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La Dolce Vita Orient Express: The Italian Wine Route

2 Nights • Luxury Experience

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Overview

Depart from Rome and set off on a three-day journey through some of Italy's most beautiful places.

Your Itinerary



DAY 1

ROME AND MONTALCINO

Your adventure begins with a private transfer to the exclusive La Dolce Vital lounge in Rome Ostiense, where you can relax and prepare for your journey ahead. The train departs in the morning.

After settling into your cabin, head to the Restaurant Car where a gourmet lunch crafted by three-Michelin-starred chef Heinz Beck awaits. As the train glides toward Montalcino, enjoy the evolving scenery and the anticipation of your first destination. Upon arrival, local assistants welcome you with a transfer to the enchanting town of Montalcino, famous for its Brunello wine and rich history. Explore at your own pace, stroll its charming streets, admire its medieval architecture, or choose from a selection of à la carte experiences designed to immerse you in the local culture.

As evening approaches, return to the train for a refined dinner in the Restaurant Car and later unwind in the Bar Car where live music sets a warm, intimate atmosphere to end your first day on board.

VERONA

Wake up to a leisurely breakfast served in your cabin or in the elegant Restaurant Car as the train carries you north toward Verona. Enjoy the morning views as the landscape gently unfolds outside your window.

Upon arrival, local assistants will greet you and transfer you to the historic city center. Verona welcomes you with its blend of Roman history, Renaissance architecture, and vibrant street life. Spend the day exploring at your own pace – wander through ancient streets, visit iconic landmarks like the Arena or Juliet's Balcony, or choose from a curated selection of à la carte experiences that reveal the city's rich culture and traditions. As afternoon turns to evening, return to the train and settle in for another exquisite dinner in the Restaurant Car. Afterward, relax in the Bar Car where live music from a singer, pianist, and musician sets the perfect tone for your final night aboard.



ROME

An unforgettable journey into the timeless heart of Verona, where history, art, and unique atmospheres come together.

The tour begins at the evocative Ponte Pietra, a Roman-era bridge that stands as a testament to the city's ancient roots. From there, you'll wander through charming alleys and lively squares steeped in centuries of culture and tradition.

Admire the majestic Scaliger Tombs and the vibrant Piazza delle Erbe, where the past blends seamlessly with everyday life. The experience continues with a visit to Palazzo Maffei, a baroque masterpiece and house-museum featuring over 500 works of art—from antiquities to modern legends like Picasso, Warhol, and de Chirico. From frescoed salons to a striking helical staircase and a terrace lined with statues of Greek deities, every corner offers a new wonder. The itinerary then leads along elegant Via Mazzini to the iconic Piazza Bra, dominated by Verona's imposing Roman Arena.

Discover the most intimate soul of Verona—a city where history, art, and atmosphere come together in a truly unique experience.

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.

Departure Dates & Rates

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
Dec 4, 2026	Cabin Suite	€13,906	€8,180
	Deluxe Cabin	€9,826	€5,780
Jan 8, 2027	Cabin Suite	€13,906	€8,180
	Deluxe Cabin	€9,826	€5,780
Feb 4, 2027	Cabin Suite	€13,906	€8,180
	Deluxe Cabin	€9,826	€5,780
Mar 25, 2027	Cabin Suite	€15,572	€9,160
	Deluxe Cabin	€11,152	€6,560
May 16, 2027	Cabin Suite	€17,748	€10,440
	Deluxe Cabin	€12,648	€7,440
Jul 19, 2027	Cabin Suite	€15,572	€9,160
	Deluxe Cabin	€11,152	€6,560
Nov 13, 2027	Cabin Suite	€15,572	€9,160
	Deluxe Cabin	€11,152	€6,560

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.



Look for Coupons and Special Rates on our website.

Visit <https://www.palacetours.com/tour/ldv-italian-wine-route> for the latest 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.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the route and length of the Italian Route journey from Rome?

It is a 3-day, 2-night round trip from Rome, calling at Montalcino in southern Tuscany on the first day and Verona on the second before returning to Rome. Both nights are spent on board in your cabin. Starting and finishing in the same city keeps flights and hotels simple.

How does the first day to Montalcino work?

A private transfer takes you to the exclusive lounge at Rome Ostiense, where you can relax before the train departs in the morning. Once settled into your cabin, a gourmet lunch crafted by three-Michelin-starred Chef Heinz Beck is served in the Restaurant Car as the scenery shifts toward Tuscany. On arrival, local assistants welcome you with a transfer into the town.

What is Montalcino known for?

Montalcino is a medieval hilltop town in southern Tuscany, set above rolling countryside and vineyards, with a fortress, stone streets and centuries of history behind its walls. It is one of the classic views of rural Italy. You can stroll at your own pace or choose from curated a la carte experiences arranged locally.

