

The Arts Society East Sussex

ITALY'S IMAGNA VALLEY & LAKE ISEO

17th – 23rd September 2023

7 days – 6 nights. £1,449 per person*

A rural jewel set between the sparkling Lakes Como and Iseo, the Imagna Valley is a lush green oasis that remains relatively untouched by tourism. The immediate area is known for its delicious local food as well as its soothing thermal waters. The magnificent vistas are dotted with ancient hamlets, unique traditional houses and Romanesque architecture. Our tour will include a day in this lesser known area as well as guided excursions to the local historic towns full of fabulous architecture, character, and art.



Price is based on a minimum of 25 travelling.
Should fewer than 25 members travel, the price will increase.

Our Tour



What's included

- * Return flights from London to Italy
- * Return airport transfers in Italy
- * Local guide / tour manager in Italy
- * 6 nights half board accommodation
- * Porterage
- * Dinner each evening, with wine
- * Use of the spa facilities (excluding treatments)
- * Gratuities for tour manager / guides and coach driver in Italy
- * A full programme of excursions including:
 - * Imagna Valley & Cornubusa Sanctuary and traditional trattoria lunch
 - * Guided tours of Bergamo, Brescia, Mantova and Lake Iseo
 - * Wine tasting
 - * Whisper sets

(see overleaf for further details & admission fees included)

Extras

- * Twin / double room for sole use—£140 per person
- * City tax (currently no city tax applicable but subject to change)

Our Hotel

Hotel Miramonti, Rota D'Imagna

The characterful & family run Hotel Miramonti resort & spa is stunningly situated nestled in the heart of the peaceful and verdant Imagna Valley. With its relaxing wellness spa, warm hospitality and restaurant known for quality, regional cuisine, this is an unforgettable place to stay, and perfectly located for visiting the area.



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How to book:

Please contact Jane Hopkin for a booking form.
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Day 1 - We depart for Italy. Upon arrival, we'll be met by a tour manager and coach to transfer us to the hotel for a welcome drink before dinner tonight. (Flight times are not yet known) Dinner with wine is included each evening at the hotel.

Day 2 - Brescia, a beautiful artistic and archaeological delight. With no less than four grand, historic squares, it boasts Roman remains dating back to the 1st century. A guided tour will take us around the city and admission is included to the Roman treasures of Capitolium of Brixia and the baroque Church of Santi Faustino e Giovita, packed with stunning frescoes and artwork.

Day 3 - Bergamo is a majestic medieval masterpiece with history, culture and music at its heart. The ancient core of the city sits atop a hill and is divided from the lower city by Venetian walls, which afford spectacular views. We'll explore the charming cobbled streets on a walking tour, taking in the lovely architecture and fascinating churches from different eras, dotted between picturesque piazzas. We'll visit the 12th century Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore, rich with treasured artefacts and the wonderful Accademia Carrara gallery, founded in 1796. Home to significant collections of fine art, it holds pieces by Botticelli, Bellini and Canaletto. Late afternoon we will head to a vineyard for a tasting of local wine.

Day 4 - Today we explore the Imagna Valley and visit the Cornabusa Sanctuary. Housed inside a natural cave located in a mountain overlooking the Imagna Valley, this sanctuary is a place of meditation and peace. We'll head for a long and leisurely lunch in a delightfully authentic trattoria, which is located in an historic building in the village of Roncaglia. It takes pride in serving local traditional dishes using produce from the valley.

Day 5 - Today we visit Mantua (Mantova). Once an Etruscan village, it was transformed during the Renaissance period by the powerful House of Gonzaga. Today, the grandeur of this family remains to be seen in the town's architecture, which we see on our visit to the grand Palazzo Ducale (including the astonishing Camera degli Sposi) and the wonderful Palazzo Te. The interiors of these spectacular palaces are adorned with incredible frescoes.

Day 6 - Lake Iseo is a hidden gem is located in the verdant Franciacorta Valley, one of the best wine-growing regions in the north of Italy. We stop in Lovere for a walking tour of this lovely lakeside town full of elegant churches and piazza's. We then will take the ferry across to the island in the lake, Monte Isola, before moving onto some time in the town of Iseo itself.

Day 7 - Travel home. Flight times permitting, you may wish to enjoy the facilities of the hotel, including indoor & outdoor pools, a Jacuzzi, a sauna and a Turkish bath.

The exact order of excursion is subject to change.

To book your place:

Please send completed booking form and deposit of £200 pp to:
Jane Hopkin, 3 Champions Row, Wilbury
Avenue, Hove, East Sussex, BN3 6AZ

YOUR DETAILS (NAMES AS PER PASSPORT)

	TITLE	FORENAME	SURNAME	ROOM TYPE (TWIN, DOUBLE, SINGLE)	EMAIL ADDRESS
PASSENGER ONE					
PASSENGER TWO					

YOUR CONTACT DETAILS

	PHONE NO.	MOBILE NO.	POSTAL ADDRESS
PASSENGER ONE			
PASSENGER TWO			

SPECIAL REQUESTS (DIETARY, MOBILITY ETC.)

PASSENGER ONE	
PASSENGER TWO	

PASSPORT DETAILS (FLIGHT & OVERSEAS TOURS ONLY)

	DATE OF BIRTH	PASSPORT NO.	NATIONALITY	ISSUE DATE	EXPIRY DATE	COUNTRY OF ISSUE
PASSENGER ONE						
PASSENGER TWO						

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION (SO THAT IN THE EVENT OF ANYTHING UNFORESEEN, WE CAN PROVIDE THE BEST POSSIBLE SERVICE)

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PASSENGER ONE				
PASSENGER TWO				

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TOUR COST	
TOUR PRICE	£
SINGLE SUPPLEMENT [†]	£

DEPOSIT PAYMENT (NON-REFUNDABLE)			
	PRICE PER PERSON	QUANTITY	TOTAL
DEPOSIT (NON-REFUNDABLE)	£		£

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