

Milan and the Northern Lakes

8 days / 7 nights

From

\$2,499

Per person/Double occupancy/Land package
For travel in July 2024/3*

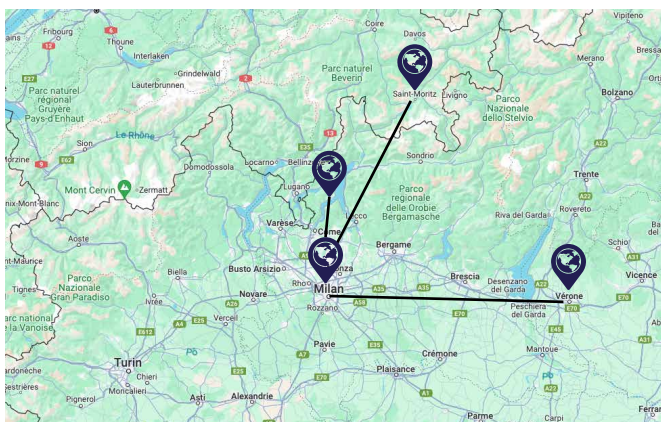
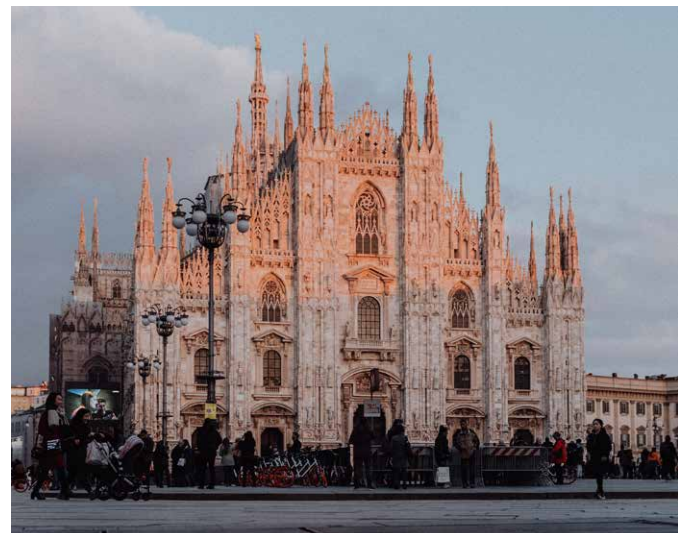
Day 1 : Milan

Arrival in Milan Malpensa Airport. Meet your driver for your private transfer.

Depending on arrival time, take advantage of your Hop on Hop off pass to visit the city. More than 40 stops, 4 lines, 7 buses and commentary in 10 languages.

Day 2 : Milan – Lake Como and Bellagio - Milan

After breakfast you'll have the chance to discover the beauty of the Italian lakes! This charming experience includes the transfer by bus from Milan to Como. Lake Como is surrounded by stunning alpine scenery



and beautiful villages famed for their high-quality silk production. It's one of the best places to visit in Italy. The bus will take you to Lake Como and you will start the tour from Tremezzina, a beautiful and charming place to visit. With its stunning scenery, luxurious villas, and picturesque villages, it is the perfect place to relax and enjoy the Italian Riviera lifestyle.

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Day 2 : Milan – Lake Como and Bellagio - Milan (Continued)

The tour continues with a 1-hour cruise on the lake with private boat. Admire the lakeside villas and keep an eye out for a luxurious hotel set in tropical gardens, but also Villa Balbianello, Villa Carlotta and many more! Docking at the town of Bellagio, one of the most famous towns on the lake, you can follow the steep alleys running up from the lake and stop for a coffee or gelato at one of the lively cafes housed in grand historic buildings. Spend some time at your leisure here before a cruise to Cadenabbia and continue the tour to Como, visiting its historical attractions, such as the city center. Continue into Como's historic center and enjoy some free time to get to know the town and shop in the many local boutiques before going back to Milan by bus.

Overnight in Milan



Day 3 : Milan Cooking class & Market tour

Today learn the tricks of the trade at the best cooking class in Milano!

Master the art of preparing typical Milanese fare and traditional Italian cuisine, enjoy a unique pasta-making class in Milan led by an experienced charismatic chef. Set off to explore Milan's fascinating culinary scene visiting the city's bottegas, crammed with fresh produce and local specialties. Led by your chef you will browse, learn about the local specialties and traditional food heritage, and liaise with the vendors, tasting some specialties offered by the bottegas, before heading to the cooking school, a brand-new stylish facility in the heart of town. Aprons on, follow your chef's skilled instructions, and learn how to prepare exquisite traditional dishes: risotto, fresh hand-rolled pasta, and dessert. Measure, mince, mix and stir (and taste, of course, to get the seasonings right!). Once all is ready, sit down with a good glass of wine and relish the best Italian meal ever: the one you made yourself in the heart of Milan. At the end of the experience, you will receive a Cooking Class Attendance Certificate, as well as a full Digital Recipe Booklet by email to share the recipes you learned with your friends and family at home.

