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Monday, September 8 - Day 1 – DEPART USA – Today we depart our home airport to connect with our overnight flight to Rome aboard a widebodied jet. We enjoy in-flight movies, dinner, and breakfast aloft.

**Tuesday, September 9 - Day 2 – ROME** – We arrive in Rome this morning where we gather our luggage, clear customs and are met by our guide and driver. With an early arrival we tour the sites of Rome. During our walking tour, we pass the Roman Fora, the Arch of Constantine, and the Coliseum. Following lunch on our own, we are escorted to our hotel for check in. The remainder of the day is at leisure as we settle in and get ready for our dinner at the hotel and overnight.

## Wednesday, September 10 - DAY 3 -VATICAN CITY/ROME - This

morning, we make our way to St. Peter's for an audience with Pope Francis if he is in residence. After lunch on our own we visit St. Paul's Beyond the Walls. This huge, imposing Basilica, second only to St. Peter's and one of the largest churches in the Christian world, contains an unusual gallery of papal portraits: 265 tablets portraying the popes of the past. We celebrate Mass here and return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. Thursday, September 11 - DAY 4 -ROME - We start our day at one of the Catacombs, burial place of early Christians. We celebrate Mass here and view the 2nd and 3rd century fresco paintings. This afternoon we visit two of Rome's major basilicas, St. Mary Major

and St. John Lateran. We also see the Scala Santa, purportedly the stairs that Christ climbed prior to his condemnation by Pontius Pilate. Then we go to St. Peter in Chains to view Michelangelo's possibly most celebrated sculpture, the "Moses". Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Dinner and overnight at our hotel. Friday, September 12 - DAY 5 -VATICAN CITY/ROME/SORRENTO -Following morning Mass at St. Peter's, we spend this morning seeing the treasures of the Vatican Museum. We marvel at Michelangelo's restored frescoes in the Sistine Chapel. Continue to St. Peter's Basilica to view the "Pieta". This afternoon we depart Rome and head south to the wonderful town of Sorrento along the Mediterranean for dinner and overnight. Saturday, September 13 - Day 6 - ISLE OF CAPRI/SORRENTO - This morning, we leave Sorrento by steamer across the Bay of Naples to the Island of Dreams - Capri. We tour the island including Aracari and weather permitting, the beautiful Blue Grotto. Following Mass at one of the churches here we return to Sorrento for dinner and overnight.

Sunday, September 14 - Day 7 – SORRENTO/POMPEII/SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO - Today we motor along the Sorrento Peninsula to Pompeii, the Roman City destroyed yet preserved by the volcanic ash of Vesuvius in 79 AD. We then move on to San Giovanni Rotondo for dinner and overnight.

"Have questions about this pilgrimage? Ask us! Go to <u>www.Unitours.com/questions</u>." To book online go to https://bit.ly/CelinoItaly



## Monday, September 15 - Day 8 – SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO/MONTE SANT' ANGELO /PIETRELCINA/

**BENEVENTO** - This morning we visit the Church of Santa Maria delle Grazia and visit St. Padre Pio's tomb where we celebrate Mass. We visit the Grotto of Michael the Archangel. Six different popes and St. Francis of Assisi have knelt in prayer at this Grotto, seeking the protection of St. Michael. This afternoon we visit Pietrelcina, the town where Padre Pio was born. We see his native house and the Church of the Holy Family where we will find a convent and museum dedicated to St. Padre Pio. Later in the day, we travel to Benevento, and we check in at our Hotel for dinner and overnight.

Tuesday, September 16 - Day 9 -**BENEVENTO/MONTECASSINO/ SUBIACO/ROME** – After breakfast we depart our hotel and travel to Montecassino. The Abbey of Montecassino is one of the most known Abbeys in the world. In 529 Saint Benedict chose this mountain to build a monastery that would host him and those monks following him on the way from Subiaco. We enjoy a guided tour of the cloisters and then up the big ramp to the Basilica at Saint Benedict and Scholastica's grave. After the visit we have free time for lunch and then on to Subjaco. It was here that Saint Benedict and his sister Scolastica retired at the end of the 5<sup>th</sup> Century and built five monasteries. We visit the Monastery of St. Benedict, which dates from the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> centuries. We visit the Sacred Cave where Benedict lived as a hermit for three years. The staircase holds the earliest portrait of St. Francis without his halo or stigmata. We celebrate Mass here,

then continue to Rome for dinner and overnight at our hotel. Wednesday, September 17 - Day 10 -RETURN TO U.S. - Today we make our way home with memories of a lifetime.

