

PIEDMONT TOUR

From MILAN



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DAY 1) MILAN – THE MONFERRATO (130 km) – SERRALUNGA DI CREA (80 km) – TURIN (65 km)

Departure at 08.30 am from Milan to the hilly area of **Monferrato**, in the South-east of the region Piedmont. Arrival to **Acqui Terme**, an antique city founded by the Romans, famous for its original aqueduct. In the old town, we can admire “La Bollente”, a beautiful white stone structure built to protect the amazing hot spring with water at 75° C. After a short walk in the centre, departure to **Casale Monferrato**, the capital of the ancient Dukedom of Monferrato. The old town includes several beautiful buildings with different architectural styles, such as the Fortress, the Civic Tower and the Cathedral. Lunch at your own. Departure in the afternoon to Turin, capital of the region, crossing the North of Monferrato with short stop in **Crea**, where we will visit the local Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage. Arrival to Turin, overnight at the hotel.

DAY 2) TURIN – SUPERGA (8 km) – ROYAL PALACE OF VENARIA (20 km) - TURIN (15 km)

Breakfast at the hotel. Full day dedicated to visit the town. Departure to to **Superga**, the second hill of the region. Here, visit at the Basilica, built at the beginning of the 1700 by command of the King of Sardinia, Victor Amadeus II as the dedication to the Virgin in order to celebrate the victory of the Piedmont Army versus France and Spain. Continue to the famous Savoy Route, including the Royal Palace, in **Venaria**, the greatest abode of the Royal Family. This imposing structure inspired the French architects during the project of renovation of the Palace of Versailles, near Paris. Built in the second half of the 1600 by command of the Savoy Duke Charles Emmanuel that gave it as a gift to his wife, the palace presents the main central building as well as the largest park of the region. Lunch at your own. In the afternoon, visit of **Turin**. First capital of the Kingdom of Italy, main centre of car factory FIAT, cultural and university centre, it is nowadays the fourth biggest town of the country for inhabitants and the third for industrial development. The visit of the downtown includes Piazza Castello, with Palazzo Madama, old Roman gate and the Royal Palace; the Mole Antonelliana, the major landmark of the city, built by the architect Alessandro Antonelli in 1873: it houses the Museo Nazionale del Cinema, the National Museum of Film; the Cathedral which hedges in the Shroud, a linen cloth bearing the image of a man who appears to have been physically traumatized in a manner consistent with crucifixion, Jesus, according to the catholic tradition; Piazza San Carlo, with its galleries in typical Piedmont style; walk through Via Roma and Garibaldi and free time to enjoy the everyday life of this amazing city. Overnight at the hotel.

DAY 3) TURIN – ASTI (55 km) - THE LANGHE (25 km) – TURIN (65 km)

Breakfast at the hotel. Today, in the Langhe you will be invited to taste a glass of an extraordinary local red wine: Barolo. Moreover, you will discover products made with both white and black truffles. Departure to **Asti**. The city presents Roman and baroque style and tracks of the Middle Age and of the Renaissance. In the world, it is known due to its top-production of wines, of which the most important one is the Asti Spumante. Visit of the downtown: Santa Maria Assunta Cathedral, Piazza Roma with the monument to Italy, the Red Tower, of the Roman age, the baroque palaces and the Middle Age towers. Later, continue to **Alba**, town considered as the capital of the Langhe, district of hills and strong production of wines, known also as the regional leader in the ambit of buying and selling of truffles and chocolates (Ferrero, the multinational factory in the production of tea, chocolate, biscuits all over the world). Founded in the pre-Roman age, Alba had an important role in the Middle Age. Visit of the Cathedral, the old town centre with the road of business, Vittorio Emanuele and Cavour and the City Hall Palace. Lunch at your own. In the afternoon, through an amazing trip among hills and vineyards, arrive to **Grinzane Cavour**, that houses the castle with the same name and some of the main wine bars of the area. There, the first Italian Prime Minister, Camillo Cavour created the myth of the Barolo and **La Morra**, a small village of the Middle Age. It grounds its richness on the so called “Red gold”, the Barolo. Visit of the old town with great views towards the Langhe hills. Then, back to Turin. Overnight at the hotel.

