

ITALY

11 Days | Student Art Tour

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TOUR SNAPSHOT

Enjoy a cultural experience like no other on this 11-day art focused student tour to Italy. Travel across Italy to enjoy extensive collections from galleries like the Pinacoteca Brera, Peggy Guggenheim Museum, MAMbo, the Museo del Duomo, and churches like Santa Croce and St. Peter's Basilica. Enjoy Italian culture with walking tours in Milan and Rome. Try glass blowing and mask making in Venice. Walk from the Colosseum to the top of the Palatine Hill for a view of the Forum. This educational trip will inspire your students and their art for years to come!

WHAT'S INCLUDED:



Guided Tours of:
Milan, Venice, Bologna, Florence, Rome



Site Visits:
Galleria dell'Accademia, Uffizi Gallery, Bargello Museum, Vatican Museums



**Local
Tour Leader**



Accommodations
3-star centrally located hotels



Transportation
Flights, private motor
coach, ferry



Meals
Breakfasts, dinners





WHY BRIGHTSPARK?

PUTTING YOUR EXPERIENCE FIRST

- **Guaranteed Flights and Hotels:** We confirm the booking of flights and hotels when you submit your deposit to avoid last minute hiccups.
- **Centrally Located Accommodations:** Save hours avoiding long commutes and maximize your time in destination with hotels within the city limits.
- **Private Tours:** Personalize your class trip to suit your needs and be assured that your students will never be joined with another group.
- **Go, Discover, Inspire:** You are not a tourist but a traveller; we will expose you and your students to the soul of the destination and ignite your sense of wonder.

EXPERTS IN STUDENT TRAVEL

Our local partnerships allow for personalized tours that are a hybrid of traditional and unconventional.

95%
OF TEACHERS
LOVE OUR
TOURS

60+
YEARS OF
TRAVEL
EXPERIENCE



WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED

24/7 GLOBAL SUPPORT

No matter your destination or itinerary, our state-of-the-art Operations Centre is designed to proactively protect you and your students during your educational trips around the globe. From the best insurance to advanced incident management software to 24/7 emergency assistance, we've got you covered.



"Overall experience from start to finish was fantastic. The kids had a great time and will have memories that will last a lifetime. Our tour leaders, Phillipe and Adriele went above and beyond getting to know the students and helping us with special requests. Thank you for everything!"

Gatestone Staff and Students, HWDSB

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Day 1: Board your flight to Milan.

Day 2: Milan

- Meet your Tour Leader at the airport and make your way in to the city centre.
- Visit the **Pinacoteca Brera**, a public art gallery with over 400 works of art of the 14th to 20th centuries.

Day 3: Milan - Venice

- Visit the **Church of Santa Maria della Grazie** to see Da Vinci's masterpiece, *The Last Supper*.
- Board your motor coach and depart for **Venice**.
- Enjoy a guided walking tour of Venice and see the **Rialto Bridge** lined with rows of shops, the **Bridge of Sighs**, the **Doge's Palace**, **Piazza San Marco**, the **Clock Tower** and the **Basilica San Marco**.
- Visit **San Marco Basilica** and be dazzled by the mosaics OR tour the **Doge's Palace**.

Day 4: Venice

- Take a vaporetto to the island of **Murano** to watch the art of Venetian glass blowing.
- Explore the **Peggy Guggenheim Museum**, a modern art collection housed in an unfinished palazzo overlooking the Grand Canal.
- Participate in a **Venetian Mask Making Workshop**.

Day 5: Bologna - Florence

- Join a **street art walking tour of Bologna** to see the walls of historic buildings now covered by murals.
- Make a stop at the **MAMbo**, Italy's museum dedicated to modern art.

Day 6: Florence

- Take a walking tour of **Florence** and see amazing sites like the **Piazza della Signoria**, the **Ponte Vecchio**, the **Piazza della Repubblica**, the **Duomo**, and more, giving you a sense of the magnificence of this city. You will also have the chance to visit the **Museo del Duomo**, to see the original **Doors of Paradise**.
- Visit the **Galleria dell'Accademia**, home to the finest works by Tuscan masters Botticelli and Perugino, but most famously, **Michelangelo's David**.

Day 7: Florence

- Visit the **Church of Santa Croce**, created in 1294, to see **Michelangelo's tomb** and **Giotto's frescoes**.

- Take a guided tour of the **Uffizi Gallery**, a Renaissance palace later bequeathed to the people of Tuscany by the last grand duchess of the Medici family, and home to many masterpieces, including **Botticelli's Birth of Venus** and **La Primavera**.

Day 8: Florence

- Visit the **Bargello** and see **Donatello's David**.
- See where the **Vasari Corridor** starts at the **Palazzo Vecchio**, Florence's town hall.

Day 9: Florence - Rome

- Enjoy a guided tour of the **Colosseum and Forum**. At this site of Roman entertainment, you will see the elliptical amphitheatre built during the Roman Empire. Leave the Colosseum and take a short climb to the top of the **Palatine Hill** to look down on the Forum, the centre of Roman parliament, and **Circus Maximus**, site of the most famous chariot racing during this period.
- Experience a **walking tour of Bernini's Rome**. Rome is full of Bernini's art from the exquisite **Ecstasy of Saint Teresa** at the **Church of Santa Maria della Vittoria**, to the **Piazza Barberini** with the **Fontana di Tritone**, and so much more! The tour ends in the **Piazza Navona** near the Pantheon, decorated with the famous **Fontana dei Quattro Fiumi**, another of Bernini's Baroque masterpieces.

Day 10: Rome

- Tour the **Vatican** and one of the greatest art collections in the world, the **Vatican Museums**. Amazing artifacts from Egyptian statues to Etruscan ruins to Renaissance paintings all reside in these museums. The unquestionable highlight, of course, is **Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel**, a marvel of artistic creation.
- Explore **St. Peter's Basilica**, the late Renaissance church located in the Vatican City and built in the 16th and 17th centuries. Be sure to see **Michelangelo's Pieta**.

Day 11: Depart to the airport for your flight home.

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