

Genova and its surroundings

Day 1 – GENOVA

Upon arrival, meeting with the bus and transfer to the hotel.

In the afternoon visit of the historical centre: The historic centre of Genoa is the largest and most monumental in Europe. Today it has rediscovered its splendour. The maze of the *caruggi* (alleys) charms and fascinates through its history and marvellous architecture. At every single corner there is a hidden treasure: from the Commenda di Prè to the Sarzano hill, from the Banco di San Giorgio to San Matteo square, everywhere you are surrounded by squares and alleys, loggias and medieval buildings, shrines and tower-houses, mansions and churches with façades in black and white stripes and rich Baroque interiors. A constant crowd fills up the alleys, colourful with shops and stores by day, enlivened by night by young people, who flood the old town like a living sea wave

Dinner and overnight

Day 2- GENOVA The Old Harbour and the aquarium



After breakfast, visit the Old Harbour is the heart of Genoa. It started to beat again for the Genoese and tourists alike in 1992 when the 500th anniversary of the discovery of America was celebrated. In that occasion, in fact, the Porto Antico (Old Harbour) underwent a radical renovation lead by the world famous Genoese architect Renzo Piano. Here, your guide will point out the Bigo which supports today a panoramic lift reaching up 40m. You will also see the Biosfera, a glass and steel structure containing tropical plants and animals and visit Galata – Museo del Mare, a museum set in the Old Arsenal of the Superb. Close to the most famous attraction of the city, the Aquarium, your guide will lead you to discover a less famous, but far older quarter, the Molo: a great immersion into history. Every day, minicruises and excursions leave from the Old Harbour. Your guide's explanation on board will make the journey even more interesting. In the background you can see the Lanterna (Lighthouse), the symbol of Genoa, which has led ships into the harbour for centuries.

Day 3 – GENOVA excursion to NIZZA AND MONTECARLO



Departure by bus to Nice: a city of the French republic overlooking the Cote d'Azur which is the largest town near the border with Italy, in the department of Alpes-Maritimes. It is a tourism-oriented town. Important places to visit are: Promenade des Anglais [modifica.È the elegant promenade of Nice, which is a meeting place and strolling tourists and local citizens. Place Massena: Do not miss one of the most representative streets of Nice. From flooring tiles white and gray, rises the extraordinary works of modern art by the artist Jaume Plensa: metal are placed on pedestals by large human figures that at sunset light up brightly. It is 7: one for each continent. Against the backdrop of the Gallery Lafayette Square. Superb also the fountain by the waves high and the monument dedicated to the French Riviera. Place Garibaldi: It is the oldest square in Nice, the buildings that surround it are yellow. Inside is a statue of Giuseppe Garibaldi, a native of Nice, facing Italy. Russian Orthodox Church of St. Nicholas: This is an Orthodox church built in 1912 under the inspiration of St. Basil's Cathedral on Red Square in Moscow, to meet the great influx of Russian nobles in the nineteenth century went to Nice to avoid the rigors of the Russian winter. Palazzo Lascaris.

Proceed to Monte Carlo (French Monte-Carlo, in Monaco Monte-Carlu), sometimes reported as Monte Carlo, is the most central part of the city-state of the Principality of Monaco, which is one of four traditional neighborhoods. It is known for its casinos, beaches, skyscrapers, fashion and for being elected as the place of residence of several celebrities. The Monte-Carlo neighborhood is bordered to the northeast by the neighborhood Larvotto and La Rousse / Saint Romain, north-west by the districts and La Condamine Saint Michel and north with France, now forming a single conurbation with the French town of Beausoleil.

Return to Genova

Day 4 – GENOVA Rapallo-Santa Margherita-Portofino



Departure by bus and you will reach first *Rapallo*, situated in the centre of the Gulf of Tigullio, Rapallo owe to its enviable position the birth of a tourism started in the second half of the nineteenth century and continued until today thanks to its fame of a complete and cozy. tourist town.

Nestled among the green shores of the promontory of Portofino, and the rocky cliffs that separate it from Zoagli, it offers glimpses of great beauty from the shore and from the charming hillside villages that surround it and offers pleasant walks and a rich network of hiking trails. Time at leisure.

Boat to Portofino. A small village that spreads like a crescent moon around this quiet basin ... (Guy de Maupassant). Nestled in the greenery of the promontory is the beautiful bay of Portofino. Typical Ligurian fishing village, with its colorful houses arranged in a semicircle around the famous Piazzetta, has become one of the most popular tourist destinations in the world.

An exclusive destination so attractive to people of international fame, but where you can still immerse yourself in an ancient atmosphere, made up of maritime traditions and crafts of the patient, where the colors and fragrances of Liguria are at their finest.

A visit to the Church of Saint George or the Castello Brown, a walk to the lighthouse or hike along the many trails that climb the mountain, and then down to San Fruitful, provide an experience unique.

The charm of nature, Mediterranean and solar, is dazzling. Time at leisure.

at 15,15 - departure to Santa Margherita Ligure, located on the Italian Riviera in Liguria, on the eastern side of the promontory of Portofino, and in the inner part of the Gulf of Tigullio. The town, which is about 35 km from Genoa, is surrounded by hills covered with Mediterranean vegetation on which there are villas and gardens with views of the Dolphin Coast, connecting the city to Portofino.

After a quick visit return by bus to Genoa

Day 5 – GENOVA

Breakfast. During the day departure to the airport.