



9 Memorable Days Milan to Rome New Year in an Italian Villa & Tuscany

Explore the beauty of some of Italy's most enchanting cities

Experience Italy's rich heritage in Winter

Imagine exploring the 'Romeo and Juliet' city of Verona before staying in an Italian Villa over the New Year. Experience stylish Milan, the romance of Venice, stay in the medieval Tuscan town of Lucca and visit Renaissance Florence.



Travel in a first-class air-conditioned touring coach



A complimentary wine, beer or soft drink with all included dinners with a welcome drink in Milan
15 meals including buffet breakfast daily (B), 1 lunch (L) and 6 evening meals (D)



Hotel portorage of 1 bag per person (where available)
8 nights authentic, specially selected hotel accommodation
Free WiFi at most hotels (where available)



Personal audio system whilst on tour (where available)
ALL tips for your Tour Manager, Driver and Local Guides
Fully escorted by our experienced Tour Manager
Local guides as described in the itinerary



ALL excursions, scenic drives, sightseeing and entrances as described



Milan

Day 1



Starhotels Ritz, Milano, Italy

99 D

Your tour commences this evening in Milan. A welcome drink and dinner are included in a local restaurant tonight. This is an ideal opportunity to get to know your fellow travellers.

'My Time' in Verona

Day 2



Villa Michelangelo Vicenza - Starhotels Collezione

99 B,D

Boarding our coach we drive east and make a lunchtime stop to explore Verona, the city where tragic lovers, Romeo and Juliet, avowed a love that spanned the centuries. Later this afternoon we arrive at our Villa hotel, where we stay for three nights.

Venice sightseeing and 'My Time'

Day 3



Villa Michelangelo Vicenza - Starhotels Collezione

99 B,D

After a leisurely start we visit nearby 'Venezia' (Venice) – arguably one of the most romantic cities in the world. At Tronchetto we board a private boat to take us to St Mark's Square, where we join our expert local guide for a walking tour through the central city's historic back streets to the famous Rialto Bridge and St Mark's Square. We have included visits to St Mark's Basilica, the pink and white marble Doges Palace and Bridge of Sighs. The rest of the day is free to meander the water lined streets. Dinner this evening is back in 'our' magnificent Villa.

New Year's Eve – Vicenza sightseeing and gala dinner celebrations

Day 4



Villa Michelangelo Vicenza - Starhotels Collezione

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Our first stop is in beautiful Vicenza. Rich in history and culture, Vicenza was awarded UNESCO World heritage status principally due to the legacy left by the famous local architect Andrea Palladio. Considered one of the greatest architects of all time, you will find more than 16 of his palaces and villas scattered through the old town. In the glorious Piazza dei Signori, you will find the most beautiful of all the Basilica Palladiana. A local guide will join us for a walking tour of the medieval and renaissance town centre, and later you will have free time to explore and enjoy the excellent shopping down the central Corso.

This afternoon we return to our Villa for time to relax before enjoying a grand evening celebrating the New Year in the hotel's restaurant, 'Italian style'.

New Year's Day – sightseeing in medieval Lucca

Day 5



San Luca Palace Hotel, Lucca

99 B,D

A very leisurely start today before boarding our coach to drive south into Tuscany. We stay the next three nights in the typically 'Tuscan' town of Lucca – a medieval walled city, filled with palaces, churches and ancient houses. On arrival we will enjoy a guided walking tour of this beautiful city. This evening we have included dinner in a local restaurant.

Leaning Tower of Pisa, lunch in the Tuscan countryside and 'My Time'

Day 6



San Luca Palace Hotel, Lucca



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This morning we visit nearby Pisa with its famous Leaning Tower, Cathedral and Baptistery in the magnificent Piazza dei Miracoli. As a highlight we drive into the picturesque Tuscan countryside to visit a local Olive Farmhouse Estate, and enjoy an olive oil tasting accompanied by Tuscan wines and a selection of antipasto including local meats, cheese and bread – all specialities of this region, followed by a light lunch. Returning to Lucca, the remainder of your afternoon has been left entirely free to explore delightful Lucca. Perhaps visit the former home of Puccini, where he wrote Turandot, walk, or hire a bike and ride, around the entire town on top of the broad city walls. Delightful!

Florence sightseeing and 'My Time'

Day 7



San Luca Palace Hotel, Lucca



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Today is dedicated to nearby 'Firenze' (Florence). We are joined by a local guide who will bring to life this truly beautiful city, which is otherwise known as the 'Cradle of the Renaissance'. We see the Duomo and take in the magnificent statues in the Piazza della Signoria. At the conclusion of your walking tour, we have included a guided visit to the famous Accademia Gallery, home to Michelangelo's 'David' and numerous other extraordinary Italian, Florentine and Renaissance works of art. Your afternoon is entirely free to enjoy Florence at your own pace.

'Fairytale' San Gimignano to the eternal city of Rome

Day 8



Best Western Premier Hotel Royal Santina, Rome



B,D

This morning we drive across the Tuscan Hills to enjoy lunchtime in the fairytale 'town of towers' San Gimignano, famous for its 13th and 14th century Tuscan towers. Exploring the pedestrian walkways of this hilltop town is an absolute delight. Tonight, in the eternal city of Rome, we will enjoy a farewell dinner.

Rome

Day 9



Best Western Premier Hotel Royal Santina, Rome



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Your New Year tour ends after breakfast and it is time to say farewell.

Hand Selected Experiences

These are just a few of the very special hand selected experiences that will really make your touring experience exceptional and unique, and don't forget, with Albatross they are always included.



Verona
UNESCO World
Heritage City



Venice
Walking Tour



Vicenza
UNESCO World
Heritage Site



New Year's Eve
Celebrate 'Italian
style'



Lucca
Walking Tour



Pisa
Leaning Tower of Pisa



Olive Oil Tasting
In a Tuscan
Farmhouse



Florence
Walking tour & visit
Accademia Gallery



San Gimignano
Fairytale 'Town of
Towers'

Dates and Prices

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Start Date	End Date	Twin Price	Solo Price	Guaranteed to Depart
28 Dec 2025	05 Jan 2026	AUD\$5,887	AUD\$7,087	<div> <div></div> <div>Space Available</div> </div>
28 Dec 2026	05 Jan 2027	TBC	TBC	<div> <div></div> <div>Pre-Register</div> </div>

* Dates, prices, itineraries and hotels shown may be subject to change on specific departures. Please contact our European Tour Specialists for further details.

Tour Suitability

- Our Christmas, New Year and Northern Lights tours travel throughout the European winter months. The weather can get cold, and roads and pathways can be slippery. When outdoors, please take extra care when navigating slippery surfaces.
- We recommend sturdy waterproof shoes with good grip (hiking shoes, rather than sneakers), thick socks, a woollen beanie, thermal underclothes, gloves and sunglasses. Walking poles can be helpful to give you more confidence, if desired. Layering some light clothes is advisable, as you will often come in from the picturesque cold to warm spaces inside, so layering enables you to adjust to each environment for your optimal comfort. You will also be very comfortable when travelling as your modern touring coach is fitted with heaters and double glazed windows. Once you arrive at your hotel you will be greeted with a warm and comfortable atmosphere.
- Thinking about what to wear? Please read our blog on Wardrobe essentials: <https://www.albatrosstours.com.au/news-nest-travel-blog/wardrobe-essentials-for-a-winter-wonderland-tour-in-europe/>

Please refer to our Tour Suitability section for more information.

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