

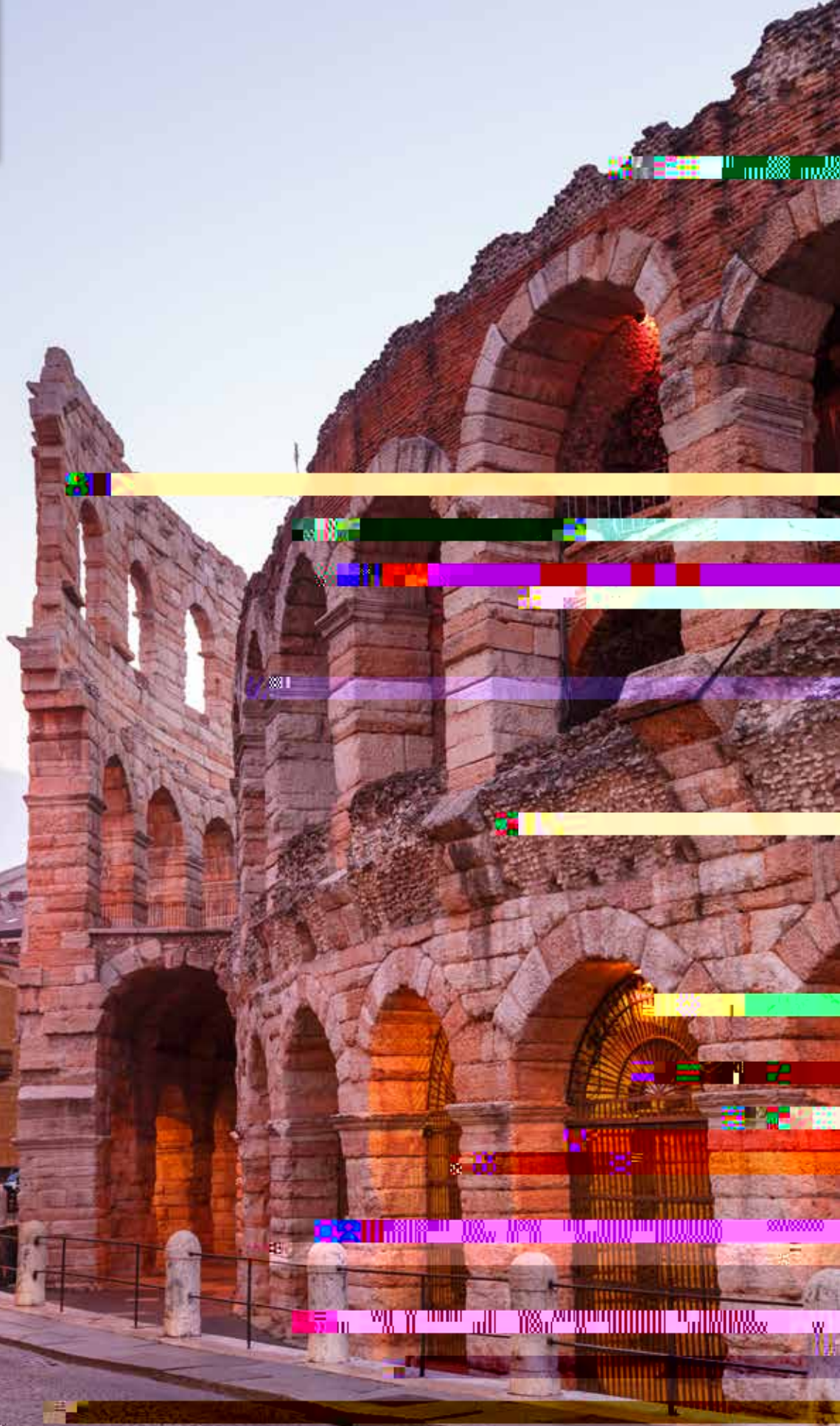
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# Flavors of NORTHERN ITALY

Veneto, Lombardy &  
Lago di Garda





Colosseum Arena di Verona

## Introduction

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extraordinary historic sites.

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La dolce vita!  
celebration of food, friends and life!

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today and share this brochure with family and friends who may be interested  
in traveling with you.

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## Relax

- With your small group (maximum 19 guests), enjoy seven nights accommodations at a historic country farmhouse amidst a wine and olive oil-producing estate.
- Join intimate cooking classes with locals who share their families' histories and favorite recipes.
- Relax during a boat tour around Lago d'Iseo, featuring mesmerizing clear water and stunning mountain scenery, followed by touring on land.

## Discover

- Take in the area's layered history, with visits to Verona's 2,000-year-old Roman arena and the **Wine & Vine** winery.
- Admire the panoramic beauty at captivating Lago di Garda—Italy's largest lake.
- Delight in a cheese-making demonstration and tasting in the heart of Lessinia, home to a delicious variety of Italian cheeses.
- See Palazzo Ducale di Mantova—a UNESCO World Heritage Site—which was the royal residence of the Gonzaga family from 1328 to 1707.

