

Mediterranean Flavors



May 7 - 21, 2021

Tour Highlights: This tour along the Mediterranean Coast, features vibrant cities, historic sites and stunning scenery. You'll stay in Madrid, Valencia, Barcelona, Marseille, the Venice area, and Rome. You'll also overnight in the French Riviera and the Cinque Terre area.

Day 1, Fri., May 7: Depart Home. Fly overnight from Chicago's O'Hare Airport to Madrid, Spain.

Day 2, Sat., May 8: Madrid, Spain. Welcome to Madrid! After settling into your hotel, the rest of the day is free for you to explore this ancient capital before your welcome dinner this evening. (D)

Day 3, Sun., May 9: Madrid. Madrid is situated 2,180 feet above sea level and Spaniards rightly say it's the nearest thing to Heaven. Enjoy the main highlights on your guided city tour. This afternoon you can join an optional excursion to Toledo, one of Europe's most interesting and unique walled medieval cities. (B)

Day 4, Mon., May 10: Madrid—Cuenca—Valencia. Travel southeast to Cuenca, perched high above the precipices of the Jucar and Huecar Rivers. It is famous for its "hanging houses" that are suspended over the Huecar ravine. Journey on to Valencia and enjoy the sights with a Local Guide. Visit magnificent Science Park, designed by architect Santiago Calatrava. (B,D)

Day 5, Tue., May 11: Valencia—Peniscola—Barcelona. Today, visit Peniscola Castle in Castellon, built by the Knights Templar in the 14th century. The promontory on which the castle and town are located is a fine reminder of medieval times. Continue your journey through orange groves and seaside resorts past Tarragona to Catalonia's lively and beautiful capital, Barcelona. (B)

Day 6, Wed., May 12: Barcelona. Sightseeing today includes a drive around Monjuïc to see the Olympic Stadium and a great panoramic view of the port and city. Continue to the city center of Plaza Catalunya and to Paseo de Gracia to admire the greatness and eccentricity of Gaudi's architectural masterpieces in the Houses Batllò and Mila and the Sagrada Familia (entrance fees not included). Spend the afternoon at leisure—maybe join the optional excursion to Montserrat. (B)



Tour Inclusions

- Round-trip estimated airfare from Chicago/airport transfers in Europe
- 13 nights hotel first class and moderate first class accommodations
- 18 meals: Breakfast Daily (B); 5 Dinners (D)
- Sightseeing and admissions per itinerary with Professional Tour Director and local guides
- Luxury coach transportation with professional driver
- Baggage handling for 1 bag/person up to 50 lbs. (including gratuity)
- Burkhalter Tour Host with 14 paid travelers

Tour Price Per Person

Double Occupancy: \$3,555

Cash Price: \$3,402

(Payments by check/cash)

Single Room Supplement: \$660

Ask about current discounts!

**Price is subject to change after
airfare is finalized.**

Day 7, Thu., May 13: Barcelona—Collioure, France—Marseille. Leave Spain today and cross the border into France to visit Collioure. This picturesque village is nestled in an idyllic place on the rocky Mediterranean coastline and is sheltered by the Pyrenees. Continue on to Marseille, the oldest city in France, for an overnight. (B,D)

Day 8, Fri., May 14: Marseille—Cassis—French Riviera. See Marseille's bustling ancient heart—the picturesque Vieux Port (old port), where elegant markets and handsome townhouses surround the boat-filled harbor. Head for the hilltop Basilica Notre Dame De La Garde, with stunning views of the city. Follow the coastal route toward Cassis, a small fishing port lined with cafés and restaurants, and stop to explore the town before reaching Nice. Tonight you will have the option to join an excursions to Monte Carlo. (B)

Day 9, Sat., May 15: French Riviera—Excursion to Eze. Start the day with a visit to a Perfume Workshop, followed by leisure time to do as you please! In Nice, take a dip in the Mediterranean Sea, stroll along the famous Promenade des Anglais, or join an optional excursion to the artists' town of St. Paul de Vence. (B)

Day 10, Sun., May 16: French Riviera—Cinque Terre Area, Italy. Enjoy the wonderful coastal scenery along the French and Italian Rivas as you travel toward Cinque Terre. Take the train in Levanto and stop in some of the most enchanting villages of the spectacular Cinque Terre region, where the beauty of the rugged cliffs and romantic fishing villages once inspired Lord Byron. There are several breathtaking trails carved into the rocks connecting the villages, affording dramatic sea views. (B,D)

