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Delve into two different captivating regions of Italy during this one-of-a-kind trip. Savor unsurpassed coastal views as you hike amid the gardens, cacti and lemon trees of Cinque Terre, a collection of five villages clinging to terraced cliffs above the Mediterranean. Visit Portofino, one of Italy's premiere seaside villages—a favorite of the rich and famous. Then head to the famed wine region of Chianti, a landscape adored for its archetypal hilltop villages, vineyards and cypress-flanked lanes. After tackling coastal climbs, indulge in fresh seafood, pesto and sweet Sciacchetra wine. Farther inland, savor hearty *ribollita*, mild *pecorino toscano* and grilled meats accompanied by velvety Chianti Classico. At night, reminisce about your day's activities in the comfort of warm Italian hospitality.

DAY 1

Meet your Backroads Trip Leaders (the folks wearing Backroads T-shirts) at 10:30 a.m. at the La Spezia Centrale train station. **Please arrive dressed in your hiking clothes and have a daypack handy containing your raingear, sunglasses, sunscreen, camera and other items you'd like to have with you.** See "Arriving & Departing" for additional logistics information.

SHUTTLE TO CAMPIGLIA 30 MINUTES

PORTOVENERE ROUTE 3 MILES (NO ELEVATION GAIN)

LONGER OPTION: VISTA CARRARA 5 MILES WITH SHUTTLE (NO ELEVATION GAIN)

Benvenuti al Italia! After meeting in La Spezia, we shuttle to the town of Campiglia and get better acquainted over a signature Backroads picnic lunch complete with a stunning Mediterranean backdrop. Then set out on today's hike that provides a great introduction to the dramatic landscape of Liguria. Enjoy sweeping vistas of the Golfo dei Poeti, La Spezia and an archipelago, but watch your step—there are highly technical sections on this level and downhill route leading to the sea. (If you don't feel like a mountain goat today, opt for the less technical longer option.)

Our destination is the town of Portovenere, where the Castello Doria stands watch from its cliffside perch. The Church of San Pietro, set on a rocky promontory, suffered extensive damage in the 12th and 14th centuries—first during the war between Genoa and Pisa and later under French occupation. The little church (*pieve*) was restored from 1929 to 1934. In the distance sits Isola Palmaria, a small island offering a protected bay for boaters and sunbathers. During the 1800s, it was a regular destination for English poets, including Lord Byron and Percy Bysshe Shelley. (Shelley tragically drowned in a shipwreck near the town of Lerici in 1822). This corner of the sea owes its name, Gulf of Poets, to these famous bards.

After settling into Hotel Belvedere, a modest Liberty-style hotel with wonderful views from every guest room, we gather for a welcome reception and glass of prosecco. Then we board a private boat for the short ride to Palmaria Island and feast on fresh seafood at Locanda Lorena, a favorite among locals and celebrities—scan the pictures on the wall for folks you recognize! *Lodging: Hotel Belvedere*



HOTEL BELVEDERE
(1 night) Situated at the water's edge, this modest hotel offers superb vistas from its terrace and balconies. Portovenere
phone: 39-0187-790-608
or 790-570
www.belvedereportovenere.it

HOTEL JOLANDA
(2 nights) Enjoy the tranquility of this family-run hotel, walking distance from the seaside. Santa Margherita Ligure
phone: 39-0185-287-512
www.hoteljolanda.it

VILLA LE BARONE
(2 nights) Owned by the same family since the 1500s, this former manor house in the heart of Chianti features a swimming pool, tennis courts and terraces surrounded by rose gardens. Panzano
phone: 39-055-852-621
www.villalebarone.com

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PREVIOUSLY
TRAVELED WITH US OR
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SOMEONE WHO HAS**

DAY 2

BOAT SHUTTLE TO RIOMAGGIORE 30 MINUTES

SENTIERO AZZURRO HIKE 7.7 MILES (650-FOOT ELEVATION GAIN)

LONGER OPTION: 10 MILES (1,290-FOOT ELEVATION GAIN)

TRAIN TO SANTA MARGHERITA 1 HOUR

Step into Picasso's *Mediterranean Landscape* today as you connect the dots on a hike between the five pastel villages of the Cinque Terre. A scenic boat ride takes us from Portovenere, along the gorgeous coast that's a World Heritage site, to Riomaggiore, the southernmost of the villages. Set out on Via dell'Amore (Lover's Walk), a trail that clings to cliffs overlooking the sea and carries you to picturesque Manarola. The next stop is Corniglia, the only one of the five towns not on the water. Its piazza is a good place to stop for lunch on your own—or if you're not yet hungry, wait to grab a bite in Vernazza, whose picturesque harbor is perfect for people watching while you eat.