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Day 4 : Milan - Stresa - Lake Maggiore, Isola Bella - Milan

On the borders of Piedmont, Lombardy, and Switzerland, spectacular Lake Maggiore is the second largest lake in Italy and known for its incredible beauty. Your tour will take you from Milan to picturesque Stresa, on the western shores of Lake Maggiore. Stresa is a lovely town with beautiful villas and gardens, some of which are open to the public. With a comfortable climate, Stresa offers stunning lake views, and you can also take the cable car up to Monte Mottarone for views of the Alps and the lakes. Next, hop on board for a cruise on Lake Maggiore, and admire the stunning scenery as the boat takes you out to the Borromean Islands. You'll visit Isola Bella, or "beautiful island," just offshore from Stresa. On this rich historical island, you'll visit the Palazzo Borromeo, an exquisite palace dating back to the 17th century. You'll also be able to explore the beautiful palace gardens.

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Day 5 : Milan - Verona & Garda Lakes - Milan

Get to know Verona and Lake Garda on this day trip from Milan. Your Tour Guide will take you to the famous Shakespearean sights of Romeo & Juliet before you finally get to see an incredible panoramic view of the country's largest lake. After driving from Milan to Verona, you will be taken on a guided tour, following the footsteps of William Shakespeare's remarkable play Romeo & Juliet. You will get to see the notorious balcony of the Capulet residence where Romeo was said to have called out to his beloved Juliet. Although Verona is extremely popular thanks to this novel, this city has much more to offer: the famous Roman amphitheater built in the 1st century AD and where Verona's open-air operas take place every summer. Continue to Piazza Mercato (the market's square) and to other beautiful architectural spots in downtown Verona. For lunch, some free time to explore the city by yourself and optionally do some shopping or simply enjoy the picturesque old town in one of Verona's splendid cafés. After lunch, continue to Sirmione, an ancient, fortified village at the end of a narrow peninsula that extends for about 4 km into Lake Garda and offers wonderful panoramic views on the eastern and western shores of the lake. You can have an optional boat tour on the lake. Transfer back to Milan.

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Day 6 : Milan - Swiss Alps Bernina red train and St. Moritz - Milan

There is no better way to observe the majesty of the Swiss Alps than on the legendary Bernina Red train. On a 100 years old railroad route, today protected by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site, from the luxurious Saint Moritz up to the Bernina Pass and back down to Italy, the guide will delve in the history of this fascinating Swiss territory. On air-conditioned coach you will arrive in St. Moritz and admire the majestic Swiss Alps while sipping the famous Swiss hot chocolate at the best chocolate house in Switzerland, have a walk around the lake or indulge in some shopping in the luxurious boutiques. Here the train ride will start, from the spectacular St. Moritz into the Engadin Valley up to the Bernina Pass (2253 meters above the sea level) before descending to Italy, crossing the helical stone bridge in Brusio, a bold and spectacular engineering work, and ending in the ancient town of Tirano. Along the way you will pass wild gorges and icy glaciers, cross soaring bridges and shoot through loop tunnels. At the end of your train journey you will be returning to Milan in a comfortable coach.

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Day 7 : Milan - Drinks and finger food on a Boat on the Navigli in Milan

Day at leisure.

In the evening enjoy your farewell experience: cruising the Navigli is one of the most authentic ways to get to know the real Milan. The Navigli district is famous for its canals and vibrant evening life. With this tour you will have the pleasure of cruising along the Naviglio Grande sipping an excellent cocktail and tasting good food. Aperitivo in Milan is the combination of drinks and finger food.

You will see the typical Milanese railing houses, one of the oldest churches in the city: the Church of San Cristoforo, whose construction began in the 13th century, the historic headquarters of Canottieri Milano Olona and the famous alley of the launders, an architectural jewel that takes its name from the residents who washed their laundry there.

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Day 8 Milan

After breakfast, private transfer to Milan railway station or Malpensa airport. End of services.

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The Package Includes:

- 7 nights in the selected category hotel, double occupancy
- Daily buffet breakfast
- One 1-day Hop on Hop off ticket in Milan
- Como & Bellagio guided excursion by bus
- Lake Maggiore guided excursion by bus
- Verona & Sirmione guided excursion by bus
- Cooking class & Guided Market tour
- Swiss Alps Bernina red train and St. Moritz guided excursion by bus
- Drinks and finger food during boat trip on the Navigli in Milan
- Return private transfer from Malpensa airport to hotel in Milano

The package does not include:

- Any flights
- Transportation not mentioned
- Portage, and assistance at the airport
- Hotel tax payable at hotel, approx..4euros per person per night
- Gratuities
- Meals not mentioned in inclusions, and beverages
- Transfers between hotels and train stations and between meeting points and hotels
- Drop off at the hotels after Excursions

3* Milan: B&B CENISIO GARIBALDI

4* Milan: BW ANTARES HOTEL CONCORDE

Land package 8 days / 7 nights, price per person in double occupancy

Daily departures 2024	3* Hotel	4* Hotel
April	\$ 2,499	\$ 2,649
May, June	\$ 2,849	\$ 3,099
July, August 1 - 29	\$ 2,499	\$ 2,649
September 1 – 12 & September 26-30	\$ 2,849	\$ 3,099
September 13 - 25	\$ 3,499	\$ 3,849
October 1 – 7, October 13 - 31	\$ 2,849	\$ 3,099
Single room supplement	On request	

Blackout dates: August 30-31, October 8-12, 2024

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