

PALACE TOURS

La Dolce Vita Orient Express: Rome, Portofino and Venice

1 Nights • Luxury Experience

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ABOUT THIS TOUR

Overview

Rome to Venice via the Italian Riviera, in two days and one night. The journey begins in the La Dolce Vita Lounge at Rome Ostiense; as the train pulls away, lunch by three-Michelin-starred Chef Heinz Beck is served in the Restaurant Car on the way north along the coast.

On the Ligurian coast you can take a boat from Santa Margherita Ligure to Portofino and follow a local guide through its harbour and lanes. After a night on board, the train arrives in Venice the following day. Two of Italy's most photographed places in one short journey, ideal at the start or end of a longer stay.

Hotel on us: book this journey with Palace Tours and choose a hand-picked hotel in Rome before and/or in Venice after your journey.

DAY BY DAY

Your Itinerary



DAY 1

ROME AND PORTOFINO

Your journey begins at Rome Ostiense's La Dolce Vita Lounge, where a private transfer has brought you directly from the airport or your hotel in Rome. From here, it's time to step aboard La Dolce Vita Orient Express. As the train pulls away, settle into your cabin before heading to the Restaurant Car for an exquisite lunch crafted by three-Michelin-starred chef Heinz Beck – a celebration of Italy's finest flavors. The scenery shifts gently from the heart of Rome, to the rolling Tuscan hills, and finally to the coastline of Liguria. In the afternoon, arrive at Santa Margherita Ligure, where a transfer awaits to take you to the charming town of Portofino. Spend the rest of the day wandering on your own or choose an à la carte experience to discover hidden corners of this stunning seaside town. In the evening, back on board to enjoy a refined dinner followed by drinks and a live musical trio in the Bar Car as the train glides into the night, wrapping your perfect first day.

DAY 2

VENICE

Begin your morning with breakfast served in the comfort of your cabin or in the elegant Restaurant Car, as the train moves through northern Italy's tranquil dawn. The final stretch of the journey unfolds peacefully, leading you toward the shimmering canals of Venice. By late morning, La Dolce Vita Orient Express arrives at Venezia Santa Lucia station. Whether continuing your Italian escape or pausing to reflect on the magic of the past two days, the memories made – of fine food, sea air, and effortless travel – linger long after the journey ends.



Tips & Travel Guide

Extend your journey

You can add days in Rome before the train and in Venice after it. Here are three suggested lengths:

- **4 days:** 2 days before the train and 2 days after
- **5 days:** 2 days before and 3 days after
- **6 days:** 3 days before and 3 days after

Before the train: Rome

- **Day 1:** Arrive in Rome and transfer privately to your hotel. In the evening, walk to Piazza Navona, the Pantheon and the Trevi Fountain.
- **Day 2:** Visit the Vatican Museums, the Sistine Chapel and St Peter's Basilica with a private guide, then spend the afternoon at the Colosseum and the Roman Forum.
- **Day 3 (6-day option):** See the Borghese Gallery in the morning, then spend the afternoon and evening in Trastevere.
- The next morning, transfer to the station to board La Dolce Vita Orient Express.

After the train: Venice

- **Day 1:** Take a private water taxi from the station to your hotel. Spend the evening in St Mark's Square.
- **Day 2:** Tour the Doge's Palace and St Mark's Basilica with a private guide, then take a gondola ride through the canals.
- **Day 3 (5- and 6-day options):** Take a boat to the islands of Murano and Burano.
- The next day, transfer to the airport or your onward train.

We arrange the hotels, private transfers and guides around your train dates, and we can change any day to suit you. Prices are on request, and we have special offers on add-ons for this journey.

To request an extension, send us the enquiry form on this page and tell us which option you would like, or call 800-724-5120 (toll-free in the US) or +1 786-408-0610 from outside the US. You can also message us on WhatsApp at +1 786-408-0610.

DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates & Rates

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
May 2, 2027	Cabin Suite	**€11,772**	**€6,540**
	Cabin Suite Early Bird	**€11,672**	**€6,440**
Jun 12, 2027	Cabin Suite	**€13,148**	**€6,920**
	Cabin Suite Early Bird	**€12,998**	**€6,770**
Jul 15, 2027	Cabin Suite	**€10,098**	**€5,940**
	Cabin Suite Early Bird	**€9,948**	**€5,790**
Aug 6, 2027	Cabin Suite	**€9,350**	**€5,500**
	Deluxe Cabin	**€5,950**	**€3,500**
	Cabin Suite Early Bird	**€9,200**	**€5,350**
	Deluxe Cabin Early Bird	**€5,900**	**€3,450**
Aug 26, 2027	Cabin Suite	**€9,350**	**€5,500**
	Deluxe Cabin	**€5,950**	**€3,500**
	Cabin Suite Early Bird	**€9,200**	**€5,350**
	Deluxe Cabin Early Bird	**€5,900**	**€3,450**
Sep 9, 2027	Cabin Suite	**€10,472**	**€6,160**
	Deluxe Cabin	**€7,072**	**€4,160**
	Cabin Suite Early Bird	**€10,322**	**€6,010**
	Deluxe Cabin Early Bird	**€7,022**	**€4,110**
Sep 27, 2027	Cabin Suite	**€11,772**	**€6,540**
	Deluxe Cabin	**€7,992**	**€4,440**

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
	Deluxe Cabin Early Bird	€7,942	€4,390
Oct 13, 2027	Cabin Suite	€11,772	€6,540
	Deluxe Cabin	€7,992	€4,440
	Cabin Suite Early Bird	€11,622	€6,390
	Deluxe Cabin Early Bird	€7,942	€4,390

Rates shown in Euro (EUR). Approximate USD equivalents available upon request.

Rates shown are per person. Single rate applies to single occupancy; Double rate applies per person in double occupancy.

EARLY BIRD FARES

Book early, pay less

Plan ahead and you'll pay less for exactly the same journey. Every cabin on this tour has an Early Bird fare. Look for it in the booking calendar, right next to the regular fare: it is labelled "<cabin> Early Bird".

6 MONTHS OR MORE BEFORE DEPARTURE
Save up to €150
per person

3 TO 6 MONTHS BEFORE DEPARTURE
Save up to €100
per person

INSIDE 3 MONTHS
Regular fare
the Early Bird fare closes

CABIN	REGULAR DOUBLE (PP)	EARLY BIRD, 6+ MONTHS AHEAD	EARLY BIRD, 3–6 MONTHS AHEAD
Cabin Suite	**from €5,500**	**from €5,350** save €150	**from €5,400** save €100
Deluxe Cabin	**from €3,500**	**from €3,450** save €50	**from €3,450** save €50

Double fares per person, two sharing; "from" is the lowest fare across the departures listed above. The saving depends on the cabin's regular price per person: €250 / €150 on journeys from €8,000, €150 / €100 from €5,000, and €50 on shorter trips. It's the same cabin, the same itinerary and everything included as before. The only difference is the price. Early Bird fares are limited to the cabins on each departure and close automatically. If you already know your dates, now is the time to book.

🏷️ **Look for Coupons and Special Rates on our website.**

Visit https://www.palacetours.com/tour/ldv-rome-portofino-venice for the latest information.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Terms & Conditions

Booking & Payment

- **Deposit:** 30% of the total tour cost is due at the time of booking. The deposit is non-refundable.
- **Final payment:** the balance is due no later than 125 days before departure.
- Bookings made within 125 days of departure are payable in full at the time of booking.
- Fares are per person. Your written confirmation shows the exact amounts and due dates.

Cancellation

- **125 days or more** before departure: 30% of the total tour cost (the deposit)
- **Less than 125 days** before departure: 100% of the total tour cost

Changes

- **Date change:** free of charge, subject to availability, when requested 125 days or more before departure; after that, a fee of 15% of the total tour cost applies.
- **Cabin upgrade:** only the fare difference between cabin categories applies.
- **Cabin downgrade or passenger name correction:** free of charge up to 35 days before departure; within 35 days, EUR 500 per change.

Changes or cancellation by the train operator

If the train operator cancels or materially changes a departure, you will be offered a new date or an amended booking, a credit toward a future journey, or a refund of the amounts paid.

All cancellation, change, or update requests must be submitted in writing by email to travel@palacetours.com. A request takes effect only once we have received and processed it, and we will confirm the outcome to you in writing. Timeframes are calculated by reference to local time and business days at the destination; a request received outside business hours is treated as received on the next business day.

We strongly recommend purchasing travel insurance, including cancellation cover, from the moment you pay your deposit. For information on available plans, please visit www.palacetours.com/insurance.

COMMON QUESTIONS

Frequently Asked Questions

How long is the Rome, Portofino and Venice journey?

It is a two-day, one-night itinerary running one way from Rome to Venice. You spend the single night in your cabin on board, with the Ligurian coast and Portofino filling the time between the two great cities at either end of the route.

What is the route in outline?

The train leaves Rome Ostiense and runs north through the Tuscan hills to the Ligurian coast, reaching Santa Margherita Ligure, from where you are taken across to Portofino. The journey then continues across northern Italy to Venice, where it ends at Venezia Santa Lucia.

