

Best of Italy

May 2-14, 2006 Visiting: Venice, Florence, Pisa, Luca, Rome, Assisi, Capri, Naples, & Pompeii

\$2999.00 per person from Peoria based on double occupancy

To make a reservation, please call:
Norma Joseph
(309) 677-4747

Space is limited, book early!

The Best of Italy

EXCLUSIVE TOUR FEATURES:

- Round trip bus transportation from Peoria to Chicago
- Air transportation from Chicago to Naples and return from Venice on regularly scheduled flights
- In-flight meals and beverage service
- 11 nights of First Class hotel accommodation with private facilities

2 nights Venice Mestre

3 nights Montecatini (Tuscany)

3 nights Rome

3 nights Southern Italy

· Full Breakfast daily

- 5 Dinners
- Full day tour to the Isle of Capri
- Full day tour to Naples and Pompeii
- Two half-day tours of Rome including Vatican Museum
- Full day tour to Florence
- Full day tour to Venice
- Tour of Pisa and Lucca
- Services of an English speaking tour director
- Round trip transfers and luggage handling of 1 suitcase per person, except at airports

Not included: U.S. and foreign departure taxes of approx \$120.00 per person, tips to guides and drivers, and items of a personal nature.

Optional Papal Audience is at an additional cost of \$65.00 per person if desired.

DAY BY DAY ITINERARY

May 2 - Depart Chicago

Evening departure from Chicago on Lufthansa German Airlines to Munich. Dinner and Breakfast will be served on board.

May 3 - Munich/Venice

Morning arrival in Munich, where you continue by a connecting flight to Venice. You will be met and transferred to your hotel in Venice Mestre. The remainder of the day is at your leisure. **Dinner is included this evening.**

May 4 - Venice

This morning board a Vaporetto to San Marco Square. There, you meet up with a local guide who will take you on a walking tour around this very unique city. You visit St. Marco's Basilica, walk over small bridges to the Bridge of Sighs, and past winding waterways to Rialto Bridge. Here, you admire all sorts of Italian products from fresh fruits and vegetables to clothing and leather. You have free time to shop, take an "optional" Gondola ride, or explore the city.

May 5 - Venice/Bologna/Montecatini (Tuscany)

This morning you motor coach to the heart of Tuscany via Bologna. Montecatini is a lovely Spa town known for its beautiful parks and therapeutic water. **Dinner will be included this evening**.

May 6 - Montecatini (Florence Excursion)

After breakfast at the hotel, depart for Florence. On your guided tour this morning, you walk around the stirring sights of Florence, Grotto's Bellower, Ghiberti's Gates of Paradise, and Brunelleschi's Dome. The tour ends in Signoria Square with its sculptures and sidewalk cafes. Afternoon at leisure to explore this grand city of the Renaissance. Late afternoon return to Montecatini.

May 7 - Montecatini (Pisa & Lucca Excursion)

After breakfast at the hotel, depart by private motor coach for Pisa, approximately a 30 minute drive. Here you will wander around the Square of Miracles with the famous Leaning Tower. Continue on to Lucca, home of the great composer Giacomo Puccini — a magnificent city characterized by a complex of towers and palaces dating to the XIV Century. Early afternoon return to Montecatini.

May 8 - Montecatini/Assisi/Rome

Begin your drive toward Rome. Marvel at the picturesque countryside lined with cypresses, clusters of vineyards, orchards of fruit trees, and farm houses. Stop at the spiritual town of Assisi, Italy's most significant religious center. Visit St. Francis Church and Monastery. Continue driving along the Highway of the Sun to Rome "The Eternal City." Dinner is included this evening.

May 9 - Rome

Enjoy a guided tour of the Vatican Museums, a group of impressive edifices with hundreds of rooms, halls, galleries, libraries, and chapels, overflowing with art treasures. The ceiling of the Sistine Chapel, Michelangelo's masterpiece painting, is bound to be the highlight of this tour. You then enter the largest church in Christendom – St. Peter's Basilica. Marvel at Michelangelo's Pieta and Bernini's amazing bronze canopy. From here, you will be on your own for the remainder of the day to do some last-minute shopping.

May 10 - Rome

Truly a day you will relive in your mind for years to come. If the Pope is available, you will have the **option** to attend a **Papal Audience**. After free time for lunch on your own, begin a guided tour of the city. You'll almost hear the roar of the lions as you enter the Colosseum and imagine the brutal entertainment of the Romans. Next, view the Roman Forum, Circus Maximus, Castle St. Angelo and Largo Argentina — where Julius Caesar met his fate at the hands of Brutus.