On the way out of Vernazza, have your camera ready for amazing views of the town, its colorful rooftops, the bustling harbor and the stoic Belforte castle. Trek past vineyards and maquis (thickets of small trees and shrubs), through ancient olive groves, over dirt paths and down stone steps. The hike ends in Monterosso al Mare, the northernmost town of the Cinque Terre and the only one with an extensive sand beach. From here, we hop a train to Santa Margherita Ligure, hometown of Christopher Columbus and one of the most captivating towns on the Ligurian Coast. The day's efforts are rewarded with a delicious dinner at a renowned restaurant and a comfortable night's sleep at the inviting Hotel Jolanda. *Lodging: Hotel Jolanda*

DAY 3

NOZAREGO ROUTE 7 MILES (1,460-FOOT ELEVATION GAIN)

SHORTER OPTION: PORTOFINO 2.5 MILES (590-FOOT ELEVATION GAIN) WITH SHUTTLE

LONGER OPTION: PIETRE STRETTE 9.8 MILES (2,550-FOOT ELEVATION GAIN)

Today's hike on rolling forested trails begins in the heart of Santa Margherita and takes you into the hills above town, past villas with façades beautifully embellished with trompe l'oeil paintings. Continue down through the small popular beach village of Paraggi and window shop before hiking on to Portofino, where you can explore on your own. Admire colorful buildings and lush tropical overgrowth, and walk along the waterfront and promenade. Then make your way into the hills above Portofino, enjoying the spectacular vistas of the Gulf of Tigullio. Reaching the beautiful town of Nozarego, sit down to a wonderful Backroads picnic lunch at its church.

Afterward, stroll out of Nozarego on a rolling hillside trail through the backyards of several beautiful homes to the Parco Naturale di Portofino, a 3,000-acre flower sanctuary. Glance back toward Santa Margherita for a stunning view before continuing on the dirt and stone trail through groves of olive and cherry trees. Follow the ridge toward Santa Margherita, or for more miles, tackle the challenging route via Pietre Strette. This evening we savor Ligurian vintages at a fun and informative wine tasting, before you enjoy dinner on your own. *Lodging: Hotel Jolanda*



Top Reasons Why *you should take this trip*

We provide a variety of route options so you can do as much or as little activity as you like each day.

■ You don't have to sweat the details! Backroads takes care of everything--from making sure your luggage is waiting for you in your room to appearing with a cool drink or a lift when you need it the most--allowing you to enjoy a carefree vacation full of fun and relaxation.

■ Traveling with Backroads is about making connections: with places and people, history and culture, fellow travelers--perhaps you'll even discover something new about yourself!

■ Our Trip Leaders have undergone hundreds of hours of training and are the best in the industry.

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FOR A TRIP, YOU'LL
RECEIVE A
COMPREHENSIVE
TRAVEL PLANNER
WITH ALL THE
INFORMATION YOU
NEED TO PLAN
AND PREPARE**

DAY 4

SHUTTLE TO GREVE IN CHIANTI 4 HOURS

VILLA LE BARONE HIKE 5.6 MILES (900-FOOT ELEVATION GAIN)

The scenery changes this morning as we shuttle to another charming region of Italy. After breakfast we bus to historic Greve in Chianti, where you can stroll around town, shop for souvenirs and enjoy lunch on your own. In the Piazza Matteotti, see the statue of explorer Giovanni da Verrazzano, known for “discovering” New York harbor in 1524 and being the first European to see Manhattan Island. Walking to the medieval hamlet of Montefioralle, look for the house marked with a “V” above the door denoting the birthplace of Amerigo Vespucci. Enjoy beautiful views of the countryside as you walk this classic Tuscan landscape of cypress-lined roads and rolling hills dotted with villas and hamlets. Our tranquil refuge for the last two nights, Villa le Barone, offers lovely views of olive groves, vineyards and the undulating countryside. Take a dip in the pool or relax by the fireplace before meeting the group for a wine tasting and dinner in the hotel's restaurant. *Lodging: Villa le Barone*

