

## Thanksgiving 2020: Thanksgiving of Your Dreams



**Price: \$2599 Single: Add \$499 If you wish a guaranteed shared room, book before Jan 1 2020. Deposit: \$600 Booking Form being prepared This is a draft itinerary.**

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**Day 1 – November 23** Leave the USA on your overnight flight to Italy. (International flights not provided- we are happy to arrange for you)

**Day 2 – November 24 2020 Rome:** Arrive at Rome Airport after clearing customs independent transfer to your hotel. Private transfer available upon request. Otherwise taxis are available and safe for the 30 minute ride into town. Check in and time for little rest. Enjoy welcome dinner at local restaurant. (Dinner with wine and water)

**Day 3 –November 25 2020 Rome:** Central Rome & Imperial Rome: Enjoy breakfast at the Hotel. We start our discovery of Rome with a gentle walk discovering the most traditional corners of the historical center. Passing by little Piazzas and narrow streets we reach the colorful food market at Campo De' Fiori, an explosion of colors and flavors. We discover hidden corners of authentic Rome and enjoy at the same time a



gastronomic journey into food traditions. After exploring with our local guide the Churches and important buildings we will have the chance to try local delicacies.

Later depart for our guided tour of the splendor of the classical Roman Empire. Our experienced local guide will introduce the history of Imperial Rome walking along Via



dei Fori Imperiali. Visit the Roman Forum, the most important archaeological area in the city and once the center of public life; visit the Colosseum, the most famous monument of ancient Rome and an impressive testament to past greatness. Evening at leisure. (Breakfast, Light Lunch)

**Day 4 – November 26 2020 Rome:** Vatican Museums & Thanksgiving Dinner: After breakfast depart for a guided tour of the Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel and St.

Peter's Basilica. The Vatican Museums and the immense wealth of art, from centuries of papal collections, offer an extraordinary experience. Among others, see the great masterpieces of Michelangelo, "The Last Judgement" in the Sistine Chapel. End the tour visiting St. Peter's Basilica and the art treasures of the largest Roman Catholic Church in the world including Michelangelo's Pietà. Enjoy a few hours at leisure before getting ready for our Thanksgiving Celebration with a delicious dinner in a special setting. (Breakfast, Thanksgiving Dinner with wine and water)

**Day 5 – November 27 2020 Orvieto:** We depart for an excursion going north to visit Orvieto. Italy is blessed with many picturesque hilltop towns, Orvieto is one of the best for its sweeping views of the surrounding valley and incredible history and beauty of the town. Orvieto is a very well-preserved Etruscan town that rises above the almost-vertical faces of cliffs. Well known today for its Gothic Cathedral and the miraculous chapel decorated with magnificent Luca Signorelli frescoes, the outer facade is incredibly intricate, mixing different styles of sculpture, mosaics, and design. After visiting the most important sites with our tour guide, enjoy free time at leisure before our traditional lunch. Return to Rome in the afternoon. (Breakfast, Lunch)

**Day 6 – November 28 2020 Rome/ Naples//Pompeii/Sorrento:** After breakfast check out and depart for Sorrento. We drive to Naples. As the capital of the Campania region, Naples is known for its history, art, culture and, especially, gastronomy. We will have a panoramic of historical center of Naples. Highlights of the tour include Old Town, Posillipo, Piazza del Plebiscito, San Carlo Theatre, and its castles Enjoy a fabulous pizza lunch in a typical Pizzeria. After lunch visit Pompeii, Italy's most famous and unique archeological site. Frozen in time when the city was buried by the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in A.D. 79, Pompeii is a World Heritage site. Its excavation has provided a picture of life during the height of the Roman Empire. From Pompeii, proceed to Sorrento, arrival in the evening. Check in and dinner at a local restaurant (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner with wine and water)

**Day 7 – November 29 2020 Sorrento/Amalfi Coast / Sorrento:** Depart for a full-day excursion exploring the enchanting towns along the picturesque Costiera Amalfitana. We visit Positano and glimpse its buildings, clinging to the rocks. We reach Amalfi, whose origins date back to both the Roman and Byzantine Empires. It once rivaled Genoa and Pisa in its maritime importance and still retains its fishing traditions today. The first view of Amalfi is unforgettable, with its tightly packed villas and palaces seeming to tumble down the cliff side into the fishing port and beach below. Continue to Ravello, one of the most attractive destinations on the Amalfi Coast, with a population of around 2,000; the settlement perches high above Amalfi, overlooking the

Mediterranean. Visit Villa Rufolo and medieval Cathedral. Farewell Dinner at local restaurant (Breakfast, Dinner with wine and water)

**Day 8 – November 30 2020 Naples/USA:** After breakfast, we bid a fond goodbye to Italy and transfer to Naples Airport for return flights home. Private transfer available upon request. Time of our transfer TBA (Breakfast)

NOTES: **This tour includes moderate physical activity.** The itinerary blends some longer days with shorter days and more leisure time. Walking tours, as well as walking slightly longer distances, up stairs or on uneven walking surfaces should be expected. Price includes:

- Services of a professional tour director throughout Deluxe touring coach for all transfers, tours, and excursions Entrance fees: Colosseum & Roman Forum, Vatican Museums. Tarquinid Necropolis, Pompei excavations, Villa Rufolo  
Meals: Three lunches and four dinners with Wine and water

Price does not include:

- International & Domestic Air Fare Meals and beverage not mentioned in itinerary  
Personal expenses (Mini bar – Laundry – Phones –etc.) Travel Insurance  
Everything not mentioned under “Price includes” Tips to porters, assistants, drivers, guides and tour manager.

Notes: Tips are estimated at \$100 for the guide and \$75 for the driver.

Extra meals in Italy at the current rate of exchange are estimated at \$15 for lunch and \$40 for dinner with wine.