A Taste of:

Rome & Amalfi Coast

October 13 - 21, 2023

Join Lee Valsvik on a trip to Rome and the Amalfi Coast. Experience the culinary dishes of Italy with several food tours, wine tastings, and a pizza making class in Naples. Explore the Colosseum & Roman Forum as well as Pompeii, the villages of the Amalfi Coast, Sorrento and the Isle of Capri. Seats are limited, so join us today!

Highlights & Inclusions:

- Airfare included from Minneapolis
- Included Daily Breakfast
- Welcome & Farewell Dinners
- Professional Tour Director
- Local Italian Guide throughout
- Rome & Naples city tours
- Colosseum & Roman Forum Tour
- Trastevere food & wine walking tour
- Leisure time in Rome
- 4 Nights lodging in central Rome
- 3 Nights in Sorrento area
- Pizza Making Class in Rome
- Pompeii historic site tour
- Wine and food tasting Naples area
- Limoncello Tasting in Sorrento
- Amalfi Coast tour
- Villages of Positano & Amalfi tour
- Wine & food tasting in Amalfi Coast
- Day trip to Isle of Capri
- Leisure time to explore on own
- And so much more!

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Trevi Fountain, Rome

Day 1: FLY TO ITALY
Depart the United States for an overnight flight to Europe and the charm of Italy.

Day 2: ARRIVE IN ROME
Buongiorno & welcome to Italy! A local guide will join us as we are acquainted with Rome during an orientation tour of the city. We will see Roman classics such as the Trevi Fountain, Spanish Steps, Piazza Navona and the Pantheon. Later we check into our centrally located hotel (check in is 3PM). Tonight, mingle with fellow travelers during our Italian Welcome Dinner, hosted by Lee Valsvik.
Included Meals: Welcome Dinner

Positano, Amalfi Coast

Pizza making class in Naples

Village of Amalfi, Amalfi Coast

Day 3: ROME CITY TOUR - FOOD WALKING TOUR
This morning a local Roman guide joins us as we for a tour of the major sites of this historic city. We have specially arranged tickets to see inside the Colosseum before we walk the Roman Forum, which dates back 2000 years. Tonight, we are joined by a local food guide as we discover the Trastevere, one of Rome's more authentic and exciting neighborhoods. As we explore this district, we will stop and sample several dishes of the area and sip some of Rome's local wines. The evening is sure to be a culinary highlight during our time in Italy.
Included Meals: Breakfast, food & wine walking tour

Day 4: ROME LEISURE DAY
Enjoy a full leisure day in Rome! Perhaps a visit to St. Peter's Basilica and the Vatican Museum's priceless art collection may be of interest. Art enthusiasts may want to see the Baroque styled Borghese Gallery, home to numerous Bernini sculptures and paintings by Raphael, Titian and Caravaggio. Tonight, dine alfresco in front of the Pantheon or on charming Piazza Navona, the choice is yours.
Included Meals: Breakfast

Boat ride along the Amalfi Coast

Limoncello Tasting

Cozy side streets of Rome

Mt. Vesuvius Streets

Ancient Roman Forum

Day 5: NAPLES - PIZZA MAKING CLASS - SORRENTO
We depart Rome and head south to Naples and Sorrento. We are joined by a local guide as we discover the historic city of Naples by foot. During our visit we will try our hand where the pizza was born during a pizza making class. Learn from a local chef in the heart of Naples before learning the secrets of the Neapolitan pizza in a typical Napoli restaurant. Later, we continue south near Sorrento before checking into our hotel for the next three nights.
Included Meals: Breakfast, Pizza Making Class

Day 6: POMPEII HISTORIC SITE - WINE & LIMONCELLO TASTINGS
A local guide takes us through a fascinating journey back to the Roman Empire when Pompeii and the Vesuvius area were one of the most beautiful resorts in all of Italy before being destroyed by an eruption on Mt. Vesuvius. Our tour includes the highlights of Pompeii; the theatre, thermal baths, Gladiators' Gym, fountains, the Forum and much more. Later this afternoon we will visit a vineyard located on the slopes of Mt. Vesuvius. Sample several local vintages before making our way into Sorrento to try their famous limoncello made from local lemons. Tonight we dine at a local restaurant in Sorrento.
Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Isle of Capri (Amalfi Coast in background)

Day 7: AMALFI COAST
This morning, enjoy one of the most stunning coastlines anywhere, the Amalfi Coast by boat. John Steinbeck wrote that the Amalfi Coast "is a dream place that isn't quite real when you are there and becomes becomingly real after you have gone." In addition to exploring the villages of Amalfi and Positano we will also experience some of the local foods and wines with an included tasting tour in Amalfi. Late afternoon finds us returning to our hotel in Sorrento. We will explore the Amalfi Coast by boat one way and return by van (depending on sea conditions).
Included Meals: Breakfast, afternoon food and wine tasting

Day 8: ISLE OF CAPRI
This morning we cross the Gulf of Naples by boat for the island of Capri. Reachable only by boat, the island offers charming villages, stunning ocean views and authentic Italian charm. Capri was the favorite of emperor Augustus where he resided and built numerous temples, villas and gardens as having his own private paradise. Later, we return to the hotel before enjoying a farewell dinner with new friends.
Included Meals: Breakfast, Farewell Dinner

Day 9: ARRIVEDERCI ITALY!
We pack our bags and say farewell to Italy as we depart for the airport in Naples. We arrive back home with fond memories of Rome & the Amalfi Coast!
Included Meals: Box Breakfast

St. Peter's Basilica, Vatican City

Amalfi Coast & Positano

Discover Roman piazzas throughout the city

Join Lee Valsvik on a Taste of Rome and the Amalfi Coast. Experience the sights of both Rome and the Amalfi Coast and taste some of the areas most authentic dishes and wines with a food tour in Rome, a pizza making class in Naples and a wine tasting on the slopes of Mount Vesuvius. Seats are limited!

Tour Price

AIRFARE INCLUDED RATE:

$4999 PER PERSON
(Based on 2 people in a room)
AIRFARE INCLUDED OUT OF MSP

$5799 SINGLE RATE
(Based on 1 person in a room)
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LAND ONLY RATE :

$3899 PER PERSON
(Based on 2 people in a room)
LAND ONLY - AIRFARE IS NOT INCLUDED

$4699 SINGLE RATE
(Based on 1 person in a room)
LAND ONLY - AIRFARE IS NOT INCLUDED

TRIP DEPOSIT:

A **$300** non-refundable per person deposit is due at the time of registration. After final payment all monies are non-refundable. Travel Insurance is available and HIGHLY ENCOURAGED

FINAL PAYMENT: JUNE 10, 2023

FOOD & WINE EXPERIENCES 14 meals including daily breakfast and a welcome and farewell dinner are included. We also feature several food tours, a pizza making class and wine tastings

ACCOMMODATIONS: Enjoy 4 nights in central Rome within walking distance to numerous sites. 3 nights in Sorrento area

UNIQUE ITINERARY: Carefully curated as a one-of-a-kind travel experience for Defined Destinations travelers

LOCAL GUIDES: Benefit from our guides as they handle all the details including exciting ideas for leisure time activities and restaurant suggestions for meals on own, so you can sit back and relax and enjoy the very best of Italy

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