

The best of Northern Italy

1° day

- Arrival in Venice (flight to be communicated)
- Transfer by water taxi from airport to the hotel
- Accommodation in **Hotel Carlton on the Grand Canal 4*** city center
- Overnight

2° day

- Breakfast at the hotel
- **09:00 meeting with the guide at the hotel and visit of the city center**



*The guide will tell in every detail the history of maritime Venice, strolling around the cobbles, exploring neighborhoods, such as Cannaregio and the sight-laden enclaves of San Marco and Rialto. You will cross the **Rialto Bridge** and then amble past Marco Polo's House, where the intrepid explorer is said to have been born. Continuing the walking tour through "Campo San Bartolomeo" you will see the Basilica of Santi Giovanni e Paolo, where many of the city's doges lay buried and will reach the "Scuola Grande di San Rocco", a palace rich with Tintoretto art.*

- Free time for lunch
- Afternoon free
- Overnight

3° day

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning at disposal
- Afternoon, **Bacaro tour with an English-speaking guide**

"Bacaro" is the term Venetians use for bars, those bars that offer the typical Venetian aperitif with an "ombra" (small glass of wine) and a "cicchetto" (something typical to eat). Going from bacaro to bacaro certainly means drinking good wine and tasting real delicacies. As it is well known, Veneto is one of the best known Italian regions for the production of its fine wines, and for this reason in Venice you can certainly find excellent wines, even in the bacari.

4° day

- Breakfast at the hotel and check-out
- 10:00 meeting with the driver and transfer to Verona
- Stop in Belluno and free time for lunch
- **Tour with an Alpin Guide (4 hrs) in the Dolomiti Bellunesi National Park**



The Dolomiti Bellunesi National Park was established in 1990, operative since 1994, this is the only national park in the North-East of Italy. includes both mountains groups above Feltre (the Vette, Cimònega and Pizzocco peaks), the wild Monti del Sole (Mountains of the Sun) and the beautiful Schiara, above Belluno, the highest peak at 2,565 m. It is a really paradise. We will visit with our guides the Mis Valley.

- Arrival in Verona **Accommodation in Hotel Accademia****** city center
- Overnight stay

5° day

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning, Guided tour of Verona



Verona is famous for the tragic love story of Romeo and Juliet... the house of Juliet is located in Via Cappello. Entering the courtyard of this fifteenth-century building there is a bronze statue of the Shakespearean heroine... It is said that she is the guardian of true love, so touching her breasts would bring good luck! To the left of the statue would be the place where Romeo and Juliet secretly married. Not only Shakespeare, but you will also take a look to Torre dei Lamberti, Piazza delle Erbe, the

Stone Bridge, the only one left from Roman times, which will lead us to the Roman theatre. The walking tour will end at Piazzale Castel San Pietro, from here you can admire the panorama and enjoy wonderful views of the entire city, including its ancient towers and bridges over the Adige.

- Free time for lunch
- Afternoon, **Transfer to Sirmione on the Lake Garda and guided visit**
- Guided visit of Sirmione

Sirmione is located in the southern part of Lake Garda, is a village with ancient charm with its architectural beauty of great value and breathtaking views. During the visit we'll admire the splendidi Scaligero Castle, symbol of Sirmione and welcomes visitors at the entrance of the historical town centre, and the Grottoes of Catullus that preserves the remains of one of the major residential villas in northern Italy.

- Return in Verona
- Overnight stay

6° day

- Breakfast at the hotel and check-out
- 10:00 meeting with the driver and transfer to Parma
- **Stop for a vineyard and winery visit and tasting Lunch near Mantova**



A stroll through the vineyards, contact with this beautiful land and the grapes, followed by a visit to the winery. A look at the bottling plant and a glimpse of the new winemaking technologies, concluding with a tasting session of wines and some Mantua specialities

- Arrival in Parma, accommodation in **Mercure Parma Stendhal****** in the city center
- **Afternoon, walking tour of Parma**

Parma's center is full of art masterpieces, wide green spaces, little and big treasures from different ages, welcoming visitors and citizens all in the refined atmosphere of a petite capital. With the guide we will visit the most important places in Parma such as the Cathedral of Parma and the Teatro Regio

- Overnight

7° day

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Free day in Parma

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- **Optional:** Visit of Ferrari Museum

Immerse yourself in the Ferrari story past and present, and top off the experience with a bit of time travel to the future too. The Maranello Museum tells the Ferrari story by delving deep into the Prancing Horse's extraordinary roots and taking visitors on a magnificent journey via its most famous and successful F1 cars, legendary sports prototypes and GTs, and, of course, the road cars that have set the benchmark for the entire car industry

Price per person with 30 pax: 45€ (includes Ticket, English speaking guide and transfer)

- **Optional:** visit to a cheese factory near Parma with tasting of the famous Parmigiano Reggiano DOP

Enjoy the visit of a cheese factory near Parma and live the magic of production and the craft of cheese masters who turn milk into Parmigiano Reggiano, the world's most famous cheese. You cannot leave a Parmigiano Reggiano dairy without tasting it! Therefore, after the tour, you will taste the cheese and discover the differences between the various degrees of maturation.

