An Exclusive Small Group Tour for Alumni, Family, and Friends of Tufts University

Featuring Tufts Professor Steve Chapra
Dear Alumni, Parents, and Friends of Tufts,

We invite you to join us on an exclusive 16-day journey to Italy. Your small group will experience the best of Italy's countryside and its great cities – Rome, Florence, and Venice. This journey showcases priceless art, outstanding cuisine, and unique lodgings.

Staying on the storied Amalfi Coast, discover Italy's Campania region, visiting historic Pompeii and exploring Sorrento. Next, during a three-night stay in Rome, see the city's most famous sights and enjoy time for independent exploration. Then it's on to Umbria and Tuscany with their traditional villages and medieval hill towns: Orvieto, Assisi, Siena, and San Gimignano. In Florence, you have the opportunity to see priceless Renaissance art, then you experience a tasting at a local winery in the Chianti region. Your journey concludes in magical Venice, with time to view its iconic sights and the chance to prolong your stay in this timeless city with a 3-day/2-night post-tour extension.

There's limited availability for this small-group Tufts journey, so seize the moment and make your reservations now. **Call our tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., at 888-370-6765 to book!**

Warmly,

Mary Ann R. Hunt  
Director, Lifelong Learning and Travel-Learn Program

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**TUFTS TRAVEL-LEARN PROGRAM RESERVATION FORM: PORTRAIT OF ITALY**

To reserve your place on tour, please call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at 1-888-370-6765. Please have the information outlined below available to share with an Odysseys Unlimited Travel Counselor.

*If you prefer,* you may also complete this Reservation Form and submit it to Odysseys Unlimited office. Once this request is received, a Travel Counselor from Odysseys Unlimited will contact you within two business days to securely take your credit card information for the deposit. Your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit is paid and processed. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA, or by personal check. If paying by check, please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and include with the form. Final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure.

Send to: Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.  
Attn: Special Interest Groups  
One Newton Place  
275 Washington Street, Suite 300  
Newton, MA 02458

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**PORTRAIT OF ITALY • OCTOBER 3-18, 2024**

I/We would like to request __________ place(s). (Deposit amount is $500 per person.)

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Please book my/our air from ______________________ I/We request an air upgrade to ______________________

I will share a room with ___________________________________ I request a single room (limited availability)

Post-Tour “Venice – On Your Own” Extension: Please sign me/us up
Day 1: Depart U.S. for Naples, Italy

Day 2: Arrive Naples/ Amalfi Coast

Day 3: Ravello

Day 4: Pompeii/ Amalfi Coast/ Sorrento

Day 5: Amalfi Coast/ Montecassino/ Rome

Day 6: Rome

From the breathtaking Amalfi Coast to eternal Rome, through the gentle Umbrian and Tuscan countryside to timeless Venice, this wide-ranging tour showcases ancient sites, contemporary life, priceless art, and beautiful natural scenery. You’ll especially appreciate the small size of your group as you stay in unique accommodations in the Tuscan countryside and in a medieval village.

Cover photo: The Amalfi Coast boasts colorful villages and stunning scenery overlooking the Tyrrhenian Sea.

Tour membership limited to 24 alumni and friends
shopping along the fashionable Via Veneto; sipping espresso in beautiful Piazza Navona; seeing the Pantheon, the city’s best preserved ancient building; tossing a coin into Trevi Fountain; or visiting any number of renowned museums and churches. B

Day 7: Rome Another morning of touring followed by a free afternoon. This morning we tour the heart of ancient Rome: the 55,000-seat Colosseum, built in 72 CE to stage gladiator spectacles; and the temples of the Forum, ancient Rome’s political and legal center. B

Day 8: Rome/Orvieto Leaving Rome, we travel north through a pastoral landscape of gentle agricultural land bounded by mountain wilderness and dotted with traditional villages and medieval hill towns. Mid-afternoon we reach Orvieto, perched high on a plateau above a vineyard-clad plain. After we check in at our hotel in the heart of the city’s medieval quarter, our tour director leads us on an informal walking tour. Tonight we attend a cooking demonstration followed by dinner at a local farm. B,D

Day 9: Orvieto This morning we embark on a guided walking tour of this dramatically set city. We visit the medieval Duomo featuring a frescoed chapel by Fra Angelico and Luca Signorelli’s masterpiece, The Last Judgment. Next we explore the formerly secret passages of Parco delle Grotte, a labyrinth of underground caves used since Etruscan times. The remainder of the day is at leisure. B

Day 10: Orvieto/Assisi Today’s excursion is to Assisi, considered a gem of an Umbrian town with inviting plazas, abundant flowers, buildings of white marble, and a pervasive medieval air. We visit St. Clare Church and the renowned Basilica di San Francesco, the burial place of St. Francis and a sacred pilgrimage site. Inside are Giotto’s priceless frescoes, The Life of St. Francis. There’s time on our own to stroll the fountain-splashed piazzas and to enjoy local specialties for lunch. We also visit Deruta, known for its prized hand-painted Majolica ceramics. B