What is there to do during the Verona stop?

The train reaches Verona on the second day and local assistants transfer you into the historic centre, a blend of Roman remains, Renaissance architecture and lively street life. You are free to wander ancient streets and see landmarks such as the Arena or Juliet's Balcony, or take a curated a la carte experience. You return to the train as afternoon turns to evening.

What does the guided Verona experience include?

One of the a la carte options is a guided walk beginning at Ponte Pietra, the Roman-era bridge at the city's origins, then through alleys and squares to the Scaliger Tombs and Piazza delle Erbe. It continues with a visit to Palazzo Maffei, a baroque house-museum holding more than 500 works spanning antiquities to modern names such as Picasso, Warhol and de Chirico. These experiences are selected and paid for separately from the journey fare.

Where does the journey end?

The itinerary is a round trip, so the third day brings the train back to Rome after the final night on board. Ending where you started means one airport, one hotel and no repositioning at the end. We are happy to arrange extra nights in Rome before or after the journey.

Which cabin categories are available?

You can book a Deluxe Cabin or a Cabin Suite on this itinerary. The train comprises 12 Deluxe cabins, 18 Suites and

How much does this journey cost?

Fares start from EUR 5,780 per person based on two people sharing a cabin. The final figure depends on cabin category and departure date, and every departure is priced individually on this page. All meals, selected beverages and the off-train experiences described in the itinerary are included.

Is there a single-occupancy option?

Yes, a cabin can be booked for one guest at a single-occupancy fare. It is higher than the per-person sharing rate because an entire cabin is withdrawn from sale. The rate applying to each departure is shown on this page, and we can confirm it and check availability for you.

What does the fare include?

Included are accommodation on board in your chosen cabin, all meals with menus curated by three-Michelin-starred Chef Heinz Beck, selected beverages, the off-train excursions described in the itinerary, live entertainment in the Bar Car and a dedicated cabin steward. The on-board side of the trip is effectively fully covered.

What should I budget for beyond the fare?

Travel to and from Rome is not included, and neither are personal expenses, gratuities or travel insurance. Optional a la carte experiences in Montalcino or Verona are charged separately when chosen. Anything not expressly listed in the itinerary is outside the fare.

Are meals included and who creates them?

All meals on board are included - breakfast, lunch and dinner - with menus curated by three-Michelin-starred Chef Heinz Beck, built on seasonal Italian ingredients. Breakfast can be served in your cabin or in the elegant Restaurant Car. Let us know about dietary requirements in advance and they can usually be accommodated.

What is the Bar Car?

The Bar Car is the social centre of the train, with live music rolling through the night and selected beverages included in the fare. It is where guests gather before dinner and linger afterwards, in the spirit of Italy's golden age of rail travel. Attendance is entirely optional if you prefer the quiet of your cabin.

What deposit confirms a booking, and when is the balance due?

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 children travel on this itinerary?

Yes. Children under 5 travel at one reduced rate and children aged 5 up to 12 at another, with the age counted at the date of departure. Children share the cabin with their accompanying adults, so cabin capacity is the practical limit on a family booking. Give us the ages and we will price the booking exactly.

Which departure dates are on sale?

Departures run from 1 December 2026 through 13 November 2027, with sixteen dates currently loaded - the widest choice of any La Dolce Vita itinerary. All of them are listed on this page with their fares and cabin availability. Spring

What is the best time of year to take this journey?

Departures span late autumn through to the following November, so you can pick the season you prefer. Spring and early autumn bring mild weather and long light over the Tuscan countryside, while winter dates mean quieter streets in Verona and lower demand for cabins. All dates follow the same route and stops.

Which airport should I use, and when should I arrive?

Flights are not included in the fare. Rome Fiumicino is the main long-haul gateway and the train leaves from Rome Ostiense, where the lounge welcomes you before boarding. We recommend arriving in Rome at least a day early so a delayed flight cannot cost you the departure.

How much walking does the journey involve?

Time on board asks nothing of you, but both stops are explored on foot. Montalcino is a hilltop town with slopes and cobbles, and Verona's historic centre involves a fair amount of walking on hard surfaces. There is nothing strenuous, and local assistants are on hand; tell us about any mobility needs and we will note them on your booking.

How do I ask a question or book La Dolce Vita Orient Express: The Italian Wine Route?

Email travel@palacetours.com, call 786-408-0610 or message us on WhatsApp at <https://wa.me/17864080610>, where a travel specialist or our AI assistant will reply. Every departure listed on this page can be booked directly. We can also hold a cabin for a short time while you arrange your flights.

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