How do we reach Portofino from the train?

The train stops at Santa Margherita Ligure and you are transferred from there to Portofino, including a boat ride along the Ligurian coast that brings you into the harbour by water. Arriving by sea, with the painted houses rising above the quay, is the classic way to see the village.

What do we do in Portofino?

A local guide walks you through the harbour, the lanes behind it and the corners most visitors miss, explaining what gives the village its character. Afterwards you have free time to browse the boutiques, stop for a gelato by the water or simply sit and watch the boats before returning on board.

Where do I join the train in Rome?

A private transfer collects you from your hotel in Rome or from the airport and brings you to the La Dolce Vita lounge at Rome Ostiense, the train's own waiting room. You board there, settle into your cabin, and lunch is served in the Restaurant Car once the train is under way.

What cabin categories can I choose?

Deluxe Cabin and Cabin Suite are both sold on this itinerary. The whole train has 12 Deluxe cabins, 18 suites and a single La Dolce Vita Suite, so each departure is intimate by design. The fare for each category and date appears in the departure list on this page.

How much does the journey cost?

Fares begin from about EUR 3,500 per person with two guests sharing a cabin, and rise with cabin category and date. The exact fare for every departure is shown on this page, which is the number to rely on rather than a single quoted figure that moves with demand.

What does the fare include?

> Your cabin for the night, all meals on board with menus curated by three-Michelin-starred chef Heinz Beck, selected beverages including drinks served with meals, the guided Portofino experience and other off-train excursions set out in the itinerary, live entertainment in the Bar Car and a dedicated cabin steward.

What is not included in the price?

> Getting to Rome and home from Venice is not included, nor are personal expenses, gratuities, travel insurance, or anything not expressly listed in the itinerary. Optional a la carte experiences are booked separately, and we can quote hotel nights in either city with transfers.

How many departures are there and when do they run?

> This is one of the most frequently scheduled itineraries in the collection, with departures currently loaded from 12 October 2026 through to 13 October 2027. Every available date and its fare are listed on this page and can be booked directly with us.

What is the best season for the Ligurian coast section?

> Late spring and early autumn are ideal: the sea is calm enough for the boat transfer to be a pleasure, the light on the painted houses is at its best, and Portofino is busy without being overwhelmed. Midsummer is hot and crowded, and midwinter brings shorter days on the coast.

Is the boat transfer suitable if I have limited mobility?

> The Portofino programme involves a boat, a quayside and cobbled lanes that rise steeply behind the harbour, so a reasonable level of mobility helps. Tell us about any difficulty when you book and we will check what can be adapted for your departure before you commit.

What happens in the evening on board?

> After you return from the coast, dinner is served in the Restaurant Car, and the Bar Car then opens with a pianist and vocalist for the night run across northern Italy. Selected beverages are included, and the mood is Italian design of the 1960s brought back to life.

Where does the journey end in Venice?

> The train arrives at Venezia Santa Lucia, which sits right on the Grand Canal, so you step off the train and straight into the city with no road transfer to make. Most guests continue into Venice by water taxi, which we can arrange for you.

Can I book a cabin for myself?

> Yes, on request and with a supplement over the per-person sharing fare, because the lead price assumes two people in the cabin. With so few cabins on the train, single-use space is limited, so tell us the date early and we will confirm the current rate.

What are the payment terms?

> A deposit of 30 percent of the tour price confirms your cabin and is non-refundable. The balance is due 125 days before departure, and bookings made within 125 days of departure are payable in full at the time of booking. Your

Are child rates available?

> Yes, with reduced bands for under 5 and for 5 to 12, using the child's age at the departure date. The cabins are compact and the character of the train is adult, so it suits older children rather than toddlers. Please speak to us before you book as a family.

What should I pack for a one-night journey?

> One small case each is plenty. Bring smart-casual clothes for dinner and the Bar Car, comfortable shoes for the sloping lanes of Portofino, and a light jacket for the coast in the evening. Cabin storage is limited, so oversized luggage is best left at your hotel.

Can I add nights in Rome or Venice?

> Yes, and most guests do, since the journey runs one way between two cities that deserve time of their own. Travel to and from the departure cities is not included in the fare, but we can book hotels and private transfers at both ends alongside your cabin.

How do I ask a question or book the Rome, Portofino and Venice journey?

> Email travel@palacetours.com, call 786-408-0610, or message us on WhatsApp at https://wa.me/17864080610, and a travel specialist or our AI assistant will reply. Every departure shown on this page is bookable directly, and we can add hotels and transfers in Rome or Venice.

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