

# ITALY

## ITALIAN ART TOUR

### Day 1 Australia - Italy

Depart Australia on your flights to Italy.

### Day 2 Venice

(D)

Upon arrival, transfer to the city centre by private boat. Enjoy a full free day in the city, exploring Venice as a group. Take your sketchpad with you and begin your visual record of the tour.

*First night's accommodation in Venice*

### Day 3 Venice

(B,D)

After breakfast, meet your guide and enjoy a half-day tour of the City of Canals. Spend a free afternoon adding to your sketchpad with your teachers leading the group.

*Second night's accommodation in Venice*

### Day 4 Florence

(B,D)

Travel south by coach this morning to the Tuscan capital. Upon arrival, meet your guide and enjoy a tour of the magnificent Accademia, which houses Michelangelo's *David*. Spend free time in the city before retiring to your accommodation in the evening.

*First night's accommodation in Florence*



### Day 5 Florence

(B,D)

After breakfast, make your way to your first half-day oil painting class. This afternoon, visit a local artist's studio before enjoying free time in the city as a group.

*Second night's accommodation in Florence*

### Day 6 Florence

(B,D)

After breakfast, make your way to your second half-day oil painting class. This afternoon, meet your guide for a tour of the Uffizi Gallery, which has in its collection many Italian Renaissance masterpieces.

*Third night's accommodation in Florence*

### Day 7 Florence, Pisa

(B,D)

After breakfast, make your way to your third half-day oil painting class. This afternoon, enjoy an excursion to Pisa by coach. Return to Florence in the evening for dinner.

*Fourth night's accommodation in Florence*

### Day 8 Florence

(B,D)

After breakfast, make your way to your fourth half-day oil painting class. This afternoon, enjoy a lesson *en plein air* in a Florentine square or garden.

*Fifth night's accommodation in Florence*

### Day 9 Florence

(B,D)

After breakfast, make your way to your fifth half-day oil painting class. Enjoy a free afternoon. You might like to visit the walled, hill-top town of San Gimignano by train.

*Sixth night's accommodation in Florence*

### Day 10 Cinque Terre

(B,D)

Enjoy a full-day coach excursion to the Cinque Terre. Visit the villages of La Spezia, Riomaggiore and Monterosso. From Riomaggiore, walk along the Via dell'Amore, part of the famous Sentiero Azzurro, to Manarola. Explore each town at your own pace, adding to your sketchpad. Return to Florence for dinner.

*Seventh night's accommodation in Florence*



### Day 11 Siena, Orvieto

(B,D)

Meet your coach and make your way through the beautiful Tuscan countryside to Siena. Spend a free morning in the city. Continue on to Orvieto. Enjoy a guided tour of the town.

*First night's accommodation in Orvieto*



### Day 12 Orvieto

(B,D)

Enjoy a free morning adding to your sketchpads in Orvieto. This afternoon, travel to the Orvieto Caves for a guided tour.

*Second night's accommodation in Orvieto*

### Day 13 Rome

(B,D)

Depart Orvieto for the Eternal City this morning. Upon arrival, check in at your accommodation. This afternoon meet your guide for a walking tour of the Forum Romanum and Colosseum.

*First night's accommodation in Rome*

### Day 14 Rome

(B,D)

This morning, make your way to the Vatican City for a half-day guided visit. Visit St. Peter's Basilica and the impressive Vatican Museums. Spend a free afternoon in the area adding to your sketchpads.

*Second night's accommodation in Rome*

### Day 15 Rome

(B,D)

Enjoy a full free day in Rome. You might like to explore the Spanish Steps, the boutique-lined Via Condotti and the Trevi Fountain in the morning and visit the Capitoline Museums in the afternoon.

*Third night's accommodation in Rome*

### Day 16 Rome

(B,D)

After breakfast, make your way to Villa Borghese and enjoy a guided tour of the Gallery, which houses major works by Raphael, Rubens, Titian and Caravaggio. Spend a free final afternoon in Rome with your teachers leading the group.

*Fourth night's accommodation in Rome*

### Day 17 Italy - Australia

(B)

Transfer to the airport for your return flights to Australia.

### Day 18 Australia

Arrive home.

**B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, PL = Packed Lunch, D = Dinner**

**We tailor all tours to meet your specific requirements.**