

Great Hikes and Chefs of Italy's Lake District

FROM THE VENETO TO LOMBARDIA AND PIEMONTE



Wilderness Travel

Overview



TRIP DETAILS AT-A-GLANCE

- Length:** 11 days
Arrive: Verona, Italy
Depart: Turin, Italy
Lodging: 10 nights inns and hotels
Meals: All meals included except 3 dinners
Activity: Cultural, Walking

Trip Level: 1 2 ③ 4 5 6

A mix of moderate walks and hikes, 3-5 hours a day, van support

QUESTIONS?

Our Area Specialists are your single point of contact and would be happy to answer any questions about your trip!

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HIGHLIGHTS

- Enjoy an insider's perspective as our Trip Leaders introduce you to their favorite hikes, local friends, and off-the-beaten path eateries
- Meet chefs, winemakers, and cheese makers who make this region famous
- Savor unique culinary traditions, from mountain farmhouse fare to two Michelin-starred meals
- Hike trails that reveal the region's stunning lakes, mountains, and vineyards
- Relax in stunning hotels in prime locations

Introduction



Italy's sublime Lake District is perfect for a WT-style journey of walks and hikes paired with sampling the regional culinary bounty. We'll begin in the hilly vineyards of Valpolicella east of Lake Garda, explore tucked-away Lake Iseo, a gorgeous mountain lake in the Franciacorta wine region, and hike a path above magnificent Lake Maggiore. As we enjoy incredible panoramas from the lakesides to high vantage points in this gastronomic heartland, we'll meet chefs and wine makers, and savor seasonal delicacies. We finish in Piemonte with dinner in a Michelin-starred restaurant and a stay in an elegant relais within walking distance of La Venaria Reale, a 17th century royal estate near Turin.

TRIP DATES

April 25-May 5, 2025

October 17-27, 2025

June 19-29, 2026

September 18-28, 2026

October 2-12, 2026

Itinerary



Overnight: Villa Cordevigo

With a superb location, classic landscaping, private vineyards, two restaurants, a bar-terrace, and a manor-house atmosphere, the Cordevigo is a gem at the center of the Bardolino and Valpolicella wine region. The swimming pool is a great place for an aperitivo.

Meals: L, D

Hiking Details: 3.5 miles, 2 hours, 650' ascent/descent, plus a 1-hour afternoon walk on the hotel grounds

Driving Details: 1.5 hours

DAY 1 VERONA, ITALY / VALPOLICELLA WINE REGION

We meet in the hotel lobby in Verona then head into the Valpolicella area for our first hike (arrive dressed for hiking!). Valpolicella is an ancient wine region east of Lake Garda known for some of Italy's most famous reds, including the full-bodied Amarone. Starting from the small village of Torbe di Negrar, our hike brings us to the town of Valgatara as we cross vineyards and walk unpaved country lanes. For lunch, we'll be welcomed by the chef at a special family-run locanda. Afterwards, we head to our hotel, the Villa Cordevigo, which offers a full "relais" experience, with its private vineyards and expansive landscaped grounds. After check-in, we'll take a walk on the hotel grounds, strolling through woodlands overlooking vineyards and Lake Garda. Dinner tonight is at the hotel's Michelin-starred Risorante Oseleta, where Marco Marras is the executive chef. The restaurant was awarded its Michelin star in 2013.