May 11 - Rome/Pompeii Region

Today you drive south to explore another very picturesque and interesting part of Italy. You arrive at your luxurious resort in S.Antonio Abate. Enjoy your beautiful five star resort before your **included dinner**.

May 12 - The Isle of Capri

Breakfast at the hotel. Today a visit to the beautiful Isle of Capri is on the agenda. Enjoy a round trip ferry ride and a guided tour, with some free time to shop and browse.

May 13 -Naples and Pompeii

After breakfast at the hotel, tour the City of Naples with its commercial and military port, and the medieval Castle Dell'Ovo. This afternoon, visit the lost city of Pompeii and its excavations. Farewell Dinner at the hotel this evening.

May 14 - Naples/Munich/Chicago

Bid Farewell to Italy this morning as you board your flight to Munich. You continue by a connecting flight to Chicago arriving the same afternoon with unforgettable memories of your "best of Italy"

"Benvenuto"

Travel Insurance Recommended For A Worry-Free Vacation

Sometimes it happens - an emergency at home or a sickness causes people to cancel their vacation or interrupt their trip. We hope this doesn't happen to you, but if it does, what about the financial costs involved? And what about losing your personal belongings or becoming ill while on your trip?

Because these unfortunate events can occur, a travel insurance plan offered and administered by Trip Mate Insurance Agency, Inc. is available with all Eskin Tours International travel arrangements. This high-quality travel insurance plan covers you vacation investment, your belongings, and most importantly, you. This travel insurance plan covers you even if you must cancel or interrupt your trip due to a pre-existing medical condition - if you purchase the insurance within 2 days of your initial deposit/payment for your trip and are not disabled from travel at the time of you pay your premium.

Outlined below are the major benefits of the policy. A "Description of Coverage" brochure which provides compete details of the plan, including conditions, exclusions and limitations will be included with your travel documents and is also available to you, upon request, at any time prior to your purchase of the plan.

TRIP CANCELLATION / INTERRUPTION

Up To Trip Cost

If you have to cancel or interrupt your trip due to a covered Injury, Sickness or death - your own or that of a Traveling Companion or an Immediate Family Member - or for Other Covered Events, as defined, you will be reimbursed up to the trip cost for; cancellation charges imposed on travel arrangements provided by Eskin if you cancel before departure; or if you must interrupt your trip after departure, you will be reimbursed for the unused, non-refundable land or water arrangements and the additional transport charges paid to return home or to rejoin your trip (limited to economy one-way airfare or first class, if your original tickets were first class).

This plan does not cover a loss that results from an illness, disease, or other condition (of you, an Immediate Family Member, Traveling Companion or Business Partner), event or circumstance which occurs at a time when this plan is not in force for you.

TRIP DELAY

Provides up to \$100 per day (maximum of \$500) for reasonable accommodation and traveling expenses until travel becomes possible if you are delayed for more than 12 hours due to a covered reason such as air carrier delay; Injury, Sickness or death of you or your Traveling Companion; quarantine; loss of passport, travel documents or money; or natural disaster

ACCIDENTAL DEATH & DISMEMBERMENT

\$25,000

These benefits are paid if loss occurs within 365 days of a covered injury which occurs while on your Eskin

MEDICAL EXPENSE/EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

\$25,000 Provides reimbursement for reasonable and customary medical expenses incurred within 365 days of a covered sickness which occurs while on your trip; emergency dental treatment received during your trip; the costs for emergency transport to home or an appropriate hospital, including escort expense (both, if deemed necessary by the attending physician), for a covered Injury or Sickness which occurs while on your trip; or the cost of homeward carriage if deceased.

BAGGAGE/TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

Coverage for direct physical loss or damage to your baggage, passports or visas while on your trip. A \$500 maximum limit applies to jewelry, gems, watches, cameras and camera equipment, and furs - a \$250 per article limit applies to all other items. If, while on your trip, your baggage is delayed for 24 hours or more, we will reimburse you up to \$100 for the purchase of necessary additional clothing and personal articles.

COVERAGE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The "Description of Coverage" brochure defines Traveling Companion as a person booked to share accommodations with you in the same room, cabin, apartment or condominium unit during your entire trip; Immediate Family Member as the following relatives - yours or those of your Traveling Companion - spouse, children, parents, step-parents, parents-in-law, sisters, brothers, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, aunts, uncles, nephews and nieces, grandparents, and grandchildren; and Sickness as an illness or disease of the body which requires treatment by a Physician. Sickness of you, a Traveling Companion, Immediate Family Member or Business Partner must commence while insurance is in force for you.

