

# Panorama Italiano



**Mar 11 - Mar 22, 2021**

**Group Leader:**

Jim Young

**Group ID:**

113888

**Depart From:**

Kona

## what's included



**Round-Trip Flights**



**3- or 4-Star Hotels**

- ✓ Centrally Located Hotels
- ✓ Start Exploring
- ✓ Service Guarantee
- ✓ All Local Transportation
- ✓ Global Network
- ✓ Personal Headsets Included Throughout Tour
- ✓ Private Motor Launch Transfer
- ✓ Venice 48-Hour Vaporetto Pass
- ✓ Glassblowing Demonstration
- ✓ Fondaco dei Tedeschi Rooftop
- ✓ Cicchetti Tasting in Venice
- ✓ Master the Fresco



**Daily Breakfast and Dinner (unless otherwise noted)**



**24-Hour Tour Manager**

- ✓ Florence Tour with Guide
- ✓ Basilica di Santa Maria del Fiore (Il Duomo)
- ✓ Accademia with Guide and Reservation
- ✓ Florence Dinner Voucher
- ✓ Duomo di Orvieto
- ✓ High-Speed Hydrofoil to Capri
- ✓ Capri Funicular Round-Trip Ticket
- ✓ Tarantella Dance Lesson
- ✓ Pompeii Tour with Guide
- ✓ Rome Tour with Guide
- ✓ Vatican Museums with Guide and Reservation
- ✓ St. Peter's Basilica
- ✓ Colosseum with Guide and Reservation

## OUR promise

In educational travel, every moment matters. Pushing the experience from “good enough” to exceptional is what we do every day. Our mission is to empower educators to introduce their students to the world beyond the classroom and inspire the next generation of global citizens. *Travel changes lives.*

## cultural connections



**HIGHLIGHTS waiting to happen**

### Master the Fresco

Consider Italy's most famous frescoes and test your skills against Michelangelo's after learning techniques from an expert.

### Tarantella Dance Lesson

Master the steps of the Tarantella, a southern Italian folk dance, during an expert-led lesson.

“Our tour guide was phenomenal; he went above and beyond my expectations. His knowledge of the area and the history behind it was most impressive.”

**Matthew L. Participant**

## trip itinerary - 12 days

### Mar 11, 2021: Overnight Flight

Depart from the USA.

### Mar 12, 2021: Overnight Flight

Continue overnight flight to Europe.

### Mar 13, 2021: Venice

Arrive in Venice, meet your ACIS Tour Manager and enjoy a fast and fun transfer by private motor launch to your hotel on the Lido. Then start exploring this magnificent city of canals and palaces with your 48-hour vaporetto pass, which allows you to come and go throughout the city as you please. (D)

### Mar 14, 2021: Venice

Consisting of an archipelago carved by nearly 150 canals into 118 different islands, the incomparable city of Venice contains a wealth of sights. Arrive in St. Mark's Square where you can see the Basilica of St. Mark and the Bridge of Sighs, which connected the old prisons of Venice to the interrogation rooms of the neighboring Doge's Palace. Then learn more about one of Venice's most famous exports during an authentic glassblowing demonstration before visiting the historic Fondaco dei Tedeschi for breathtaking views of the Grand Canal from its rooftop. Stop for a photo at nearby Rialto Bridge en route to an authentic cicchetteria where you will sample traditional Venetian-style tapas. Then explore more at your own pace with unlimited access to the entire canal network and smaller islands using your vaporetto pass. You'll feel like a local in no time. (B,D)

### Mar 15, 2021: Florence

We leave Venice this morning and travel to Florence, the Cradle of the Renaissance. Once there, you will learn about Italy's most famous frescoes during a fresco making workshop and test your skills against Michelangelo's after learning the technique from a master. You will certainly gain a deeper appreciation of what he accomplished with the Sistine Chapel. (B,D)

### Mar 16, 2021: Florence

Today's sightseeing tour with a local guide providing commentary via personal headsets shows you the splendid Duomo, Ghiberti's famous Baptistery Doors and the Piazza della Signoria—the political center of this Renaissance city. Then breeze by the crowds with your own timed entrance to the Accademia, which houses Michelangelo's David. As you explore, keep an eye out for that special trattoria you might want to come back to. Tonight you'll be able to dine like (and with) the locals using our insider tips and restaurant vouchers. (B,D)

### Mar 17, 2021: Sorrento

Journey to Orvieto. Once a major center of the Etruscan civilization, the city is perched high on a plateau of volcanic tufa stone and is known for its gothic Duomo, whose dramatic outline is visible for miles around. Visit the Duomo, then begin your scenic drive down to coastal Sorrento, situated in the sheltered Bay of Naples under the shadow of Mount Vesuvius. Fragrant orange and



lemon trees abound. (B,D)