Itinerary



Overnight: Villa Cordevigo

Meals: B, L, D

Hiking Details: 7.5 miles, 3.5 hours, 500' ascent/2,000' descent

Driving Details: 1 hour

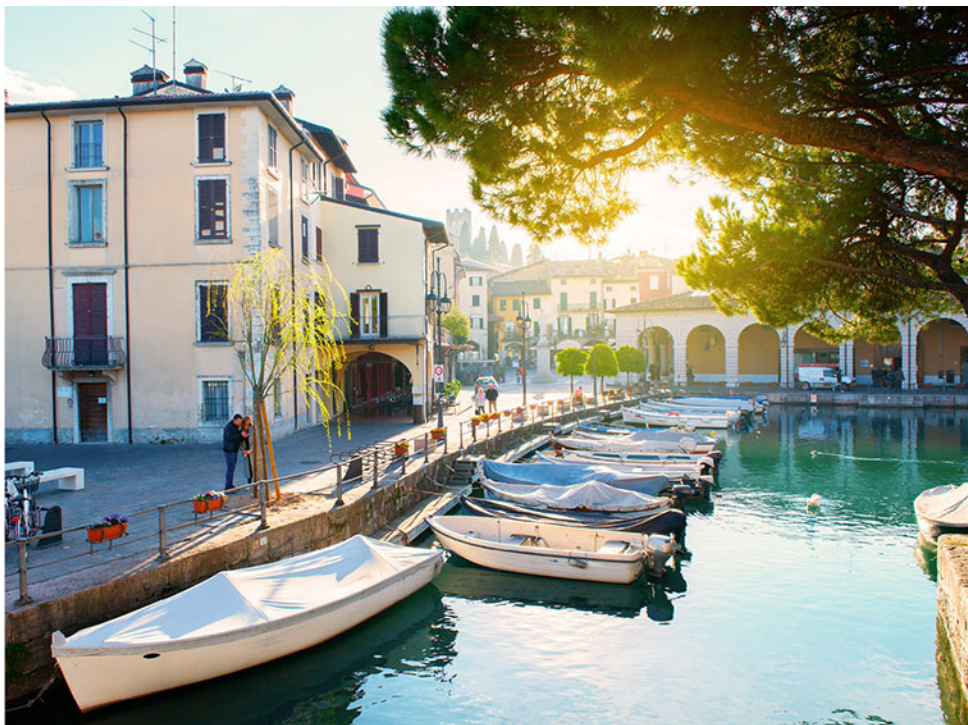
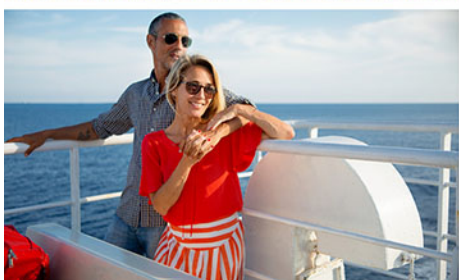
“It’s not possible to overstate the food and wines on this trip. I have never experienced anything like this.”

—Carol B. Redwood City, CA

DAY 2 LESSINIA NATURAL PARK / VALPOLICELLA

Lessinia Natural Park (Parco Naturale Regionale della Lessinia) was created in the 19th century to protect a lush Valpolicella landscape of pastures, mountains, and marble quarries. The panoramas across the Valpolicella region here are spectacular. We start in the ancient village of Cavalo, follow the trail to the top of Monte Pugna, and descend to the village of San Giorgio, with views across Valpolicella landscapes along the way. We’ll visit San Giorgio and its 8th century church, and then continue down to Sant’Ambrogio, with a stop for lunch in a farmhouse restaurant in the hills. Returning to our hotel, which produces its own wines, we enjoy a wine-tasting and dinner at Cordevigo, the hotel’s more casual alternative to its Michelin-starred restaurant.

Itinerary



Overnight: Bellerive Lifestyle Hotel

Nestled in a serene stretch in Salò, the Bellerive is right on the lake but tucked away at a quiet end of the promenade. It offers tranquil gardens, an excellent restaurant, and an infinity pool.

Meals: B, L, D

Hiking Details: 3 miles, 2 hours, 750' ascent/descent

Transportation Details: 2 hours driving, 30-minute ferry ride

DAY 3 LAKE GARDA / MALCESINE / MONTE BALDO / LIMONE SUL GARDA / SALÓ

We have a change of scene today as we drive to Malcesine (pronounced mal-CHEZ-in-nay), a resort town on the northern shores of mountain-ringed Lake Garda. The lake is the largest in Italy, encompassing the Lombardy, Veneto, and Trentino-Alto Adige regions and their varied landscapes. We'll take the cable car up to the top of Monte Baldo for a beautiful loop walk and incredible views, with lunch along the way. The cable car brings us back down for a stroll in Malcesine's Old Town, built around the Castello Scaligero, a medieval fortress. We ferry across the lake for a visit to the town of Limone Sul Garda, famed for its picturesque setting and ancient tradition of lemon cultivation. Our hotel is in the lakeside town of Salò, on the western shores of Lake Garda.

