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presents...

Italian Vistas

Guaranteed Departure Date: April 21, 2012

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**Airfare available,
upon request,
from any Canadian
gateway!**

13 Days • 18 Meals: 11 Breakfasts • 1 Lunch • 6 Dinners





Highlights... Rome • Colosseum • Trevi Fountain • Isle of Capri • Amalfi Coast • Ruins of Pompeii • Florence • Statue of David • Leaning Tower of Pisa • Tuscan Winery • Venice • Murano Island • Verona • Stresa • Locarno, Switzerland

Starting At Per Person Rates: **Double \$3,049.00 ***

*per person, land only, double occupancy. Call for airfare from your gateway.
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Complimentary Door to Door Sedan Transfers are available with any air inclusive vacation.

***Passengers must purchase land & air from Collette Vacations to qualify for transfers.*

- Experience the benefits of Whisper Headsets, designed for better communication between you and your guides throughout your tour.
- A guided walking tour of Venice illustrates how this city gained its wealth and power.
- Enjoy the magic of the Italian lakes in the captivating resort of Stresa.

Day 1: Overnight Flight

Ciao, Italy!

Day 2: Arrive Rome, Italy - Tour Begins

Arrive in Rome and join your fellow travellers for a special welcome dinner featuring regional delicacies and Italian wines. *Today dinner will be included.*

Day 3: Rome - Classical Rome City Tour

A locally guided tour of Classical Rome features such sights as the Piazza Venezia, Trevi Fountain, the Roman Forum, the Circus Maximus, the Colosseum and the Arch of Constantine. The catacombs, burial place of early Christians, the mythic Pantheon and Piazza Navona are also featured. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 4: Rome

Enjoy a full day at leisure to explore Rome's cultural treasures independently. Your tour

manager will be on hand to offer suggestions. Perhaps a trip to Vatican City, with an optional tour to the Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Basilica, will be on your personal sightseeing list. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 5: Rome - Naples - Isle of Capri - Vietri-sul-Mare

After a short lesson on the local language, journey south toward the brilliant Bay of Naples where charming villages are built into hillsides above a sparkling blue sea. A short boat ride* brings you to the enchanting Isle of Capri. Explore this island paradise of chic boutiques and outdoor cafes. End your day on the breathtaking Amalfi Coast. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 6: Vietri-sul-Mare - Pompeii - Sorrento - Vietri-sul-Mare

Soak in 2,000 years of history during your discovery of the excavated ruins of Pompeii. A local guide provides an in-depth view of this remarkably preserved archeological site. Continue to the scenic resort town of Sorrento for a demonstration of the art of inlaid wood making by a local artisan. Take some time to explore independently before returning to Vietri-sul-Mare. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 7: Vietri-sul-Mare - Florence

Today Tuscany unfolds with its vista of vineyards and olive groves. Florence, the "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance" awaits,

offering Italy's best art and architecture. **Visit the Academy Gallery to see Michelangelo's magnificent sculpture of David.** *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 8: Florence

Learn the traditional Italian techniques of leather making at a family-owned leather shop. A locally guided tour highlights the Piazza Del Duomo, with its Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, and the Church of Santa Croce, burial place of Michelangelo, Galileo and Machiavelli. You also view the Palazzo Vecchio and the Baptistery of St. John. End your day with an informative explanation of Florentine gold and its fascinating techniques at a local gold shop. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 9: Florence - Pisa - Venice

Visit the ancient maritime Republic of Pisa to discover the Piazza Dei Miracoli, the Duomo (Cathedral) and the famous Leaning Tower. A special stop is made at a Tuscan winery and farm to enjoy lunch and sample local wines and specialties. Next, cross the Apennine Mountains en route to Venice where 117 islands are connected by a latticework of 150 canals and 400 bridges. *Today breakfast and lunch will be included.*



Day 10: Venice - Murano Island - Venice
Embark on a boat trip* (weather permitting) to Murano Island for a glass-blowing demonstration. Return to St. Mark's Square where a local expert takes you on a walking tour of the Basilica, Doge's Palace and the legendary Bridge of Sighs. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore independently. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 11: Venice - Verona - Stresa
 Depart Venice for Verona to stroll the streets that were the backdrop for Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*. Arrive in the resort town of Stresa in the breathtaking Italian Lakes District, your home for the next two nights, and admire the beautiful views of Lago Maggiore. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 12: Stresa - Locarno, Switzerland - Isola dei Pescatori, Italy - Stresa
 Cross into Switzerland and the picturesque lakeside resort of Locarno for magnificent views, excellent shopping and charming cafes. **Tonight, travel by boat to Isola dei Pescatori for a farewell dinner while surrounded by beautiful scenery.** *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 13: Stresa - Tour Ends
Today breakfast will be included.

