

# ESCORTED

## *The Art Capitals*

**5 Days - 4 Nights**  
**3 Star Hotels**

**April to October – Saturday Departure**  
**Rome-Assisi-Siena-Florence-**  
**Padua-Venice**

### DEPARTURES 2010

**APRIL:** 3-10-17-24  
**MAY:** 1-8-15-22-29  
**JUNE:** 5-12-19-26  
**JULY:** 3-10-17-24-31  
**AUGUST:** 7-14-21-28  
**SEPTEMBER:** 4-11-18-25  
**OCTOBER:** 2-9-16-23

#### **Day 1 Saturday ROME - ASSISI - SIENA - FLORENCE**

Early morning, departure for ASSISI, the mystic town of Saint Francis still surrounded by ancient walls. Visit the Basilica of Saint Francis with its early Renaissance masterpieces by Giotto and Cimabue. Proceed on to Siena, the beautiful medieval city renowned for the Palio. Then on to FLORENCE. Dinner and overnight.

#### **Day 2 Sunday FLORENCE**

Buffet breakfast. Sightseeing tour of the cradle of the Renaissance. Panoramic visit the beautiful Piazza del Duomo, the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, Giotto's Bell Tower, the Baptistery of St. John and Santa Croce, the 13<sup>th</sup> century Franciscan church with Cimabue's famous crucifix. Rest of the day at leisure for optional sightseeing or shopping. Dinner and overnight.

#### **Day 3 Monday FLORENCE - PADUA - VENICE**

Buffet breakfast. Departure for PADUA, where you will visit the famous Cathedral of St. Anthony, guarded by Donatello's "Gattamelata". Continue on to VENICE, and upon arrival enjoy a walking tour of this unique city. You will see the Piazza and Basilica of St. Mark, the Doge's Palace, the Bridge of Sighs and the Prisons. Dinner and overnight.

#### **Day 4 Tuesday VENICE**

Continental breakfast. Morning tour to a glass factory in Murano (optional shopping) by motorlaunch. Dinner and overnight.

#### **Day 5 Wednesday VENICE**

Buffet breakfast. End of the tour.

### **EXCITING HIGHLIGHTS DAY BY DAY**

- \* **Assisi:** View of the Churches of St. Francis and St. Claire
- \* **Siena:** View of Piazza del Campo and the Municipal Palace
- \* **Florence:** Panoramic view of Piazza del Duomo and the Cathedral
- \* **Padua:** See Donatello's masterpiece, the "Gattamelata"
- \* **Venice:** Visit the famous Square of St. Mark and the Bridge of Sighs

### **SCENIC DRIVES ALONG THE WAY**

- \* The beautiful Autostrada del Sole
- \* The Tuscan countryside through medieval towns
- \* The lovely Emilia Romagna region
- \* The Veneto region, world famous for its Villa of Palladio

### **UNBEATABLE FEATURES**

- \* Accommodation at 3 Star hotels with down-town location
- \* Buffet breakfast daily
- \* Four dinners
- \* Service charges and taxes included
- \* Ground transportation by deluxe motorcoach
- \* An Appian Line Assistant during the tour
- \* Sightseeing tours as indicated in the itinerary
- \* English-French-Spanish speaking assistant

### **\* No Entrance fees to Museums included**

#### **OUR HOTELS:**

- \* **In Florence** Hotel Grifone or similar
- \* **In Venice** Hotel Continental or similar

### **OFFICIAL SELLING PRICE PER PERSON IN EURO**

<b>In double</b>	<b>€ 720.00</b>
<b>In single</b>	<b>€ 880.00</b>
<b>In triple</b>	<b>€ 690.00</b>
<b>Child with 2 adults</b>	<b>€ 580.00</b>