Itinerary



Overnight: Bellerive Lifestyle Hotel

Meals: B, L

Hiking Details: 5 miles, 3 hours, 700' ascent/descent

Driving Details: 1 hour

“Simply an excellent trip: fun hikes, excellent food, and great chefs.”

—Chris R. Denver, CO

DAY 4 ROCCA DEL MANERBA / SALÓ

This morning's hike brings us up to the Rocca del Manerba, a cliff-top fortress-ruin with fantastic views across Lake Garda. In the first century AD, the Rocca del Manerba was built on a spectacular high point above the lake. The Lombards once occupied this fortress, before surrendering to Charlemagne in 774 AD, and the hamlets below eventually fell to the Venetians, who destroyed the fortress in 1575 because it had become a refuge for bandits. Even though the fortress is a ruin today, the hike up to it is a stunning walk with magnificent views over Lake Garda as well as the peaks of the Brescian Prealps and Monte Baldo. We'll have lunch in the lakeside town of Manerba del Garda after the hike and a short lakefront walk in Saló. Dinner is on your own tonight. The Trip Leaders are happy to make recommendations, depending on how fancy or local you want to go.

Itinerary



Overnight: Relais Mirabella

With absolutely breathtaking views overlooking Lake Iseo, this elegant hotel is surrounded by acres of beautiful gardens and forest. It is a historic former family estate, exceptionally well maintained, with a warm and welcoming staff. The breakfast is amazing, the pool is inviting, and the open-air terrace is the place to be for an aperitif in a fantastic setting.

Meals: B, L

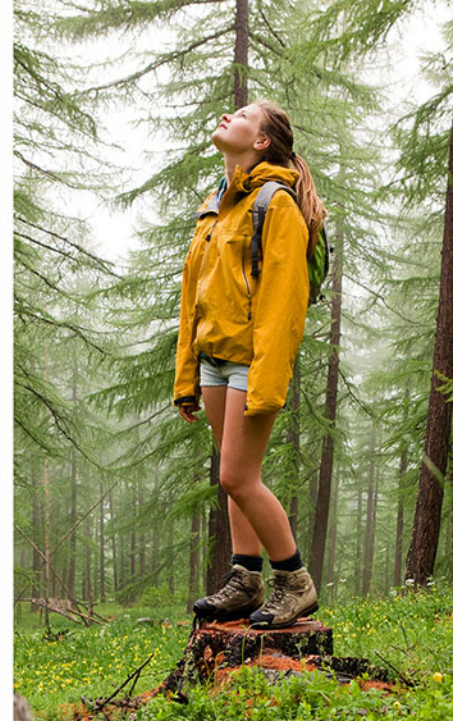
Hiking Details: 4 miles, 2 hours, 1,000' ascent/descent

Transportation Details: 1 hour driving, 1 hour ferry ride

DAY 5 MONTE ISOLA / SANTUARIO DELLA MADONNA DELLA CERIOLA / PESCHIERA MARAGLIO

We take the ferry to Monte Isola, a small island in the middle of Lake Iseo. On the island, our climb of about 1,000 feet brings us up to the Santuario della Madonna della Ceriola, an ancient church that stands atop the island and is visible from all over the lake. The structure was first built in the 13th century, expanded in the 15th and 16th centuries, and modified again in the 17th century. It's likely that this site was used for worship by pre-Christian times pagan cults. We head downhill through some of the small villages on the island for lunch in the village of Peschiera Maraglio, an opportunity to sample some of the local lake fish and enjoy a panoramic lake view. We'll take the ferry back to the town of Iseo. Dinner is on your own this evening.

Itinerary



Overnight: Relais Mirabella

Meals: B, L, D

Hiking Details: 5 miles, 3 hours, 450' ascent/descent

Driving Time: 1.5 hours

DAY 6 FRANCIACORTA / LAKE ISEO

We head to Franciacorta in the Lombardia region, an area of gently rolling hills that are ideal for the cultivation of grapes, especially the production of the Franciacorta sparkling wine. After lunch at a wine producer's restaurant, we take a pleasant walk along a reed-fringed path through Riserva Naturale Torbiere del Sebino, a wetland created over ancient peat beds, passing through many Franciacorta vineyards along the way. Our hotel tonight is set above lovely Lake Iseo, the fourth largest in Lombardia. Dinner is at the hotel's restaurant, where we can enjoy seasonal dishes and local wines along with lake views.

