





# **PROGRAM INFORMATION**

Italy is a country of both bustling cities and serene picturesque countryside villages. It is a land of ancient history and unique culture. Italy is officially a secular state and an unmissable destination for those who wish to dive deep in art, history and archeological subjects.

From the ruins of Pompeii to the House of Augustus, some of the most significant archaeological sites in the world are located in Italy. An infinite wealth of history to explore. These special places offer a glimpse into the past and a good impression of how cultures have evolved over time.

During this 20-day program, students will visit some of the most relevant examples of artistic and archeological value in Rome, Naples, Pompeii and Herculaneum.

The group will also take part in an excavation project in Ischia di Castro and they will also have some free time to explore on their own and to enjoy the country.

#### **ACCOMMODATION TYPES:**

\*Accommodation selection will be based on group size, gender breakdown and availability. Students will share rooms of 2-4 people per room, each student will have their own bed. Faculty leaders will have their own private room with en-suite bathroom.

Accommodation are always centrally located and top rated (minimum rating of 8 out of 10). Daily continental breakfast and Free Wi-Fi included.

#### PROGRAM PRICE PER STUDENT WITHOUT AIRFARE

20:2 22 travelers \$3,600\*

<sup>\*</sup>Program price stands as an estimate until ticketing is finalized.



# WHY STUDY ABROAD ASSOCIATION?

Since 2009, Study Abroad Association has been committed to customizing the most in-depth and affordable short-term, faculty-led study abroad and service learning experiences. We have been working with colleges and universities across the United States to assist in achieving their international education goals.

All programs revolve around our core values of Education, Authenticity, Affordability, Sustainability, and Safety.



#### **Authenticity & Affordability**

By collaborating with local partners we enable our travelers to have unique experiences while supporting local economies. This allows us to provide authentic and locally designed experiences and keep our costs low.



#### **Education**

All SAA programs are built on the foundation of education. We offer unique programs in over 18 areas of study, striving to offer programs to underserved academic fields such as STEM, Business, Allied Health, Humanities.



#### **Customer Service**

A dedicated Account Manager will assist during the entire process. We fully understand the challenges that go into organizing the perfect faculty-led programs. We will assign you an account manager fully dedicated and available to assist you at every point of your process.



#### **US Based**

We are a fully insured and accredited US organization with the advantages of having direct operations in more than 25 countries. We also have strong partnerships with local universities to ensure credits and educational methods are fully respected.



#### Safety

Safety is our number one priority. To ensure our travelers are completely protected throughout the program, we provide an all-inclusive travelers insurance policy, comprehensive risk management procedures and training before the program starts. Additionally our programs include on-ground 24/7 emergency support and assistance.



#### Sustainability

We promote sustainability with all our programs, visiting local communities and projects in need, as well as establishing long-lasting relationships and positive impacts with everyone we collaborate with.



# **PROGRAM ITINERARY**

#### **DAY 1 - DEPARTURE - Sunday, May 28**

Depart Home for Rome, Italy

#### DAY 2 - ROME - Monday, May 29

Arrive in Rome, Italy

Airport transfer and check-in to your hotel On-ground briefing

Orientation walking tour - The group will become oriented with their neighborhood, the public transportation systems, nearby pharmacies, markets, ATMs, etc. Additionally, an in-depth safety briefing will be provided for what to do incase of an emergency.

Welcome Dinner - The group will be taken for an authentic dinner with a wide variety of menu options to cater all diets.

# DAY 3 - ROME - Tuesday, May 30

Breakfast & Day Briefing

Augustus.

Rome Walking Tour: Santa Maria della Vittoria (Bernini's Ecstasy), Spanish Steps, & Trevi Fountain

Pantheon: Explore the best-preserved monument of ancient Rome. The Pantheon, built between 25 and 27 B.C., is the only ancient Roman building that has remained nearly intact through the centuries. Dedicated to all the gods of Pagan Rome, the temple was built by the Emperor Hadrian on the site of an earlier temple commissioned by Marcus Agrippa during the reign of

Ostia Antica - Walking tour of Ostia Antica, Rome's ancient port town, once bustling with sailors and merchants from all corners of the Roman Empire on this Ostia Antica Tour. The Ostia Antica Archaeological site provides a virtual experience of Ancient Roman city life.

