Exclusive UW departure – October 12-25, 2016

NORTHERN ITALY

14 days for $4,899 total price from Seattle

($4,195 air & land inclusive plus $704 airline taxes and fees)

This leisurely exploration of Italy’s varied northern regions, from the romantic Lake District and dramatic Cinque Terre to beloved Tuscany and canal-laced Venice, offers a refreshing perspective on a well-known land. In the company of our congenial small group, we celebrate the Italian penchant for hospitality, good food, and good living. In a word, splendido!

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Milan, Italy

Day 2: Arrive Milan/Stresa After arriving in Milan, we drive to the international resort of Stresa on lovely Lake Maggiore, straddling the border between Italy and Switzerland. This afternoon is at leisure before tonight’s welcome dinner. D

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Day 4: Stresa We embark this morning on a cruise to Isola Bella, the beautiful Borromean island in the middle of Lake Maggiore. Fully occupied by 17th-century palazzo Borromeo and its extravagantly landscaped gardens, the island offers lovely views of the lake and surrounding mountains. We take a guided tour of the palazzo, with its priceless works of fine art, and stroll through the flower-decked gardens then enjoy lunch together on the island. B,L

Day 5: Stresa/Milan/Stresa Today we visit Milan, Italy’s commercial and financial center, and world capital of design and fashion. We see the immense Duomo, one of the world’s largest churches with 135 spires and some 3,400 statues; and Galleria Vittorio Emanuele, the four-story double-arcade that is one of the world’s oldest shopping malls. Then we visit the Brera Picture Gallery, Milan’s first fine arts museum and still its foremost gallery, with works by Caravaggio, Tiepolo, Tintoretto, Raphael, and other great masters. After lunch on our own, we travel on to Italy’s Liguria region, the narrow coastal plain whose capital is seafaring Genoa. Our destination is the Italian Riviera resort town of Santa Margherita, with its palm-lined esplanade overlooking the harbor. B

Day 6: Santa Margherita/Portovenere/Cinque Terre The rugged coastline from Santa Margherita to the five towns of the Cinque Terre region (literally, “five lands”) virtually bursts with scenic and cultural significance. Dramatically situated at the edge of vertical vineyard-clad cliffs, the towns here once could be reached only by sea, and even today, no road connects them all (though walkers can use an ancient footpath). From Portovenere, we tour comfortably by boat today along this striking coastline – called the Riviera Levante – stopping along the way in the villages of Vernazza and Riomaggiore. We return to Portovenere for a walking tour and dinner at our hotel. B,D

A UNESCO site, the rugged and scenic Cinque Terre region has remained virtually unchanged for centuries.

Your Small Group Tour Highlights

Relaxing three-night stay on Lake Maggiore ... Lake region touring, including medieval Orta San Giulio and Stresa ... Cruise to Isola Bella, with palace and gardens tour ... Full-day Cinque Terre excursion featuring Monterosso and Vernazza ... Milan city tour ... Visit to medieval Lucca ... Beautiful Florence ... Tuscany tour to San Gimignano and Siena ... Winery visit and tasting ... Venice sightseeing ... Outstanding small group accommodations, including a restored villa in Tuscany

Day Itinerary | Hotel | Rating
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1 | Depart U.S. for Milan
2-4 | Stresa | La Palma Hotel | First Class
5-7 | Santa Margherita | Hotel Metropole | First Class
8-11 | Barberino Val d’Elsa (Tuscany) | Villa San Filippo | First Class
12-13 | Venice | Carnival Palace Hotel | Sup. First Class
14 | Depart Venice for U.S.

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference.

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Day 7: Santa Margherita/Portofino  This morning we travel by boat to the renowned – and beautiful – resort town of Portofino, a former fishing village where palatial yachts now crowd the port and the good life is celebrated. We have free time to wander the colorful streets and visit the chic boutiques and galleries here before we return to our hotel mid-day.  B,D

Day 8: Santa Margherita/Lucca/Tuscany  Moving on today, we travel south to beloved Tuscany, stopping first in the atmospheric medieval town of Lucca. We take a walking tour of this incredibly well-preserved gem, whose city walls and ramparts remain intact and a popular attraction. After time for lunch on our own, we continue on to our lodgings, a restored 18th-century villa where we dine tonight.  B,D

Day 9: Tuscany/Florence  We spend today touring and exploring wondrous Florence, a living monument to the Renaissance and crown jewel of Tuscany. Our day includes a guided morning walking tour followed by free time. Together we visit the Galleria dell’Accademia to view Michelangelo’s sublime “David” and his pieces for the papal tombs; and the Duomo, with its stupendous dome by Brunelleschi. There’s time on our own to stroll the 14th-century Ponte Vecchio, with its many jewelry shops; visit renowned museums and churches; shop for leather goods and artful Florentine paper; and to enjoy lunch on our own at a typical Florentine restaurant.  B,D