Itinerary



DAY 7 LAVENO / VERBANIA / MONTE SASSO DEL FERRO

After a morning drive to the picturesque town of Laveno on the eastern shores of Lake Maggiore, we take a funicular to the top of Monte Sasso del Ferro (3,400') for lunch at the top with panoramic views. Lake Maggiore vast extends into Lombardy and Piemonte and as far as Switzerland to the north. After lunch, we'll descend a trail back to Laveno, with beautiful vistas along the way, for an overnight in the elegant lakeside town of Verbania.

Overnight: Grand Hotel Majestic (or Grand Hotel des Iles Borromées)

Panoramic views of Lake Maggiore stretch far and wide from the historic Grand Hotel Majestic. Air-conditioned guest rooms are decorated with solid wood French furnishings, chandeliers, and colorful fabrics. Beneath its summer portico, the restaurant serves traditional Italian cuisine and a buffet-style breakfast. Enjoy lounging in a chair by the water, taking a dip in the heated indoor pool, and having a drink at the terrace bar while savoring the views of the Borromean Islands.

Meals: B, L, D

Hiking Details: 5 miles, 2-3 hours, 450' ascent/2,800' descent

Transportation Details: 3 hours driving, 1 hour ferry ride

Itinerary



Overnight: Grand Hotel Majestic

Meals: B, L

Hiking Details: 4.5 miles, 3 hours, 650' ascent/descent

Transportation Details: 1 hour

“The variety of cultural experiences woven in was great—from historical sites to cheese making!”

—Karl G. Davis, CA

DAY 8 LAKE MERGOZZO / GUFFANTI CHEESE

At charming Lake Mergozzo, connected to Lake Maggiore by a mile-long canal, we'll spend our morning hiking through settlements including Montorfano, a delightful hamlet on the lakeshore and home to the Romanesque church of San Giovanni Battista. The lake's waters, fed by mountain springs, are among the cleanest in Italy. Afterwards, we'll head to the town of Arona for a tour at the renowned Guffanti Cheese company, number five on the *New York Times*' list of the world's best cheesemakers. Luigi Guffanti began making cheese here in 1876 and his descendants, Carlo Guffanti Fiori and his sons Giovanni and Davide, represent the fourth and fifth generations. We'll visit the underground caves where they age cheese and enjoy a lunch that will include sampling many of their products. We return to our hotel in Verbania in the late afternoon, with dinner on your own.

Itinerary



Overnight: Relais Bella Rosina

Located just a few minutes from La Venaria Reale and just five miles from the city of Turin, the Relais Bella Rosina is surrounded by 50 acres of woodlands in the regional Parco La Mandria. It features a restaurant, bar, tearoom, swimming pool, and special arrangements with the nearby golf clubs.

Meals: B, L, D

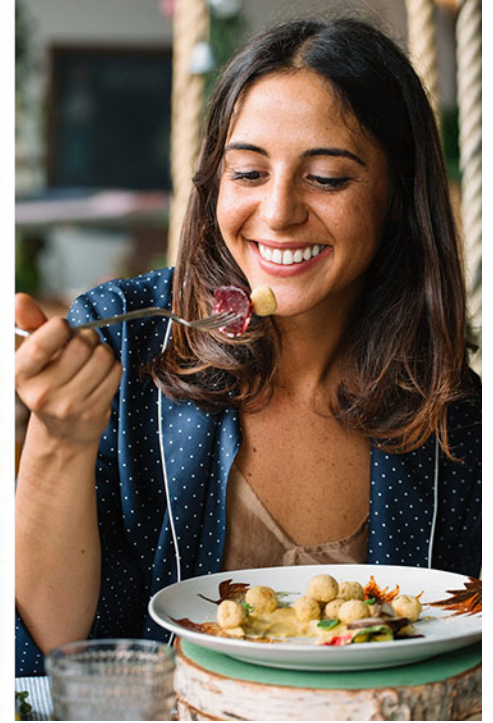
Hiking Details: 5.5 miles, 3 hours, 350' ascent/descent