DAY 5

SHUTTLE TO RADDA IN CHIANTI 30 MINUTES

VOLPAIA LOOP 10.6 MILES WITH SHUTTLE (330-FOOT ELEVATION GAIN)

SHORTER OPTION: 4.7 MILES WITH SHUTTLE (330-FOOT ELEVATION GAIN)

A morning shuttle brings us to the charming hilltop town of Radda in Chianti, which was the Chianti League capital in 1415 and still is a local center for wine production. The Chianti League's seal, the Gallo Nero (or “Black Rooster”), is now the emblem of the Chianti Classico Wine Consortium. Before hiking from Radda, stop at Enoteca Toscana for an olive oil and balsamic vinegar tasting. Then descend through vineyards and olive groves, passing a small farm, into the valley. (It's steep so take your time.) A short stretch on paved road gives way to open fields and Chianti's wooded hills and continues past the 11th-century Pieve Santa Maria Novella, the perfect setting for a picnic lunch. Back on the trail, our appetites sated, we descend through shaded woods before hiking a gradual one-mile incline along an exposed trail into Volpaia. This evening we shuttle to the nearby town of Lucarelli for our final feast and a chance to raise our glasses to the charms and pleasures of discovering Italy on foot. *Lodging: Villa le Barone*

DAY 6

IL VIGNETO CIPRESSO ROUTE 2.4 MILES (130-FOOT ELEVATION GAIN)

SHORT OPTION: SAN LEOLINO LOOP 0.5 MILES (30-FOOT ELEVATION GAIN)

SHUTTLE TO FLORENCE 45 MINUTES

This morning's walk from our hotel to the old hilltop Pieve of Panzano on *strada bianca* (gravel road) gives you a final opportunity to roam the Tuscan countryside. Or sleep in and enjoy a leisurely breakfast at the hotel. Later we shuttle to Florence, where our trip comes to an end. Please see “Arriving & Departing” for end-of-trip logistics. See “Arriving & Departing” for meeting time and location.



Backroads' route rating system is the most comprehensive and accurate in the travel industry. To find out how these ratings translate into varying levels of physical challenge and activity, please visit our Web site www.backroads.com and select the route rating button for the trip of your choice.

LEVEL 2
5–7 miles/day
2–4 hours/day

LEVEL 3
7–9 miles/day
3–5 hours/day

LEVEL 4
9–11 miles/day
4–6 hours/day

**ASK FOR REFERENCES
FROM PAST GUESTS
WHO HAVE TAKEN THE
TRIP THAT INTERESTS
YOU**

ARRIVING & DEPARTING

Please note that meeting and departing times provided here were current at the time of printing, but are subject to change. **PLEASE DO NOT BOOK YOUR FLIGHTS UNTIL YOU ARE CONFIRMED ON YOUR VACATION AND HAVE VERIFIED THE DETAILS OF ARRIVING & DEPARTING WITH YOUR TRIP CONSULTANT.**

MEETING TIME AND LOCATION

On the first day of the trip, meet your Backroads Trip Leaders (the folks wearing Backroads T-shirts) at 10:30 a.m. in front of the La Spezia Centrale train station. **Please arrive wearing your hiking clothes, comfortable walking shoes and have a daypack handy containing your raingear, sunglasses, sunscreen, camera and other items you'd like to have with you.**

CONCLUSION OF THE TRIP

On the last day of the trip, Backroads provides a private coach to Florence's Santa Maria Novella train station, arriving at approximately 12:30 p.m. From here you can take the train to Rome, Pisa, Genoa or other destinations. Please schedule your departures for after 1:30 p.m.