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**TOTAL TOUR PRICE:** The tour price is based on airfare, cruise, land rates and rates of exchange in effect April 22, 2024. All rates are subject to change without prior notice. Should the rates go up or down, an adjustment would be made prior to departure. Refunds CANNOT be granted for any accommodations, services or events that are not used nor if you deviate from the tour. If fewer than 35 pilgrims participate a price adjustment may be necessary.

**PASSPORT AND VISA REQUIREMENTS:** A valid passport is required. At the time of printing, U.S. citizens holding valid passports DO NOT REQUIRE visas but may require COVID vaccination for the country or countries being visited. Passport MUST be valid until March 17, 2026, or later. Citizens of countries other than U.S. - please contact the consulate of the country or countries being visited to determine visa requirements.

**AIR TRANSPORTATION:** International flight reservations are being held on American Airlines. No stopovers are permitted. Any changes after ticket is issued carries a mandatory charge of \$200. Once the tickets are issued, they are NON-TRANSFERABLE AND NON-REFUNDABLE. Any requests to change a ticket once issued will incur a reissue fee of \$200 plus any fare differential will apply. Cancellation of air seat within 90 days of departure will incur a \$200 penalty.

**DOMESTIC AIRFARE:** For those who make domestic air arrangements to the originating city of this tour, your tour host and Unitours strongly recommend the purchase of tickets that can be changed without heavy fees and penalties as international flight schedules are always <u>subject to change</u>.

**HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:** Specially selected hotels based on twin occupancy with private bath. Single Room supplement of \$675 will be charged where requested and available. If you do not have a roommate and Unitours is unable to arrange one, you will be billed for the single room supplement. All singles are subject to availability.

**MEALS:** Breakfast and Table D' Hote dinners are provided daily except where noted in the itinerary. An extra charge will be made when coffee, tea or other beverages are not included in the menu of the day with the dinner meal.

**TIPS AND TAXES:** Tips and taxes normally appearing on hotel and restaurant bills as service are included, as are all government and local taxes on hotels and meals, porterage of one suitcase per person. International departure taxes of \$128 plus current fuel surcharges of \$480 are included (subject to change). TIPS TO TOUR MANAGER/GUIDES, DRIVERS OR DINING ROOMS STAFF OF \$100 ARE NOT INCLUDED. One average sized suitcase not exceeding 50 lbs total weight and 62 linear inches (height plus width plus depth) is permitted throughout the trip.

**NOT INCLUDED:** Expenses and items not specifically mentioned in this brochure are NOT covered, including but not limited to: passport and visa fees, meals not listed and items of a personal nature such as laundry, wines, liquors, mineral waters, after dinner coffee or tea, sightseeing or services other than those specifically mentioned, tips and taxes mentioned above, excess baggage and insurance, etc.

**DEPOSITS AND CANCELLATIONS:** A deposit of \$500 is required to secure reservations. Any balance is to be paid in full no later than 60 days before departure of

tour. Final payments received by Unitours after 45 days before departure must include a \$25 late payment fee. (This does not apply for new reservations made within 45 days of departure.) Reservations made within 60 days of departure must include full payment. Amex, Discover, Visa and MasterCard are accepted with signed reservation form. Final payments will be applied to same credit card on final payment due date. Cancellations made from time of reservation to within 61 days prior to departure - -\$400 administration fee (charged to deposit) plus any air penalties noted above. In the event of a cancellation from 60 to 31 days prior to departure - \$400 administration fee plus up to 50% of the land cost, plus any air penalties noted above. No refund for cancellations received within 30 days of departure. All cancellation and refund claims must be in writing to Unitours, Inc.

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**DEVIATIONS:** A service charge of \$50 pp will be applied for any deviations made in tour, (where possible), PLUS any additional air or land charges incurred.

**TRAVEL INSURANCE:** Optional Travel Insurance is strongly recommended for your trip. See <u>www.Unitours.com/travelInsurance</u> for full details and to purchase coverage.

LAND ARRANGEMENTS: The tour operator reserves the right to change the itinerary due to unforeseen emergencies.

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