Driving Details: 2.5 hours

DAY 9 PIEMONTE / MONFERRATO / LA VENARIA REALE

We drive to the charming Piedmontese town of Terrugia for a morning hike through the rolling hills of Monferrato, one of Italy's most important wine districts. Monferrato lies below the Po River in southeast Piemonte and the wine-making tradition on these lands dates back to Roman times. Our hike is on an unpaved country road that winds through undulating terrain cultivated in grapes and sometimes in corn and wheat. After lunch, we head to our hotel in the town of Venaria Reale, not far from Turin. This evening we'll dine at Chef Alfredo Russo's Dolce Stil Novo, a Michelin-starred restaurant located in La Venaria Reale.

Itinerary



Overnight: Relais Bella Rosina

Meals: B, L, D

Hiking Details: 1.5 miles, 1.5 hours, nearly 0' ascent/descent

Driving Details: 30 minutes

DAY 10 LA VENARIA REALE / PARCO LA MANDRIA

La Venaria Reale is a vast former royal residence of the House of Savoy dating to the mid-17th century. It had fallen into disrepair after two centuries of neglect, but after eight years of intensive restoration, the residence opened to the public in 2007 and is now a World Heritage Site. We'll enjoy a guided tour of the palace this morning and have lunch at a local restaurant. Afterwards, we enjoy a walk in Parco La Mandria, one of the largest royal properties in Europe and now a vast public park with bridle paths, footpaths, cycle paths, forests, and a lake, along with farmsteads and assorted royal buildings. We can walk right from the park back to our hotel. Tonight we gather for our Farewell Dinner, a festive salute at our hotel restaurant.

Meals: B

DAY 11 TURIN / DEPART

Transfer to the airport (or train station) in Turin for departure on homeward-bound flights. Those who are continuing their travels in Italy can take a train or bus from Turin to Venice or other destinations in Italy.

Pricing

TRIP COST

**Prices are per person, based on double occupancy
2025**

\$7,795 (13-15 members)

\$8,295 (9-12 members)

\$8,795 (5-8 members)

Single supplement: \$1,450

Please contact us for future years' pricing

To offer the lowest possible cost, our trips are priced according to the number of participants on the trip. All costs are per person, based on double occupancy. If you wish to have a single room, you must pay the single supplement fee. Please note that Wilderness Travel staff, or guests of Wilderness Travel such as travel writers, photographers, or leaders-in-training, are not included in the tier pricing count.

PAYMENT TERMS

At time of reservation: \$600

90 days prior to departure: Balance

CANCELLATION & TRANSFER FEE SCHEDULE

Up to 91 days prior to departure: No Charge!

61-90 days prior to departure: 25% of trip cost

46-60 days prior to departure: 50% of trip cost

45 days or less: 100% of trip cost

TRAVEL INSURANCE

We highly recommend you purchase travel insurance. You can take advantage of a comprehensive Travel Protection Plan designed for Wilderness Travel by Travelex, or purchase other insurance on your own. See our website for details:

www.wildernesstravel.com/insurance

TRIP COST INCLUDES

- Expert leadership of a Wilderness Travel Trip Leader and local guides
- Accommodations in hotels and small comfortable inns
- All meals included except 3 dinners as indicated in Detailed Itinerary
- A glass of wine or beer with dinner
- All ground transportation and baggage handling from meeting until departure
- All activities as indicated in Detailed Itinerary

TRIP DOES NOT INCLUDE

- Travel to and from the arrival and departure location as indicated in Detailed Itinerary
- Additional hotel nights outside the trip's scheduled dates
- Optional gratuities to Trip Leaders or staff
- Optional travel insurance
- Other expenses of a personal nature (some alcoholic beverages, laundry, etc.)

CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATE

Because the prices published for our program are set so far in advance of the trip dates, we are occasionally faced with exceptional cost increases and/or currency fluctuations that affect the actual cost of running the trip. In most years, no price changes are necessary. However, we do reserve the right to raise or lower the trip price if there is a significant change in costs or exchange rates. If this is the case, your final invoice will reflect the difference in trip cost.

