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Tours Throughout Italy

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The Original Venice Walk - Operates Daily: Mon to Sat at 11 a.m. Sundays at 2 p.m.

*If you only have time to do one tour in Venice, then, this is the one you should take! **We Guarantee absolutely no queues to enter the Basilica.***

Visit San Mark's square and learn the history that lies behinds the walls of its most famous landmarks; the Basilica and its Byzantine heritage, the Doge's Palace and its adjoining prisons, that retain the true secrets to comprehend how a city built on swamps became one of the most enlightened cities of the western world, and learn how all of a sudden fate turned its back on her.

Then, leave the square to discover the "real Venice", enter a labyrinth of narrow passageways and alleys where a magical city of meandering canals punctuated by delicate bridges awaits you...

Grand Canal Boat Tour of Venice - Operates Daily at 4.30 p.m.

Admire the play of light on the water as we glide along the Grand Canal, the main Street of Venice! See the beautiful and imposing palaces and churches that line its banks and learn how it has developed over the centuries into the "most beautiful street in the world".

In the second part of the tour, discover the more romantic and intimate minor canals to savor the true essence of Venice while enjoying a few glasses of the sparkling and refreshing Prosecco wine! **Tour Duration 70 mins. Limited to eight passengers. Tour Costs 40 E p.p. Reservations Required.**

Meeting Point for the Original Venice Walk & Grand Canal Boat Tour at the Entrance to the Royal Gardens (A)



Doges Palace Tour – Tues & Sat at 11.05 am (Sept 7 – Oct 23)

Visit the sumptuous and splendidly decorated rooms of what used to be the “ brain” that governed the Republic of Venice. Its open architecture testifies to the unbeatable power of Venice, queen of the sea. While its lavish chambers display the immense wealth that the city possessed.

And while your eyes are captured by the beauty that is around you, you'll learn about the diverse roles played in society by the Doge and his counsellors, who helped create the many institutions that made Venice the most modern and liberal state in Europe. During the tour, you'll cross the famous bridge of sighs and visit the famous prisons of the Doge's Palace. You'll hear about the infamous council of ten, and be entertained by the legends and stories of the characters who played a role in creating the most serene of Republics. **Meeting Point as map above at the Entrance to the Royal Gardens.**

Venice Ghost Walk – Wednesday & Saturday at 8.30 pm

Venice by night is a place of romance and mystery. The streets dimly lit and deserted are a place where long shadows loom and footsteps echo in the distance. As you are guided on this walking tour through narrow calli and campi, **the ghosts of the past and present day** will keep you company as our guide will introduce them to you, telling all their secrets.

These stories and anecdotes will give you a better understanding of the human-side of Venice -the Venetians themselves - *i Veneziani*. As with all our walking tours, this tour features a unique and very beautiful walk through the back streets and alleys of Venice. **Meeting Point: Top center of the Rialto Bridge.**

Cannaregio & Jewish Ghetto – Wednesday at 11.30 am (Sept 8 – Oct 20)

Discover the lively and vibrant atmosphere of the most residential part of the city, where the few Venetians left in town still live! Visit the fascinating church of Madonna dell'Orto, where you'll learn about its famous legend and admire works by Tintoretto. You'll also see Tintoretto's delightful home.

Enjoy sweeping views of the Venetian lagoon while hearing morbid tales of San Michele, the cemetery island of Venice and understand what a vital role the lagoon played in a city built from fear. In the second part of the tour, visit the first **Jewish ghetto** in history, a city within a city, and learn how the Jewish community lived here over the centuries. Entrances to the Jewish museum and synagogues are not included, as they are strictly controlled by the Jewish community (can be visited after the tour). **Meeting Point: Top center of the Rialto Bridge.**

Discovering San Polo – Thursdays at 11.30 am (Sept 9 – Oct 21)

A rich and stimulating itinerary - Venice at its best! **One of our clients favorite walks**, this is a walk of wonder and discovery of the **real Venice**, through its past and also its present. Visit the important Frari church, hidden away in the San Polo district of the city, home to masterpieces of Titian & Bellini as well as an imposing funeral monument by Canova. Enjoy a guided walk through a labyrinth of streets and narrow passageways in the old artisans quarters of Venice and listen to numerous stories of the illustrious merchants and their acts of cruelty.

Pass-by the old locandas, where the merchants would sojourn and encounter the famous Venetian courtesans in the old red light district of Venice, that is home to the notorious "**Ponte delle Tette**". During this walk, you'll see some of the **oldest houses in Venice**, quaint picturesque bridges and palaces, an old prison for tax evaders and learn about how life used to be in Venice and how life is today for the modern day Venetians. **Meeting Point: Top center of the Rialto Bridge.**

Walking Tours Cost:	Adults	20 E
	Students	15 E
	Children under 12 yrs	11 E
	Under 6yrs	FREE

For Cannaregio & San Polo tours add 2.50 E p.p. entrance fees