FLIGHT ARRANGEMENTS

The trip begins in La Spezia, Italy, and ends in Florence, Italy. We recommend flying into Cristoforo Colombo Airport in Genoa (airport code: GOA; www.airport.genova.it). You can also fly into Florence's Amerigo Vespucci Airport (airport code: FLR; www.aeroporto.firenze.it) or Pisa's Galileo Galilei airport (airport code: PSA; www.pisa-airport.com/index.php). From any of these cities, you can catch a train to La Spezia.

For help arranging air transport to and from your Backroads trip, please work with your own travel agent, the airline directly or an online travel site. For assistance locating a travel agent, please visit www.backroads.com/gettingthere. (Note that most travel agents and online travel sites charge a fee for their consulting services.)

TRAVELING BY TRAIN TO LA SPEZIA

From Genoa: From Genoa's Cristoforo Colombo Airport, you can take a taxi to Genoa's Principe train station for about \$35 (Solo Taxi: 39-010-562-122; www.solotaxi.it). You can also take Volabus number 100 (Phone: 010-558-2414) from the airport to Principe station; buses run frequently and cost about \$3.50 per person. (Note: If you purchase your train tickets ahead of time, be aware that in addition to the Principe station, trains also service La Spezia from Genoa's Brignole station.) Trains run frequently to La Spezia from both stations, taking 1–1½ hours and costing around \$15.

From Florence: If you fly into Florence's Amerigo Vespucci Airport, take a taxi or bus to the Santa Maria Novella train station. The taxi ride takes about 15 minutes and costs approximately \$25. Several direct trains (no connections required) run each day to La Spezia, and, depending on which train you choose, the trip to La Spezia takes 2–2¾ hours and costs approximately \$25.

From Pisa: Pisa's Galileo Galilei has a train station. You can board a train here and travel to La Spezia, with a change at Pisa's Centrale station. Travel time is 1–1½ hours, and fares run from \$15 to \$25 dollars, depending on your departure time.

Hotel Room Rate Guide
(U.S. dollars per night)

Up to \$100	◆
\$101–200	◆◆
\$201–300	◆◆◆
\$301–500	◆◆◆◆
\$501 and up	◆◆◆◆◆

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TRIP OF A LIFETIME**

WHERE TO STAY BEFORE & AFTER YOUR TRIP

SUGGESTED ACCOMMODATIONS

For help arranging pre- or post-trip hotels in conjunction with your Backroads trip, please work with your travel agent or the hotels directly. For assistance locating a travel agent please visit www.backroads.com/gettingthere. (Note that most travel agents charge a fee for their consulting services.) Of course, we also recommend extending your stay at any of the hotels that we visit on this trip; see the sidebar above for details.

Please refer to the Hotel Room Rate Guide in the sidebar for starting double-occupancy rates. Note that the chart reflects the Internet and/or Best Available rates, which were accurate at the time of printing, but **hotel rates are always subject to change**.

While La Spezia is a convenient location for us to meet, we suggest staying in the larger cities of Genoa or Pisa the night before the trip and taking the train to La Spezia the next morning. When booking, keep in mind that rooms on the street tend to be noisy, so you might want to request a room overlooking the hotel's garden or courtyard. Make your reservations early during the busy season, as rooms in these cities book well in advance.

LA SPEZIA

HOTEL FIRENZE & CONTINENTALE

Built at the beginning of the 20th century, this three-star hotel's elegant touches include marble floors from Carrara and trompe l'oeil murals. Centrally located in the historic town center, many of La Spezia's attractions are just steps away. Via Paleocapa 7; Phone: 39-0187-713-210; www.hotelfirenzecontinentale.it; 66 rooms and 2 suites. Rates: ◆◆

MY HOTELS LA SPEZIA

Located within walking distance of the train station at the foot of Castle of San Giorgio, this My Hotels property features sleek modern décor and comfortable air-conditioned rooms with high speed Internet connection. Enjoy your breakfast outdoors in the summer. Via XX Settembre 81, Phone: 0187-738-848; www.myhotels.it; 68 rooms. Rates: ◆◆

JOLLY HOTEL

This four-star contemporary hotel overlooks the bay and offers the comforts and professional service you expect from Jolly Hotels. Rooms are air conditioned. Take in sea views from the bar or, in the warmer months, enjoy the outdoor restaurant and piano bar. Via XX Settembre 2; Phone: 0187-739-555 or 800 2212626 for reservations from the United States; www.jollyhotels.it; 110 rooms. Rates: ◆◆◆