Arrival & Departure

ARRIVAL & MEETING PLACE

Suggested Airport: Verona Villafranca Airport (VRN)

Suggested Date & Time: Any time prior to Day 1

Meeting Place: You will meet your Trip Leader on Day 1 at 9:00 AM in the lobby of the Hotel Giberti in Verona.

DEPARTURE

Suggested Airport: Turin Caselle Airport (TRN)

Suggested Date & Time: Day 11, anytime

INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAVEL

You are responsible for making your own arrangements for flights to and from Italy.

There are many online consolidators for booking travel, but for more personal help arranging air transport, you can contact Exito Travel at 970-818-8459 in the US or Canada. They are very adept at putting flight itineraries together, to even the most far-flung places. More information can be found on Exito's website at www.exitotravel.com.

Depending on your routing, it is necessary to depart from the US one or possibly two days prior to Day 1 of the trip itinerary. The name on your airline ticket must match the name on your passport exactly, and your passport must be valid for at least six months after your date of return to the US.

Please do not purchase your tickets until you are confirmed on the trip. Once tickets are purchased, please forward a copy of your email flight confirmation from the airline. It is your responsibility to ensure your flight times coordinate with the arrival and departure logistics for this trip.

RECOMMENDED HOTELS

Verona

Hotel Giberti: www.hotelgiberti.it

Hotel Leon d'Oro: www.hotelleondoroverona.com

Trip Leaders

Wilderness Travel Trip Leaders have a passion and a joy for creating an unforgettable journey. We are extremely proud of them and the incredible travel experiences they make possible. For more information, including client comments about them and which specific departures they will be leading, please visit wildernesstravel.com/leaders.



GIUSEPPE ARUTA

With an extensive background in geology and deep roots in his Italian heritage, Giuseppe Aruta leads guests through medieval hill towns, the Dolomites and Italy's Lake District, paying special attention to how people travel through their sense of taste, experiencing the wondrous world of Italian cuisine. He was born in Naples, studied and worked in Florence, and is now a resident of Bologna, the culinary capital of Italy, yet often explores outside of his home country. "I consider myself curious about everything—art, science, food, human relationships, dancing, painting, math," he says. "I enjoy sharing my knowledge with people from other countries, and in return, I also learn a lot from them."



GIANLUCA CANALICCHIO

Gianluca Canalicchio was born and raised in Rome, where his parents moved in 1960 from Umbria, when they left their life of hard work on their farm in search of new opportunities. He has a degree in accounting, and loves dancing, singing opera, and cooking. Gianluca is a devoted follower of the Italian food channel, Gambero Rosso, and friend to many noted chefs. "My cooking teacher is my mother, whose love for cooking always amazed me. I opened a pizza restaurant in Rome and a restaurant in San Francisco, but the problem is I prefer to be a client, not a chef!" Gianluca also loves sports and has competed in triathlon races for many years. Another passion of his is history, which he says "is essential for our times: not understanding the past makes us see the present in a distorted way." When guiding, Gianluca loves taking people to his favorite off-the-beaten-path places and introducing them to local people.



IRENE DE BENEDICTIS

Originally from Rome, Irene is a physical therapist specializing in Ayurvedic medicine and also a seasoned WT Trip Leader. Her love of different cultures and languages (she knows seven!), paired with her love for hikes and pilgrimages (she walked the Camino de Santiago...twice) makes her a wonderful traveling companion. Irene's father is a member of the Italian congregation of St. James, which is responsible for the upkeep of pilgrim trails from Italy into Spain and Jerusalem, and she has also worked as a "hospitalera" (pilgrims' albergue host) in Italy. Fun fact: Irene wrote a book called Spaghetti and Sauna about the cultural differences between Italy, her home country, and Finland, where she lived for four years.

Trip Leaders



VICKY SOTRIFFER

As an adventure-seeking traveler and Trip Leader, Vicky Sotriffer thrives in new places. She has led trips on nearly every continent for more than 10 years, including sea kayaking trips. Originally from South Tyrol, Italy, Vicky now resides in Ibiza, Spain, and is fluent in a handful of languages. She spends parts of her year in Oman, where she follows her passion for hiking in the country's striking desert environment and diving in the warm waters off the coast (and trying to improve her Arabic along the way). In her free time, she enjoys tennis, rock climbing, horseback riding, and in the winter, she heads to the Dolomites to ski.



