

# RR06831 - Rhine to Rome Odyssey

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**A Journey Through  
Europe's Timeless Wonders**

**31 August – 11 September 2026**



## Join us from Rhine to Rome!

Embark on a voyage from Germany to Italy, tracing a path through medieval towns, alpine landscapes, and Renaissance masterpieces. Starting in Cologne, journey through Bavaria, visiting Rothenburg ob der Tauber and Nuremberg, where history and tradition come alive. Travel south to the Bavarian Alps and Innsbruck, then board the stunning Bernina Express, offering breathtaking views as you traverse the Swiss Alps into Italy. Arriving at Lake Como, experience the charm and elegance of one of Italy's most picturesque regions. Continue through Tuscany, via Pisa, before reaching Florence, the cradle of the Renaissance. Before arriving in Rome, explore Montepulciano, a stunning hilltop town known for its "Vino Nobile."

# Tour Inclusions

- Tour Manager from arrival in Europe to departure day
- Private high-quality motor coach for transfers and excursions
- Transportation for all scheduled activities - Private Tour Bus.
- Airport Transfers in Europe
  - Pick up of Group at around 3.30PM at Dusseldorf Airport
  - Transfer to Airport in Rome on Day 12
- Three (3) dinners, quality three-course meals with a glass of wine
- Central hotels with a full, warm breakfast (3 and 4-star quality)
- Local Expert Guide in Cologne and Nuremberg
- Smartphone app for all travelers and private tour web page
- Entrances/Excursion included to:
  - Cologne Cathedral with Tower
  - Rhine River Cruise from Boppard to St Goar
  - Entrance to Nuremberg Documentation Center
  - Entrance to Nuremberg Trials Memorial
  - Bernina Express Train from St Moritz to Tirano, Italy in 1st class
  - Cable car to/from Brunate
  - Lugano Day Excursion by private tour bus, included funicular to Monte Bre
  - Tour, wine tasting and dinner at Borgo Machiavelli
  - Travel Excursions - en route to Rothenburg ob der Tauber, Pisa, Lucca, American Cemetery, Montepulciano
  - Pizza Cooking Class - Navona

## Other:

- 12 Days and 11 Nights
- Land Only Tour (no flights included)
- Minimum 17 travelers
- \$500 discount per person with 22 travelers

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**Prepare for tour:** <https://rb.gy/8twszo>

**Money on tour:** <https://rb.gy/8twszo>

**Enrollment:** <https://tri.ps/OqdEZ>

# Rates

All rates are per person rates

## **DOUBLE ROOM RATE: \$4,947**

2 PERSONS SHARING ONE ROOM (IN ONE LARGE KING/QUEEN SIZE BED)

## **TWIN ROOM RATE: \$4,947**

2 PERSONS SHARING ONE ROOM (IN TWO SEPERATE BEDS)

## **SINGLE ROOM RATE: \$6,095**

1 PERSON IN PRIVATE ROOM

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**Prepare for Tour:** <https://tinyurl.com/2yd42djx>

- \$650 PAYMENT – Due within 30 days of traveler enrollment.
- ENROLLMENT DEADLINE – Eight (8) months prior to your tour departure date.
- TOUR MUST BE 30% PAID BY – Eight (8) months prior to your tour departure date.
- TOUR MUST BE 50% PAID BY – Six (6) months prior to your tour departure date.
- TOUR MUST BE 75% PAID BY – Four (4) months prior to your tour departure date.
- TOUR MUST BE PAID IN FULL BY – Two (2) months prior to your tour departure date.

## Itinerary overview

### **Day 1**

#### **Arrival in Cologne**

31 Aug 2026

The Tour Manager greets the group in Düsseldorf before we travel by private motor coach to Cologne, where dinner awaits in the evening.

### **Day 2**

#### **The Cathedral & Rhine River**

1 Sep 2026

Visit the stunning Cologne Cathedral before traveling south after lunch to enjoy a scenic Rhine River cruise, then continue to Würzburg.

### **Day 3**

#### **Nuremberg Excursion**

2 Sep 2026

We take a full-day excursion to Nuremberg, exploring its rich history with visits to the important sites of WW2, and enjoying free time for lunch.

### **Day 4**

#### **Best of Bavaria**

3 Sep 2026

We spend our morning and lunch in Rothenburg ob der Tauber, a true gem, before continuing south to enjoy the best views of Neuschwanstein Castle.