Experience It!

Pompeii: Frozen in Time

It's the summer of A.D. 79, and the city of Pompeii, Italy is thriving. Soon, things will change. On the fateful day of August 24, the once dormant Mt. Vesuvius volcano erupted, unleashing its fury and spewing volcanic matter down on the city for three straight days. The town was completely buried in ash and mud – in some cases it was more than 20 feet deep. It was forgotten until 1594 when workmen discovered the buried city that was literally frozen in time. Peer into the daily life of an ancient Roman city with a fascinating tour of Pompeii.

YOUR ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day	2-4	Nova Domus Hotel & Suites, Rome or Hotel Mediterraneo, Rome
Day	5,6	Lloyds' Baia Hotel, Amalfi Coast or Hotel Cetus, Amalfi Coast
Day	7,8	Grand Hotel Baglioni, Florence or Hotel Brunelleschi, Florence
Day	9,10	Hotel Carlton and Grand Canal, Venice or Hotel Papadopoli, Venice
Day	11,12	Regina Palace Hotel, Stresa or Grand Hotel des Iles Borromees, Stresa

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Please Note:

Air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

To complete your vacation, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing Collette airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Please note that most shops and businesses in Italy and Switzerland are closed on Sundays and on national/religious holidays.

Please note that due to damage caused by a landslide in the area, the pool and beach areas of the Lloyd's Baia Hotel are currently closed until further notice. The hotel is offering a shuttle service to a nearby beach for its guests.

When reserving single accommodations, be advised that single rooms in Italy are often smaller in size.

Vatican Museums are not available on Sundays and holidays that fall on Saturdays.

Most national museums in Florence, including the Uffizi Gallery and the Academy, are closed on Mondays. If visiting the Academy Museum falls on a Monday on your itinerary, reservations will be made to visit the museum on Sunday upon arrival to Florence.

Due to flight schedules, you may require an early morning departure from the hotel on the last day of the tour. Return flights should not be booked prior to 10 AM.

*On occasion, due to inclement weather, your boat trip to Capri may not be available and your visit to Murano Island may be substituted with a visit to a local glass factory in Venice.

Collette air passengers will depart from the Milan airport. All Collette transfers will depart from Stresa for the Milan airport.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

This tour includes moderate physical activity. Walking tours, as well as walking slightly longer distances, up stairs or on uneven walking surfaces should be expected. Some of the most unique sightseeing can mean accessing locations that restrict motorcoaches, especially in historic areas. For your comfort, we recommend bringing walking shoes. If you require a walker or wheelchair, or have difficulty walking, you may not be able to access some of these areas and may want to consider an alternate Collette vacation. Our travel counsellors can provide additional information or assistance to help you determine the perfect trip for you.

IMPORTANT RESERVATION INFORMATION

IDENTIFICATION

Obtaining the proper proof of citizenship for entry to destination countries is the responsibility of each client. Proof of Citizenship is required for all trips outside Canada.

NOTE: Passports must be valid for up to eight months beyond the travel date to their destination country(ies). Some countries require a visa in addition to a passport. Please check with the appropriate consulate for specific information on passport/visa and entry requirements. Visit www.voyage.gc.ca for the latest details.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our clients travelling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

When travelling outside of Canada, health insurance is required. Contact your booking agent for more information.

Cancellation Charges for this tour: After your seat reduction date has passed, a non-refundable deposit will be retained. For Cancellation between 60-16 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 30% of total price. For cancellation between 15-1 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 50% of total price. For cancellation on the day of departure and after: 100% of total price. For Ocean Cruises: For cancellation between 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 35% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: 60% of total price. 30 or fewer days prior to departure: 100% of total price. For River Cruises: including Europe, Russia, Egypt and China, 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of

50% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 85% of total price. For cancellation 30 or fewer days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 100% of total price. For Galapagos and Antarctica: A cancellation fee of 60% will apply for cancellation between 120-90 days prior to departure; A cancellation charge of 100% will apply for cancellation less than 90 days prior to departure. Cancellation protection is highly recommended and must be purchased at time of deposit. Air rates are subject to change until tour is paid in full. If waivers have not been purchased and a reservation is cancelled for any reason prior to departure - Air is 100% non-refundable once paid in full. Cancellation charges also apply to reservations made for "pre" and "post" night accommodations. Purchase of Waiver and Insurance guarantees a full refund of all payments (including deposit), except the Waiver and insurance fee itself, made to Collette Vacations for travel arrangements in case of cancellation of your travel plans for any reason prior to the day of departure. The Waiver and Insurance does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's travelling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. Please see your sales agent for more information, or review our brochure for details.

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