# DAY 4 - ROME - Wednesday, May 31

Breakfast & Day Briefing

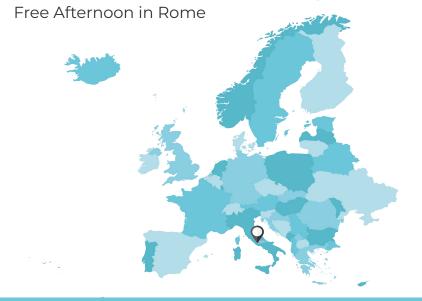
Tour Forum, Palatine Hill, Colosseum (about 3 hours) The Foro Romano (Roman Forum) is located just to the west of the Colosseum and is the truly ancient city of Rome – the very place where history took place, with processions, criminal trials, elections, and intrigue all happening here. It was the site of the original Senate, and where Caesar's body was brought following his assassination. The ruins of some of Rome's most important ancient structures can be found at or near the Forum. The Colosseum is the world-famous icon is an ancient amphitheater dating from AD 70 and is the iconic, unmissable sight of Rome. The flat-topped Palatine Hill that rises above the Forum is where the emperors built their palaces (and indeed "Palatine" is the source of the word "palace".

Baths of Caracalla (about 2 hrs) - These were the city's second largest Roman public baths, or thermae. The baths were likely built between AD 212 and 216/217, during the reigns of emperors Septimius Severus and Caracalla. They were in operation until the 530s and then fell into disuse and ruin.

# DAY 5 - ROME - Thursday, June 1

Breakfast & Day Briefing

Guided Tour of Capitoline Museum - This is the oldest public museum in the world founded in 1471 by Sisto IV





# **PROGRAM ITINERARY**

# DAY 6 - ROME/NAPLES - Friday, June 2

Breakfast & Day Briefing

Train to Naples (approx 1h)

Check-in

Train to Herculaneum (approx. 30 mins) -

Herculaneum was an ancient town, located in the modern-day comune of Ercolano, Campania, Italy. Herculaneum was buried under volcanic ash and pumice in the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in AD 79. Today it is a fantastic place to see incredible (and incredibly well-preserved) frescoes and opulent homes that give a peek into the living conditions of very wealthy Romans at the time—and also to simply appreciate some incredible art.

Return Train to Naples (approx. 30 mins)

# DAY 7 - POMPEII/VESUVIUS/NAPLES - Saturday, June 3

Breakfast & Day Briefing

Chartered Day Bus to Pompeii - Pompeii is a vast archaeological site in southern Italy's Campania region, near the coast of the Bay of Naples. Once a thriving and sophisticated Roman city, Pompeii was buried under meters of ash and pumice after the catastrophic eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 A.D. The preserved site features excavated ruins of streets and houses that visitors can freely explore.

Mount Vesuvius - Mount Vesuvius is one of only two active volcanoes in Continental Europe and stands about 1281 meters tall, with a symmetrical central cone and steep wooded slopes. the most popular route among visitors is the trail up the highest reaches of the cone to the rim of the crater, a stretch that is not particularly difficult, can be undertaken by anyone, and does not require hiking experience.

Return to Naples

Structured Free Time & Cultural Immersion

# DAY 8 - NAPLES/VITERBO - Sunday, June 4

Breakfast & Day Briefing

Naples Archeological Museum - This is an important Italian archaeological museum, particularly for ancient Roman remains. Its collection includes works from Greek, Roman and Renaissance times, and especially Roman artifacts from the nearby Pompeii, Stabiae and Herculaneum sites.

Lunch Break

Transfer to Viterbo (approx. 3h)

Structured Free Time & Cultural Immersion

# DAY 9 - VITERBO/ISCHIA DI CASTRO - Monday,

June 5

Breakfast & Day Briefing

Transfer to Ischia di Castro (approx. 1h)

Lunch Break

Visit to the Civic Museum and Lecture on Excavation Techniques & Roman Ceramics

# DAY 10 - ISCHIA DI CASTRO - Tuesday, June 6

Breakfast & Day Briefing

Archaeological Dig

Restoration Workshop/Work on Materials - cleaning, find pieces that are part of the same vessel, and the catalog for dating the pieces.



# PROGRAM ITINERARY

# DAY 11 - ISCHIA DI CASTRO - Wednesday,

#### June 7

Breakfast & Day Briefing Archaeological Dig Restoration Workshop/Work on Materials

# **DAY 12 - ISCHIA DI CASTRO - Thursday, June 8**

Breakfast & Day Briefing Villa della Selvicciola - Guided Visit & Archaeological Dig

## **DAY 13 - ISCHIA DI CASTRO - Friday, June 9**

Breakfast & Day Briefing Archaeological Dig Restoration Workshop/Work on Materials

# DAY 14 - ISCHIA DI CASTRO - Saturday, June 10

Breakfast & Day Briefing Archaeological Dig Restoration Workshop/Work on Materials

# **DAY 15 - ISCHIA DI CASTRO - Sunday, June 11**

Breakfast & Day Briefing Guided Visit to Tuscania - (approx 30 mins) Walking Tour of the town, visit of "Necropoli Madonna dell'Ulivo" (etruscan necropolis), National Museum etc.

