

THE **TRAVEL CLUB**

Pre-Departure Itinerary **Umbria – the Green Heart of Italy** **& Two Nights in Rome**

10 DAYS: Wednesday, April 14 – Thursday, April 22, 2027
Wednesday, November 3-Thursday, November 11, 2027

Mystical, ethereal, enigmatic and luminous. In 2027 the Club offers you an authentic and unhurried experience as we head to Italy “off the beaten path” in Umbria. In the heart of Italy’s enchanting countryside we’ll be immersed in stunning landscapes, rolling hills, and picturesque medieval towns as we explore Spoleto, Assisi and Perugia, enjoy a wine tasting, learn about stained glass restoration and the theatrical tradition of Spoleto and see the gorgeous frescoes of Perugini. We’ll spend five nights soaking in the relaxed atmosphere of Umbria and conclude our trip with two nights in Rome where we’ll enjoy a guided tour and time to explore on our own.



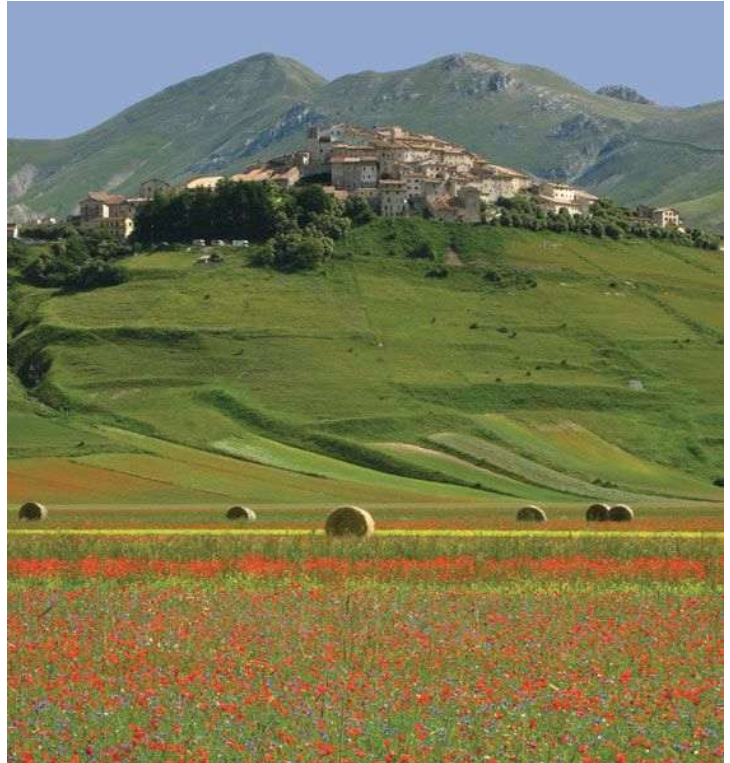
INCLUDES

- Eight nights' four-star accommodations:
- Hotel Dei Duchi, Spoleto 5 nights (or similar)
- Hotel Dei Borgognoni, Rome 2 nights (or similar)
- Breakfast daily
- Welcome dinner at hotel restaurant
- Lunch at local restaurant in Spoleto
- Wine tasting with snacks at Sportoletti Winery
- Lunch at local restaurant in Assisi
- Dinner at hotel restaurant
- Lunch at local restaurant in Orvieto
- Dinner at local restaurant in Rome
- Guided visit of Spoleto including the Caio Melisso Theatre and Teatro Nuovo
- Visit of Sportoletti Winery
- Excursion to Montefalco with guided visit
- Excursion to Assisi with guided visit and Basilica of Saint Francis
- Visit to Bevagna
- Excursion to Perugia with guided visit including the Moretti Caselli Art Museum and Collegio del Cambio
- Visit to Orvieto with local guided
- Guided visit of Rome
- Escorted, private, round-trip airport/hotel transfers
- Services of professional local Tour Manager

RATES

\$3899 Prices are **LAND ONLY** per person based on double occupancy. Single supplement: April \$670; November \$620. Triple accommodations may be available upon request. **Airfare from Boston is \$1030 and will be added to the above price.**

Passport required. Per person deposit is \$500. Please note – if you wish to extend your tour or request air or hotel upgrades, please advise us at the time of booking.



