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CUISINE & CULTURE OF NORTHERN ITALY

12 days | Italy

The most important thing to pack on a trip to northern Italy? An empty stomach. Sample freshly made focaccia on the shores of Cinque Terre and stroll past street food vendors at Bologna's 25-acre cuisine amusement park, FICO World Eataly. Balance your meals with sightseeing stops in Milan, Bologna, Florence, and Rome, where you'll feast your eyes on some of Italy's most celebrated architectural gems. Just make sure to save room for gelato, too.

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Cuisine & culture highlights: one local market scavenger hunt challenge, one visit to a local farm and one locally guided walking tour with food tastings.



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When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

@EFtours I attribute my college semester abroad to the love for travel I discovered on an EF Tour in high school **#traveltuesday**

- MELISSA, TRAVELER





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Day 1: Fly overnight to Italy

Day 2: Milan | Lake Como

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport before you travel to Lake Como.
- Stretch your legs and absorb the natural beauty of Lake Como, one of northern Italy's most recognized sights.
- Enjoy a welcome dinner featuring classic Italian dishes.

Day 3: Milan

- Take an expert-led tour of Milan and discover the art, fashion, opera, and gastronomic influences that make this city a cultural hub.
- Visit a local farm to learn more about the area's produce and participate in a cooking class.

Day 4: Milan | Turin

- Travel to Turin, the capital of Italy's Piedmont region and the slow food movement, which focuses on preserving regional cuisines and local farms.
- Tour lively Porto Palazzo, Europe's largest food market.
- Interact with local vendors during a market scavenger hunt.

Day 5: Milan | Cinque Terre region

- Travel to Cinque Terre, a collection of seaside towns located along the Italian Riviera.
- Enjoy free time to relax on the area's pristine beaches.
- Sample focaccia from a local store.

Day 6: Cinque Terre region | Parma | Modena | Bologna

- Travel to Bologna via Parma and Modena.
- Visit a cheese producer, where you'll learn about the time-honored traditions of producing Parmesan.
- Stop in Modena for free time and lunch.

Day 7: Bologna

- Take an expert-led tour of Bologna. With a metropolitan population of one million people, Bologna is the seventh largest city in Italy, and the largest of the Emilia-Romagna region. Bologna is also home to some of Italy's most famous culinary delights, including Bolognese sauce.
- Explore FICO World Eataly during a guided tour. This massive food wonderland is home to working fields, stables, and vendors serving up tasty Italian cuisine such as mortadella, homemade pasta, and panettone.

Day 8: Bologna | Lucca | Florence

- Travel to Florence via Lucca.

- In Lucca, visit one of Tuscany's leading chocolatiers for a chocolate-making tour and tasting.
- Explore Florence at your own pace this afternoon. This Tuscan city is the birthplace of the Italian language, opera, and the Renaissance, and where works of art like Michelangelo's *David* and Botticelli's *The Birth* of *Venus* still reside today.

Day 9: Florence

- During an expert-led tour of Florence, pass by Giotto's Bell Tower and the imposing marble cathedral in the Piazza del Duomo, stand before Ghiberti's legendary *Gates of Paradise*, and see the classical statues of the Piazza della Signoria.
- During free time, explore Florence's famous Mercato Centrale.

Day 10: Florence | Rome

- Travel to Rome.

- Take an expert-led tour of the Colosseum and the Roman Forum. You'll explore the world's most famous arena, the Colosseum, where you can almost hear the stamping feet of the crowds gathered for gladiatorial combat. Nearby, the Roman Forum marks the former heart of the Roman Empire. Julius Caesar gave many of his great political speeches there.
- Enjoy gelato while walking through the streets of Rome.

Day 11: Rome

- Take a guided tour of Vatican City. Be sure to look up at Michelangelo's breathtaking ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and check out the colorful uniforms of the Swiss Guard, protectors of the Vatican.
- Continue your adventure in Rome on a selfguided walking tour to see other important sites such as the Trevi Fountain, Pantheon, Piazza Navona, and the Spanish Steps.
- Enjoy a special farewell dinner featuring some of the country's best comfort foods.

Day 12: Depart for home



I very much enjoyed ordering gelato in Italian. Being able to apply a language is something I don't get to do often. This is my fragola e cocco (strawberry and coconut) gelato, my personal favorite #EFtravelgoals

- MORGAN, TRAVELER



Ever since I was a little girl, I wanted to travel to Italy. It finally happened! With the greatest tour guide too! Our tour guide was the nicest and funniest man I have ever met! There was never a dull moment on the trip. Going to Italy for this trip only made me want to visit even more in the near future!

– MARIA, TRAVELER



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-CHARLOTTE, PARENT



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