



In the heart of the region is Rome, the capital and centre of government, separating the north from the south. The sights to see are many, including the magnificent Colosseum and St Peter's Square and Basilica. There is so much to do that the longest stay is always too short.

All roads lead to Rome, as does the main railway system, which makes day trips from the capital an easy option. Within easy reach is Hadrian's Villa in Tivoli (40km east) and the well-preserved Roman site at Ostia Antica (26km southwest), a former ancient port. Further afield, and accessible by car, are the notable Benedictine monasteries of Subiaco and Montecassino.



The Sistine Chapel

Painted by Michelangelo between 1508 and 1512, the chapel is a work of high Renaissance art. The complex design demonstrates Michelangelo's great skill in creating a huge variety of poses for the human figure.



Did you know?

Rome's Colosseum, built in 70 AD, is the largest amphitheatre in the world and the Pantheon, built in 27 BC, is the only monument belonging to ancient Rome that still remains intact.



Markets

There are several good outdoor markets, flea markets and places to buy antiques in Rome. Porta Portese (Trastevere), which opens on Sundays (07:00-13:00), is the most important flea market selling almost everything.



Ostia Antica

The ancient port of Rome, Ostia Antica was abandoned when the Tiber changed course centuries ago. As well as the theatre, necropolis and temples, there are fascinating remains of warehouses, bathhouses, tavernas and the Castle of Julius II.

The Treasures of Rome

The Trevi Fountain, St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel, the Spanish steps, the Colosseum - an endless list of treasures to discover.

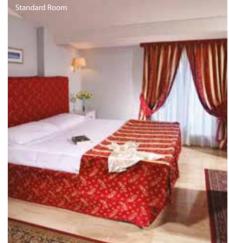
Modigliani Hotel, Rome

Situated in a guiet street near the exclusive Via Veneto, this small familyrun property is a charming base from which to explore the capital. The owners, Marco and Giulia, left their respective careers as a musician and a writer to follow in the family tradition of being hoteliers and have completely renovated this centuriesold building. The result is a traditional hotel with a contemporary feel, furnished with comfortable sofas, Modigliani prints on the walls and a delightful inner-courtyard garden.

Accommodation: 24 air-conditioned rooms including standard rooms superior rooms, family rooms and two apartments.

- Airport: 35km Rome Fiumicino
- 3-star superior hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- City centre location
- · Complimentary WiFi

Guide price from £579 per person*













Rose Garden Palace Hotel, Rome

In the heart of Rome, just off the popular Via Veneto, stands the graceful Rose Garden Palace Hotel. Dating from the early 19th century, the hotel takes its name from the attractive rose garden housed within its grounds. Time is precious in Rome with lots to see and do, and this hidden gem is ideally located for visiting the Spanish Steps, the fountains of Tritone and Mosè, the Borghese Gallery and Villa Borghese - all within walking distance.

Accommodation: 65 air-conditioned rooms including superior rooms, deluxe rooms and a suite.

- · Airport: 35km Rome Fiumicino
- 4-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- City centre location
- · Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant

Guide price from £591 per person*

Degli Artisti Hotel, Rome

This new 4-star deluxe hotel is located in the heart of Rome, close to the Spanish steps, Villa Borghese and the famous shopping streets of Via Veneto and Via Condotti. An urban oasis of cutting-edge technology blended with classic style, the hotel will not fail to impress with its wonderful views of the Eternal city and its bright and elegant rooms. There is a rooftop terrace bar (open in summer) serving cocktails and drinks from liquors to wines and also afternoon tea.

Accommodation: 35 air-conditioned rooms including classic rooms, superior rooms, junior suites and deluxe suites.

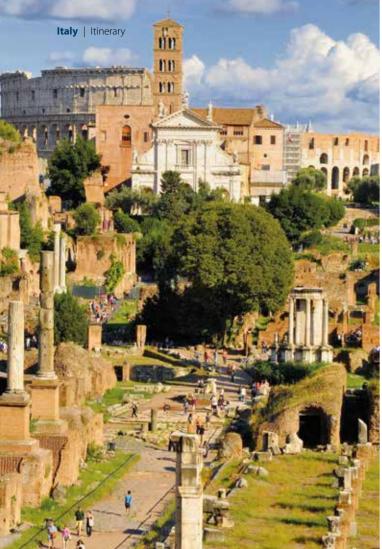
- Airport: 35km Rome Fiumicino
- · 4-star deluxe hotel
- · Bed & Breakfast
- · Complimentary WiFi
- · City centre location

Guide price from £725 per person*





^{*} Guide prices based on 2-sharing a leading room type (3 nights), flights from London Gatwick to Rome Fiumicino (other airports on request) and private transfers. Note: We cannot quarantee that any of our featured properties are suitable for all levels of disability so please ask if you have specific issues. Please visit our website for further information on these and other featured properties.



