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Italy #2
Sports Team Tour
Rome, Florence, Milan
10 Day / 8 Night Program

SUGGESTED PROGRAM

ALL SPORTS ACTIVITIES ARE HIGHLIGHTED IN RED.

Day 1

USA - FLIGHTS

Fly overnight to Rome. Possible change of plane enroute. Dinner and breakfast served aloft.

Day 2

ROME

(D)

Morning arrival at Rome's Fiumicino International Airport. Greeting by your Tour Manager.

PRACTICE SESSION

Overnight: Rome

Day 3

ROME

(B,D)

Ancient Rome Half-Day Tour (admission included)



Coliseum



Roman Forum



Palatine Stadium

The juxtaposition between Rome's ancient landmarks and monuments beside its modern buildings and other structures makes for a fascinating contrast between old and new.

- **Coliseum** – One of the world's most iconic ancient buildings dating back to 80 AD.
- **Palatine Hill** – The most famous of Rome's "Seven Hills." was the site of early Roman settlements.
- **Roman Forum** – A plaza that was the center of Roman public life for centuries.
- **"Via Sacra"** – This was the main street of ancient Rome and led to the Forum.

Overnight: Rome

Day 4

ROME

(B,D)

Vatican Half-Day Tour (admission included)



St. Peter's Basilica



Vatican Museum



Sistine Chapel

- **Vatican Museums** - Holding the largest art collection in Europe with over 65,000 masterpieces.

- **Sistine Chapel** - Fabulous frescoes by Renaissance artists and the famed ceiling by **Michelangelo**
- **St. Peters Basilica** - The world's largest Christian Church and burial place of many popes.
- **Pietà** - Michelangelo's famous sculpture of Jesus on the lap of his mother Mary after the crucifixion.

MATCH # 1 vs. an ITALIAN TEAM

Overnight: Rome

Day 5

FLORENCE

(B,D)

Check out of hotel. Transfer to **Montecatini** by private motorcoach (30 miles west of Florence). Check in to your Three-Star Hotel.

Florence City Tour



Ponte Vecchio



Florence skyline



"Il Duomo"

- **Cathedral (Duomo)** – Dating back to the 15th century with its massive "Cupola del Brunelleschi," possibly the largest dome every built, and its bell tower.
- **Ponte Vecchio** – Admire the arched stone bridge, which has spanned the **Arno River** since the 14th century.

MATCH # 2 vs. an ITALIAN TEAM

Overnight: Montecatini

Day 6

FLORENCE

(B,D)

Uffizi & Accademia Galleries



Uffizi Gallery on Arno River



"David" Sculpture



Uffizi Gallery by Night

Visit one or both of the most famous museums in the world.

- **Uffizi Gallery** – Originally a 16th century palace, this gallery contains many famous works of art including "The Birth of Venus" by Botticelli.
- **Accademia Gallery** – This gallery houses pieces from Donatello as well as the original "David" by Michelangelo, the world's most famous sculpture.

Free time for lunch, relax or to explore the city.

Overnight: Montecatini

Day 7

PISA

(B,D)

Check out of hotel.

Transfer by private motorcoach to **Milan**, stopping in the city of **Pisa**.

Pisa – Half-Day Tour



Duomo



Leaning Tower



Baptistry

Walk to the **Piazza del Duomo**, where Pisa's most famous landmarks are concentrated.

- **Leaning Tower** – Dates back to the 14th century and was built in the Romanesque architectural style. (optional - approx. US\$ 20)
- **Duomo** – This historic cathedral has a beautiful exterior and is filled with many impressive works of art.
- **Baptistry** – This ecclesiastical building has stunning interior featuring stained-glass windows, and two concentric domes that produce an echo effect. . (optional - approx. US\$ 5)

Continue to Milan.

Check in to your Three-Star Hotel.