DANIEL WINDHAM

Dan Windham, while born in the Appalachian foothills of Georgia, has spent more than two thirds of his life in northern Italy, and 20 of those years leading European hiking trips for WT. His youthful passion for nature and mountains led him to choose a career as a guide, and he moved to Italy to run a mountain hut in the Alps with his wife, who is Italian. In the Europe off-season, Dan guides climbs of Aconcagua in Argentina and has also climbed some of the highest peaks in the Himalayas. He is fluent in Italian as well as Spanish.



MARZIA BORGHI

Marzia Borghi, of Tuscany, spent many years teaching in London, then worked on research projects for the University of Pisa, and later became a certified cultural, art history, and environmental guide in her home country. She has guided hiking and cultural journeys for over 15 years in diverse Italian regions, from in Sardinia to Umbria, as well as specialty trips dedicated to Etruscan civilization and wine culture.

What to Expect

WHAT THE TRIP IS LIKE

This trip is rated a **Level 3 (Moderate)** according to our trip grading system. You will need to be comfortable hiking 6 miles a day and being on your feet for up to 4 hours a day. Hiking days are varied, with some very light days on flat country paths and some more challenging days. Trail conditions, weather, and the group's level of fitness can affect hiking times and pacing.

Average Hiking Day

- 5 miles
- 3-4 hours
- 500 feet gain/loss

TERRAIN

Our walks and hikes traverse a variety of terrains, from flat trails alongside a river to paved paths to mountain trails with occasional short, steep sections. You will need to be comfortable hiking on uneven surfaces including downhill over rocky terrain.

GETTING IN SHAPE

We strongly urge you to train for your trip, as your enjoyment will be highly dependent on your level of fitness. The best training for a hike is to hike, especially over hills or rough terrain. Next best are running, swimming, bicycling, or other cardiovascular exercise. Stair climbing machines are excellent preparation for hiking uphill. Your feet should also be well prepared—make sure your hiking boots are sturdy, comfortable, and thoroughly broken-in.

WEATHER

Northern Italy shares a border with Switzerland and Austria and is generally cooler and wetter than areas of the country further south. Spring and fall are the ideal seasons for travel, cooler than the hot summer period and less crowded. Short thunderstorms are always a possibility in the north, which is a mountainous region, so it's advisable to wear layers. Temperatures in northern Italy in spring and fall ranges from the 70s°F during the day to the high 40s°F at night.

ACCOMMODATIONS

We choose our accommodations for their local history and central locations. Since they are often in historic buildings, the rooms are not always of uniform or international size. Our leaders do their best to assign rooms in a fair way so that all participants experience an equal advantage throughout the trip as a whole. Single rooms can be requested but are not always available, due to the limited space in the hotels. If you prefer a single room, please make your request as early as possible.

CUISINE

Meals will be at the hotels where we are staying or at selected restaurants in nearby towns. Some of our meals will be at Michelin-starred restaurants with 6-10 courses. At those restaurants, it is often difficult to accommodate dietary restrictions other than food allergies. Please note that in Europe, the dinner hour is considerably later than what it is in the US. We do our best to secure early reservations for our groups, but most often the evening meal will be at 7:30 pm.

What to Expect

TRANSPORTATION

Our support vehicle will transport the group's luggage, so you only need to carry a daypack (rain gear, sweater, camera, water bottle, etc.). Trip members are always free to skip a day's hike and travel to the next destination in the support vehicle (or remain at the hotel if we are not transferring that day).

