

WINE AND TRUFFLES OF PIEDMONT, ITALY

October/November 2017 – 10 days/8 nights

Vineyard Landscape of Piedmont: Langhe-Roero and Monferrato is the official name of a UNESCO World Heritage Cultural Landscape Site comprised of five distinct wine-growing areas, with outstanding landscapes, in the region of Piedmont, Italy. The UNESCO inclusion states, "*The vineyards of Langhe-Roero and Monferrato area an outstanding example of man's interaction with his natural environment.*"

The area, which extends over hilly areas of Langhe and Montferrat, is one of the most important wine producing zones in Italy. These areas produce wines of international quality and excellence, Barolo, Barbaresco, Asti Spumante and Barbera d'Asti, thanks to a rich heritage and knowledge of the vines cultivated here for centuries (Nebbiolo, Moscato Bianco, Barbera).

This program offers authentic experiences, charming, traditional hotels and local food and wine second to none. It is planned for travel during the International White Truffle Fair (in 2017, every weekend October 8th - November 27th).



TOUR INCLUSIONS

AIR TRANSPORTATION

Roundtrip transatlantic flights to/from Milan, Italy. One piece of checked luggage is included in the tour cost.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION

Transfers and excursion transportation by private, air conditioned, deluxe motor coach as needed to execute the itinerary.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Three and four-star centrally located, boutique hotels, historic villas or country houses; double occupancy rooms.

MEALS

Breakfast and lunch daily. Two dinners. Lunches and dinners are located in traditional, local restaurants and guest houses and include local wines.

GUIDED TOURS, ADMISSIONS AND EVENTS

- Tour of a Barolo Winery with tasting and lunch
- Tour of a Barbaresco winery with tasting
- Guided tour to the Sparkling Wine Underground Cathedrals in Canelli, a UNESCO site, with tasting
- Guided tour to a local traditional cheese producer, with lunch
- Truffle hunting excursion in the woods with Truffle hunter and his trained dog, followed by lunch
- Cooking Class with an expert chef and traditional menu, including lunch and house wine
- Admission to the Wine Museum in the Barolo Castle
- Admission to the Barbaresco Tower
- Admission to the Truffle Market in Alba, during the International White Truffle Fair
- Guided visit to the Alba historical center with a local, English speaking guide
- Guided visit to the Asti historical center with a local, English speaking guide
- Guided visit to the Turin historical center with a local, English speaking guide

COMPLIMENTARY PACKAGES:

One complimentary package is included in the tour price, based on a minimum of 19 paying participants.

INSURANCE:

Trip Interruption/Medical travel insurance by Travelex.

TOUR MANAGER:

Services of an experienced, multi-lingual tour manager throughout the trip from arrival in Milan until departure from Milan.

EXCLUSIONS:

- Expenses of passports or visas. Current U.S. passport fee is \$135.
- Trip cancellation insurance.
- Excess and oversized baggage fees charged by airline.
- Personal expenses incurred such as laundry, telephone calls, and portorage.
- Transportation charges resulting from deviation from the printed itinerary.

