



NEW 2024 LAKE COMO: LAND OF VILLAS



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Lombardia - Como - Como

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1 DAY ARRIVAL

Arrival on Lake Como, sits on the foot of the Alps and offers some of the most beautiful scenery in Italy's Lake district. Accommodation, dinner and overnight.

2 DAY LAKE COMO

Breakfast and meeting with your guide to visit Lake Como area. First stop in Cernobbio to visit Villa d'Este, built in 16th century and redesigned as Luxury Hotel in the 19th century. You will admire other beautiful villas as: Villa Erba and Villa Bernasconi. Your tour continues to Tremezzo with the visit of Villa Carlotta. This Villa has magnificent rare plants in a rich garden and valuable art. Boat trip from Tremezzo to Bellagio, the pearl of Lake Como. Bellagio is made of several different hamlets and walking around you'll enjoy beautiful views and cozy atmosphere. The 22 suburbs scattered over the vast area of land stretching from the lakeside to the top of Mt. San Primo are all part of Bellagio. The "Borgo" is the town's historic centre and was one of the first areas; in Bellagio to be inhabited. Back to your Hotel. Dinner and overnight.

3 DAY COMO AND LECCO

Breakfast and with your guide start the visit of Como, historic town, located in a small basin surrounded by moraine hills and dominated by mount Brunate. A walk through the historic center permits the visitor to discover the Cathedral Broletto (seat of the medieval town hall), Piazza Verdi with its beautiful monuments dating from various periods in history, the medieval walls, the neoclassical theatre, the former Casa del Fascio, Corso Vittorio Emanuele II, the Romanesque Basilica of St. Fedele and its beautiful square, the imposing tower and Piazza della Vittoria with a statue dedicated to Garibaldi. The visit goes on to Lecco in the footsteps of Alessandro Manzoni. During the city tour you will discover little things about the love story of Renzo and Lucia, protagonists of the famous novel "I Promessi Sposi". Back to the Hotel. Dinner and overnight.

4 DAY MILAN

After breakfast drive to Milan and meeting with city guide. The day is completely dedicated to the most important city in the north of Italy. You start from Castello Sforzesco (Sforza Castle) from outside to the lyric theater "Alla Scala" and its square. You will cross the fashion gallery Vittorio Emanuele II to reach the Cathedral, one of the most popular monuments of Gothic architecture. Free time for your shopping. In the afternoon the visit goes on with the visit of the Quarter "Navigli", a district that is crossed by artificial canals and animated by several restaurants, art shops and artisans. During the day this is a charming and quiet area but revived in the late afternoon during aperitif time. We suggest a tour through Porta Nuova, the new Milan with contemporary architecture. Back to the Hotel. Dinner and overnight.

5 DAY VALTELLINA WITH THE BRIDGE IN THE SKY

Breakfast and today your guide will go with you in Valtellina, alpine area surrounded by vast glaciers with breathtaking alpine views, which captivates the hikers and mountain climbers. The range of different altitudes in the areas surrounding the valley offers a large variety of environments, including apple orchards and wheat fields on the valley floor, terraced vineyards on the mid-mountain slopes, dense fir forests, green alpine pastures dotted with characteristic huts, and spectacular mountain peaks that rise above white glaciers. You will reach "Ponte nel cielo" (The bridge in the sky), a direct connection between Campo and the pastures of Frasnino at an altitude of more than 140 metres. Easy to walk for everybody. At the end of the visit you will stop in a typical agriturismo to taste specialties including "Bitto", a traditional Valtellina DOP cheese made with goat milk that is only produced during summer months in the high altitude pastures, "polenta taragna" made with a mixture of stone-ground cornmeal and buckwheat flour that is cooked with pieces of cheese and you will taste the famous "bresaola", a cured meat typical of Valtellina made from beef seasoned with salt. Back to the Hotel. Dinner and overnight.

6 DAY DEPARTURE

