

ITALIAN RIVIERA AND FRENCH COAST TOUR *SPECIAL CARNIVAL*



FEBRUARY 2022

Departure from **Rome** (cod. **EACRMEN**)

Departure from **Milan** (cod. **EACMIEN**)

DEPARTURE FROM MILAN

DAY 1 MILAN – GENOA (140 km)

Departure from Milan to **Genoa**. Port among the first in Southern Europe, the first in Italy, the sixth city in the country, Genoa has an important history as a Maritime Republic. Its historic centre develops around the Old Port and is partly medieval. Visit of this seaport, one of the largest of the Southern Europe, the first in Italy; 6th city of the country, this town has an important history, as a Maritime Republic. Its historical centre has grown around the dock, is full of narrow and characteristic streets and has a medieval origin. Continue to the modern zone of “Ancient Port”, restored for the 500 years of America discovery by Christopher Columbus. Here we find the Aquarius, the second biggest in Europe. Lunch at your own. Accommodation in hotel and evening for personal interests. Overnight at the hotel.

DAY 2 GENOA – RAPALLO (30 km) - SANTA MARGHERITA (3 km) – PORTOFINO (5 km) – GENOA (40 km)

Breakfast at the hotel. Today you will be invited to taste focaccia, a typical local kind of bread in both versions, regular and with cheese. Departure to **Rapallo**, famous tourist centre. Visit of the old town where a long promenade ends with the beautiful castle of Dragut. Then, road to **Santa Margherita**, beautiful seaside city of *Riviera di Levante* (Eastern Riviera), located in the Tigullio Gulf. Lunch at your own. In the afternoon, visit of **Portofino**. Around a little square, you can have a nice view of a group of high, coloured and picturesque houses. In the small port, during the high season, you can see expensive yachts from every part of the world. Finally, return to Genoa with a panoramic road. Overnight the hotel.

DAY 3 GENOA – the eastern coast: CINQUE TERRE (125 km) – GENOA (90 km)

Breakfast at the hotel and departure to **Manarola**, a fishermen village located at the eastern side of the National Park of the Cinque Terre. Visit. **Cinque Terre** are heritage of the Unesco: these 5 fishermen villages symbolize a group unique in the world for its beautiful landscape and the medieval style of their buildings. By train, visit of the little village of Vernazza and Monterosso, the biggest of the five villages, characterised by long beaches and narrow streets full of restaurants and handcraft shops. Lunch at your own. In the afternoon coming back to Genoa. Overnight at the hotel.

DAY 4 GENOA – SANREMO (140 km) – MONACO (40 km) - NICE (30 km)

Breakfast at the hotel and departure to **Sanremo**, the city of flowers and the sun, known internationally as the official headquarters of the Italian Song Festival. Its economy is based mainly on floriculture and tourism. This small town of the Ponente Ligure offers numerous entertainment possibilities of any kind. Its casino elegantly overlooks one of the most beautiful streets in the center, and walking along Via Matteotti you can admire the wonderful windows of clothing stores and many others. Lunch at your own. Departure to **Monaco**. The famous rock, of clear ligurine printing press, is dominated by the Palace of the Grimaldi Princes. Visit the small old town, where you can see the panoramic Palace Square, the old Oceanographic Museum and the Cathedral, where among the tombs of the Grimaldi family you can find that of Princess Grace. We will pass through Monte Carlo, home of the famous Grand Prix, where you can see the futuristic Grimaldi Forum and the liberty silhouette of the Casino (if the trip is by bus it is not possible to pass near the casino). Arrival to Nice and accommodation. Overnight at the hotel.

DAY 5 NICE – ST. TROPEZ (110 km) – ESTEREL COAST (70 km) – CANNES (5 km) - NICE (50 km)

Breakfast. Full day excursion on the Côte d'Azur. Departure to **St. Tropez**, town famous for the splendid beaches and the many stars that come here to spend their vacations. Lunch at your own. Departure for **Cannes** passing along the **Esterel Coast**, known worldwide as the Corniche d'Or, thanks to its charming panorama. Small beaches follow rocky breakwaters and small islands, which overlook a clean and blue sea. Arrival to Nice. Overnight at the hotel.

DAY 6 NICE – ST. PAUL DE VENCE (20 km) – NICE (20 km)

Breakfast. Departure to **St. Paul de Vence**. This town is a small corner of middle age, with its walls built by Francis I in 1537; Its landscape has enchanted great artists like Chagall and Prévert who lived here. Return to Nice in time to join the battle of flowers with booked entry. Lunch and rest of the afternoon at your own. At night, illuminated avenues for Carnaval with party. Overnight at the hotel.

DIA 7 NICE – MENTONE (30 km) – MILAN (290 km)

Breakfast. Departure for **Mentone**, a border city that organizes the parade of the fruits of gold, the best way to close the Carnival 2022. Lunch at your own. Then, continuation to Milan and end of services.

- Tour starts and finishes at Starhotels Ritz, Via Spallanzani 40, Milan. Please contact us for any further information concerning transfers or additional service.

DEPARTURE FROM ROME

DAY 1 ROME – MILAN (550 km – 3 hours)

High speed train in 2nd class for **Milan** (duration of approx. 3 hours) at the requested time. Transfer on behalf of the passenger to the hotel, check in and accommodation. Overnight at the hotel.

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TOUR WILL DEPART WITH A MINIMUM OF 4 PAXS. ESCORT GUIDE/DRIVER SPEAKING ENGLISH UP TO 8 PEOPLE. FROM 9 TO ABOVE, DRIVER AND ENGLISH SPEAKING ESCORT GUIDE.

SPECIAL DEPARTURES:

Departure from **ROME:** **Feb/20 2022**

Departure from **MILAN:** **Feb/21 2022**

RATE PER PERSON:

(FROM **MILAN**): € 1.690,00 - Single Supplement: € 256,00

(FROM **ROME**): € 1.950,00 - Single Supplement single: € 316,00

RATE INCLUDES:

- 1 BB Starhotels Ritz**** MILAN or similar (Rome option);
- 3 BB Best Western MODERNO VERDI **** Genoa or similar;
- 3 BB Hotel Mercure Grimaldi **** Nice or similar;
- 2nd class high speed train Rome to Milan return with reserved seats (Rome option);
- Private vehicle from Milan to Milan throughout the tour;
- English speaking driver / guide throughout the tour up to max. 8 pax; from 9 onwards minibus driver or guide;
- HD Genoa / FD Cinque Terre;
- Tasting Focaccia and Focaccia with cheese in Liguria;
- Entrance to the battle of flowers with reserved seat;
- Entrance to the Corso Illuminated at night with reserved seat;
- Entrance to the Mentone parade with reserved seat.

RATE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

Meals – drinks – lodging fees – tickets – portering – tips and whatever is not mentioned in THE RATE INCLUDES.