Overnight: Milan

Day 8

MILAN

(B,D)

Milan City Tour



Il Duomo



Vittorio Emanuele II Gallery



La Scala Opera House

Walking tour of Milan's most important sites, including:

- **Duomo** – The Milan Cathedral was built over six centuries between 1386 and 1965 in a heavily Gothic style and is one of the world's largest Christian churches. (Optional: Dome access for a fee)
- **Vittorio Emanuele II Gallery** – The "world's oldest shopping mall" dates back to 1877 with high end cafés, shops and restaurants and is a destination onto itself just for the architecture.
- **La Scala** – One of the world's most famous opera houses. (exterior visit only)

Lunch on own and free afternoon to explore Milan.

MATCH # 3 vs. an ITALIAN TEAM

Overnight: Milan

Day 9

MILAN

(B,D)

Lake Como & Bellagio – Full-Day Tour (boat tickets included)



Board your private motorcoach to **Lake Como**, a beautiful site surrounded by majestic mountains.

- **Como** – The city abutting the lake, stopping at the Sant Abbondio Abbey, a beautiful Romanesque church, to admire the magnificent frescoes inside.
- **Bellagio** – A picturesque small town located on a peninsula where the three branches of the “Y”-shaped lake meet.

Overnight: Milan

Day 10

MILAN – USA

(B)

Fly back to the USA, arriving the same afternoon. Possible change of plane enroute.

Your Italian Adventure comes to a close with great memories to cherish for a lifetime!

TOUR INCLUSIONS:

Travel Services:

- Economy-class Air Transportation USA – Italy round-trip
- Intercity Transportation Rome – Montecatini – Florence – Milan by private motorcoach
- 3 nights at a Three-Star Hotel in Rome or near the game facilities
- 2 nights at a Three-Star Hotel in Montecatini or near the game facilities
- 3 nights at a Three-Star Hotel in Milan or near the game facilities
- Airport / Hotel / Airport transfers by private motorcoach
- Breakfast and one other meal daily (lunch, dinner or post-match get-together with opposition, personal beverages not included)
- Ancient Rome Half-Day Tour (admission included)
- Vatican Half-Day Tour (admission included)
- Florence City Tour
- Morning Tour of Uffizi and Accademia galleries (admission included)
- Pisa Half-Day Tour (admission included)
- Milan City Tour
- Lake Como and Bellagio Full-Day Tour (boat tickets included)
- English-speaking Guides for all of the above tours
- **Tour Manager** available as necessary in Italy and 24/7 access in case of emergency
- 24/7 Emergency Support from **Victory Sports Tours'** Operations office

Sports Program:

- **3 Games vs. Italian club / university teams at your level**
- **1 Practice Session**
- **Opponent Matching Services**
- **Water at Games & Practices**
- **Round-trip transfers to above sports activities by private motorcoach**

Summary of Included Meals:

- 8 Breakfasts
- 8 Other Meals (lunch, dinner or post-match get-together with opposition, personal beverages not included)

Tour Price:

Click on [Victory Sports Tours - Sample Tours](#) select your sport and find **Italy #2** for pricing

- One **FREE COACH'S TRIP** is included in all of the above price ranges.
- Coach would share twin room with a paying traveler and pay **only taxes/fees**.
- Tour Price is subject to increase if there are fewer than 20 paying travelers.

- Taxes/fees/fuel charge are subject to change according to government and airline increases, which will be finalized approx. 45 days prior to departure.

Exchange Rate Protection:

- Tour prices are based on the current U.S. Dollar / foreign currency exchange rate.
- Price may vary if the exchange rate were to change significantly **before** we receive your first tour deposit.
- You will **not** be subject to any surcharge due to exchange rate increases that occur **after** we receive your first tour deposit.

Not Included:

- Any items not listed as included in the above sections under "TOUR INCLUSIONS"
- Passport fees - Passports are required to travel internationally
- Visa fees - If visas are required, typically in the case of non-US citizens
- Personal beverages at meals
- Uniform laundry - Your tour manager will assist you in finding laundromats (most hotels in foreign countries do not have laundry facilities)
- Tips for tour manager, city tour guides and motorcoach drivers (recommended **US\$ 25-30 per traveler** to cover all tour staff)
- Any fees imposed by the airlines at the airport for checked baggage that exceed the number of pieces allowed or size/weight allowances.
- Travel insurance - We will offer you the option to purchase travel insurance through an independent travel insurance specialist
- Optional Activities as noted in the itinerary

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