Day 11, Mon., May 17: Cinque Terre Area—Verona—Venice Area. Travel through areas of culinary excellence in the Po plains to reach the romantic city of Verona, where you can see Juliet's balcony. You'll continue on to the Venice area, where you will spend two nights. (B)

Day 12, Tue., May 18: Venice. Venice is more like a marvelous film set than a real-life city, with its criss-crossing canals, gondolas and water buses, arched bridges, palaces, and piazzas. Your orientation starts with a boat ride to St. Mark's Square and is followed by time at leisure and a chance to watch Venetian Glassblowers fashion their delicate objects as they did centuries ago. Don't miss out on the optional gondola trip, gliding along the picturesque canals with a local troubadour to serenade you. (B,D)

Day 13, Wed., May 19: Venice Area—Assisi—Rome. Cross the Po Delta and head into the verdant Apennines to medieval Assisi. Enclosed by ramparts, little has changed since the Middle Ages. This is the town of the deeply mystical and poetic St. Francis. See the Upper and Lower Basilica with the beautiful frescoes by Giotto before heading to Rome for the next 2 nights. (B)

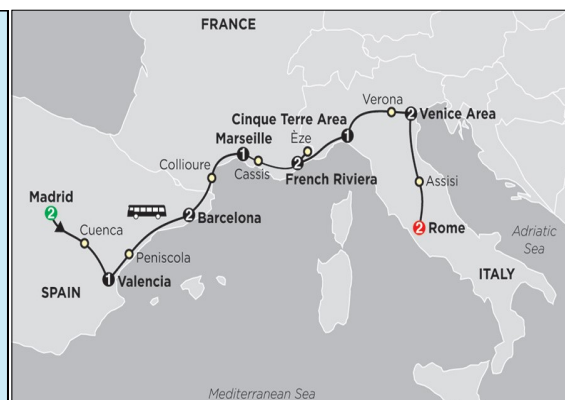
Day 14, Thu., May 20: Rome. The "Eternal City" is steeped in history, vibrantly alive and exciting, and absolutely unique! Your sightseeing tour includes St. Peter's Square and Basilica, the iconic Colosseum, the largest amphitheater ever built, and Circus Maximus. An optional visit is available to the Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel, world famous for Michelangelo's impressive fresco of The Last Judgment. (B)

Day 15, Fri., May 21: Rome Fly home today after breakfast. (B)



Tour Hotels (subject to change)

Madrid—Rafael Hoteles Ventas
 Valencia—Catalonia Excelsior or Sercotel Acteon
 Barcelona—Porta Fira or Hotel Ibis Styles Barcelona
 Marseille—IBIS Marseille Centre Euromed
 Nice—IBIS Styles Vieux Port
 Cinque Terre Area—NH La Spezia
 Venice—Poppi
 Rome—Pineta Palace



TOUR APPLICATION

TOUR NAME: Mediterranean Flavors

TOUR DATES: May 7 - 21, 2021

TOUR #: H3068

Note: The name on your tour documents and airline tickets must match your passport name. One form per address, please.

Please provide a copy of your current passport with the application.

Name 1 _____ **Name Tag Name:** _____

Birthdate _____ **Gender:** ☐ Female ☐ Male **TSA KTN or Global #** _____

Passport Number _____ **Passport Expiration** _____ **Country of Birth** _____

Name 2 _____ **Name Tag Name:** _____

Birthdate _____ **Gender:** ☐ Female ☐ Male **TSA KTN or Global #** _____

Passport Number _____ **Passport Expiration** _____ **Country of Birth** _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Home Phone _____ **Cell** _____

Email _____ **Roommate Name** _____

Special requests - please understand that we cannot guarantee that requests will be granted.

