



CRUISE OF 7 DAYS / 6 NIGHTS - REF. MAV

## From Renaissance-infused Mantua to the Canals of Venice

**Venice - MANTUA - VALDARO - Verona(1) - OSTIGLIA - ROVIGO - PORTO VIRO - Padua(1) - CHIOGGIA - VENICE - MAZZORBO - VENICE**

From Mantua to Venice, enjoy a unique cruise. Lombardy welcomes you with its breathtaking and varied panoramas. You'll visit unique cities such as romantic Mantua. Finally, the region of Veneto opens its doors and invites you to discover Venice, famous Saint Mark's Square and Doge's Palace, the official residence of Venetian dukes.



### CRUISE HIGHLIGHTS

- **Unique itinerary: cruise through the heart of the Italian regions**
- Coach transfer from Venice to Mantua on day 1 **FREE OF CHARGE**
- **The region of Lombardy**, its breathtaking and varied panorama
  - **Mantua(1)**, romantic city surrounded by lakes
- **The region of Veneto**, its treasures, arts and traditions
  - **Padua(1)**, the home of Saint Anthony
  - **Venice(1)**, an abundance of history

## CRUISE PROGRAM (7 DAYS / 6 NIGHTS)



### Day 1 : Venice(4) - MANTUA

You'll be transferred by coach from Venice to Mantua where you'll board our ship at 6 p.m. After comfortably settling into your cabins, we'll introduce our crew at a welcome cocktail. Enjoy a free evening to explore the city on your own.



### Day 2 : MANTUA - VALDARO

This morning, **join us on an optional excursion CLASSIC / DISCOVERY: A guided tour of Mantua**, where the House of Gonzaga ruled for almost 400 years. Although Mantua is not well known, it is one of the most artistically rich and romantic cities in northern Italy. We'll head downtown to see the imposing Ducal Palace (closed on Monday). The House of Gonzaga called the monumental complex home between 1328 and 1707. One of the most splendid rooms we'll visit is the Bridal Chamber decorated with a series of fresco and oil paintings by Andrea Mantegna. We'll then stroll to the historic city center to visit the Rotonda di San Lorenzo and the Basilica of Sant'Andrea.

You're free to do as you please in the afternoon.

Or enjoy an **optional tour of the Ferrari Museum in Modena (not included in packages)**. Car lovers will not want to miss this chance! The museum focuses on the life and work of Enzo Ferrari, founder of the Ferrari sports car brand. Their website says it best: "The Museo Enzo Ferrari is more than just a museum. It is a spectacular immersive experience that combines a dizzying mix of unique ingredients. Visitors not only get to admire the stunning cars displayed in the futuristic 2,500 square metre main pavilion but are also treated to a spectacular audio-visual show to tell the magical story of Enzo Ferrari's 90 years."

At the end of the day, we will sail towards Valdaro.



### Day 3 : VALDARO - Vérone (1) - OSTIGLIA - ROVIGO

This morning, the optional excursions are:

- **CLASSIC: Visit Verona and its amphitheater or the Giusti Gardens.(3)** Departing Rovigo, we'll head by coach to Verona, the City of Love made famous by Shakespeare's legendary tragedy Romeo and Juliet. We'll visit Juliet's House (Casa di Giulietta) to see the balcony where she stood when Romeo declared his love. Verona encapsulates 2,000 years of history from an architectural, urban, and artistic point of view. The amphitheater, the historic symbol of the city, is a fantastic example of its longevity and influence.

- **DISCOVERY: Verona through its gastronomy.**

We'll return on board in Ostiglia and spend the afternoon cruising.



### Day 4 : ROVIGO - PORTO VIRO - Padoue(1) - CHIOGGIA - VENISE

We'll spend the morning cruising.

This afternoon, join us on **an optional excursion CLASSIC / DISCOVERY: A guided tour of Padua**, the home of Saint Anthony. The city surrounds its medieval center with charming squares and palaces. Il Santo, the Pontifical Basilica of Saint Anthony of Padua, sits among these and contains the remains of the city's patron saint.

As you enjoy the tour, the ship will cruise to Chioggia.(2) For those who decide not to join us on the excursion, you will be transferred from Porto Viro to Chioggia. Enjoy some free time in Chioggia. After our tour, we'll return on board and begin to cruise to Venice. Enjoy a free evening to explore the city on your own.