Day 11: Orvieto/Siena/Tuscany Continuing our journey, today we visit walled Siena, whose ochre-colored buildings and ancient ramparts evoke the city’s medieval past. We set out on a guided walking tour that includes an inside visit to the Duomo, housing masterpieces by Michelangelo and Donatello, then have free time to explore on our own. B,D

Day 12: San Gimignano We encounter classic Tuscany today as we visit the hill town of San Gimignano, known for the 13 watchtowers that have left its skyline virtually unchanged since medieval times. Later we visit a local winery and enjoy a tasting before returning

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**Post-Tour Extension**

October 18-20, 2024

**Venice – On Your Own**

3 days/2 nights for $395 total price

Single Supplement: $325

Enjoy time on your own in this most timeless of cities.

**Your Tour Price Includes**

- 2 nights’ accommodations at Carnival Palace Hotel (Superior First Class)
- 2 meals: 2 breakfasts
- Transfer to airport
mid-afternoon to our lodgings, where we have time to relax before tonight’s dinner at a local restaurant B,D

**Day 13: Florence** A living monument to the Renaissance, Florence is Tuscany’s crown jewel. We discover this splendid city on a full-day excursion that includes a morning walking tour. Then we visit the Galleria dell’Accademia to view Michelangelo’s sublime David, as well as his pieces for the papal tombs; and the revered Duomo, with its stupendous dome by Brunelleschi. This afternoon is free to enjoy Florence as we wish. Tonight we enjoy dinner together at our hotel. B,D

**Day 14: Tuscany/Venice** Leaving Tuscany today, we travel through the Veneto region to Venice, which, along with its lagoon, is a UNESCO site. We arrive early this afternoon; the remainder of the day is free to explore this wondrous city on our own. B

**Day 15: Venice** This morning we take a guided walk through St. Mark's Square and surroundings. Our afternoon is free to explore Venice independently; tonight we bid “arrivederci” to Italy and our fellow travelers at a farewell dinner. B,D

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**In time and with water, everything changes.”**

– Leonardo da Vinci

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**Timeless Venice.**

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**Your Tour Price Includes**

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities
- 14 nights’ accommodations in Superior First Class and First Class hotels
- 22 meals: 14 breakfasts, 8 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers

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**Faculty Lecturer**

Steve Chapra is Professor Emeritus and Louis Berger Chair in Environmental Engineering at Tufts. He received his PhD in Environmental Engineering from the University of Michigan and has published over 200 technical publications including 11 textbooks. Steve’s research focuses on protecting the water-quality of rivers, lakes, estuaries, and oceans. Over his 50-year career, he has lived and travelled extensively studying many of the world’s great waterways. He has special interest in how engineering and science can be employed to manage water-related problems in a sustainable and cost-effective fashion. On this trip, he will present several lectures including his own research on the history of water quality, how climate will profoundly influence the world’s future water quality, and a close look at the Mediterranean Sea from the perspective of an environmental scientist/engineer.

**Day 16: Depart for U.S.** We depart early this morning for our connecting flights to the U.S. B

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**Tour Departs: October 3, 2024**

Prices include int’l airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees.

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Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of $579, which are subject to change until final payment is made. Single travelers please add $1,095. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Airline upgrades on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: Business Class – $3,795 per person; Premium Economy – $1,595 per person (upgrades are subject to availability and pricing is subject to change). Upgrade costs are in addition to the costs above.

Please note: This trip involves considerable walking up hills or stairs, and on uneven or cobblestone streets. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to the fullest.

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Monday–Friday, 9:00 AM–7:00 PM, Eastern Time

Visit Tufts’ website: go.tufts.edu/travel_learn
GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Please read this information carefully, as payment of a $500 deposit per person represents your acceptance of the following Terms and Conditions.

Not Included in Tour Price: Airfare when purchasing a Land Only package; costs of passports and visas; immunizations, inoculations, and COVID-19 testing; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; airport transfers when purchasing a Land Only package; communication charges; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities: $10-$15 per traveler, per day); optional sightseeing; and travel protection insurance. Additional baggage fees may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

Cancellations, Refunds, and Changes: If you must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.’s receipt of your notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges: cancel 95 days or more before departure: $200 charge; cancel 94-65 days before departure: 25% of tour price; cancel 64-45 days before departure: 50% of tour price; cancel 44-30 days before departure: 75% of tour price; cancel 29-0 days before departure: no refund. If you make any changes to your reservation from 94 to 30 days prior to departure, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. will apply a $100 per person administrative fee, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason, you will be charged the single supplement. No changes are allowed within 30 days of departure. Upon reservation, you must provide your full legal name as it appears on your passport, as well as your date of birth and gender. 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