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# GRAND TOUR OF ITALY

11 days | Italy

With visits to Venice, Florence, the Sorrento region and Rome, your group will fall in love with Italy. History comes alive among the ruins of Pompeii and along the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel. Get to know da Vinci, walk in the steps of gladiators and visit the birthplace of saints. Glide along the canals of Venice, enjoy an island cruise, and get hands-on skills with an Italian cooking class.

### EVERYTHING YOU GET:



**Full-time Tour Director**



**Sightseeing:** 5 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides



**Entrances:** Venice Gondola ride; Doge's Palace; Glass-blowing demonstration; Duomo; Basilica of St. Francis; Pompeii Roman Ruins; Sistine Chapel; St. Peter's Basilica; Cooking class; Colosseum; Roman Forum



**All of the details are covered:** Round-trip flights on major carriers; Comfortable motorcoach; 8 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms; European breakfast and dinner daily





*EF Tours for Girl Scouts gives girls the confidence to work toward a significant goal and the courage to try new things while traveling. They return with character and want to make their world a better place.*

Kim H., Group Leader

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## DAY 1: FLY OVERNIGHT TO ITALY

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### DAY 2: MILAN | VENICE

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport
- Travel to Venice, the Floating City crisscrossed with romantic bridges, laced with history and boasting some of the world's finest art and architecture. During your stay you will see gondolas glide down the Grand Canal before stopping in St. Mark's Square. Look for the golden weathervane, which resembles archangel Gabriel, atop the 323-foot Campanile (Bell Tower). At the pink-and-white Doge's Palace, see where mighty Venetian dukes once ruled. Stroll over the Bridge of Sighs, which links the palace to a prison. As they crossed the bridge, prisoners supposedly sighed with perfect sadness as they regarded their beautiful city for the last time.

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### DAY 3: VENICE

- Enjoy a gondola ride
- Visit the Doge's Palace
- See a glass-blowing demonstration
- Participate in the Venice City Challenge

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### DAY 4: FLORENCE

- Travel to Florence, the birthplace of the Italian language, opera and the Renaissance, and where works of art like Michelangelo's statue of David and Botticelli's The Birth of Venus still reside today. As you stroll through the city, pass by classical statues at the Piazza della Signoria. See the domed cap of the Santa Maria del Fiore Cathedral, better known as the Duomo, which dominates the skyline. Opposite the Duomo, look for the bronzed doors of Ghiberti's Gates of Paradise at the Baptistry. Walk across the Ponte Vecchio, a Medieval bridge where many of Florence's famed leather and gold artisans keep shop. Then, visit a leather workshop, the perfect place to find Florentine souvenirs.

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### DAY 5: FLORENCE

- Take an expertly guided tour of Florence: Piazza della Signoria; Ponte Vecchio; Gates of Paradise
- Visit the Duomo
- ➕ Optional: Pisa

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### DAY 6: ASSISI

- Take an expertly guided tour of Assisi
- Visit the Basilica of St. Francis

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**DAY 7: POMPEII | SORRENTO REGION**

- Take an expertly guided tour of Pompeii
- Visit the Pompeii Roman Ruins
- Continue on to the Sorrento region

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**DAY 8: SORRENTO REGION | ROME**

- ➦ Optional: Capri
- Travel to Rome, a city that integrates its past into the present better than any other. During your stay, explore the world's most famous arena, the Colosseum, where you can almost hear the stamping feet of the crowds gathered for gladiatorial combat. Nearby, the Roman Forum marks the former heart of the Roman Empire. Julius Caesar gave many of his great political speeches there. On your visit to the Vatican City, marvel at Michelangelo's breathtaking ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and look out for the colorful uniforms of the Swiss Guard, protectors of the Vatican City. Before you say "arrivederci," toss a coin into the Trevi Fountain to ensure a return trip to the Eternal City.

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**DAY 9: ROME**

- Enjoy a cooking class
- Take an expertly guided tour of Vatican City
- Visit the Sistine Chapel
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica

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**DAY 10: ROME**

- Take an expertly guided tour of Rome
- Visit the Colosseum
- Visit the Roman Forum
- Take a self-guided walking tour of Rome: Trevi Fountain; Pantheon; Piazza Navona; Spanish Steps
- Enjoy a free afternoon

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**DAY 11: DEPART FOR HOME**

Itinerary subject to change. For complete financial and registration details, please refer to the Booking Conditions.

**TOP THREE THINGS I WILL SEE, DO, TRY OR EXPLORE**

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2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_



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