Day 10: Tuscany/Siena/Castellina in Chianti  Today we visit the walled city of Siena, whose historic center is a UNESCO site and whose ochre-colored buildings and ancient ramparts vividly evoke its medieval past. Fan-shaped Piazza del Campo is one of Europe’s greatest public squares; its Duomo, with pillars of black and white marble, is one of Italy’s finest, with masterpieces by Donatello and Michelangelo. Following a guided walking tour that includes an inside visit to the Duomo, we have free time to explore on our own. Then we return to our villa via Castellina in Chianti, where we visit a local winery for a tour and tasting; only in this region is authentic Chianti Classico produced.  B,D

Day 11: Tuscany/Volterra/San Gimignano  We encounter classic Tuscany today as we visit first nearby Volterra, set high on a bluff some 1,800 feet above the valley below. A fortress-like town, Volterra was a center of Etruscan art and commerce from the 9th century B.C. through the 4th century. On our walking tour here we explore the maze of medieval alleys and see some of the white alabaster carvings for which the city is renowned. After free time for lunch on our own, we continue on to the classic hill town of San Gimignano, whose 13 remaining watchtowers have left its skyline looking much as it did in medieval times. We enjoy a brief walking tour of this town known for its churches and museums that house important works of art; and for its smart shops and art galleries.  B,D

Day 12: Tuscany/Venice  Leaving Tuscany today we travel through the Veneto region to Venice, arriving early this afternoon. The remainder of the day and evening is free to begin savoring this wondrous city on our own.  B

Day 13: Venice  This morning we take a guided walk through vast St. Mark’s Square, deemed “Europe’s most magnificent drawing room” by Napoleon Bonaparte. The afternoon is at leisure for independent exploration. Tonight we bid “arrivederci” to Italy and to our fellow travelers at a farewell dinner.  B,D

Day 14: Depart for U.S.  We depart early this morning for our connecting flights to the U.S.  B

Tour membership limited to 24 UW alumni and friends

“Good people to travel with and a great value. Travel is so much easier when an expert has planned the trip and you have great help along the way.”  – Shirley Heimbigner, UW Friend

Post-Tour Extension

October 25-27, 2016  VENICE – ON YOUR OWN  3 days/2 nights for $395 total price

End your journey with a longer stay in this most beautiful of cities.

Your Tour Price Includes
  • 2 nights’ accommodations at Carnival Palace Hotel (Superior First Class)
  • 2 meals: 2 breakfasts
  • Transfer to airport

Your Tour Price Includes
  • Round-trip air transportation from listed cities
  • 12 nights’ accommodations in Superior First Class and First Class hotels
  • 21 meals: 12 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 8 dinners
  • Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
  • Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
  • Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
  • Luggage handling for one bag per person
  • Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers

Tour Departs: October 12, 2016

Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees

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Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of $704, which are subject to change until final payment is made. Single travelers please add $695. All 2016 tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed. Airline upgrades on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: Business Class – $3,595 per person; Premium Economy – $995 per person in addition to above costs (upgrade is subject to availability and price is subject to change).

For reservations call UW Alumni Tours toll-free (800) 289-2586 or (206) 685-9276
Tour Prices
Tour prices quoted are guaranteed through December 31, 2016, and include accommodations based on double occupancy; airfare from your departure city; airline taxes, fuel surcharges, departure fees, and port charges and cruise line fees (where applicable), which are subject to change until final payment has been made; internal air, rail, and motorcoach transportation, meals, sightseeing, and transfers as described; hotel taxes; entrance fees for included sightseeing; the services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director; luggage handling for one bag per person; and all gratuities as described below. Please note that the cost of air upgrades is subject to change.

Gratuities
Tour prices include all gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers on base tours and on optional extensions when accompanied by an Odysseys Unlimited representative. Please note that gratuities for the Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour) are not included. These tips are optional and should be extended on a voluntary basis. Gratuities are not included on “On Your Own” optional extensions.

Not Included in Your Tour Price
Airfare from your hometown to your departure city; costs of passports and visas; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; communications charges; airport transfers when purchasing a land-only package; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour), which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities $10-$15 per guest, per day); and a Travel Protection Plan. Additional baggage fees levied directly by the airline(s) may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

Registration and Payment
A deposit of $500 per person confirms your reservation. Full payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure and may be made by personal check or credit card. Odysseys Unlimited reserves the right to cancel any reservations that are not paid in full at any time after final payment is due. If you make your reservation after the final payment date, payment in full will be required upon reservation.

Cancellations and Refunds
If you must cancel your tour, the effective date of cancellation will be upon our receipt of your notification. Refunds for
cancellations are subject to the following per person charges:

For all tours (except as noted)

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For Africa’s Wildlife, Legendary Turkey

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Please note that we will not refund the cost of any unused portion of your tour package. If because of low participation Odysseys Unlimited cancels your tour, you will receive a complete refund of all payments you have made to us.

Pre-Departure

After reserving your tour, you will receive pre-departure mailings that include a detailed itinerary, visa requirements, and reading list. We will send your final tour documents, including airline itineraries (with e-ticket numbers) two to three weeks before departure.