GENOA

ALBERGO CAIROLI

Right in the heart of Genoa and a short walk from Museum of the Risorgimento, the Aquarium, the Bigo and the Porto Antico, this unique three-star hotel offers friendly service and tasteful décor. Start your day with breakfast on the terrace and complete it with a drink at the bar before bedding down in your comfortable air-conditioned room. Massages and Raiki treatments can be booked in the hotel's workout room. Via Cairoli 14/4; Phone: 39-010-246-1454; www.hotelcairoligenova.com; 12 rooms. Rates: ◆◆



While the information presented here details this trip's planned routes, activities, accommodations, and meeting and departing times, we are constantly seeking new opportunities to enhance this itinerary and your experience. Naturally, we will keep you up to date on any changes that may affect your arrival, departure or lodging.

HOTEL GALLES

Conveniently located between the Principe train station and the port, this comfortable hotel provides a great base from which to explore Genoa. Enjoy views of the sea and Piazza del Principe, and have a cocktail at the inviting bar. Via Bersaglieri d'Italia 13; Phone: 39-010-246-820; www.hotelgallesgenova.com; 20 rooms. Rates: ♦♦

BRISTOL PALACE

This distinguished 19th-century palace is perfectly situated in the heart of the shopping district near the Opera House, Palazzo Ducale and Europe's largest aquarium. Rooms feature antiques and fine Italian linen sheets. Some rooms have whirlpool tubs. Via XX Settembre; Phone: 39-010-592-541; www.hotelbristolpalace.com; 133 rooms and 7 suites. Rates: ♦♦♦

ROMANTIK HOTEL VILLA PAGODA

Located in Genova Nervi, just outside the city of Genoa and easily accessible by train or taxi, the stunning Hotel Villa Pagoda sits within a lush green oasis that is only a few steps from the sea. It's modeled after a Chinese pagoda and features antique furniture, rich fabrics, impressive Murano chandeliers and original Carrara marble floors. The spacious rooms, excellent on-site restaurant, easy access to the train station and friendly staff make this unique retreat a superb choice for your stay in Genoa. (Please note that proximity to train station can disturb light sleepers) Via Capolungo, 15; Phone: 39-010-372-6161; www.villapagoda.it; 13 rooms and 4 suites. Rates: ♦♦♦

FLORENCE

DAVANZATI HOTEL

The three-star Davanzati is a wonderful family-run hotel offering spotlessly clean rooms and a friendly helpful staff. The décor is pared down Tuscan elegance with terra-cotta tiled floors and wrought iron beds. It is situated within a typical 15th-century Florentine building right next to the Museo Palazzo Davanzati. Via Porta Rossa 5; Phone: 39-055-28-6666; www.hoteldavanzati.it; 21 rooms. Rates: ♦♦♦

HOTEL IL GUELFO BIANCO

The three-starred Hotel Il Guelfo Bianco may not be deluxe, but if you're looking for a pleasant place to stay in the heart of Florence, *Karen Brown's Guides* thinks this is it. The personal touch of owner Alessandro Bargiacchi is seen and felt as soon as you cross the hotel's threshold. Just 200 yards from the Duomo, it offers individually decorated guest rooms—some overlooking the quiet courtyards and roofs of the Via Larga—with marble-topped desks, antique furniture and exposed-beam ceilings. Some rooms feature painted wood or frescoed ceilings and carved wooden doorways. On the ground floor, you'll find a bar and a reading room. Via Cavour 29; Phone: 39-055-28-8330; www.ilguelfobianco.it; 40 rooms. Rates: ♦♦♦

TOURIST HOUSE GHIBERTI

Ideally located behind the Duomo, this guest house is named for Renaissance sculptor Lorenzo Ghiberti, who crafted Florence's baptistery doors and whose studio was once just below the hotel. Owners Christelle and Claudio, longtime hoteliers, have added modern touches including keyless entries, a computer with Internet connection in all five rooms, a sauna and a Jacuzzi. Via M. Bufalini 1; Phone: 39-055-26-1171; www.touristhouseghiberti.com; 5 rooms. Rates: ♦♦♦