DAILY ITINERARY

Day 1: Overnight Flight

Depart from Boston this evening on ITA Airlines. Dinner is served aloft along while crossing the Atlantic. Relax and enjoy in-flight entertainment.

Day 2: Arrive Rome - transfer to Spoleto

Continental breakfast will be served on board before landing. In Rome, clear immigration and passport control and retrieve our luggage before we make our way into the arrivals hall. Here we'll meet our Tour Manager who will assist us to our private motorcoach for the transfer to Spoleto and the **Hotel Dei Duchi**. This evening enjoy dinner, with wine, at the hotel. **(D)**

Hotel Dei Duchi, Spoleto Viale Giacomo Matteotti - 06049 Spoleto (Umbria) +39 0743 44541

The 4-star Hotel dei Duchi is in the historical center of Spoleto, looking out onto the Roman Theater and located within the gardens of the Ancajani Park. The Hotel dei Duchi is the ideal location for breathtaking walks towards Piazza del Mercato and Via dei Duchi with its local handicraft medieval shop, the Cathedral, the Castle and the Caio Melisso theater. Rooms at this hotel include free WiFi and a shared TV room is also available.





Day 3: Spoleto

Spoleto, with a rich history, stunning architecture and roots dating back to ancient Rome and nestled amidst lush hills and olive groves is a treat of both culture and natural beauty.



Today we'll enjoy a guided visit of Spoleto as we walk to the Palazzo Comunale – The Town Hall – and be welcomed by a local municipal representative in the “Sala dello Spagna.” After a visit of the Palace we'll continue to the Caio Melisso Theatre and Teatro Nuovo and learn about the rich theatrical tradition of Spoleto. We'll enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before returning to the hotel. **(B L)**





Day 4: Sportoletti Winery

Located in the heart of Umbria, Sportoletti Winery is renowned for high quality wines crafted from traditional methods and local grape varieties from the hills of Spello and Assisi.



This lovely day begins at the cellars of Sportoletti Winery and includes a wine tasting along with the local specialties of the region. Afterwards head to Montefalco and enjoy a guided tour of the village. **(B WT)**
Montefalco



Standing on a hill overlooking the Valle Umbra, Montefalco commands one of the most scenic positions in central Umbria, with sweeping views across the plain towards Assisi, Spoleto, and Trevi. The town is enclosed by well-preserved walls and approached through medieval gates, with its narrow streets spiralling upwards to the main square at the summit. Surrounded by vineyards and olive groves, Montefalco has long been associated with wine production and rural tradition.

5: Excursion to Assisi and visit to Bevagna

Today is a wonderful highlight of this Umbria exploration as we enjoy a guided visit of Assisi and the Basilica of Saint Francis. After lunch at a local restaurant we'll head to Bevagna for a short visit. **(B L)**



Assisi, a picturesque town in the Umbria region of Italy, is renowned for its medieval architecture and spiritual significance, particularly as the birthplace of Saint Francis of Assisi. Nestled on a hill, the town features charming cobblestone streets, ancient churches, and stunning views of the surrounding countryside. The Basilica di San Francesco, a UNESCO World Heritage site, attracts

pilgrims and tourists with its impressive frescoes by Giotto and other artists that depict the life of Saint Francis.



