



TOUR OPERATOR

FAITH AND CULTURE IN NORTHERN ITALY

DAY 1 Padua: Arrive in the morning at Padova. Guided tour of the city: Piazza delle Erbe, Cathedral and Battistero, Palazzo della regione, St. Anthony Basilica. Named "Il Santo", the church is one of the most famous sanctuaries of the world and was built in Roman-Gothic style from 1232 to half of '300 in order to accept the grave of Saint Anthony of Padua. It's very rich of works of art, like the marvelous bronzes by Donatello. Free lunch.



In the afternoon it is possible to visit Scrovegni Chapel, built in Roman-Gothic style, consecrated in 1305. It contains inside the very famous frescoes by Giotto, one of the masterpieces of Italian painting. (not included in the quotation). There is the possibility to book a Holy Mass in the Basilica of St. Anthony. Accommodation in Hotel. Free dinner. Overnight.

DAY 2 VENICE: Breakfast. Departure for Venice. Arrival in Venice, also called: "La Serenissima" a denomination dating back in a time period between the Middle Age and the Renaissance. It rises on a little island in the middle of the lagoon of Venice and it is famous for its brightness and the uncommon beauty of its marble monuments on the shore. Excursion to the most known and important islands of Venice: Murano e Burano, famous for their glass craftsmanship. Return to Venice. Free lunch. Guided tour of classic Venice. Return to the Hotel. Dinner and Overnight.



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DAY 3 VERONA – LAKE GARDA: Breakfast. Departure for Verona. In Verona is set the suffered love of Romeo and Juliet. Guided tour: our historians of art will guide you through Verona, where you will look at the famous Arena (where a lot of shows take place), the Roman Theatre with 23 gradine, San Gerolamo convent. Free lunch. Tour of Peschiera del Garda, one of the small towns raising up the lake of Garda: there you will visit the sanctuary of Madonna del Frassino, raised where tradition tells that Virgin Mary appeared to a peasant in 1510. In the sanctuary you will look at excellent paintings by Paolo Farinati (16th century). Return to the hotel. Dinner and overnight.



DAY 4 SOTTO IL MONTE / BERGAMO: Breakfast. Departure for Sotto il Monte and visit of the places where the Good Pope **Giovanni XXIII** lived. He was canonized two years ago. The origin of the village dates back to IX century under the name "Bercio" after "Sotto il Monte" and it followed the same historical events as Bergamo. The village took on the full name of "Sotto il Monte Giovanni XXIII" on January 13th, 1964 decree of the President of the Italian Republic, Antonio Segni. Free lunch. In the afternoon, you will hear the Holy Mass. Return to the Hotel. Overnight.



5th Day RETURN HOME: Breakfast. Departure back home.

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