HOTEL MARIO'S

This small romantic hotel is conveniently located near Santa Maria Novella train station. Rooms are cozy with exposed-beam ceilings and terra cotta tiled floors. Owner Mario is always happy to offer sightseeing suggestions and help with tour and dinner reservations. Via Faenza 89; Phone: 39-055-21-6801; www.hotelmarios.com; 16 rooms. Rates: ♦♦♦

RELAIS UFFIZI

The setting of the Relais Uffizi is hard to beat. Stumble out of bed, and you're in the beautiful Piazza della Signoria! The ambiance at this cozy family-run hotel is so warm and informal, you may actually feel like you're staying at the home of old friends. Guest rooms vary in shape and size, but all are immaculately clean and offer such amenities as air conditioning, a direct-dial phone, mini-bar, hairdryer and TV. Street noise is to be expected in such a prime location, so keep that in mind if you're a light sleeper. Chiasso del Buco 16; Phone: 39-055-26-76239; www.relaisuffizi.it; 13 rooms. Rates: ♦♦♦

RESIDENZE JOHLEA & JOHANNA

While Florence has no shortage of outstanding hotels, it is also full of charming and elegant residence inns where you'll feel right at home. We recommend any of the Johlea & Johanna properties, favorites of *Karen Brown's Guides*, which all boast excellent locations in unique buildings (a 19th-century villa, for instance, or a 1920s garden townhouse), attentive staff, lovely furnishings and a cozy friendly atmosphere. On the Web, visit www.johanna.it. **Please note that credit cards are not accepted at any of the Residence Johlea & Johanna properties listed below. The residences are not staffed overnight, so guests must check in by 7 p.m. Because Residence Johlea & Johanna are such well-priced accommodations situated in the city center, advance booking is key to securing a reservation.**

JOHLEA

Via San Gallo, 76; Phone: 39-055-463-3292; 6 rooms. Rates: ♦♦

ANTICA DIMORA JOHLEA

Via San Gallo, 80; Phone: 39-055-463-3292; 6 rooms. Rates: ♦♦

JOHANNA I

Via Bonifacio Lupi, 14; Phone: 39-055-481-896; 11 rooms. Rates: ♦♦

JOHANNA II

Via Cinque Giornate, 12; Phone: 39-055-473-377; 7 rooms. Rates: ♦♦

PISA

ROYAL VICTORIA HOTEL

The hotel's 10th-century tower, once part of the University of Pisa, was purchased by a citizen of nearby Lucca in 1837, and along with some adjacent buildings, was transformed into this charming family-owned inn. The ornate ceilings and original furnishings, typical of the Tuscan austere style, are only a few of the details that have attracted illustrious guests from all walks of life for over a century. With loads of Victorian ambience and a central location near the Arno, the Royal Victoria Hotel is a pleasant place to stay and has a unique charm. Guest rooms are spacious but Spartan. Lungarno Pacinotti, 12; Phone: 39-050-940-111; www.royalvictoria.it; 48 rooms and suites. Rates: ♦♦

ACCADEMIA PALACE HOTEL

The Accademia Place Hotel is a four-star hotel catering to business and leisure travelers, conveniently located between the airport and Pisa's city center. Spacious rooms, a swimming pool and fantastic breakfast buffet make this hotel ideal for a one-night stay. Viale Gronchi, 1; Phone: 39-050-988-181; www.accademiapalacehotel.it; 96 rooms and suites. Rates: ♦♦♦

HOTEL RELAIS DELL'OROLOGIO

This former 14th-century fortified tower structure, now an elegant five-star hotel, has an enviable location near the university campus and the most beautiful squares in Pisa: Piazza dei Miracoli and Piazza dei Cavalieri. Though on the small side, the guest rooms are comfortable and well appointed with fine furniture and linens. Sunny open common areas and a romantic garden complete the welcoming ambience. Via della Faggiola, 12/14; Phone: 39-050-830-361; www.hotelrelaisorologio.com; 21 rooms and 4 suites. Rates: ♦♦♦♦

We hope you've found this information useful, but nothing substitutes for speaking with one of our experienced Trip Consultants. Please call 800-462-2848 Monday-Sunday, between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. Pacific time.