

## Other Helpful Travel & Tour Detail

**Passport Names & Expiration Date:** You are required to have a passport for this trip. Please double check your name spelling and make sure that is listed correctly on the Reservation Form. Your passport expiration date must be valid thru January 2021.

**What is the weather in Italy like in October?** It's certainly hard to predict the weather, let alone control it. Even a few weeks before you leave on your trip it's hard to be 100% accurate as to what will exactly occur. We can tell you specifically that you should experience mild temperatures mostly in the 60's during the daytime; and 50's during the overnight hours. While we don't expect anything in the 70's, there is always a chance. As you move farther north towards Venice it's possible some cooler evenings in the 40's will occur. It should be pleasant and comfortable, and not too cold, and certainly not hot. There is always a chance for rain, though nothing significant should happen. You will need a jacket, and some rain protection like an umbrella. You can wear casual clothes during the entire tour – no formal dress is required. Comfortable clothing and comfortable shoes are suggested for the entire tour.

**You will need an electrical adapter:** These adapters are not expensive; usually \$15-\$20. You will need one, perhaps two. Many of these adapters have plugs containing multiple outlets and USB ports for additional charging capabilities. Locally, you can find them at places like Walmart, Target, Walgreens, and TJ Max, but you can also find them online. You need one that will work for "Europe". A hair dryer will be in your hotel, so no need to bring yours, unless you want too. For a straight iron or curling iron, you may want to consider getting a dual voltage iron, which can also be found at stores nearby.

**How do you get money on tour?** The (cash) currency in Italy is the Euro. You will either pay for your items with a credit card or use the local cash/currency. If you use a credit card, a Visa or Master-card is widely accepted. American Express can be used at some stores, but Discover card is not accepted as much in Italy. To obtain local currency for your travel, we recommend you use a Debit Card at any ATM after you arrive in Italy. You can also get cash at any time thru the ATM's, as needed during the tour. We will discuss this information again during our trip meetings, and several times before you leave on your trip.

**Are any shots or vaccinations needed?** No medical shots or vaccinations are needed for this trip, unless you will be traveling into Africa or Asia within the few months prior to Italy.

**Extend your trip!** Without a doubt we suggest you consider extending your trip. Additional time in Rome or Venice could easily be added. You also have other areas in Italy that are very close and easy to extend if needed. Everyone in our group won't be extending, but we can customize everything you need for a hassle-free transition to your travel needs. Our sample suggestions below will give you an idea on how you could extend your trip. Contact GalaxSea at 417-451-5468 to plan and customize your Italy experience around our tour.

**Rome – 2 Night extension.** With so much to experience in Rome, you honestly can't see it in a day to two. A very easy way to enhance your tour is to extend for a couple of more nights. We can easily add your arrival transfers in Rome to meet you and get you into your hotel; add some sightseeing to compliment the already included sightseeing on our Cosmos tour. After your fun filled extra time in Rome, you'll meet the rest of our group at the tour hotel to start the tour. \$469 per person for the extend stay in Rome. Call us for the single rate.

**Venice – 2 Night Post-tour experience:** Venice is also easy to add at the end of our tour, and a few extra days here are an excellent way to end your visit. The Cosmos hotel on our tour is located outside of the island of Venice, so we might suggest a different location for your hotel on this particular extended stay. Pricing will be determined based on your hotel selection.

**Sorrento, & Amalfi Coast:** One of the other magical areas of Italy is the Amalfi Coast. Extending your trip to enjoy this location would fit very well on the front side of our tour. You would fly you into Naples first, and have you stay in Sorrento for (3) additional nights. Sightseeing in the area will include Pompeii; Isle of Capri; the Amalfi Coast; and Sorrento. When your stay is completed, we'll get you back to Rome via the highspeed train so you can join the Cosmos tour in Rome. For more details on any pre/post stay, or to customize your own pre or post tour adventure, call Wendy Charlton at GalaxSea, 417-451-5468.