

Morning at leisure for sightseeing, shopping or other planned activities

Lunch on own

Afternoon Dress Rehearsal

Dinner at the hotel

Festival Finale Concert in the Basilica di Santa Maria sopra Minerva

Late return to hotel for overnight

Day 6 Sunday, June 25 Rome / Florence / Montecatini (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Transfer to Florence

Lunch on own

A half-day orientation tour of Florence includes the Piazza della Signoria, a lovely square in the heart of the city, towered by the lofty Palazzo Vecchio. Visit the Ponte Vecchio, the bridge across the Arno. See the Baptistery with Ghiberti's 'Gates of Paradise', the Campanile, and entrance to the Duomo and the Academia, the Academy of Fine Arts, to see Michelangelo's original 'David' and other sculptures by the great master (using the whisper system)

Continue to Montecatini for dinner and overnight

Montecatini is a characteristic medieval village and is one of the most ancient inhabited centers in the Valdinievole. The Montecatini of today, a suggestive outdoor masterpiece, does not retain the image of a sole period. Instead, it is witness to a historical parable of intense experiences, filled with dark moments, almost total destruction and splendor

Day 7 Monday, June 26 Montecatini / Pisa / Florence (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Excursion to Pisa for sightseeing. See the Piazza del Duomo or Campo dei Miracoli, with the cathedral, the Leaning Tower, the Baptistery and the Campo Santo - a harmoniously composed group of buildings of unrivaled beauty

Lunch on own

Transfer to Florence for an afternoon at leisure

Concert as part of the American Celebration of Music in Italy

Return to Montecatini for dinner and overnight

Day 8 Tuesday, June 27 Montecatini / Lucerne (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Transfer to Lucerne

Lunch on own

Evening dinner and overnight

Lucerne is the capital of its canton and considered one of the most beautiful cities in Switzerland. The lake resort city sprawls at the foot of Lake Lucerne in the cradle of historic Switzerland. The city's medieval heritage is evident in the fortifying walls and towers, the old churches and houses and the unusual covered bridges that span the Reuss

Day 9 Wednesday, June 28 Lucerne (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel



A walking tour of this picture book-like town includes the Covered Wooden Bridge, Mussegge Towers, the Lion Monument and the old town. There is also time available for shopping for bargains including Swiss watches, lace, wood carvings and chocolate
Lunch on own

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Performance in Lucerne

Evening Farewell Dinner and overnight

Day 10 Thursday, June 29 Depart for home (B)

Breakfast at the hotel

Transfer to Zurich's International Airport for return flight

This is a very flexible itinerary. Except for confirmed appointments and performances, the places of interest and the sequence of sightseeing might be changed if necessary or desirable. In the event of an unavoidable conflict in the performance and the sightseeing schedule, the concert schedule will prevail, and it may be necessary to exclude some sightseeing activities.

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