### Day 5 : VENICE

This morning, we offer two optional excursions:

- **CLASSIC:** Guided tour of Doge's Palace and Saint Mark's Square. You'll discover Saint Mark's Square and its famous basilica (exteriors) and take a tour inside Doge's Palace, the official residence of Venetian dukes and the seat of the government until 1797. The current palace dates back to the 14th century and is considered by many to be the most beautiful in the world. A trek to the top of the Golden Staircase brings you

to massive works by Tintoretto and Veronese and gives you access to the antechambers and a magnificent view from the balcony.

- **DISCOVERY:** Venice and the Dorsoduro district. Free afternoon in Venice. Take the time to discover or rediscover the most romantic city in the world and join the Rialto, the city's emblematic bridge, located on the Grand Canal. From the bridge you will have a breathtaking view of the canal and the historic buildings that surround it.



## Day 6 : VENICE - MAZZORBO - VENISE

Morning cruise in the Venice lagoon. From the sun deck, you will contemplate the silhouettes of churches and palaces silhouetted against the horizon. At the heart of this labyrinth of canals and islands, you will enjoy a unique experience admiring the landscapes and the ballet of the numerous boats using the channels. You will reach the island of Mazzorbo connected by a pedestrian bridge to the charming island of Burano.

**Enjoy exploring Burano**—known for its traditional lacemaking and picture-perfect homes—**on your own.**

**Optional excursion CLASSIC/ DISCOVERY: discovery of Murano island.** Departure by private boat to the island of Murano, famous for its glass production. Visit a workshop to watch a glassblowing demonstration.

Sailing to Venice.

Gala's evening.



## Day 7 : VENICE

Enjoy breakfast on board this morning before disembarking at 9:00 a.m. End of our services.

### This offer includes

Your cruise with all meals from dinner the first evening to breakfast on the final day - all onboard beverages (not including the special lists) - accommodations in a double-occupancy, climate-controlled cabin with shower in private bathroom - onboard entertainment - welcome cocktail - gala evening - assistance from our onboard, multi-lingual host/hostess - emergency/repatriation insurance - all port fees.

### This offer does not include

Drinks from our special lists or drinks ordered during excursions or transfers - transfers to/from departure/arrival points (including to/from airports) - optional excursions (must be reserved and paid for on board or at travel agency) - cancellation and baggage insurance - personal expenses.

### Transport

**Coach transfer** Venice/Mantua on D1 **FREE OF CHARGE**

### Requirements

**Valid passport required.** Non-EU nationals are advised to consult their embassy or consulate.

### THE CROISIEUROPE DIFFERENCE

- **All meals included - DRINKS INCLUDED** with meals and at the bar
- Refined French cuisine - **Gala dinner and evening** - Welcome cocktail
- **Free Wi-Fi** onboard
- Headsets are included for excursions
- Official welcome from the captain and crew
- Onboard activities
- Travel assistance and repatriation insurance
- All port fees included

## MENTIONS

**Warning:** Navigational obligations and weather conditions can disrupt the itinerary, and in certain cases, intermediate stops may be canceled. If this happens, CroisiEurope will do our best to find the best solution according to passenger expectations. For safety reasons, the company and/or the captain of the ship are the only authorities who can modify the cruise itinerary. The navigation on the Bianco Canal is subject to the frequent passage of bridges, making it impossible to access to the sun deck during certain parts of the navigation.

(1) Optional excursions.

(2) Passengers cannot remain on board the ship between Chioggia and Porto Viro.

(3) If the amphitheater is closed or during July and August, we'll visit the magnificent Giusti Gardens.

(4) Recommendation: Arrival D1 in Venice (VCE) before 2pm; departure D7 from Venice (VCE) after 11am.

Alcohol can be dangerous to your health. Please drink in moderation.

# EXCURSIONS

## Day 2 2 Excursion (s)



### Ferrari Museum in Modena *(Optional)*

Duration : 04h00

Classic



Afternoon



### Mantua *(Optional)*

Classic



Morning

## Day 3 2 Excursion (s)



### Verona through its gastronomy *(Optional)*

Discovery



Morning



### Verona *(Optional)*

Duration : 05h00

Classic



Morning

## Day 4 1 Excursion (s)



### Guided tour of Padua *(Optional)*

Duration : 05h00

Classic



Afternoon

**Day 5** **2 Excursion (s)**



**Venice and the Dorsoduro district** *(Optional)*

Discovery



Morning



**Guided walking tour of Venice and the Doge's Palace** *(Optional)*

Duration : 02h00

Classic



Morning

**Day 6** **1 Excursion (s)**



**Island of Murano** *(Optional)*

Classic



Afternoon