



North Clackamas Chamber & Storybook Travel Co. present...

## Northern Italy and Its Lakes

## featuring Padua and Venice

with optional 2-Night Milan Post Tour Extension Departing September 30 – October 8, 2020





## Highlights...

Padua ● Glassblowing Demonstration ● Venice ● St. Mark's Square ● Lake Garda ● Sirmione ● Lake

Maggiore ● Lake Como ● Bellagio

9 Days • 10 Meals: 7 Breakfasts • 3 Dinners

#### SPECIAL TRAVEL PRESENTATION

Date: Monday, January 27, 2020 Time: 5:30 PM
North Clackamas Chamber of Commerce
8305 SE Monterey Ave. Ste 104, Happy Valley, OR 97086-7728

## **BOOK NOW: Double \$3,399**; Single \$3,799; Triple \$3,369

Regular rates: Double \$3,599; Single \$3,999; Triple \$3,569

\* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change

**Included in Price:** Round Trip Air from Portland Intl Airport, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$329 per person

Upgrade your in-flight experience with Elite Airfare

Additional rate of: Business Class \$4,790 † Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option

<u>IMPORTANT CONDITIONS</u>: Your price is subject to increase prior to the time you make full payment. Your price is not subject to increase after you make full payment, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. Once deposited, you have 7 days to send us written consumer consent or withdraw consent and receive a full refund. (See registration form for consent.)

#### Day 1: 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: 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. Truly get to know the town's legacy as you settle into your home for the next 3 nights. *Today dinner will be included.* 

#### Day 3: 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. Perhaps you will opt for a gondola ride through the postcard-worthy canals, taking in the city from a different perspective. *Today breakfast will be included*.

#### Day 4: Padua

Start the morning by strolling the streets of Padua with your guide. Make your way inside the Basilica of St. Anthony, a stately cathedral built in the 13th century. Engage with locals and feel the dynamic energy as you walk along open-air markets and street vendors setting up shop in the piazzas. Pass by the ornate Palazzo della Ragione, the former meeting place for the town's council. Feel the history in the air when you see Caffe Pedrocchi, a famous coffee shop frequented by the intellectuals that influenced the Italian Risorgimento of the 19th century. 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 on your private boat as you admire the opulent homes on the water's edge. *Today breakfast will be included*.

#### Day 5: 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. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.* 

#### Day 6: 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 seaside Baroque beauty with an exotic garden. Then, return to your boat and cruise by the remaining Borromean Islands. *Today breakfast will be included.* 

#### Day 7: 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 Lugano, Switzerland to see the lake from the other side of the Italian border. *Today breakfast will be included.* 

#### Day 8: Lake Maggiore - Lake Como - Lake Maggiore

Indulge in a day of sunshine and scenic peaks at the paradise of Lake Como, nestled against the Alps and a beloved retreat for the rich and famous. Enjoy a guided cruise of the waters before stopping in Bellagio, an ancient peninsula that fosters winding streets and unparalleled views. Enjoy some free time to discover the city's secrets on your own. Return to Lake Maggiore and venture to Isola dei Pescatori\*\* by boat, enjoying a farewell dinner of local cuisine to celebrate the end of your trip. Today breakfast and dinner will be included.

#### Day 9: Lake Maggiore - Tour Ends

Wish Italy arriverderci as your tour comes to a close today. Today breakfast will be included.

## Experience 91!

Day

Day

## Lake Como

The gentle waves. The soft breeze. The gleaming sunshine. There's a reason why the rich and famous flock to the shores of Lake Como – and its natural beauty is only the start of it. Nestled against the foothills of the Alps, Lake Como is dotted with bobbing boats and relaxing sunbathers. Along its shore, find towering villas of the brightest colors, jutting out between the trees. The lake was formed by glaciers and displays an iconic "Y" shape. Enjoy a guided cruise of the waters and marvel at the surrounding landscape. Considered to be one of the most beautiful lakes in the world, you'll have to judge its charms for yourself.

# YOUR ITINERARY AT A GLANCE Overnight Flight 2 – 4 Methis Hotel Padova & Spa, Padova 5 – 8 Zacchera Hotels, Lake Maggiore

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

**Collette's Flagship:** Collette's tours open the door to a world of amazing destinations. Marvel at must-see sights, sample regional cuisine, stay in centrally located hotels and connect with new and captivating cultures. These itineraries offer an inspiring and easy way to experience the world, where an expert guide takes care of all the details.

#### Please Note:

Book Now rates valid until Apr 01, 2020, valid on air inclusive packages only. Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates. \*Your visit to Murano Island may be substituted with a visit to a local glass factory in Venice in the event of inclement weather. \*\*Due to inclement weather in the winter months, your farewell dinner at Isola dei Pescatori may not be possible. In such an event, your farewell dinner will take place in the town of Lake Maggiore. 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. 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. 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. Air inclusive rate is valid for guests who have

purchased our air package for the full tour. Rate will vary for those who have purchased their own air. 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 2021, 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/ This tour includes moderate physical activity. The itinerary blends some longer days with shorter days and more leisure time. Walking tours, as well as walking slightly longer distances, up stairs or on uneven walking surfaces, should be expected.

CST#2006766-20 UBN#601220855 Nevada Sellers of Travel Registration No. 2003-0279

#### **Extend Your Vacation With...**

Optional 3 Days 2-Night Milan Post Tour Extension Rate: \$599.00 USD per person, double, land only • 2 Meals: 2 Breakfasts

### For more information contact:

Chanlee Trump • Storybook Travel Co. (503) 351-8655 • info@storybooktravelco.com

#### **Optional Hotel Upgrade Available**

May 1, 2020 – April 30, 2021 \$200 USD per person, double, land only

During your stay at the Zacherra Hotels, you may choose to enjoy views of Lago Maggiore by upgrading your accommodations to a lake view room. Please inquire about this upgrade at time of booking.