### Mar 18, 2021: Sorrento

Today's excursion brings you by high-speed hydrofoil to Capri, the Island of Dreams. Arriving on the island, take the funicular past sub-tropical gardens to the main piazza. There is time to wander through the twisting lanes and shop in the tiny artisan stores that line the square. (Prior to March 15, a scenic excursion down the Amalfi coast to Ravello and Amalfi with a visit to a lemon grove will be substituted). Then return to Sorrento where a dance lesson with local experts will teach you the steps of the Tarantella, a southern Italian folk dance. (B,D)

### Mar 19, 2021: Rome

This morning head to Pompeii for sightseeing with a local guide who provides commentary via personal headsets. In 79 AD, nearby Mount Vesuvius erupted and covered the city in 23 feet of ash. You will see a perfect picture of life unearthed as it was nearly 2,000 years ago. Today's final destination is Rome. (B,D)

### Mar 20, 2021: Rome

Rome is called "The Eternal City" because the ancient Romans believed that no matter what empires rose and fell, Rome would endure forever. Today's panoramic drive of the city is a great introduction to the many phases of Roman history. Our local expert accompanies you through the Vatican Museums, including the Sistine Chapel, and St. Peter's Basilica, giving commentary via personal headsets. The best part is that these are timed entrances, meaning you'll breeze right by the long lines facing other tourists. Then go inside the iconic and historic Colosseum with a local guide (another line-avoiding timed reservation) and learn the many stories of this nearly 2,000-year-old Roman landmark that's considered one of the architectural wonders of the ancient world. In the evening, we'll enjoy an authentic, brick-oven Roman pizza dinner and learn the art of the Italian passeggiata romana around Piazza Navona to cap off an exceptional week. (B,D)

### Mar 21, 2021: Rome

Today why not visit the tranquil Borghese Gardens or the shops of Via Condotti? Climb each of the seven hills, or visit some of the majestic churches such as Santa Maria Maggiore. Be sure to sample the gelato. One of the best spots for that is Piazza

Navona. (B,D)

**Mar 22, 2021: Departure**

Depart for the USA.

Optional Extensions and Extra Nights:

Further immerse yourself in the culture and wonders of la dolce vita with an extra night in Rome, including the services of your ACIS Tour Manager. (B)

*This is a preliminary itinerary for your group.*



## learning objectives

1. Independence: Take charge of yourself and your schedule as you gain the courage to navigate new destinations, test your language skills in real-world situations, and manage your time and money.
2. Flexibility: Develop skills to adapt and acclimate as you step outside your comfort zone, experiencing the cultural adjustments that come with new places, new foods, dynamic schedules and the wonderful idiosyncrasies of travel.
3. Teamwork: Learn respect, communication and collaboration—new settings and shared activities allow you to gain confidence at working together with both familiar faces and new acquaintances.

## tour cost

### Participant Fees

Program Fee	\$4906
Early Registration Discount	-\$100
Extra Night in Rome	\$244

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Total Participant Fees <sup>2</sup>	\$5050
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<sup>2</sup> Valid through 01/01/20 with \$200 deposit.

### Additional Fees (as applicable)

Adult Surcharge	\$100
Single Room Supplement	\$855
Double Room Supplement	\$450
Ultimate Protection Plan	\$360
Comprehensive Protection Plan	\$300

## notes from acis

A minimum of 15 paying passengers is needed to do the extra day in Rome.

It is customary to tip \$6/person/day for the Tour Manager and \$4/person/day for the Bus Driver. Your teacher will collect this in advance of your trip.

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Can travel make a difference in students' futures? It certainly can and does every single day. In fact, we surveyed 930 former ACIS travelers to see how their tours abroad as young adults influenced their choices in education and paved a way for future careers. Many of them credit travel as a defining moment in their adolescence, and below is a recap of our findings.

## education



**81%**

of those that traveled in middle school or high school continued their studies at the college level compared to the national average of 68%



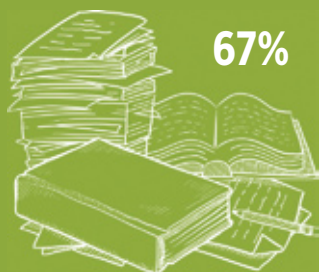
of travelers who went on to college said their travel experience influenced their field of study.



**57%**

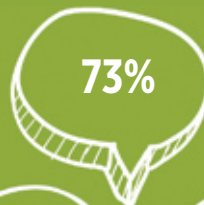
of respondents were motivated to study abroad during college.

## language skills



**67%**

of students continued to study foreign language in college.



**73%**

of ACIS travelers say they speak one foreign language fairly well compared with 18% of the American population.

## personal development



**94%** felt more independent after their trip.

**78%** saw an increase in their problem solving skills.

**92%** noted improvement in their interpersonal skills.



**65%**

have traveled overseas again since their ACIS trip.

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