

Abruzzo and Rome: what a perfect blend!

Discover one of the last quiet paradises of Italy with us: Abruzzo!

Olive groves, vineyards and undulating fields cover soft hills, crowned by medieval towns rich in history and art treasures. What is the best way to sell Abruzzo?

The combination with one of the most beautiful cities in Europe is perfect: Rome! The capital of the old and new world, the center of Christianity, the Middle Ages, the Renaissance and modernity.

Nature, culture and a touch of local gastronomy, perfectly blended together!

Tour includes

- 7 days coach rental from/to airport Rom as per program (incl. current parking fees)
- 5 nights Half board in a nice 4* hotel on the seaside
- 1 welcome drink
- 1 typical dinner in hotel with regional specialties
- 1 full day tour escort Sulmona and Scanno
- 1 almond-candies "Confetti" tasting in Sulmona, Including "vote your favourite almond-candy Confetti"
- 1 full day tour escort Lanciano and „Trabocchi coast"
- 1 seafood light lunch at the Trabocco, incl. drinks
- 1 full day tour escort Campo Imperatore and L'Aquila
- 1 full day tour escort Civitella del Tronto and Atri
- 1 Wine tasting at a wine cellar with snacks
- 1 Halfday guided tour in Rome
- 1 "porchetta" tasting (pork roast) with a glass of red wine
- 1 night B&B in a 4* Hotel in Rome

Available dates:

08.04 - 14.04.19 **29.04 - 05.05.19**

15.04 - 21.04.19 **06.05 - 12.05.19**

22.04 - 28.04.19

(Fall 2019 and 2020 dates, on request)

**Package price per person, 7 days
from € 629,00**



Programme

Day 1 - Arrival in Rome Fiumicino and transfer to Abruzzo.
Hotel accommodation, welcome drink and dinner.

Day 2 - Full day excursion to Sulmona and Scanno –
Breakfast at the hotel and departure to Sulmona. A visit to Sulmona, rich in outstanding works of art, the birthplace of the poet Ovid and the place where confetti with sugar-coated almonds were invented in pre-Roman times. At a Confetti tasting, you can choose your favorite variety from the various colors and flavors: that's how the BEST FLAVOUR is chosen! Option to visit a sheep farm with cheese production. While tasting the genuine products and getting to know the breeders and the surroundings, you can also consider adopting a sheep! In the afternoon, visit to **Scanno**, famous for its handicrafts such as lace pillows, filigree work, wrought iron, etc. and the ancient customs of its inhabitants.
Dinner at the hotel and overnight stay.

Day 3 - Full day excursion to Lanciano and Costa dei Trabocchi
- Breakfast at hotel and departure to **Lanciano**, one of the most beautiful art cities in the region, famous for its markets since Roman times and attracting merchants from all over the Mediterranean. In the afternoon, a beautiful drive along the **Costa del Trabocchi**, UNESCO World Heritage Site, awaits you. The coastal strip is characterized by rocky cliffs and small bays, above which fishing gear - which today is only used in a few places along the coast - seems to float. On a **Trabocco**, a snack with drinks is provided. Along the coast, visit the Abbey of San Giovanni in Venere. Enjoy the magnificent view of the stretch of coast that the Romans called the "Gulf of Venus".
Dinner at the hotel and overnight stay.

Day 4 - Full day excursion to Campo Imperatore and L'Aquila -
Breakfast at the hotel and drive across the **Campo Imperatore** to the Gran Sasso National Park. It is a vast plateau, the heart of the thousand-year-old Abruzzo shepherding phenomenon and world-famous for the western of Sergio Leone and for the several films with Bud Spencer and Terence Hill filmed here. Finally, you arrive at one of the most beautiful places in the interior of Abruzzo: Santo Stefano di Sessanio, which still preserves all the characteristics of a fortified medieval town. Then, visit to L'Aquila, which is even more beautiful than before it was resurrected. According to legend, 99 fortresses founded the city and the famous 99-fold fountain praises this event. In the late afternoon, return to the hotel and dinner.



Day 5 - Full day excursion at Civitella del Tronto and Atri -

Breakfast at the hotel. Drive and visit to **Civitella del Tronto**, which overlooks one of the largest fortresses in Europe, in a unique location with magnificent views. The place runs around a hill at the foot of the fortress. Wine tasting at the wine cellars of a farm that produces one of the best Abruzzo DOC-wines, with local specialities like salami, ham, etc. In the afternoon, we continue along the Calanchi Nature Reserve to Atri, one of the most important cities of the Abruzzo Renaissance. Atri offers a magnificent view point, from the sea to the peaks of the Gran Sasso.

Farewell dinner at the hotel and overnight stay.

Day 6 - Rome

After breakfast, drive to Rome for a guided tour of the city, where this short excursion will give you an impression of the splendour of the city and its past, which can still be found on every corner of the monuments in the open air. Then, there is a delicious tasting of Roman suckling pig, a local speciality not to be missed.

Day 7 - Breakfast and transfer to Rome Fiumicino Airport.



Are you travelling by coach instead? Here is our offer for you:

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Additional options:

- Pic-nic at Campo Imperatore with „arrosticini“ (mutton meat sticks) and local dishes – on request
- Gala dinner in the fabulous castle Chiola – on request

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