

#### **INCLUDED FEATURES**

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

(With baggage handling.)

 Seven nights in Stresa, Italy, at the first-class Hotel La Palma.

#### **EXTENSIVE MEAL PROGRAM**

- Seven breakfasts, three lunches and three dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.
- Sample authentic regional specialties during meals at local restaurants.

#### YOUR ONE-OF-A-KIND JOURNEY

- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history.
- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- Free time to pursue your own interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- Clearly hear your English-speaking guide with your VOX headset.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.

#### ITINERARY

- **Day 1** Depart gateway city<sup>+</sup>
- Day 2 Arrive in Milan | Transfer<sup>+</sup> to Stresa
- Day 3 Stresa | Lake Orta
  Day 4 Lake Maggiore | Borromean Islands
  Day 5 Lake Como | Bellagio | Como
  Day 6 Stresa
  Day 7 Milan
  Day 8 Stresa
- Day 9 Transfer to Milan airport and depart for gateway city<sup>★</sup>

✦Flights and transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions. Walking is required on many excursions, and surfaces may be uneven or unpaved .



SMALL GROUP Maximum of 28 Travelers

## LAND JOURNEY

# Italy's Magnificent Lake District

#### **Inspiring Moments**

- Savor vistas of glacial waters and snowcapped mountains while cruising on Italy's spectacular lakes.
- Explore Lake Orta, and experience the enchantment of the legendary Isola San Giulio.
- Admire historic, baroque villas and exotic gardens on the Borromean Islands: Isola Madre, Isola dei Pescatori and Isola Bella.
- ► Learn the secrets of traditional Italian cuisine during an **interactive cooking lesson** near Lake Maggiore.
- ► Feel your inner pace slow while embracing the region's **serene** ambience.
- Witness The Last Supper, da Vinci's brilliant fresco style painting, a UNESCO World Heritage site.

Duomo, Milan



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#### DISCOVERY

Lake Orta. Enjoy a scenic drive to Lake Orta, and tour the beautiful resort town of Orta San Giulio. Board a boat to visit Isola San Giulio, the enchanted island in the lake. The beauty of the island's ancient Romanesque basilica will enchant you!

Borromean Islands. Journey on Lake Maggiore aboard a private boat to Isola Madre to visit its extensive botanical gardens of exotic flowers, rare plants and ancient trees. Stroll through the fishing village of Isola dei Pescatori, and visit Isola Bella.

Bellagio. Enjoy a boat ride to Bellagio on Lake Como. Often thought of as the most beautiful town in Italy, Bellagio flaunts a promenade lined with lime trees and oleanders and a quaint city center with cobblestone streets and charming buildings painted in shades of cream, peach, and butterscotch. Poets and writers from every part of the world have visited and found inspiration in Bellagio.

Cruising Lake Como. Travel by private boat from Bellagio to Como, one of the most romantic ways to experience this region. Glide on deep-blue water, gloriously bathed with rays of golden sunlight, and delight in views of villas and colorful villages. Vistas of stunning gardens, hidden waterfalls and cypress groves will captivate your senses while the majestic Alps stand sentry in the background. Your scenic boat ride is sure to be among your trip's most treasured memories.

Cultural Milan. Begin with a visit to the Church of Santa Maria delle Grazie and see The Last Supper. Then enjoy a choice of excursions:

Architecture and Music. Enter the 14th-century Duomo, a Gothic masterpiece defended by marble saints and gargovles. Then visit the museum at the legendary La Scala, Italy's opulent opera house.

Milan's Fashion. Delve into the history of Milan's glamorous fashion world as you stroll along the city's trendy streets, lined with boutiques and shops, and meet with a local fashion expert.

Flavors of Italy. Learn the secrets of traditional Italian cuisine during an interactive cooking lesson and gather for a delightful, savory lunch.

#### **ENRICHMENT**

The Development of the Lake District. Learn about Italy's Lake District, a haven of Alpine peaks, gardens and lakes.

Gardens of Lake Maggiore. Learn the history of the powerful Borromeo family and how they transformed the tranquil islands that now are named after them into splendid retreats.

Golden Age of the Renaissance. Delve into the true genius of Leonardo da Vinci and Michelangelo, and trace their profound influences on sculpture and painting.

Contemporary Italy. Learn about Italy's current economy, politics, society and role in the European Union.



San Giulio. Lake Orta

### **AHI Travel Expertise**

Passenger Service Representative Helps with everything from arranging flights to fulfilling special requests.

Travel Director | Manages all details to ensure a memorable trip.

**Travel information** | Prepares you fully for your journey.

Expert local guides | Provide friendly, knowledgeable service.

Lecturers | Share their knowledge of and passion for their country.

### ACCOMMODATIONS

Hotel La Palma | Stresa





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The Borromeo's Palace. Isola Bella

#### **UNESCO World Heritage**

**Church and Dominican Convent of** Santa Maria delle Grazie with "The Last Supper" by Leonardo da Vinci



The Last Supper

### Let us arrange your flights!

**AHI FlexAir** | Our personalized air program offers incredible advantages:

- price guarantee
- arrival and departure transfers
- flexibility to change or cancel
- assistance with changes or delays
- flight insurance

### **DATES & PRICES**

#### June 4-12, 2019

From	\$3,745
Special Savings	\$250

#### **Special Price** \$3.495

VAT is an additional \$295 per person.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

Single accommodations are an additional \$695 (limited availability).