

C.I.T.

MARCH BREAK – ITALY 2010

Education, History, Culture Journey

- Explore:* historical cities of Rome, Assisi, Perugia, Florence, Verona, Padova, Venice and quaint villages & towns
- Marvel:* magnificent and tranquil views of the Castelli Region and the Apennines; the winding canals of Venice
- Witness:* our living faith; the local arts & crafts; the beauty and sounds of history
- Enjoy:* authentic cuisine; wines of Castelli Romani and the excitement of everyday living;
- Relax:* at the pool; in the garden; at the piazzas; strolling with the locals
- Rejuvenate:* your body and spirit in the warmth of Italian hospitality

March 12 – 21

(Extended stay possible)

Program offered:

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COST : \$ 2,499.00/ppd

Includes:

Airfare and transfers
Hotel accommodation
Breakfast and Dinner Daily
Guided tours as per program
(taxes & admissions are extra)

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EXPERIENCE THE CULTURE AND HISTORY OF OUR CLASSICAL CIVILIZATION AS YOU RELAX IN THE TRANQUIL PARADISE OF CASTELLI ROMANI REGION AND THE TYRREANEAN COAST, ALONG THE APPENINES, ON THE PO RIVER VALLEY, AT THE TERME SPAS, ON THE GRAND CANAL; SAVOUR THE EXQUISITE MEDITERRANEAN CUISINE AND REJUVENATE YOUR BODY AND SOUL.

Departure from Pearson Airport to Rome Fiumicino Airport

Accommodations nestled in the charming Castelli Romani region & on the Tuscan and Veneto Hills.

Guided tours of Royal, Republic, Imperial and Baroque Rome

Journey through Christian Rome and Vatican City

Enjoy the tranquil beauty of Umbria Region (Assisi & Perugia)

Stroll along the historical Florence, a living museum

Marvel at the enchanting Venice

Relax in the thermal spas of Abano Terme

Visits to local wineries; appreciate the world-famous Castelli Romani wines;

Savour local culinary delights, and indulge in local cuisine

Marvel at the majestic Apennines and the Grand Canal

Return from Venice Airport or continue the journey in Italy.

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(Enchanting Italy Catholic Education Study Group)

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DATE	D	ITINERARY
Fri Mar 12	1	Departure Toronto with Alitalia Airlines # AZ 651 at 17:15
Sat Mar 13	2	Arrival at Leonardo Da Vinci Airport, Fiumicino (Rome) at 07:45 a.m.; Guided Tour of Vatican City (including Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapels, St. St. Peter Basilica., St. Peter Square & Tombs of the Popes) <i>(Hotel Villa Vecchia – Frascati/Rome) D</i>
Sun Mar 14	3	In the morning, attend Papal Blessing (Angelicus) and Papal Mass at the Vatican. In the afternoon: Guided Walking Tour of Renaissance/Baroque Rome ((Trevi Fountain; Pz Navona; Spanish Steps) including Pantheon of Ancient Rome; and world renown fashion district of Via Condotti. <i>(Hotel Villa Vecchia – Frascati/Rome) B/D</i>
Mon Mar 15	4	MORNING: Educational Visit (Optional-TBA) AFTERNOON: Tour of Christian Catacombs (Saint Callixtus Catacombs, the greatest and most important of Rome, where tens of martyrs, 16 popes and many Christians were buried); Celebration of the Eucharist at the Catacombs (TBA) <i>(Hotel Villa Vecchia – Frascati/Rome) B/D</i>
Tues Mar 16	5	Walking Tour of Ancient and Imperial Rome (e.g. Coliseum; Fori Imperiali, Campidoglio); and a brief tour of Christian Rome (Santa Maria Maggiore and St. Peter in Chain) Early evening arrive in Chianciano Terme, an Etruscan and Roman city, and today, a health paradise nestled in the Tuscan hills for its therapeutic water and thermal baths. <i>(Grand Hotel Fortuna; Chianciano/Siena) B/D</i>
Wed Mar 17	6	All Day Excursion to the picturesque, historical, religious & medieval cities of Assisi & Perugia. Tour of Basilicas of Saint Francis & St. Clare; stroll through the narrow and winding streets of Assisi and in the magnificent and picturesque city centre of Perugia/Assisi. <i>(Grand Hotel Fortuna; Chianciano/Siena) B/D</i>
Thurs Mar 18	7	Guided tour of Florence - including the Duomo, Giotto's Tower, Gates of Paradise, Baptistry; Piazza della Signoria; Uffizi Gallery Square; Piazza Santa Croce; Ponte Vecchio; Arno River. Late afternoon depart for Abano Terme, the SPAS capital of Italy. <i>(Hotel Alexander, Abano Terme/Padova) B/D</i>
Fri Mar 19	8	A walking guided tour of Verona : the city centre (Roman Amphitheater, the biggest and best preserved arena; the real Juliette's balcony; Piazza d' Erbe, and Piazza Brà. Time permitting, on route, visit Padova , with its Giotto's frescoes in the Cappella degli Scrovegni (optional); Basilica di Sant' Antonio and its surrounding imposing piazzas. (Presentation by Local School Officials at Dinner Time) <i>(Hotel Alexander, Abano Terme/Padova) B/D</i>
Sat Mar 20	9	Walking Tour of Venice : (Ponte Scalzi; Ponte dei Sospiri; Ponte Rialto; Piazza San Marco; Basilica San Marco; Campanile, Doge Palace; Viale degli Schiavoni) – Admire the sights and sounds of the Grand Canal; the winding streets; the gondolas and much more. (Presentation by Local School Officials at Dinner Time) <i>(Hotel Alexander, Abano Terme/Padova) B/D</i>
Sun Mar 21	10	Depart from Venice Depart from Venice # AZ 1464 at 8:00 arriving Rome at 9:05 ; From Rome Alitalia # AZ 6:50 at 10:20 arriving in Toronto at 15:20
		Itinerary subject to change due to reasons beyond CIT control