Single Travelers

We welcome single travelers, and offer a limited number of single accommodations on each tour. Because hotel and cruise rates are priced by the room or cabin, the per person cost for accommodations occupied by one person is higher than that shared by two people. We will endeavor to keep single supplements at a reasonable cost. Please note that single rooms in many foreign hotels may be smaller than those to which you are accustomed.

Changes to Your Reservation

We will not charge a fee for any changes made to your reservation outside of 95 days before departure. From 94 to 30 days before departure, if you make any changes to your reservation, a $100 per person administrative fee will apply, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by airlines, hotels, or other third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason, you will be charged the single supplement.

No changes to your reservation can be made within 30 days of departure.

Required Information

Upon reservation, we will need to obtain from you passport information including the following, in accordance with the Transportation Security Administration’s (TSA) Secure Flight program, as well as by our international travel partners: your full name as it appears on your passport, date of birth, and gender (for further information, please visit www.tsa.gov). In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, or if you use a different passport than originally cited, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket’s reissue.

Travel Documents

A passport valid for at least six months after the completion of your tour, and with at least six blank visa pages, is required for U.S. citizens on all tours in this catalog. If your tour requires a visa or other entry documents, we will send you the appropriate information after you make a reservation. You are responsible for obtaining these documents. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please contact your embassy or consulate to ensure you obtain the proper documentation.

Smoking

For the convenience of the majority of our travelers, Odysseys Unlimited has a No Smoking policy on all tour buses. We will arrange sufficient rest stops so those who wish to smoke may do so.

Health and Medical Issues

We welcome all travelers, but request that you be in good health to participate in an Odysseys Unlimited tour. All of our tours involve a reasonable amount of walking (typically two to three miles per day), often uphill or on uneven or cobblestone streets. You must be
able to get on and off motorcoaches and boats on your own. We regret that we cannot provide individual assistance if you require the use of a wheelchair or have other personal needs; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that a number of our itineraries cannot accommodate wheelchairs. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and the University of Washington Alumni Association (UWAA) reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical condition or behavior, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other tour members. In that event, UWAA and Odysseys Unlimited assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour. In addition, Odysseys Unlimited and UWAA reserve the right to decline to accept the trip application of any prospective traveler who, in the opinion of Odyssey Unlimited or UWAA, is incapable of successfully completing the trip.

**Air Transportation**

Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round trip economy air from designated gateway cities as shown and contracts with those airlines they feel provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer a more direct connection, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. Please note that seat assignments on your international flight are usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited is unable to guarantee any seat assignments. Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and departure fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, Land Only is available on most tours. Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and the UWAA will incur no liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes therein. In any event, neither Odysseys’s Unlimited, Inc., nor the UWAA is responsible for losses, direct or indirect, or missed components of a trip which result from air delays, cancellations, rerouting or any other air-related problem.

**Responsibility**

The liability of Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under its control. It serves only as an agent for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, their employees, agents, servants or representatives. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. is not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within its control, including without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise line, and other independent suppliers. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality. Cruise itineraries may change due to factors such as government regulations, water levels, or weather conditions. See also the University of Washington Alumni Association’s (UWAA) Release of Liability, Assumption of All Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement form which you have to sign as a condition of your going on this trip. This form is sent to all participants upon placing a tour deposit and needs to be returned within 30 days after receipt or at least 60 days before the beginning of the trip, whichever is sooner. This document can be found at www.UWalum.com/tours or by emailing uwaatour@uw.edu or calling 206-685-9276.
Enclosed is my/our deposit for $______($500 per person) for ____ person/people on the tour listed below. I/we understand the final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA or by personal check. Please make checks payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and mail deposit check and signed reservation form to: The UW Alumni Association, Attn. UW Alumni Tours, Box 359508, Seattle, WA 98195-9508. You may also fax your reservation to 1-206-685-0611, email it to uwaatour@uw.edu, or book online at uwalum.com/tours. If we can be of any assistance, please call us at 1-206-685-9276 or toll-free at 1-800-289-2586.

Tour Name

Departure Date

Pre- or Post-Tour Extension (as described on tour page): Please sign me/us up ☐

Full Passport Name __________________________ Date of Birth ________ Gender ______

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E-mail __________________________ Badge Name(s) __________________

Please book my/our air from __________________________

I/we request a Business Class upgrade ☐

I/we request a Premium Economy upgrade ☐

I will share a room with __________________________

I request a single room (limited availability) ☐

I/we request an upgrade to TENT category ________ (for Africa’s Wildlife only)

Please Note: UWAA Membership: While you do not have to be a UW grad to join this tour, we ask that one person, per reservation, join the UW Alumni Association. Member dues help support our travel program, making these tours possible. UWAA membership details are available at www.UWalum.com

Please Note: The undersigned has read the schedule of activities for this trip and agrees that their signature below represents their acceptance of the General Terms and Conditions:

Signature ______________________________________________________________________ Date __________________

Method of Payment

☐ Check ☐ American Express ☐ Discover ☐ MasterCard ☐ VISA

Account # __________________________ Security Code __________ Exp. Date __________

Name of Cardholder __________________________

Signature __________________________

Final invoicing will be sent by our tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. The balance of the program price must be paid to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure and can be paid by check or credit card.