WFSU Public Media presents...

Discover Northern Italy and Its Lakes

featuring Padua and Venice

with Optional 2-Night Milan Post Tour Extension

April 19 – 27, 2023





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9 Days ● **10 Meals**: 7 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Padua, Glassblowing Demonstration, Venice, St. Mark's Square, Lake Garda, Sirmione, Lake Maggiore, Lake Lugano, Lake Como, Bellagio

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 – 4 Hotel Europa , Padua

Days 5 – 8 Zacchera Hotels, Lake Maggiore

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Wednesday, April 19, 2023 Overnight Flight Take the best of Italian culture – savory cuisine, friendly locals, eons of history – and add the beauty of mystical lakes. A blend of winding canals and gently lapping waves, this is the northern lakes region of Italy. Delve deep into this relaxing hub, serving as a favorite getaway for the international elite.

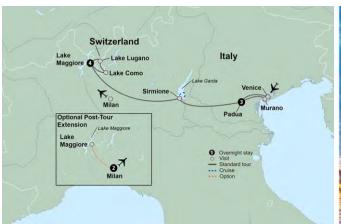
Day 2: Thursday, April 20, 2023 Padua, Italy - Tour Begins Your journey begins in Padua, an ancient city rooted in legend. Set in the picturesque Veneto region, some believe that Padua was founded by war heroes after the fall of Troy. The Bacchiglione River carves its way through the town, resulting in lovely riverside promenades and stone step-bridges. Meet your fellow travelers while enjoying a taste of Italian culture at a welcome dinner in Padua's historic Caffé Pedrocchi. Truly get to know the town's legacy as you settle into your home for the next 3 nights. (D)

Day 3: Friday, April 21, 2023 Padua Start the morning by strolling the streets of Padua with your guide. Visit Palazzo Bo, the principal building of Padua's University, founded in AD 1222 and among the oldest in Europe. Here, in the 16th and 17th centuries, cultural and scientific minds gathered to work on their history-changing research. Astronomers like Galileo and Copernicus studied the stars, and the founder of modern anatomy Andrea Vesalio worked here as well. Afterwards, feel the dynamic energy as you walk along Padua's open-air markets and street vendors setting up shop in the piazzas. The rest of the day is yours to discover the town however you wish. Perhaps you will choose to go on an exclusive optional tour down the Brenta Canal, enjoying an aperitif and drink on your private boat as you admire the opulent homes on the water's edge. (B)

Day 4: Saturday, April 22, 2023 Padua - Murano - Venice - Padua Start your day with a visit to Murano Island,* known for its intricate glass making. Witness a glassblowing demonstration, providing a glimpse into the methods behind this fine art. Feel the grandeur of the past come alive as you make your way to Venice, a floating labyrinth settled on a lagoon. Pass through the sprawling St. Mark's Square with an expert guide and admire the Campanile, a brick bell tower that rises above the piazza. Step outside the main square and explore the Castello district, making your way past historic buildings and architecture as you walk the narrow streets Enjoy an afternoon in Venice at leisure. (B)

Day 5: Sunday, April 23, 2023 Padua - Lake Garda - Lake Maggiore This morning, head to Sirmione, an old village situated on the shores of Lake Garda. Embark on a boat ride through the Sirmione peninsula and see the famous sinking castle. Enjoy time at leisure to discover the narrow streets or simply relax alongside the bright blue waves of the lake. End the day next to Lake Maggiore, a stunning Italian lake, and toast to the start of your leisurely 4-night stay. *(B, D)*

Day 6: Monday, April 24, 2023 Lake Maggiore
Enjoy the day at leisure to explore the nearby
lakeside streets. Perhaps you'll take an optional tour
and coast along the ethereal water of Lake Maggiore
by boat for an up-close look at the Borromean
Islands before docking at Isola Bella,** known as the
"beautiful island." Join an expert guide and venture
into the Borromeo Palace, a lakeside Baroque
beauty with an exotic garden. Then, return to your
boat and cruise by the remaining Borromean
Islands. (B)







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Day 7: Tuesday, April 25, 2023 Lake Maggiore - Lake Lugano - Lake Como - Lake Maggiore Take a scenic drive along the glittering shores of Switzerland's Lake Lugano before enjoying a day of sunshine and scenic peaks on the stunning banks of Lake Como. Sail to Bellagio, an ancient peninsula home to winding streets and views that will take your breath away. Enjoy some free time to discover the town's secrets on your own. Return to Lake Maggiore where the evening is yours to enjoy the twinkling lights that illuminate the shores as night falls on the lake. (B)

Day 8: Wednesday, April 26, 2023 Lake Maggiore

The entire day is yours. You might soak up the sun on the beach, relax in an outdoor café, or head out on the waves by boat. Perhaps you will take an optional tour to picture-perfect Lake Orta, a hidden gem surrounded by picturesque villages and filled with quaint islands. This evening, venture to Isola dei Pescatori*** by boat, enjoying a farewell dinner of local cuisine to celebrate the end of your trip. (*B*, *D*)

Day 9: Thursday, April 27, 2023 Lake Maggiore - Tour Ends Wish Italy *arriverderci* as your tour comes to a close today. (B)

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Optional 3 Days 2-Night Milan Post Tour Extension

Rate: \$499.00 USD per person, double, land only

For more information on extensions and options for this tour visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1097259



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Book Now rates valid until Oct 20, 2022, valid on air inclusive packages only. IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Effective for travel after January 2023, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS travel authorization, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit https://www.etiasvisa.com/

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Most shops and businesses in Italy are closed on Sundays and on national/religious holidays.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis. When reserving single accommodations, be advised that single rooms in Italy are often smaller in size.

*Your visit to Murano Island may be substituted with a visit to a local glass factory in Venice in the event of inclement weather.

**Isola Bella and the Borromeo Palace are open from April 1 to October 31. If you are travelling between November 1 and March 1, your option will instead include a scenic cruise of the Borromean Islands and a visit to Pallanza village.

***In the event of adverse weather conditions, the dinner at Isola dei Pescatori may be held at your hotel instead.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 2. This means you like a balanced approach to travel. You feel confident walking at least 30-45 minutes at a time over a variety of terrains – from cobblestone streets to easy straightaways to a couple hills or flights of stairs. You're comfortable walking a few city blocks at a time, but need some time to unwind and relax. In particular, you should expect large crowds in Venice, which requires about 2 miles of walking over cobblestoned streets and negotiating steps up and down 8-10 bridges with 15-20 steps each. For your visit of Venice, agility is required to board motorboats to Murano and St. Mark's Square. If you require a walker or wheelchair, or have difficulty walking, this tour is not appropriate for you.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Our air passengers will arrive into Venice airport. All arrival transfers will depart from Venice airport for Padua. Air passengers will depart from Milan airport. All return transfers will depart from Lake Maggiore for Milan airport.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$600 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of October 13, 2022 are based upon availability. Final payment due by February 18, 2023. Deposits are refundable up until October 20, 2022.

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