Transfer back to Ischia di Castro

### **DAY 16 - ISCHIA DI CASTRO - Monday, June 12**

Breakfast & Day Briefing
Archaeological Dig
Restoration Workshop/Work on Materials

# **DAY 17 - ISCHIA DI CASTRO - Tuesday, June 13**

Breakfast & Day Briefing Archaeological Dig Restoration Workshop/Work on Materials

# DAY 18 - ISCHIA DI CASTRO - Wednesday, June 14

Breakfast & Day Briefing
Guided Visit to Vulci - (approx. 30 mins)
Walking Tour of the town and Museum
Transfer back to Ischia di Castro

# DAY 19 - ISCHIA DI CASTRO/ROME - Thursday, June 15

Breakfast & Day Briefing
Transfer to Rome (approx. 2h)
Free Day in Rome
Farewell Dinner and Program Closing

### **DAY 20 - DEPARTURE - Friday, June 16**

Breakfast & Day Briefing Airport Transfer Depart Rome, Italy for Home





# **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- · Tour Forum, Palatine Hill, Colosseum
- · Pantheon with Audio Guide
- · Ostia Antica
- · Baths of Caracalla
- · Guided Tour of Capitoline Museum
- · Herculaneum
- · Pompeii Guided Visit
- Mount Vesuvius
- · Naples Archeological Museum
- · Archaeological Dig in Ischia di Castro
- · Guided Visit to Tuscania & Vulci

# **PROGRAM INCLUDES**

- · 18 Nights of Accommodation
- · All Ground Transportation (inc. Transportation Pass)
- Daily Continental Breakfast
- · Welcome & Farewell Dinners
- · All Meals in Ischia di Castro
- · Historical & Cultural Walking Tours
- · Full Time Local Guide
- · 24/7 On-Ground Emergency Support
- · Travelers Health Insurance & Liability Insurance
- · Tips & Gratuities

# ALL OF OUR PROGRAMS ARE 100% CUSTOMIZABLE.

Is there an experience you'd like to provide the students that's not included in the itinerary? **Let's add it!** 

Are there sites that better fit your subject than the ones provided? **Let's swap them!** 

Tell us your dream itinerary and we'll work with you to make it a reality.



#### PRE-DEPARTURE OPTIONS TO SUPPLEMENT YOUR PROGRAM

#### LIVE GLOBAL STREAMING



Bring professionals from around the globe directly into your classroom for a live streaming event from the location of your choice and/or on a topic related to your academic program content. We can often secure the specific onsite guest speakers you and your students will meet during the program abroad!

These **synchronous** activities are a great way for students to feel connected to the location and academic subject prior to departure. From live virtual walking tours of an area of a city to a Q&A session with a local business owner, these experiences can enhance your faculty-led program by providing participants a glimpse into what they will experience abroad. These live events also work as a great marketing tool to recruit students for your program.

Learn more at <a href="https://studyabroadassociation.com/virtual-study-abroad/360-live-experiences/">https://studyabroadassociation.com/virtual-study-abroad/360-live-experiences/</a>

# **360 GLE™ (Global Learning Experiences)**



What better way to get students excited about studying abroad than to let them explore the world virtually in advance? SAA's 360 GLE™ is an interactive platform featuring immersive international education materials and experiences from all over the world that you can use to supplement and enhance your courses and recruit more students for your study abroad programs.

The **asynchronous** 360 GLE<sup>TM</sup> content gives students an opportunity to virtually travel at their own pace to see what they will soon get to explore in person! It can also help institutions support globally competent and competitive students while expanding their career opportunities and perspectives.

Learn more at <a href="https://studyabroadassociation.com/virtual-study-abroad/360-gle/">https://studyabroadassociation.com/virtual-study-abroad/360-gle/</a>

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# **Testimonials**



Cring Rosby Precommends Study Abroad Association.

This was my first trip as a professor taking students abroad. Christian and his team were magnificent. Everything was taken care of, accommodations were excellent, the guides were friendly. My students had an opportunity to earn college credit while abroad and Christian personalized our trip to meet those needs. I fully recommend the Study Abroad Association, and I can't wait to attend next year.



Brad Schatzel reviewed Study Abroad Association - 63 May 22 . 3

Outstanding tours at the lowest prices in the industry. Our institution has worked with the Study Abroad Association on five study tours to locations as diverse as China, Central Europe, and Costa Rica.

SAA worked with us to build an itinerary that was both educational and a ton of fun. The local guides far exceeded our expectations.



Amber Carey-Jernigan reviewed Study Abroad Association — 53 July 13 at 10:16 AM · 3

Christian and his guides arranged an amazing and affordable adventure for our students.

The guides' expertise was unmatched. I have studied abroad before and have never had such knowledgeable, friendly, and fun guides. I definitely will be using SAA for all our future trips.



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# **Top Quality - Read all our**

# **5 Star Reviews**

Go and have fun reading all our public reviews of both students and educators on our Facebook page. In conjunction with those feel free to reach out to any reference we have. Due diligence is essential when choosing the right program for your students.

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