DAY 4) TURIN – COURMAYEUR/MT. BLANC (140 km) - AOSTA (30 km) – MILAN (180 km)

Breakfast at the hotel. Departure to **Fenis** to look up to the castle, built in the XII century, located in the highest valley of the region. Built by command of the family Challant because of a reason of prestige, now it represents one of the most charming masterpieces of that age in all Northern Italy. Then, departure to **Courmayeur**, a small village located at the bottom of the **Mont Blanc**, the last Italian place before the frontier with France. Entered in the collective imaginary due to its 11 km long tunnel between Italy and France under the Mont Blanc, it presents a unique and wonderful landscape among the best and most fascinating peaks of the Western Alps. Free time in the beautiful old town. Continuation to **Aosta**, capital of the autonomous region of Aosta Valley, the smallest region of the country, located in the middle of the highest mountains of the Alps. Old town, founded before Christ and partially built by the Romans according to the typical style of a Roman camp (core and parallel streets). Still today Roman tracks are extremely evident: Arch of Augustus, the Praetorian gates, the old entrances of the city and the modern district with more recent buildings, as the Cathedral and Piazza Chanoux with the City Hall. Lunch at your own and then, way back to Milan. 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.

RATES PER PERSON:

PIEDMONT 2023	COMFORT		LUXURY	
	PUBLIC PRICE IN DBL	PUBLIC PRICE IN SGL	PUBLIC PRICE IN DBL	PUBLIC PRICE IN SGL
February 9, 2023	1.000,00 €	1.180,00 €	1.100,00 €	1.350,00 €
April 20, 2023	1.040,00 €	1.240,00 €	1.140,00 €	1.400,00 €
June 22, 2023	1.040,00 €	1.240,00 €	1.140,00 €	1.400,00 €
October 12, 2023	1.040,00 €	1.240,00 €	1.140,00 €	1.400,00 €

*Due to the international situation of Covid-19, the schedule of fairs/events/congresses during period between April and October 2022 is still in progress. Dates on the website of the managing authority are partial and temporary and could change further in the next months. Possible surcharges on the dates of departures of our tours will be added tour by tour once the schedule will be definitively confirmed. In any case price will not rise more than 10% of the regular amount. We will regularly inform you about eventually changing. Thanks for understanding.

IN THE CITY OF TURIN A CITY TAX FOR ACCOMMODATION IS NOW COMPULSORY. EVERY CLIENT MUST PAY IT CHECKING OUT.

RATES INCLUDE:

- Itinerary as above according to the hotel option choice
- Bus at disposal for the mentioned itinerary
- English speaking escort guide/driver up to 8 people (driver and guide with more than 8)
- Barolo special red wine tasting
- Truffle cream tasting
- Free Wi-Fi on board

RATES DO NOT INCLUDE:

Meals, drinks, entrances, portorage, city taxes, tickets, tips extras and whatever not specified in "RATES INCLUDE".

DATES OF DEPARTURE:

2023

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April 20, 2023
June 22, 2023
October 12, 2023

NOTES

Low season departures will be guaranteed with minimum 4 pax

HOTELS ACCOMMODATION OR SIMILAR – COMFORT TOUR:

TURIN: STARHOTEL MAJESTIC****, C.so Vittorio Emanuele II 54, Tel. +39/011 539153,
<http://www.starhotels./hotels/Majestic/it/home.aspx>

HOTELS ACCOMMODATION OR SIMILAR – LUXURY TOUR:

TURIN: **GRAND HOTEL SITEA*******, CLASSIC ROOM, Via Carlo Alberto 35, Tel. +39/517 0171,
<http://grandhotelsitea.it/>

CANCELLATION POLICY:

- ✓ 100% no-show
- ✓ 70% from 1 to 3 days before the departure
- ✓ 50% from 3 to 14 days before the departure
- ✓ 30% from 14 to 21 days before the departure