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La Dolce Vita Orient Express: Italian Swing

3 Nights • Luxury Experience

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ABOUT THIS TOUR

Overview

A four-day golf journey from Rome that links three exceptional courses by train. The train leaves Rome in the evening, with dinner by three-Michelin-starred Chef Heinz Beck on board.

Day two is spent at San Domenico Golf Club in Fasano, a links-style course overlooking the Adriatic among Puglia's olive groves. Day three brings The Club at Castiglion del Bosco, a private course in the UNESCO-listed Val d'Orcia surrounded by vineyards and woodland. The final round is played at Antognolla Golf Club, one of Italy's most scenic courses, before the train carries you back through Tuscany to Rome Ostiense. Designed for golfers who appreciate a great setting as much as a good round.

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

DAY BY DAY

Your Itinerary



DAY 1

ROME

Your journey begins with a private transfer from your hotel or the airport to the La Dolce Vita lounge at Rome Ostiense, offering a calm, refined space to relax and prepare for your journey. In the evening, the train departs from Rome, and you settle into your private cabin, letting the Italian countryside drift past your window. Dinner is served in the Restaurant Car, crafted by three-Michelin-starred Chef Heinz Beck, offering a first taste of the culinary excellence to come.

After dinner, enjoy live music performed by a pianist and vocalist, setting a warm, elegant atmosphere as the train glides toward the first Golf Course.

DAY 2

SAN DOMENICO GOLF CLUB



The second day begins as dawn bathes the southern Italian landscape in golden light, with the train gliding gracefully toward Apulia. On board, a breakfast of understated luxury awaits.

Your destination is the San Domenico Golf Club in Fasano, a spectacular links-style course overlooking the Adriatic Sea. Here, the game unfolds in perfect rhythm with the Mediterranean surroundings. Each hole a fusion of sport, coastal charm, and natural beauty.

After a rewarding day on the green, you'll return to the refined comfort of La Dolce Vita Orient Express. The evening begins with a gourmet dinner, where distinctive flavors and handpicked wines come together in seamless accord.

As night falls, the Bar Car stirs to life with live music and intimate conversation. The train glides onward into the heart of the Italian South, wrapping you in the timeless magic of the journey and the soulful warmth of discovery.



DAY 3

THE CLUB AT CASTIGLION DEL BOSCO

Your third day unfolds in the heart of authentic Tuscany, at the prestigious The Club at Castiglion del Bosco. Set amid the rolling hills of the UNESCO-listed Val d'Orcia, this private course meanders through manicured vineyards, ancient woodlands, and sweeping vistas.

The course strikes a masterful balance between sporting challenge and full immersion in the Tuscan countryside.

Following your round, you'll return to the refined comfort of La Dolce Vita Orient Express. The evening begins with a dinner by three-Michelin-starred chef Heinz Beck, who brings a contemporary touch to the authentic flavors of Tuscan tradition.

As night descends, the Bar Car glows with soft light and vibrant life—cocktails, live music, and warm conversation filling the air.

DAY 4

ANTOGNOLLA GOLF CLUB



The fourth stop takes you to the Antognolla Golf Club, one of the most scenic and evocative courses in Italy. Playing here means concluding the journey just as it began, with elegance, intensity, and awe.

After your final round, your return to the train becomes a special moment, pampered by the impeccable service and refined atmosphere of La Dolce Vita Orient Express.

The gentle rhythm of the carriages through the Tuscan landscape, and the warm glow of the sunset will accompany your return to north towards Rome, where the train arrives at Roma Ostiense station. For those who purchase the 'Southern Essence: The Golf Experience' package, an additional night in Rome and one day at Marco Simone Golf Club are included.

HELPFUL INFORMATION

Tips & Travel Guide

Extend your journey

You can add days in Rome before the train and in Florence and Tuscany 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: Florence and Tuscany

- **Day 1:** Take the fast train from Rome to Florence, about an hour and a half. In the afternoon, visit the Duomo and the Baptistery.
- **Day 2:** See the Uffizi Gallery and Michelangelo's David at the Accademia with a private guide.
- **Day 3 (5- and 6-day options):** Spend a day in the Chianti hills, visiting wine estates and stopping for lunch in a village. Afterwards, leave from Florence or take the train back to Rome.
- 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)
Apr 4, 2027	Cabin Suite	**€25,380**	**€14,100**
	Deluxe Cabin	**€18,900**	**€10,500**
	Cabin Suite Early Bird	**€25,230**	**€13,950**
	Deluxe Cabin Early Bird	**€18,750**	**€10,350**
Sep 22, 2027	Cabin Suite	**€25,380**	**€14,100**
	Deluxe Cabin	**€18,900**	**€10,500**
	Cabin Suite Early Bird	**€25,130**	**€13,850**
	Deluxe Cabin Early Bird	**€18,650**	**€10,250**

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 €250

per person

3 TO 6 MONTHS BEFORE DEPARTURE

Save €150

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	**€14,100**	**€13,850** save €250	**€13,950** save €150
Deluxe Cabin	**€10,500**	**€10,250** save €250	**€10,350** save €150

Double fares per person, two sharing. 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-italian-swing 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

What is the Italian Swing journey?

