

YOUR SAFARI

A Journey through Art in Florence, Siena, Venice

Led by Professor James Hicks

Sep 5-14, 2008

HOTELS

Florence

In: September 5, Out: September 11

Hermitage Hotel (or similar)

Vicolo Marzio, 1 - 50122 Firenze

Tel. 39 055 287 216

Fax 39 055 212 208

http://www.hermitagehotel.com/index.php/florence_hotel/index/en#

Venice

In: September 11, Out: September 14

Hotel San Cassiano (or similar)

Residenza d'Epoca Ca' Favretto

Santa Croce, 2232 30135 - Venezia

Tel: 39 041 52 41 768

Fax: 39 041 72 10 33

<http://www.hotelsinvenice.com>

DAILY ITINERARY

Tour starts:

FLORENCE SEPTEMBER 6, SATURDAY

[Museo del Bargello, Duomo, Battistero, Bell tower, Museo dell'Opera del Duomo, Welcome Dinner]

8:15 Orientation with group in hotel lobby
Meet guide at Hotel Hermitage
Walking Route to Bargello: along the Arno to Via de Castellani, v.del Leoni, Piazza San
Firenze: Palazzo Gondi (for pastry), with a tantalizing display of pastries and cookies.
Via del Proconsolo. Museo del Bargello (Via del Proconsolo 4)
Lunch

Walking Route to Bapistry: Badia Fiorentina (Via del Proconsolo, 3), Dante's House
(Via Santa Margherita, 1) Walk past Farmaci Molteni (Via dei Calzaiuoli 7r); Da Pennello
(Via Dante Alighieri 4r); San Martino del Vescovo (Santa Margherita de' Cerchi); around
the corner, off Via del Corso, Piazza Sant' Elisabetta 3
Battistero, The Duomo (Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore)

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Optional: Walk Dome; Walk Bell tower

Museo dell'opera del Duomo

Walking Route back to hotel: Il Sasso di Dante (Dante's rock); Zecchi (between Via del Corso and Via delle Oche, Via del Studio, 19r); Pegna (Via del Studio 26r); Palazzo Salviati (Via del Corso 6); Via Calzaiuoli (the Way of the Hosiers).

8:30 Welcome dinner: Antico Fattore
10:00 Late wine at Vinaio, Via die Cimatori


FLORENCE SEPTEMBER 7, SUNDAY

[Galleria degli Uffizi, Palazzo Vecchio, Loggia dei Lanzi, Santa Croce, Pazzi Chapel]

8:15 Meet guide at Hotel Hermitage
Galleria degli Uffizi
Piazza della Signoria, Loggia dei Lanzi
Palazzo Vecchio
Lunch, locally

Meet at Hotel Hermitage
Walk to Santa Croce; Vivoli's Gelato (74 Via Stinche)
Santa Croce
Pazzi Chapel
Walk to Hotel: Piazza dei Peruzzi; CarLie's American Bakery; Via dei Neri

Optional: Taxis to Piazza Michelangelo
Dinner on own



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FLORENCE SEPTEMBER 8, MONDAY

[San Lorenzo, Medici Chapel, Palazzo Medici-Riccardi, Santa Trinita, Palazzo Rucellai, Santa Maria Novella]

7:45 Meet guide in hotel lounge
Walking Route: Orsanmichele Piazza della Repubblica, coppa gelato at Gilli cafe
Walk past Perché No (Via dei Tavolini 19r)
Mercato Centrale; Za-Za for coffee (26 r Piazza Mercato Centrale)
Meet guide: Medici Chapel
Medici Chapel
San Lorenzo Church
Biblioteca Laurenziana (Laurentian Library)
Palazzo Medici-Riccardi
Lunch on own
Meet at Hotel Hermitage
Walking route: Borgo S. Apostoli, Santi Apostoli; Ponte Santa Trinita; Piazza del Limbo and Loggia del Mercato Nuovo; Palazzo di Parte Guelfa at the end of Via Pellicceria; Via delle Terme to Piazza Santa Trinita
Santa Trinita
Via de' Tornabuoni; Palazzo Strozzi; Palazzo Antinori; San Gaetano
Walk Via della Vigna Nuova to Palazzo Rucellai
Piazza Santa Maria Novella
Santa Maria Novella

