

Italy – Down to the Heel – The North

8th June – 18th June 2020



From the Northern Lakes to Rome

Enjoy the leisurely pace of travelling from Italy's wonderful Northern Lakes to its classical masterpiece and capital city of Rome. We start the tour on the banks of Lake Maggiore from where we enjoy a guided tour of the Borromean Islands, visiting all three islands by private boat with lunch on Isola Pescatori (the fisherman's island).

With an over-night stop on the outskirts of Milan there is time for a visit to the city (via local transport) to see its magnificent Gothic cathedral 'The Duomo'.

Making our way south we move to Pisa for two nights where there is time to explore Pisa centre and visit its famous leaning tower, all of which is within walking distance of our campsite.

Our final stop on this tour will be at Rome for four nights, here we have two great city excursions arranged; a full day's tour of Rome's classical sites and a visit to the Vatican City including St. Peter's Cathedral and the Sistine chapel.

At the end of this tour you are very close to the start of 'Italy – Down the Heel – The south' which begins tomorrow in Pompeii. You may choose to also book this tour to complete the whole journey 'Italy – Down to the Heel' or independently make your way home at your own pace from Rome.

10 Nights

Day One – Monday 8th June

We meet at Lake Maggiore in Italy and our location is a lovely family run campsite right on the edge of the water. This evening we enjoy a welcome dinner in the campsite's own restaurant with local food and wine.

Day Two – Tuesday 9th June

A full day's excursion to the Borromean Islands. Our coach and guide will collect us from the campsite to take us to the jetty for boarding our private boat as we visit all three islands at our pace. Lunch is included and will be taken on Isola Pescatori (Fisherman's Island).



Day Three – Wednesday 10th June

Free day to relax by the lake or you may take the local bus to the picturesque town of Stresa.

Day Four – Thursday 11th June

A short drive to our next campsite near Milan. With bus stops near the campsite, those who would like to visit this interesting city, especially the Duomo Milan's giant cathedral, there is ample time. **60 miles**

Day Five – Friday 12th June

Travel to Pisa. **175 miles**

Day Six – Saturday 13th June

Explore Pisa at your own pace – being just a short walk from the campsite you will find there is a lot more to Pisa than just its famous Leaning Tower. Particularly take a look around the Piazza dei Miracoli, including the Duomo, Baptistery and the Camposanto.

Day Seven – Sunday 14th June

Today we continue our journey south to the enchanting city of Rome. **225 miles**

Day Eight – Monday 15th June

We are taken by coach today into Rome for a full-day guided tour. We will see the Forum, Coliseum, Trevi Fountain, Pantheon, Spanish Steps and the Palatine Museum. Our included Lunch is in a city restaurant.