### **Day 5**

#### **A Day in Innsbruck**

4 Sep 2026

Explore charming Innsbruck, with its iconic Golden Roof, enjoy free time for lunch and shopping, and take in the stunning alpine scenery.

### **Day 6**

#### **Bernina Express**

5 Sep 2026

Board the world-famous Bernina Express for a unique train ride through the Swiss Alps, offering spectacular views of glaciers and mountain lakes.

### **Day 7**

#### **Como at Leisure**

6 Sep 2026

Enjoy a relaxing day in Como, exploring shops and piazzas, then take a cable car to Brunate for stunning views and enough time for dinner.

### **Day 8**

#### **Lugano Excursion**

7 Sep 2026

Today we enjoy a scenic journey to Lugano, Switzerland, a lakeside gem where Swiss sophistication meets Mediterranean charm.

## **Day 9**

### **Tuscan Medley**

8 Sep 2026

Today we explore Pisa, Lucca, and Florence in one unforgettable Tuscan Medley, with time to discover each destination and enjoy a leisurely lunch.

## **Day 10**

### **Florence & Machiavelli**

9 Sep 2026

Florence leisure morning, followed by an afternoon visit to the American Cemetery, and an evening of wine tasting and dinner at Borgo Machiavelli.

## **Day 11**

### **Montepulciano &**

### **Navona**

10 Sep 2026

En route to Rome, we stop in Montepulciano for its famous wine before ending the trip with a pizza cooking class farewell dinner.

## **Day 12**

### **Arrivederci Roma!**

11 Sep 2026

Morning transfer to Rome airport after breakfast. Thank you for joining us!

Day 1

# Arrival in Cologne

Monday 31 Aug



The Tour Manager greets the group in Düsseldorf before we travel by private motor coach to Cologne, where dinner awaits in the evening.

## Arrival in Cologne

On our first day, the group arrives individually at Düsseldorf Airport, where your Tour Manager will greet you. In the late afternoon, we transfer together by bus to Cologne, a city known for its rich history and lively atmosphere. Upon arrival, enjoy a short orientation tour, taking in the charming old town, vibrant squares, and scenic Rhine promenade. In the evening, we gather for a welcome dinner, getting to know each other before the journey ahead. We spend one night in Cologne, allowing for a brief but delightful introduction to the city before our adventure truly begins.

**Dinner in Cologne****4 Star Hotel in Cologne**



Day 2

# The Cathedral & Rhine River

Tuesday 1 Sep



Visit the stunning Cologne Cathedral before traveling south after lunch to enjoy a scenic Rhine River cruise, then continue to Würzburg, arriving in the evening.

## The Cathedral & Rhine River

Together with our local guide, we begin our day with a visit to the magnificent Cologne Cathedral, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a masterpiece of Gothic architecture. With its soaring twin spires and stunning stained-glass windows, the cathedral is one of Germany's most iconic landmarks. After some free time for lunch, we travel south to the UNESCO-listed Upper Middle Rhine Valley, a region famed for its fairy-tale castles, terraced vineyards, and charming riverside villages. In Boppard, we board a scenic Rhine River cruise, sailing along one of the most picturesque stretches of the river. As we glide toward St. Goar, take in breathtaking views of medieval fortresses, rolling hills, and the legendary Lorelei Rock. After this relaxing cruise, we continue to Würzburg, where we settle into our hotel for the next two nights. The evening is yours to enjoy at your own pace, whether you choose to explore the city or simply unwind after a wonderful day of sightseeing.

**Individual Dinner****4 Star Hotel in Würzburg**

Day 3

## Nuremberg Excursion

Wednesday 2 Sep



We take a full-day excursion to Nuremberg, exploring its rich history with visits to the Dokumentation Center, the Nuremberg Trials Memorial, and enjoying free time for lunch in the charming old town before returning to Würzburg in the evening.

### Nuremberg Excursion

Today, we embark on a full-day excursion to Nuremberg, a city where medieval charm meets the weight of history. Once the site of grand Nazi Party rallies, Nuremberg later became a symbol of justice as the setting for the pivotal post-war Nuremberg Trials.

Our visit begins at the Dokumentation Center, located on the former Nazi Party Rally Grounds. With the guidance of a local expert, we explore thought-provoking exhibits that provide deep insights into the rise of the regime and its lasting impact on the world. Following this immersive experience, enjoy free time for lunch in the charming old town, where half-timbered houses, bustling squares, and traditional Franconian cuisine create a warm and inviting atmosphere.