Price per person with 30 pax: 40€ (includes Ticket, English speaking guide and transfer)

- Overnight

8° day

- Breakfast at the hotel and check-out
- Transfer to Florence
- **Accommodation in a C-hotels Joy ****** in the city center
- Afternoon, guided visit of Florence



Afternoon dedicated to the discovery of Florence and its treasures. With the guide we will walk through the streets of the historic center where you can admire famous monuments, buildings and statues of world renowned artists, such as Michelangelo's David, Palazzo degli Uffizi and Palazzo Vecchio. Do not miss the stop at Ponte Vecchio, symbol of the city of Florence and Tuscany in general, and the Fontana del Porcellino where traditionally you touch your nose in the hope of receiving

good luck in return.

- Overnight stay

9° day

- Breakfast at the hotel
- **Pasta class in Florence and lunch**



A unique experience where you will learn the essence of the Italian food culture. The chefs have worked in some of the best restaurants in Italy and around the world. We going to start with a little introduction to the ingredients, after that we going to do the dough and you will be able to prepare you own pasta from scratch! The chef will teach us some different kind of pasta shapes as tortelli, tagliatelle and fettuccine. Of course, at the end we are going to enjoy together an amazing pasta dish, and we

will prepare few different sauces for our amazing pasta!

- Afternoon at disposal
- Overnight stay

10° day

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Day trip to Siena, San Gimignano and Chianti

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- **Arrival in Siena and meeting with the guide**

The visit of Siena will begin from Piazza del Campo with the Torre del Mangia and the façade of the Palazzo Pubblico. In this square the famous Palio di Siena is organized, a horse race organized by the districts of the city. We will continue towards Palazzo Tolomei, once home to illustrious personalities. Followed by a guided tour of the Duomo of Siena, of which we will also see the Baptistery. Inside this temple 12 we will find a sublime collection of masterpieces of art, among which the Maestà by Duccio di Buoninsegna and the statue of St. Paul, sculpted by a very young Michelangelo.

- **Lunch and wine tasting in San Gimignano**



Visit to a winery and tasting of wines and EVO oils with a typical Tuscan lunch. After lunch visit of the Chianti Valley that has always been considered the heart of old Tuscany and is famous all over the world for its renowned wines. An eventful history and a winemaking tradition dating back to the 13th century have made this area the ideal place to immerse yourself in vineyards, hills and characteristic villages.

- Return to Florence
- Overnight stay

11 day°

- Breakfast at the hotel and check-out
- Meeting with the driver and transfer to La Spezia
- **Stop in Lucca for a walking tour of the city**



Lucca is very famous for its medieval walls, as the city grew and modernized, the walls that surrounded the old town were maintained and as they lost their military importance, the top of the walls became a pedestrian promenade, today one of Lucca's main attractions, from where you can overlook the entire city in all its medieval beauty! You will visit the city center of the town: The Cathedral, dedicated to Saint Martin and a wonderful example of Romanesque architectural style; the Piazza dell'Anfiteatro and the archeological remains under the 12th century church of Saints Giovanni and Reparata; Piazza of San Michele with its beautiful Church of San Michele in Foro, the Basilica of San Frediano as well as the Clock Tower and Guinigi Tower

- Arrival in La Spezia and accommodation in **Hotel NH**** in the city center**
- Overnight stay

12° day

- Breakfast at the hotel
- **Shared boat excursion to Cinque Terre with English-speaking guide on the boat (6 hrs)**

An excursion to discover 3 pearls of the Cinque Terre aboard the a modern and comfortable vessel equipped with individual seats, bar, TV screens and an audio system that will allow our professional guides to tell you about the nature and history of that unique scenario that in the meantime will flow before your eyes. Local guides will also accompany you ashore to visit the villages of Riomaggiore, Monterosso and Vernazza

- Overnight stay

13° day

- Breakfast at the hotel and check-out
- Morning, Meeting with the driver and transfer to France
- **Stop in Portofino** and free time for individual visit (stop 3 hrs)
- **Stop in Monaco** and free time for individual visit (stop 2 hrs)
- Arrival in Nice and accommodation in Hotel Mercure Nice Centre Grimaldi**** in the city center
- Overnight stay

14° day

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Transfer to the Nice airport (airport and flight to be communicated)

Included:

- Accommodation in 4* hotel in Venice (3 nights), Verona (2 nights), Parma (2 nights), Florence (3 nights), La Spezia (2 nights), Nizza (1 nights)
- Water taxi from Venice Airport to Hotel in Venice
- Water taxi from Hotel in Venice to Piazzale Roma
- Transfer by bus as per program
- Guided visit with English speaking guide: Venice (2hrs), Bacaro tour in Venice (2hrs), Dolomiti National Park with an alpin guide (4 hrs), Verona (2 hrs), Sirmione (2 hrs), Parma (2 hrs), Florence (3 hrs), Siena (2hrs), Lucca (2hrs), Cinque Terre (6 hrs)
- Winery and vineyard visit with lunch and wine tasting near Mantova
- Past class in Florence with a chef, with lunch
- Lunch and wine tasting in San Gimignano
- Shore excursion full day by ferry boat from La Spezia to Cinque Terre (3 stops)
- Audio guides during the tour

Not included:

- Optional activities: **Visit of Ferrari Museum** (transfer, ticket and English speaking guide), **visit of a cheese factory** (transfer, ticket and English speaking guide)
- Personal extras

Itinerary available for tailor-made groups. For info contact us: info@felix.tours