## Engage

- Meet a renowned winemaker who specializes in creating Amarone. Then retreat to a nearby restaurant for a polenta-making demonstration, featuring Amarone, and dinner.
- Enjoy a special excursion near Modena for a tasting of aged balsamic vinegar during a convivial meal with the property's owner and his family.

## What's Included

- 7 nights accommodations
- 7 breakfasts, 5 lunches, and 7 dinners served with wine
- All lessons, private tours and tastings, and unique small-group excursions noted in the 9-day itinerary
- Full guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director and expert local guides
- Private motor coach transportation
- Luggage portering
- Gratuities to Orbridge Travel Director, local guides, drivers, and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times

## Your Accommodations (subject to change)

Within arm's reach of the culture-rich Veneto and Emilia Romagna regions lies Borgo San Donino, a charming farmhouse on the Selva Capuzza estate. The property is a testament to its independence.

The farmhouse apartments, winery, and nearby restaurant are the result of many years of dedicated work, and provide award-winning wines, delightful accommodations, and generous hospitality for all who visit.

Stroll the grounds and you might see grape vines being carefully tended by hand or olives ripening for the estate's own olive oil, just steps away from tables where the harvest is reincarnated in signature wines and local dishes. The Selva Capuzza winery produces a wonderful selection of varietals—red, white, and rosé, all under the careful expertise of the property's skilled vintners.

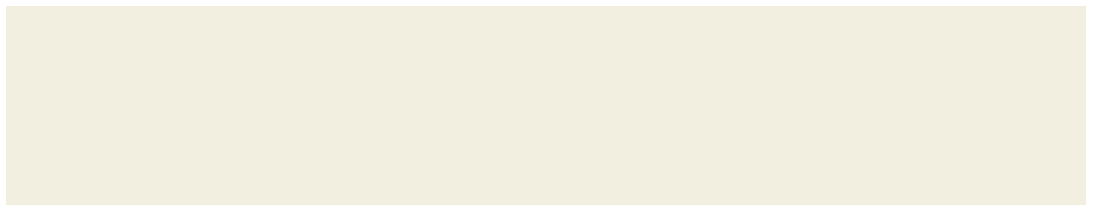
Visit the nearby San Martino Tower to admire its majesty from the inside and out. Then follow the tree-lined road to the Chapel of San Martino, which guards many of the fallen from the battle.

After a day's adventures, restore your senses amidst the comfortable atmosphere of your apartment—inspired, as you will be, by the beauty of Northern Italy's landscapes.

Classic: A comfortable apartment with kitchenette and en suite bathroom with shower, overlooking the garden and surrounding countryside.

Superior: A spacious apartment with vaulted ceilings, kitchenette, en

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Revel in the gloriously romantic and enchanting atmosphere of the Floating City. Your small group will delight in exploring classic cultural treasures of this remarkable region. Guided tours for sightseeing, meeting with artisans, and learning about wine making reveal Venice's rich layers of history, art, and dedication to good food and drink.

## Post-Tour Itinerary (subject to change)

**Day 9: Depart Verona / Arrive in Venice**  
Private water taxi city tour down the Grand Canal (see the Rialto Bridge, St. Mark's Basin, Giudecca, and San Giorgio Maggiore)  
Overnight: Hotel Nani Mocenigo Palace

**Day 10: Venice (B)**  
Private gondola boatyard tour, afternoon at leisure  
Overnight: Hotel Nani Mocenigo Palace

**Day 11: Venice / Mazzorbo / Burano / Venice (B,L)**  
Vineyard visit and wine tasting, leisure time to explore Burano  
Overnight: Hotel Nani Mocenigo Palace

**Day 12: Depart Venice for U.S. (B)**

## What's Included

- Transfer by train (in business class) from Desenzano del Garda to Venice accompanied by your Orbridge Travel Director who will see you to your hotel for check-in, then bid you a fond farewell
- 3 nights accommodations at Hotel Nani Mocenigo Palace (or similar)
- 3 breakfasts and 1 lunch
- Guided touring accompanied by an art historian
- Private visit to an artisan mask workshop
- Private gondola boatyard visit
- Guided vineyard tour and wine pairing with lunch
- Water taxi transportation for canal and lagoon tours, and transfers to and from your hotel on arrival and departure days
- Luggage portorage
- Gratuities to hotel staff, local guides, local drivers for included activities and excursions, porters, and wait staff for included meals



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Venice Post-Tour*		
Classic: \$2,395   Single: \$2,995		

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## What Guests Are Saying...

I loved how this trip gave me a more personal view of Italy through conversations with locals and family-run food vendors. I've studied abroad in Italy and have been on vacation there with family, but this was a unique experience. I loved our guide and the off-the-beaten path tour. It felt like I had a friend showing me around.

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The variety and content of each excursion was excellent and made the trip so enjoyable. Our guide was absolutely excellent—extremely knowledgeable, timely, friendly, easy to relate to and made the sites/experiences so real and understandable. For me, she made the trip perfect.

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