Group dinner: Le Cave di Maiano (or similar)

SEPTEMBER 9, TUESDAY FLORENCE/ SIENA

[Siena: Piazza del Campo, Palazzo Publico Battistero, Duomo, Museo dell'opera del Duomo, town walking tour]

9:10- 10:05 Bus to Siena
Siena: Piazza del Campo
Palazzo Publico
Battistero, Duomo
Museo dell'opera del Duomo
Lunch on own
Afternoon free
Bus back to Florence
Dinner on own

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SEPTEMBER 10, WEDNESDAY FLORENCE

[San Marco, Galleria dell'Accademia, Museo Archeologico, San Miniato al Monte, Ponte Vecchio, Santa Felicita, Santa Maria Del Carmine]

8:45 Meet guide at Hotel Hermitage
San Marco. Fra Angelico frescos. Galleria dell'Accademia
Piazza della SS. Annunziata, Ospedale degli Innocenti
Museo Archeologico, Palazzo della Crocetta, Via della Colonna, 38
Lunch

Optional: Taxis to San Miniato al Monte. Walk back.
Walk to Torre dei Donati Consorti, Ponte Vecchio; Santa Felicita
Walk through the Oltrano: Casa Guidi (8 piazza S. Felice); Via Maggio
Santa Maria Del Carmine. Masaccio frescos

8:30 Florence farewell dinner: La Buca dell'Orafo

SEPTEMBER 11, THURSDAY PAPUA/ VICENZA/VENICE

[Padua, Scrovegni Chapel, Gattamelata, Vicenza, Teatro Olimpico, La Rotunda]

8:00 Bus transfer to Venice
Luggage Transfers at 8:00. Drive to Padua
Padua: Cappella Scrovegni (Giotto frescos)
Padua: San Antonio (Gattamelata)
Vicenza: Teatro Olimpico
Lunch in Vicenza

La Rotunda (Via San Bastiano)
Late Afternoon: Drive to Venice
Professional Transfer to Hotel San Cassiano, check-in.
Dinner locally

SEPTEMBER 12, FRIDAY VENICE

[St. Mark's, Doge's Palace, Galleria dell'Accademia]

9:00 Meet guide at Hotel
Walk to Doge's Palace, St. Mark's
Lunch locally
Meet guide at Accademia, Galleria dell'Accademia
Dinner on own

SEPTEMBER 13, SATURDAY VENICE

[Free day]
Shopping: Guggenheim, Burano, Murano, Torcello, Lido

8:30 Farewell dinner: Trattoria Da Bruno (or similar)

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SEPTEMBER 14, SUNDAY VENICE

[Transfers on own to airport, train station]

[Tour ends]

Cost: \$4,480 US per person/sharing (Price is subject to change due to currency fluctuation)
Deposit to reserve space: \$400 US p/person by February 29, 2008
(\$200 Non-Refundable)

Payment: First half payment by March 28, 2008
Final payment by July 31, 2008
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Includes: Quality, in depth journey through art ~ led by James Hicks & facilitated by Stacy Weidkamp
6 nights – Florence with breakfast daily
3 nights – Venice with breakfast daily
Private English speaking guide in Florence, Siena, and Venice
Roundtrip public transport to Siena
Private bus & luggage transfer to Venice
Water taxis & portorage to Venice Hotel
4 dinners
All museum entrance fees/tickets

Excludes: Airfare + taxes
Trip Insurance (recommended)
No lunches
4 dinners
Roundtrip transfers from airport/train station to hotel
Expenses of a personal nature
Tips/Gratuuity (private guides, porters, drivers)

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