> It is a four-day, three-night round trip from Rome aboard La Dolce Vita Orient Express built around golf, pairing rounds at some of Italy's finest courses with nights on board the train. You play by day and travel, dine and sleep on the train, so there is no hotel to change.

Which golf courses are on the itinerary?

> The programme takes in San Domenico Golf Club at Fasano in Apulia, a links-style course above the Adriatic, then The Club at Castiglion del Bosco in the UNESCO-listed Val d'Orcia in Tuscany, and a final round at Antognolla Golf Club near Perugia, one of the most scenic courses in Italy, before the train returns to Rome.

Where does the journey start and end?

> It begins and ends in Rome. A private transfer brings you to the La Dolce Vita lounge at Rome Ostiense, the train departs in the evening of day one, and the itinerary concludes back in Rome, with a further round at Marco Simone Golf and Country Club described as part of the programme.

Do I need to be a strong golfer to enjoy this?

> No. The courses are notable ones and reward good play, but the journey is designed around the pleasure of playing in beautiful places rather than competition. Guests of mixed handicaps travel together, and non-golfing partners can stay on board or explore locally instead of playing.

Are green fees and golf arrangements part of the programme?

> The fare covers the off-train experiences described in the itinerary, which is how the rounds at the listed courses are arranged. Details such as club hire, caddies, buggies and tee times vary by course and departure, so ask us to confirm exactly what is covered for your date before you book.

Can I bring my own clubs?

> Most guests prefer to travel with their own clubs, and luggage is handled for you between the train and each course. Storage space on board is limited by the size of the cabins, so tell us at the time of booking that you are bringing a bag and we will confirm the arrangements.

Can a non-golfing partner come along?

> Yes, and many do. The fare is per person sharing a cabin regardless of whether both of you play, and a non-golfing guest can enjoy the Restaurant Car, the Bar Car and the surroundings of each stop while the round is under way. Let us know so the days can be planned for both of you.

What cabin categories are available?

> Deluxe Cabin and Cabin Suite categories are offered on this itinerary. The train has 12 Deluxe cabins, 18 suites and a single La Dolce Vita Suite, all with private facilities, a dedicated steward and interiors inspired by Italian design of the 1960s. Current fares by category are shown on this page.

How much does the Italian Swing cost?

> Fares start from around EUR 10,500 per person with two sharing a cabin, and vary by cabin category and departure date. The exact fare for each departure appears on this page, which is the figure to work from, since availability on a train with so few cabins moves quickly.

What is included in the fare?

> The price covers your cabin for three nights, all meals on board with menus curated by three-Michelin-starred chef Heinz Beck, selected beverages including drinks served with meals, the off-train experiences described in the itinerary, live entertainment in the Bar Car and dedicated cabin steward service throughout the journey.

What is not included?

> Travel to Rome and home again is excluded, as are personal expenses, gratuities, travel insurance and anything not expressly listed in the itinerary. Any extra nights in Rome at either end of the journey are quoted separately, and we are glad to arrange them with transfers.

What is San Domenico Golf Club like?

> It is a links-style course at Fasano in Apulia, laid out above the Adriatic among ancient olive trees, so the sea is in view from much of the round. The train reaches southern Italy overnight, and you play there on day two before returning on board for dinner as the train heads north.

What makes The Club at Castiglion del Bosco special?

> It is a private course set in the rolling hills of the Val d'Orcia, a UNESCO World Heritage landscape, threading between vineyards, old woodland and cypress ridges. It balances a genuine sporting test with some of the most complete Tuscan scenery you can play through, and it fills the third day of the journey.

What happens on board in the evenings?

> After each round you return to the train for dinner in the Restaurant Car, then the Bar Car opens up with a pianist and vocalist and the sort of unhurried Italian evening the train was built for. Selected beverages are included, and the atmosphere is sociable rather than formal.

Which departure dates are on sale?

> Departures currently loaded run from 4 April 2027 through to 22 September 2027, covering the spring and early autumn golf seasons. Every available date and its fare appear on this page and can be booked directly with us.

Is spring or autumn better for this itinerary?

> April and May give fresh green fairways in Tuscany and comfortable temperatures in Apulia, while September brings warm days, firmer ground and fewer players on the courses. Both avoid the height of the Italian summer, when midday heat in the south makes a full round hard going.

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 written confirmation shows the exact amounts and the dates they fall due.

Can I travel on my own?

> Yes. Sole occupancy of a cabin is offered on request with a supplement over the sharing fare, and solo golfers fit easily into a journey where meals and the Bar Car are shared. Cabins for single use are few, so request one as early as you can for the date you want.

What should I pack besides golf clothing?

> Bring your golf shoes and course clothing, plus smart-casual wear for dinner in the Restaurant Car and the Bar Car in the evenings. Cabin storage is limited, so keep to one case each alongside the golf bag, and a light layer is useful for early starts and Tuscan evenings.

How do I ask a question or book the Italian Swing 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 help you, including with golf details. The departures shown on this page are bookable directly, and we can add nights in Rome at either end.

Ready to Book Your Journey?

Contact Palace Tours for personalized rates and departure dates

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