Accommodations: Double Occupancy ☐ 1 Bed ☐ 2 Twin Beds Single Occupancy ☐ —1 bed

Room requests: _____ **Dietary requests:** _____

Air Request: ☐ Air with group ☐ Customized individual air _____

Airline Seat Request (Not Guaranteed): ☐ Window/next ☐ Aisle/next ☐ Other _____

Tour Extension: ☐ Air Extension ☐ Other arrangements: _____

Any special celebration? _____

Any special assistance required: _____ **Burkhalter Agent:** _____

Medical conditions the host should be aware of: _____

Physician name/clinic: _____ **Phone:** _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Relationship to you _____ **Phone:** _____

Travel Protection? ☐ Yes, Cosmos Plan ☐ Maybe, please provide info on other plans ☐ No, thanks

I/we have read and understand the terms and conditions for this tour (see back).

Signature REQUIRED

PAYMENT

Amount enclosed: _____ **\$300 per person deposit required - Final due by February 18, 2021**

Payment: ☐ Cash or check payable to Burkhalter Tours ☐ Credit card

CC # _____ **Expiration date** _____ **Security Code** _____

Name on credit card: _____

RESERVATIONS/INFORMATION

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TOUR TERMS AND CONDITIONS - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

I.D./Citizenship: Travelers must possess a passport that is valid for six months beyond the return date of the tour. Complete passport name, gender and birth date are required to confirm reservations per TSA/airline requirements. Non-U.S. passport holders are responsible for determining their own entry requirements.

Deposits and Payments: Please make checks payable to Burkhalter Tours. Most major credit cards are also accepted, although a cash discount may be offered. A deposit of **\$300 per person** is required to secure reservations. All tour confirmations are subject to receipt of signed tour application and payment verification. **Final payment is due by February 18, 2021.**

Cancellations/Refunds: All cancellations are subject to a \$50 Burkhalter Tours service fee that may not be covered by tour operator insurance. In addition to the service fee and possible airline penalties, tour cancellation penalties are as follows:

Cancel prior to February 18, 2021: Deposit is non-refundable

Cancel after February 18, 2021: Trip is non-refundable

No refund will apply on unused portions of the tour. If a roommate cancels, the remaining traveler may have to pay any single room supplement that is incurred. Name changes and departure date changes are considered reservation cancellations and are subject to cancellation fees. Once issued, airline tickets are 100% non-refundable.

Travel Insurance is strongly advised in order to protect your investment. Coverage for trip cancellation/interruption/delay, and medical emergency expenses is available from Cosmos. Other plans may also be available. Ask your agent for information.

Tour Conditions: This tour is a regular Cosmos departure and no minimum number of Burkhalter travelers is required for the tour to operate. With 14 paid travelers, a Burkhalter Tours host may accompany the group to provide additional service throughout the tour. All arrangements are based upon tariffs in effect on date of brochure production and are subject to change. Once deposit has been received, any changes to air or land arrangements may be assessed a \$50 revision fee. Revision fees may be higher once air is ticketed. Itinerary is subject to change by the tour operator.

Air Transportation: The airfare portion of the tour price may be an estimate and is subject to change until ticketed. Airline seat assignments can only be requested after final payment and may be limited in availability. If specific seat assignments are vital to your enjoyment of the tour, we recommend individual air reservations. Deviations from the group air schedule may result in a different airfare. Routing and schedules are subject to change.

Accommodations/Transportation: Tour hotels are superior tourist or first class properties with private ensuite facilities. Rooms typically have two beds. Hotels are subject to change. Touring coaches are deluxe vehicles with panoramic windows and seats that partially recline. Single travelers are allocated one seat only.

Traveler Fitness: Travelers should be in reasonably good health, able to climb stairs and board a motorcoach in a timely manner, and walk moderate distances, sometimes over uneven ground. Individuals with physical and/or cognitive limitations must be accompanied by an able individual who will assume complete responsibility for them - tour personnel cannot and will not provide such assistance.

Passenger Consent Agreement: Department of Transportation regulations require that we inform you that your purchase is subject to supplemental price increases beyond our control that may be imposed after the date of purchase. Such increases may come about due to increased fees, fuel surcharges, government tax increases, fluctuations in foreign exchange markets or any combination of these events. Post-purchase price increases may be applied to your invoice due to these unforeseen cost increases from suppliers. While a post-purchase price increase is very rare and not anticipated, Burkhalter Tours will inform you of any increases as soon as possible. By signing the tour application and making your deposit, you are acknowledging that you have been made aware and accept the fact that such increases may occur, and that you agree to pay Burkhalter Tours and our contracted suppliers accordingly.

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