood around the hotel with your Local Host.

Arrives On: 13 Apr 25

## Day 11: Rome (Italy)

From the Roman Empire to the Renaissance, Rome has stood at the center of Western culture many times throughout history. While eras come and go, no period of this remarkable city's past has disappeared from its landscape. As you embark on your panoramic tour of Rome today, you'll discover some of the greatest marks on this timeline, including the 18th-century Trevi Fountain, the 2nd-century Pantheon, and the Roman Forum, whose roots stretch back to the 8th century BCE.

Arrives On: 14 Apr 25

### Day 12: Rome (Italy)

Today, you technically step out of Italy and into the smallest country in the world as you enter Vatican City, where you'll marvel at the extravagant frescoes of the Sistine Chapel and see St. Peter's Basilica, the largest church ever built.

Arrives On: 15 Apr 25

#### Day 13: Rome (Italy)

Check out of your hotel this morning. If your cruise/tour package includes a transfer, you'll be taken to the airport to return home.

Arrives On: 16 Apr 25

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