



Italy Long Weekend

Important Notes: For accurate departure times, travel times, prices of activities, and suggestions on how much extra money you will need, please contact info@bus2alps.com.

Flights are not included in this trip. This tour meets at 9:00 directly at the accommodation detailed by your Tour Leader on Thursday and departs from Florence at anytime the following Monday. If you would like to arrive on Wednesday please contact info@bus2alps.com for details and pricing.

What's Included

- Breakfast
- Exclusive discounts
- Walking tours
- Cathedral tour of Rome
- Entrance ticket to the Vatican
- Welcome Dinner
- Bus2alps trip leader

What's Not Included, Optional Costs

- Lunches and some dinners
- Optional day trips or excursions
- Museum entries

What to bring

- Passport
- Student ID
- Insurance Documents
- Camera
- Weather appropriate clothing
- Comfortable shoes
- Extra money

Currency: Euro





Detailed Itinerary

Day 1

Your trip leader will meet you at the accommodation on Thursday. Plan flights to arrive in Rome in the late morning. After check-in, we will spend the afternoon on a walking tour of the Roman Forum, Circus Maximus, and Colosseum. Entrance to the Colosseum will be an optional cost.

We will start the evening with a 'Welcome to Italy' dinner in the neighborhood of Trastevere, one of Rome's nicest and oldest districts. Meet in the lobby of our accommodation at a time detailed by your Trip Leader. Afterwards we will head to Campo de Fiori, Rome's most popular square for nightlife.

Day 2

We will start the day at the Vatican Museum and St. Peter's Basilica. We will depart from our accommodation for the tour. Afterwards you will have time to further explore Rome, the capital of history's most influential empire. Consult your Bus2alps trip leader for suggestions as to where to go and how to see it. Other sights in Rome include The Pantheon, Spanish Steps, Trevi Fountain, Villa Borghese, and Piazza Navona.

That night you are free to explore the culinary treats Rome has to offer. Ask your Bus2alps Trip Leader for the best recommendations for food and nightlife depending on your taste!

Day 3

Saturday we will depart Rome for Florence. After we check into our accommodation, we will show you to some local Tuscan lunch spots, followed by a walking tour of the city. Florence was a major part of the Renaissance, and home to some of Europe's most significant buildings, paintings, and sculptures. The walking tour will bring us to the Duomo, Piazza Signoria, Dante's Alighieri's house, the Medici Chapel, San Lorenzo, the Ponte Vecchio, Santa Croce, Palazzo Vecchio, and the Uffizi.

That night there will be an optional family-style dinner at our favorite restaurant, Il Gatto e la Volpe. The dinner includes several courses of Tuscan specialties and pastas. Afterwards we will head to one of Florence's best bars and show you the local nightlife.



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Day 4 You will have all Sunday free to explore more of Florence's endless beauty. You will be able to check out Florence's great museums and galleries, like the Uffizi, Bargello, Accademia (home of the David), Pitti Palace, Boboli Gardens, and more. Refer to your trip leader for recommendations and pricing for museum entrance.

You can head to Tuscany to visit the medieval city of Siena, San Gimignano (the medieval New York City), go wine tasting in the Chianti region, push over the Leaning Tower of Pisa, or other beautiful cities in the region. On Sunday evening your trip leader will take you to Piazzale Michelangelo for sunset, which offers the best view of the city, and great gelato.

Day 4 Monday morning we check out of our accommodation. Your Trip Leader will give you directions to the airport you are flying out of.

Included Activities

Cathedral Tour and Vatican Entry Ticket: See the gems of the Vatican City, the world's smallest country, and the head of the Catholic Church. Learn about the popes, the history of the Church, and visit the incredible art that the Vatican has collected.

Walking Tours: The Roman Forum and historical centers of Florence are easily accessible on foot. Your walking tour will cover all major sites in these locations.

Welcome Dinner: Kick off your spring break in Italy and get to know your fellow travelers with a traditional chow down of fine Italian specialties. Italy is known for having some of the best food in the world.

Optional Activities

Tuscany Day Tour: Spend a day rolling around the hills of Tuscany tasting the famous wines of the Chianti region and sampling typical Tuscan foods.

Florence Family Style Dinner: Sit down in an old Tuscan building and feast on traditional Tuscan appetizers, several different pasta dishes, and unlimited wine.

Tours, Museums, Day Trip: Italy is known for its Renaissance Art, Ancient History, and amazing sights. Consult your trip leader or informational guide for information on how to join any optional tours and day trips. Museum, gallery, and day trip prices vary.