

In Venice and Florence, memorable landmarks like St. Mark's Square and the Duomo convey Italy's vital role in world history. In Cinque Terre, a train ride through the five villages brings you deep into the Italian culture. Each village has its own unique character and charm; experience them firsthand in the scenic vistas, medieval forts, and lively markets.

#### **EVERYTHING YOU GET:**



**Full-time Tour Director** 



**Sightseeing:** 3 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides (5 with extension); 1 sightseeing tour led by your Tour Director



**Entrances:** Burano island; glass-blowing demonstration; gondola ride; Mausoleum of Galla Placidia; Cinque Terre train; Lake Como cruise; with extension: Sistine Chapel; St. Peter's Basilica; Colosseum; Roman Forum



Personalized learning guide: Our personalized learning experience engages students before, during, and after tour, with the option to create a final, reflective project for academic credit.







All of the details are covered: Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach (train with extension); 7 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (9 with extension); European breakfast and dinner daily





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As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your Tour Director in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our personalized learning experience, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels, and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. Expert local guides will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views on history, art, architecture, or anything you may have a question about.

When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

**@EFtours** I attribute my college semester abroad to the love for travel I discovered on an EF Tour in high school **#traveltuesday** 

– MELISSA, TRAVELER





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#### What you'll experience on your tour

#### Day 1: Fly overnight to Italy

#### Day 2: Milan | Venice

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport.
- Travel to Venice. This "floating city" is crisscrossed with romantic bridges, laced with history, and boasts some of the world's finest art and architecture. See gondolas glide down the Grand Canal and stop in St. Mark's Square. Look for the golden weathervane resembling archangel Gabriel atop the 323-foot campanile.

#### Day 3: Venice

- Take an expertly guided tour of Venice and see
   St. Mark's Square and the Grand Canal.
- Travel by water taxi to the island of Burano, known for its brightly colored homes and lace work.
- See a glass-blowing demonstration.
- Enjoy time to see more of Venice.
- Go for a gondola ride.

#### Day 4: Ravenna | Florence

- Take an expertly guided tour of Ravenna.
- Visit the Mausoleum of Galla Placidia.
- Travel to Florence, the birthplace of the Italian language, opera, and Renaissance, where works of art like Michelangelo's 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.

#### Day 5: Florence

- Take an expertly guided tour of Florence and see the Piazza della Signoria, Ponte Vecchio, and Duomo.
- Enjoy time to explore on your own or
   visit Pisa.

#### Day 6: Cinque Terre

 Travel to Cinque Terre, which literally translates to "five earths," a cluster of towns perched on the dramatic cliffs of the Mediterranean coast. Each of these five Italian villages— Monterosso, Vernazza, Corniglia, Manarola, and Riomaggiore—has its own unique character and charm.

#### Day 7: Cinque Terre

- Travel by train between the villages and take in views of dazzling aquamarine water, which makes the area popular with sunbathers and swimmers. From Monterosso's lively markets to Vernazza's medieval forts, to Manarola's pastel-colored edifices, there is something for everyone to discover and enjoy in Cinque Terre.

#### Day 8: Como region

- Travel to the Como region.
- Take a cruise on Lake Como.

#### Day 9: Depart for home

#### **© 2-DAY TOUR EXTENSION**

#### Day 9: Rome

 Travel by high-speed train from Milan to Rome.

#### Day 10: Rome

- Take an expertly guided tour of Vatican City. (Vatican subject to closings on Sundays and holidays.)
- Visit the Sistine Chapel and experience it's breathtaking domed ceiling. From Michelangelo's frescoes to Raphael's tapestries, Pope Sixtus IV commissioned the masters of the day to cover nearly every inch of the Chapel in art depicting important Biblical scenes.
- Explore St. Peter's Basilica on your own.
- Take an expertly guided tour of Rome.
- Visit the Colosseum.
- Stroll through the Roman Forum.
- Take a self-guided walking tour of Rome.

#### Day 11: Depart for home

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

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-CHARLOTTE, PARENT OF TRAVELER



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