



Immerse yourself in the true essence of life in northern Italy's fabled Lake District, an impossibly picturesque setting that has inspired poets, composers, artists and philosophers for centuries. For one full week, enjoy charming accommodations in the belle-époque PALACE HOTEL in the heart of lovely Como and just steps away from the local market. Cruise by private boat on Lake Como, Lake Maggiore and Lake Orta. During expert-guided excursions and time on your own, explore beautiful villages and artistic and architectural treasures. Visit Bellagio, Villa del Balbianello, Stresa, the Borromean Islands and the Sacro Monte di Orta, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Spend a day in Milan, to visit the Duomo and Teatro alla Scala, and see Leonardo da Vinci's masterpiece The Last Supper. Enriching lectures and the exclusive VILLAGE LIFE® FORUM with local residents provide personal perspectives. An exceptional value, this exclusive, small-group travel program offers not only the best way to experience one of the world's most enchanting destinations, but also the convenience of unpacking only once! Verona and Venice Post-Program Option.





ITINERARY MAY 18 TO 26, 2019 Como, Bellagio, Borromean Islands, Sacro Monte di Orta

DAY

- 1 Depart the U.S.
- 2 Milan, Italy/Como
- 3 Como
- 4 Lake Maggiore/Borromean Islands/Stresa
- 5 Milan
- 6 Lake Como/Villa del Balbianello/Bellagio
- 7 Lake Orta/San Giulio Island
- 8 Como
- 9 Como/Milan/Return to the U.S.

Itinerary is subject to change.



VILLAGE LIFE® AROUND THE ITALIAN LAKES

INCLUDED FEATURES

In Como

- Seven nights in the charming PALACE HOTEL in the heart of Como's pedestrian zone and on the southern shore of Lake Como.
- Full buffet breakfast each morning.
- Three dinners in the hotel and one dinner in a traditional restaurant, featuring northern Italian specialties with Italian wines.
- Welcome Reception.

LOCAL EXPERT-GUIDED EXCURSIONS

- Walking tour of Old Como.
- Spectacular, full-day scenic tour of Lake Maggiore, featuring a private cruise of the Borromean Islands.
- Full-day excursion to Milan to visit the world-famous Teatro alla Scala and the exquisite Duomo.
- Private boat cruise across Lake Como to medieval Bellagio.
- Excursion by private boat to Lake Orta's island of **San Giulio**, including a visit to the 12th-century basilica, renowned for its medieval pulpit made of black Oira marble.
- Walking tour to the beautiful medieval village of **Orta San Giulio**.

EXCLUSIVE CULTURAL ENRICHMENTS

- Exclusively arranged, private lectures on Como history and culture presented by a local scholar and Como native, and a presentation on the life of Leonardo da Vinci by an art historian and resident of Como.
- Visit to UNESCO World Heritage-designated Santa Maria delle Grazie in Milan, with a specially arranged viewing of Leonardo da Vinci's *The Last Supper*.
- Specially arranged VILLAGE LIFE® FORUM with local Lombardy residents.
- Visit to Lake Maggiore's Isola Bella with a walk through the gardens of the 17th-century Palazzo Borromeo.
- Time on your own to explore romantic **Bellagio**, the most famous village on Lake Como, and to experience **Stresa's** spectacular views and tropical gardens on Lake Maggiore.
- Guided tour of the fresco-adorned chapels dedicated to St. Francis of Assisi on Sacro Monte di Orta, a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- Private guided tour of the Italian National Trust's magnificent 18th-century Villa del Balbianello.
- Opportunities to explore local markets in Como at your own pace.
- Opportunities to savor northern Italy's traditional cuisine during included meals and on your own.



- Occasion to interact with locals and immerse yourself in Lombardy life.
- Italian language introduction.

ENHANCED TRAVEL SERVICES

- Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
- All excursions and visits, as outlined above, with experienced local guides.
- Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions.
- Complimentary bottled water is provided on excursions and transfers.
- Hospitality desk in the hotel.
- Complimentary use of an audio headset during guided excursions.
- Experienced Gohagan & Company Program Director at your service.
- Automatic \$250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.

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