HIKING DETAILS BY DAY				DRIVING DETAILS
DAY	MILES	HOURS	ELEV. ASCENT/DESCENT	HOURS
1	3.5 miles	2 hours	+/-650'	1.5 hrs drive
2	7.5 miles	3.5 hours	+500'/-2000'	1 hr drive
3	3 miles	2 hours	+/-700'	2 hrs drive; 30 mins ferries
4	5 miles	3 hours	+/-700'	1 hr drive
5	4 miles	2 hours	+/-1000'	1 hr drive; 1 hr ferry
6	5 miles	3 hours	+450'/-450'	1.5 hrs drive
7	5 miles	2-3 hours	+450'/-2800'	3 hrs drive; 1 hr ferry
8	4.5 miles	3 hours	+/-650'	1 hr drive
9	5.5 miles	3 hours	+/-350'	45 mins
10	1.5 miles	1.5 hours	+/-0'	30 mins

AVERAGE DAILY MAX/MIN °F												
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Verona	44/30	48/32	57/39	64/45	74/54	81/61	86/65	85/65	77/57	65/48	53/39	44/31

RAINFALL - INCHES												
Verona	1.9	1.7	2	2.7	2.9	2.9	2.4	3	2.9	3.1	2.9	2.1

Additional Information

CHOOSING THE RIGHT TRIP

Adventure travel often involves exotic destinations, unusual levels of physical exertion, or activities you may not have participated in previously. We work hard to help you choose the right trip for you, paying attention to your individual interests, abilities, and needs. If you have questions about the level of comfort or any of the activities described in this itinerary, please call Wilderness Travel at 1-800-368-2794 or email us at info@wildernesstravel.com.

REFERENCES

We'd be happy to put you in touch with a past client that has traveled with us.

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Toucan Club Rewards & Discounts



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T-SHIRT BACK



PATAGONIA SYNCHILLA FLEECE VEST
+ KLEEN KANTEEN 27OZ WATER BOTTLE



PATAGONIA R1 PULLOVER

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YOUR FIRST TRIP

As a first-time traveler, you receive a lightweight Wilderness Travel T-shirt and set of durable WT Luggage Tags. On subsequent trips, we're happy to send you a new WT T-shirt and set of Luggage Tags by request.

YOUR SECOND TRIP

A top quality Wilderness Travel stainless steel water bottle by Klean Kanteen and a cozy Wilderness Travel fleece vest by Patagonia (\$100 value).

YOUR THIRD TRIP

A versatile Wilderness Travel R-1 pullover by Patagonia (\$130 value).

YOUR FOURTH TRIP

Discounts on the cost of your trip begin! You receive a 4% discount on the tour cost.

FIVE AND MORE TRIPS

You receive a 5% discount on the base trip cost. On your sixth trip, you receive a 6% discount, and so on up to your 10th trip. The maximum discount is 10%, with a ceiling of \$500.

Note: Due to special pricing considerations, Toucan Club discounts do not apply to our Private Journeys or Special Events. However, your participation on these trips does count toward your Toucan discount on future departures of Wilderness Travel's regular adventures.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Toucan Club travel discounts cannot be used in conjunction with any other discount, unless otherwise specified. Discounts are deducted from the base trip cost and shown on the final invoice. The base trip cost is the main land/tier cost and does not include single supplement fees, extensions, internal airfare, or other additional charges. Bonus gifts (T-shirts, luggage tags, vests, water bottles, and pullovers) will be mailed approximately three weeks prior to trip departure. Terms and conditions of Toucan Club bonuses are subject to change or cancellation at the discretion of Wilderness Travel, Inc.

Travel Notes



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Best Wildlife, Hiking & Walking Trips: *AFAR Magazine*, 3 years in a row

Best Adventure Travel Companies: *USA Today*

Trip of the Year: *Outside Magazine*, 9-time winner

50 Tours of a Lifetime: *National Geographic Traveler*, 9 years in a row

Best Adventure Travel Companies: *National Geographic Adventure*, 3-time winner

Please be advised that California has established a Travel Consumer Restitution Fund under the California Seller of Travel Law that took effect January 1, 1996. This fund is designed to protect consumers from unscrupulous practices by discount airfare ticket sellers or air charter operators. Unfortunately, this law does not cover non-California residents and, even in the case of California residents, it does not cover any foreign travel where the foreign "providers of transportation or travel services" are not in compliance with the Sellers of Travel Law (compliance being defined as registered as a Seller of Travel in California and a participant in the Travel Consumer Restitution Fund). Thus none of Wilderness Travel's tours qualify and we are required by law to advise each client that they are not covered by the California Travel Consumer Restitution Fund. California law requires sellers of travel to maintain a trust account or bond. This business has a trust account. California Seller of Travel #100769640

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