*Guide price based on 2-sharing includes:

- Flights from London Gatwick to Rome Fiumicino (other airports on request)
- Private transfers on arrival and departure
- 3-nights Degli Artisti Hotel, Rome BB
- Half day private tour of the Vatican Museum and Sistine Chapel (Day 2). Open: Mon-Sat 09:00-16:00. Closed Sundays and National Holidays

Departures Daily

Duration 3 nights

Guide price from £947 per person*



Rome City Break

Itinerary: 4 days / 3 nights

Rome, Italy's capital, is a living museum yet at the same time doubling as a cosmopolitan metropolis. The city overflows with fascinating architecture, ancient ruins, art museums, churches, boutique shops, markets and gastronomic delights. Our suggested itinerary below is not set in stone and can be amended to suit individual requirements.

Day One: On arrival at Rome airport, you will be transferred to Degli Artisti Hotel. This 4-star deluxe hotel is located in the heart of Rome, close to the Spanish steps, Villa Borghese and the famous shopping streets of Via Veneto and Via Condotti.

Day Two – Half Day Private Tour of the Vatican & Sistine Chapel: Day at leisure. No visit to Rome is complete without a visit to the Serene Vatican City. Avoid the queues and uncover the secrets of the Vatican on a 4-hour guided tour of St Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel and the Vatican Museums – the world's largest museum complex. The best way to explore this vast city, its art and history is with a registered guide who can unlock the secrets of the past.

Explore the Gallery of the Maps and Raphael's rooms; enter the Sistine Chapel and marvel at Michelangelo's 'Creation of Adam' – one of the greatest masterpieces in the Western world; and listen to the tales unfold about St Peter's Basilica.

Day Three: Day at leisure. Time to explore the treasures of Rome on foot: The Trevi Fountain don't forget to throw your three coins in the fountain; the Colosseum - built in 70 AD, is the largest amphitheatre in the world; the Pantheon - built in 27 BC, is the only monument belonging to ancient Rome that still remains intact; Castel Sant' Angelo originally built in 139 AD by Hadrian as a mausoleum; the Mouth of Truth - an ancient stone mask where visitors dare to place their hand inside the mouth to test if they have a true heart; the Baths of Caracalla - the second largest public baths in Rome; and Villa Borghese - Rome's largest green area with landscaped gardens and attractions. There's an endless list of treasures to be seen!

There are several good outdoor markets, flea markets, and places to buy antiques in Rome. Porta Portese (Trastevere), which opens on Sundays from 7am until 1pm, is the most important flea market in Rome, selling almost everything.

Day Four: After breakfast, time for some last minute shopping before heading back to the airport for your return flight home.



Rome & the Amalfi Coast

Itinerary: 6 days / 5 nights

Train travel is one of the easiest and most economical ways of travelling within Italy, especially between the major cities and towns. Our suggested itinerary combines a stay in the eternal city of Rome with Positano on the Amalfi Coast.

Day One: Arrive at Rome airport and transfer to your hotel. Rome is a living museum which displays the greatest collection of classical antiquities, medieval buildings, Renaissance palaces, Baroque churches and Roman archaeological sites in the world. At every turn, world-famous attractions and works of art by Bernini, Caravaggio and Michelangelo are visible.

Day Two: Discover the eternal city. This is the home of Piazza Navona; the Pantheon; the Trevi Fountain and the Spanish Steps; as well as Via Condotti – Rome's exclusive shopping street. Visit the colossus Colosseum where gladiatorial combat was praised above all other forms of entertainment; move on to the equally impressive Roman Forum and imagine what it was like to walk in the footsteps of history's most formidable Emperors - Augustus and Julius Caesar.

Day Three: Self-transfer to Rome Termini train station. Take the train to Naples, where you will be met and transferred to your hotel in Positano. This

small, picturesque town with fantastic coastal views is situated on the famous Amalfi Coast. Set on a hillside, the town winds down towards the waters of the Mediterranean Sea.

Day Four: Visit some of the finest ancient sites in the whole of Italy. The archaeological site of Herculaneum lies at the foot of the volcano of Mount Vesuvius and contains the remnants of a residential town buried by an enormous eruption. The excavated site of Pompeii offers an extraordinarily detailed insight into life at the

height of the Roman Empire.

Day Five: Day at leisure – relax by the pool with a good book. If you're feeling energetic, take the boat from Sorrento to Capri. A perfect island destination at any time of year, Capri has a very pleasant climate and spectacular scenery with blue grottoes and a rich history dating back to the Emperors of Rome.

Day Six: Transfer to Naples airport for your return flight home



*Guide price based on 2-sharing includes:

- Flights from London Gatwick to Rome Fiumicino and returning from Naples (other airports on request)
- 2-nights Rose Garden Hotel, Rome BB
- 3-nights Palazzo Murat Hotel, Positano BB
- Private transfer on arrival from Rome airport (Day 1)
- 1st class ticket from Rome train station to Naples train station (Day 3)
- Private transfer from Naples train station to Positano (Day 3)
- Private transfer to Naples airport on departure (Day 6)

DeparturesDaily

Duration

5 nights

Guide price from £1,284 per person*