Day Nine – Tuesday 16th June

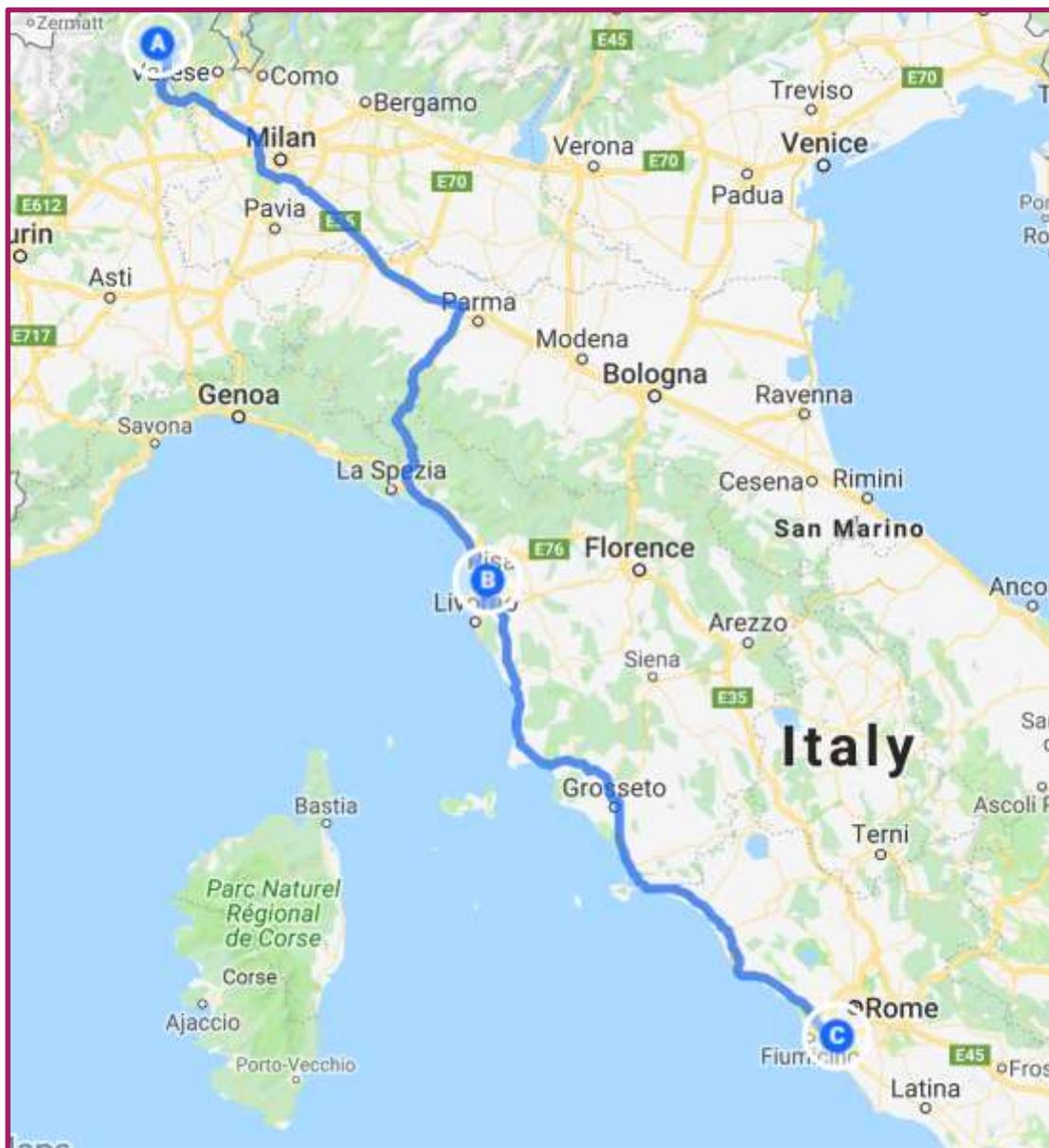
We return to Rome for a visit of the Vatican City with its wonderful paintings and glorious treasures. We will see St Peter's Cathedral, the Vatican Museum and the Sistine Chapel.

Day Ten – Wednesday 17th June

Free Day. This evening we have a 'Farewell Dinner' in the campsite restaurant, even if it's not 'Farewell' for all.

Day Eleven – Thursday 18th June

Our tour ends this morning. For those returning to the UK please note the Tour Directors will be continuing to Pompeii for the start of 'Italy - Down to the Heel – The South' rather than returning back at this point. Those continuing with 'Italy - Down to the Heel – The South' will move to the starting campsite in Pompeii for an additional night (this will be included in the tour), with tomorrow being a free day and opportunity to visit Sorrento by local train, which departs from just outside our Pompeii campsite. **(150 miles)**.



PRICE

Motorhome with 2 people = **£899 per person**

Motorhome with 1 person = **£1099**

DEPOSIT **£250**

INCLUDED IN PRICE

- 10 Campsite nights with electric hook-ups
- All transfers for the excursions as listed in the itinerary
- Entry fees as listed in the itinerary
- Tour information pack with suggested routes & GPS Coordinates
- Services of Tour Directors travelling in their own motorhome
- Michelin National Map of Italy
- DK Guidebook for Italy

Excursion, Events & Meals

- Welcome Dinner at Camping Orchidea, including drinks
- Guided Excursion to Borromean Islands, including Coach Transfer, Boat Taxi between islands, Entry into Isola Bella and Lunch
- Guided Excursion to Rome, including entry to the Coliseum and Lunch
- Visit to Vatican City
- Farewell Dinner including drinks

This tour starts at Lake Maggiore, Italy but if you would like to travel at the same time as the Tour Directors on the outward journey, please book the optional tour package so that everything can be arranged on your behalf

OPTIONAL EXTRA PACKAGE

- Return Dover/Calais Ferry with 60-day Flexible Ticket + Club Class Lounge
- Five additional campsite nights with electric hook-up starting in Kent on Wednesday 3rd June followed by Belgium, Germany, Switzerland, & Italy
- Dinner at the campsite in Germany
- Tour information pack with suggested routes & GPS Coordinates
- Services of Tour Directors travelling in their own motorhome

OPTIONAL PACKAGE PRICE

Motorhome with 2 people @ £299 per person

Motorhome with 1 person @ £485

If you would like to continue further south from Rome, please make a booking for 'Italy - Down to the Heel – The South' as we continue to the fascinating Puglia region of Italy's deep south and the area that forms the heel of Italy's boot.