Certain exclusions and limitations apply and are detailed in the "Description of Coverage" brochure. For example, coverage does not apply to: any sickness or condition of you, a Traveling Companion or an Immediate Family Member traveling with you that existed during the 90 days prior to the effective date of the coverages (this exclusion is waived if you purchase coverage with or before your final payment for your trip and you are not disabled from travel when you make your premium payment), suicide, normal pregnancy, war or any act of war, mental or nervous disorders. Other Covered Events, as defined, includes the following events or their consequences: arrangements canceled by an airline due to inclement weather or an organized labor strike; a documented traffic accident while en route to departure; jury duty; destruction of your residence; or a documented theft of pass-

While this summary describes the nature of the plan in general terms, it is not a policy of insurance. Your "Description of Coverage" brochure detailing the provisions of the plan will be sent to your travel agent when your space is reserved. We urge you to obtain and review this important document.

All travel insurance claims and inquiries must be submitted to the Plan Administrator, Trip Mate Insurance Agency, Inc., 9225 Ward Parkway, 2nd Floor, Kansas City, MO 64114 Telephone 1-800-888-7292. This plan is underwritten by: Monumental General Casualty Company (all states except as otherwise noted) and Monumental Life Insurance Company (AK, KS, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NC, WA, WI, WY) and J.C. Penney Casualty Insurance Company (CO, MI, MN, NY, VT)

TOUR CONDITIONS

TOUR DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT: Reservations are accepted with personal or bank checks.

ARRANGEMENTS: The tour price is based on the current rate of exchange, tariff rates and air fares in effect July 1, 2005. In the event of a marked increase in foreign currency, in air tariff, or in hotel or transportation rates, notifications will be sent to tour members in writing no later than 30 days prior to departure.

TRIP CANCELLATION: BAGGAGE AND MEDICAL INSURANCE: You will be given the opportunity to purchase insurance coverage for cancellation due to illness or accident. In the event you elect not to purchase the trip cancellations and you cancel from the tour, charges will be made without exception in accordance with the Cancellation Policy.

CANCELLATION: \$50.00 per person levied if written notification is received 100 days or more prior to departure date. Between 100-61 days prior to departures, \$100.00 per person penalty. After that date the following will apply to cover the considerable penalties of the different suppliers. 25% of the land rate and, if greater, any other expenses incurred on behalf of the passenger. For air portion and cruise portion, the regulation of the carriers will apply.

INTERNATIONAL AIRLINE TRAVEL: One piece of checked luggage is allowed on the tour. Its combined total measurement (length+width+height) cannot exceed 62 inches. You are also allowed one carry-on per person which must be able to fit under the seat in front of you with a total measurement of 45 inches. All special requests that we receive for particular seating arrangement (which must be noted on your reservation form as you sign up for the tour) are forwarded to the airline involved. However, we regret in this time of mass travel and computerized seating reservations, we cannot guarantee or be responsible in the event that your request is not honored by the airline. Should you wish to deviate from the package tour by changing your departure and/or return dates of travel, there will be a service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the state of the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the additional to the service charge of \$100.00 per person plus the se tional cost of the change in air fare.

RESPONSIBILITY: WTVP and Eskin Tours of 425 Huehl Rd., Unit 16A, Northbrook, IL 60062 and/or any travel agency and/or suppliers of services pursuant to or in connection with this itinerary shall not be responsible or become liable for any delay incurred by any person in connection with any means of transportation; nor for any loss, damage or injury to person or prop-

erty by reason of any event beyond the control of any agency or supplier, or occurring without the fault or negligence of such agency or supplier. The right is reserved to substitute the airline to be used; the type of aircraft; and to alter the dates of the tour; the tour routing; or to cancel the trip if a minimum number of bookings is not reached for either the land or air portion of this itinerary. The right is also reserved to substitute hotels for other hotels in same category. Further, the right is reserved to decline to accept or cancel any tour. No refund will be made at the time of booking. The carriers concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their plane or conveyance. The passage contract in use by carrier concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the carrier and the purchaser of this tour.

By utilizing the travel services of the suppliers, you agree that neither Eskin Tours nor any representative of Eskin Tours shall be liable, and that you will look to such suppliers, for any accident, injury, property damage, or personal loss to you or to those traveling with you in connection with any accommodations, transportation, or other travel service, or resulting directly or indirectly from any occurances or conditions beyond Eskin Tours control, including, but not limited to, acts of terrorism, political unrest, war, defects in vehicles, break-down of equipment, strikes, theft, delay or cancellation of or changes in itinerary or schedules, or a disease outbreak.

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