

# ROME, ITALY: Secret Palaces and Hidden Art

Rome, with Day Trips to the hill towns of Tivoli and Palestrina

June 10 – 23, 2020

Experts in art, culture, social history, and architecture will be your guides for this 14-day tour of Rome, Italy. Tour the hidden alleys, courtyards, excavations and rooftops of Rome in a trip designed to reveal all the pleasures of the Eternal City: Italian cuisine, gardens, music, art and architecture.

From hilltop pagan sanctuaries to the underground vaults of an ancient theater this trip is designed for you to find the secret palaces and hidden art the average tourist never sees. This summer walk in the footsteps of Emperor Nero in the remains of his Golden House. In the Baroque palace corridors of Rome's wealthiest families you can explore their private art collections. Marvel at the Renaissance villa and pleasure gardens of Tivoli. In the Vatican view the art, architecture and engineering feats of Michelangelo. Special events include cooking with an Italian chef, sunset liqueur in an Italian garden, rooftop terrace aperitivo. You will visit some of the world's greatest museums of art and culture. Shared meals and evening conversations create lasting friendships and provide historical, cultural, and artistic background and context.



## HIGHLIGHTS

- Palatine Hill – palace of the Roman Emperors
- Exclusive guided tour of the Vatican Museum, Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's
- Private residence Baroque palace tour
- Hidden art walks of Medieval, Renaissance, and Baroque Rome
- Medieval hill town excursions to Tivoli and Palestrina
- Italian life adventures: markets, gelato, meals and street life.



## WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Accommodations
- Breakfast daily and 13 lunches or dinners
- Ground transportation in Rome and Italy
- Entrance fees to museums and historical sites
- Excursions to Italian hill towns
- Evening garden conversations



## ACCOMMODATIONS

Our lodgings are located on the Aventine Hill in the Foresteria (guesthouse) of the Camaldolese Convent where our hosts are the Benedictine nuns. Each traveler has a front door key and there is no curfew. Awake to the sound of nearby church bells in your simple, clean room with a private bath. The Foresteria grounds include patios, terraces, and gardens for your use. Authentic Italian meals are prepared in the guesthouse kitchen and served family style. Travelers should be able to walk 3 miles at a moderate pace with rest stops and to climb 2 flights of stairs in 1 travel segment.



## PARTICIPATION IS LIMITED TO 11 TRAVELERS

**FEE: \$3,140** Airfare and travel insurance not included.  
\$500 deposit holds your place. Full payment due by February 1, 2020

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