Bevagna



Day 6: Excursion to Perugia

After breakfast we'll journey to Perugia to visit the Moretti Caselli Art Museum featuring a wide range of artworks, including paintings, sculptures and decorative arts and dedicated to the preservation of art. We'll enjoy seeing the laboratory where restoration of stained-glass windows is takes place. After an opportunity for lunch on our own we'll have a guided visit of Perugia including a visit to Collegio del Cambio to admired the beautiful frescoes by Perugino. Tonight, we'll have dinner at the hotel restaurant. **(B D)**





Perugia, the capital of Italy's Umbria region, is renowned for its rich history and vibrant culture. Nestled on a hilltop, this medieval city boasts stunning panoramic views of the surrounding countryside. Its charming cobblestone streets are lined with historic buildings, including the impressive Palazzo dei Priori and the Gothic-style Collegio del Cambio. Additionally, Perugia is a center for chocolate production, notably famous for the Baci Perugina, making it a sweet destination for visitors.

Day 7: Orvieto – Transfer to Rome

After breakfast we'll depart the hotel for our transfer to Rome. On the way we'll stop in Orvieto to explore the town and the magnificent Cathedral with a local guide. After lunch at a local restaurant, we'll continue on to Rome and check in at the **Hotel dei Borgognoni. (B L)**





Orvieto –a picturesque hilltop town is renowned for its stunning Gothic cathedral, the Duomo di Orvieto. This architectural masterpiece features intricate façade decorations and breathtaking frescoes. The local cuisine is equally captivating, showcasing regional specialties such as truffles and the famous Orvieto Classico wine. The town's charming streets are lined with artisanal shops, cafes, and historical landmarks, making it a popular destination with its vibrant atmosphere and stunning scenery.

Hotel dei Borgognoni Via del Bufalo, 126 00187 Rome Tel: +39 06 69941505

This 4-star hotel is in an elegant 19th-century building. Offering a peaceful internal courtyard, it is less than a 5-minute walk from both the Trevi Fountain and Spanish Steps. Rooms at Hotel dei Borgognoni have a contemporary design and a range of modern facilities. All air conditioned, they also come with a laptop safe and an interactive LCD TV with satellite and pay-per-view channels and internet access. Wi-Fi access is available in the Borgognoni's lobby and the hotel's conference rooms. The staff has a free bike rental service and plenty of useful tourist information. A full English breakfast is served each morning, while the bar offers snacks, drinks and hot and cold meals throughout the day. Room service is available until midnight and includes a comprehensive list of fine Italian wines. Spagna Metro Station is just 1700 ft away and provides easy access across Rome.



Day 8: Rome – guided walking tour

After breakfast we'll set off on a guided walking tour through Rome's most beautiful squares and fountains like Piazza Navona, Piazza di Spagna, Trevi Fountain and Piazza dei Fiori. You 'll have time for lunch on your own and then get together for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. **(B D)**



Rome is a city steeped in history and culture, often referred to as the "Eternal City." Its ancient streets are home to iconic landmarks like the Colosseum, the Roman Forum, and the Pantheon, each reflecting the grandeur of the Roman Empire. The Vatican City, an independent city-state within Rome, houses St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel, famous for Michelangelo's stunning frescoes. Beyond its historical sights, Rome is also known for its vibrant neighborhoods, delectable cuisine, and lively piazzas, such as Piazza Navona and Campo de' Fiori. With a blend of ancient heritage and modern vibrancy, Rome captivates millions of visitors each year, inviting them to explore its rich tapestry of art, architecture, and life.





Day 9: Return to Boston

Return to Rome airport for our transatlantic flight to Boston. **(B)**



Villa Borghese

Fountain of the Four Rivers



Travestere



Proof of Citizenship is required for all trips outside the United States. U.S. citizens require a valid passport to travel; with at least 6 months' validity. All non-US citizens should check with the appropriate foreign consulate for additional entry requirements. Passports are the responsibility of each traveler.

PLEASE NOTE: This pre-departure itinerary is designed to give you an idea of how this itinerary is structured. We reserve the right to make any changes to your final itinerary if deemed necessary, at any time prior to departure.

PLEASE NOTE: This is not your final itinerary. You will receive final documents (itinerary, tickets (if applicable), etc.) approximately 2-3 weeks prior to departure. Although we try our best to ensure that information is accurate at the time of publication, we are not responsible for any error, omission, misprint or liability that results from the use (or misuse) of this information.



