

# 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#](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  
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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 Olympico, 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 Olympico  
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/Gratuity (private guides, porters, drivers)

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