In the afternoon, we visit the Nuremberg Trials Memorial at the historic Palace of Justice, where key Nazi officials were held accountable for their actions in one of the most significant trials in modern history. Standing in Courtroom 600, where justice was served, is a profound and unforgettable experience. As the day draws to a close, we return to Würzburg, where the evening is yours to unwind or explore at your own pace.

**Individual Dinner****4 Star Hotel in Würzburg**



Day 4

# Best of Bavaria

Thursday 3 Sep



We spend our morning and lunch in Rothenburg ob der Tauber, a true gem, before continuing south to enjoy the best views of Neuschwanstein Castle.

## Best of Bavaria

We depart from Würzburg and head to the charming Rothenburg ob der Tauber, where you'll have ample time to explore this medieval gem and enjoy some shopping. Continuing south, we visit the world-famous Neuschwanstein Castle, the inspiration for Disney's Sleeping Beauty Castle, built by the enigmatic King Ludwig II. We will see the castle from the outside and hike to Marienbrücke, where you'll enjoy the best view of this iconic structure, which many believe is best appreciated from its exterior. Afterward, we travel to Füssen, where our hotel is located for the night. The evening is free for you to relax or explore at your leisure.

**Individual Dinner****3-4 Star Hotel in Füssen**

Day 5

# A Day in Innsbruck

Friday 4 Sep



Explore charming Innsbruck, with its iconic Golden Roof, enjoy free time for lunch and shopping, and take in the stunning alpine scenery during this day excursion.

## A Day in Innsbruck

Today, we spend the day in Austria with a day excursion to Innsbruck, nestled in the heart of the stunning Alps. Your Tour Manager will guide you through the charming Old Town, where you'll marvel at the famous Golden Roof, a 16th-century balcony adorned with 2,657 gold-plated copper tiles, once used by Emperor Maximilian I to watch tournaments in the square below. As we stroll through the picturesque streets, you'll also discover the medieval houses, lively market squares, and beautiful baroque buildings that give Innsbruck its unique character. You'll have plenty of free time to explore further, enjoy lunch, and shop for souvenirs. In the afternoon, we travel back to Füssen, with the majestic Alps in the distance, where the evening is yours to enjoy at leisure.

**Individual Dinner****3-4 Star Hotel in Füssen**

Day 6

# Bernina Express

Saturday 5 Sep



Board the world-famous Bernina Express for a unique train ride through the Swiss Alps, offering spectacular views of glaciers, mountain lakes, and picturesque alpine landscapes.

## Bernina Express

We bid farewell to Bavaria and cross the border into Austria, making a scenic stop in the charming town of Pfunds for lunch and some time to explore. As we continue our journey, we're treated to one breathtaking alpine view after another, with snow-capped peaks and lush valleys as we travel through the Swiss Alps towards St. Moritz. Here, we board the world-famous Bernina Express, a unique and scenic train ride offering spectacular views of glaciers, mountain lakes, and alpine landscapes as we head towards Tirano in Italy. Upon arrival in Tirano, our bus will meet us and take us to the beautiful town of Como, where we check into our hotel for the night, ready to relax and enjoy this picturesque lakeside destination.

**Individual Dinner****3 Star Hotel in Como**



Day 7

# Como at Leisure

Sunday 6 Sep



Enjoy a relaxing day in Como, exploring shops and piazzas, then take a cable car to Brunate for stunning views and dinner at Trattoria dei Bracconieri before returning to Como.

## Como at Leisure

Enjoy a leisurely day in Como at your own pace, exploring the charming shops, vibrant piazzas, and lakeside promenades. Stroll along the picturesque waterfront, or perhaps visit the stunning Como Cathedral, a beautiful example of Gothic architecture. You may also want to explore the many local cafés and enjoy the delicious Italian cuisine. In the late afternoon, your Tour Manager will take you on a scenic cable car ride up to Brunate, where you'll be treated to breathtaking panoramic views of the city and Lake Como. For those who wish, you can enjoy a delightful dinner at the Trattoria dei Bracconieri, offering traditional Italian fare. After dinner, we'll descend back to Como, where you can unwind and enjoy the evening at your leisure.

**Individual Dinner****3 Star Hotel in Como**

Day 8

# Lugano Excursion

Monday 7 Sep



Today we enjoy a scenic journey to Lugano, Switzerland, a lakeside gem where Swiss sophistication meets Mediterranean charm.

## Lugano Excursion

After breakfast, we embark on a scenic journey to Lugano, Switzerland, where breathtaking alpine views await. Upon arrival, we take the funicular up Monte Brè, one of the most picturesque viewpoints in the region. From the summit, enjoy sweeping panoramas of Lake Lugano and the distant Alps, a perfect start to our Swiss adventure.

Descending back into the city, take a leisurely stroll along the Lakeside Promenade, where lush parks and sparkling waters create a serene setting. In the heart of Lugano, Piazza della Riforma welcomes you with its colorful facades, vibrant atmosphere, and inviting cafés—perfect for a mid-morning coffee or a Swiss pastry. For those who love shopping, Via Nassa offers an elegant selection of Swiss watches, high-end fashion, and local delicacies.

After soaking in Lugano's charm, we return to Como in the afternoon, leaving you time to relax and savor the evening at your leisure.

**Individual Dinner****3 Star Hotel in Como**



Day 9

# Tuscan Medley

Tuesday 8 Sep



Today we explore Pisa, Lucca, and Florence in one unforgettable Tuscan Medley, with time to discover each destination and enjoy a leisurely lunch along the way.

## Tuscan Medley

Today, we travel south into Tuscany, beginning in the historic city of Pisa, home to the world-famous Leaning Tower and the Square of Miracles (Piazza dei Miracoli). You'll have time to take photos of the tower and explore the impressive cathedral and baptistery before enjoying a leisurely lunch in a nearby café.

Next, we continue to Lucca, a charming town known for its well-preserved medieval city walls and picturesque streets. You'll have time to wander through its cobbled streets, visit landmarks like the Church of San Michele in Foro, and relax in the beautiful Piazza dell'Anfiteatro.

In the evening, we make our way to Florence, the birthplace of the Renaissance, where your evening is free to enjoy the city's vibrant atmosphere and renowned dining scene.

**Individual Dinner****3 Star Hotel in Florence**

Day 10

# Florence & Machiavelli

Wednesday 9 Sep



Leisure morning in Florence, with an afternoon visit to the American Cemetery, and an evening of wine tasting and dinner at Borgo Machiavelli.

## Florence & Machiavelli

Your day begins with leisure time in Florence. Explore the city's rich history as you visit iconic landmarks like the awe-inspiring Duomo, the bustling Piazza della Signoria, and the picturesque Ponte Vecchio, among many other gems. After soaking in the beauty and culture, enjoy a leisurely break for lunch and some time for shopping in Florence's charming boutiques. In the afternoon, we make our way to the Florence American Cemetery, where you'll witness the moving flag-lowering ceremony, a solemn tribute to the soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice. Later, we head to Borgo Machiavelli, nestled in the Tuscan hills, for a delightful wine tour. Discover the art of winemaking before enjoying a wine tasting, followed by a delicious traditional Tuscan dinner. After a day filled with culture, history, and flavors, we return to Florence in the evening, with memories of an unforgettable experience.

**Dinner at Borgo  
Machiavelli****3 Star Hotel in  
Florence**

Day 11

# Montepulciano & Navona

Thursday 10 Sep



En route to Rome, we stop in Montepulciano for its famous wine before ending the trip with a pizza cooking class farewell dinner near Piazza Navona

## Montepulciano & Navona

As we journey south toward Rome, we make a longer stop in Montepulciano, a picturesque hilltop town in southern Tuscany, celebrated for its Vino Nobile di Montepulciano. With its winding medieval streets, stunning panoramic views, and inviting wine cellars, this town is a true Tuscan gem. Take time to explore, soak in the charming atmosphere, and perhaps enjoy a tasting of its renowned wines.

In the afternoon, we continue to Rome, where you'll have some free time to relax or explore before our special farewell dinner—a fun and interactive pizza cooking class, where you'll learn to craft authentic Italian pizza before enjoying your delicious creation.

**Cooking Class Dinner in  
Rome****3 Star Hotel in  
Rome**

Day 12

# Arrivederci Roma!

Friday 11 Sep



Morning transfer to Rome airport after breakfast. Thank you for joining us!

## Arrivederci Roma!

After a final breakfast at the hotel, we transfer to FCO Airport for departure flights. As we say goodbye to Italy, we take home unforgettable memories of an incredible journey. Wishing everyone safe travels back to the USA. Arrivederci, Roma!



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