

*Capital Region Chamber presents...*

# Northern Italy and Its Lakes

featuring Padua and Venice

with Optional 2-Night Milan Post Tour Extension

April 21 – 29, 2021

**YOU'RE INVITED TO A SPECIAL TRAVEL PRESENTATION**

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**\$200**  
Per Person

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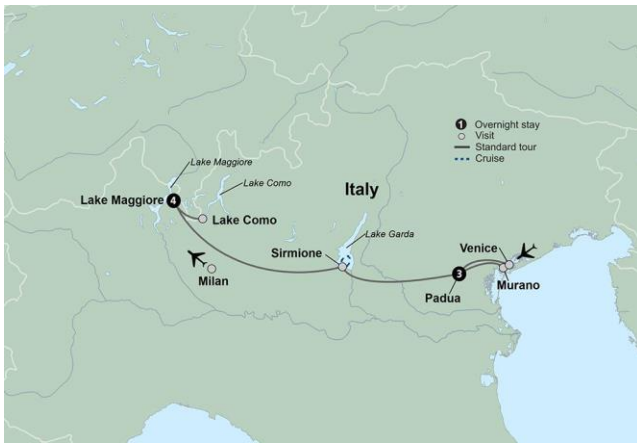
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9 Days • 10 Meals: 7 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners

## Book Now & Save \$200 Per Person:

Double ~~\$3,599~~; Double \$3,399\*

Single ~~\$3,999~~; Single \$3,799;

Triple ~~\$3,569~~ Triple \$3,369

For bookings made after Oct 15, 2020 call for rates.

**Included in Price:** Round Trip Air from Newark Intl Airport, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

**Not included in price:** Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$329 per person

\* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change, based on air inclusive package from EWR

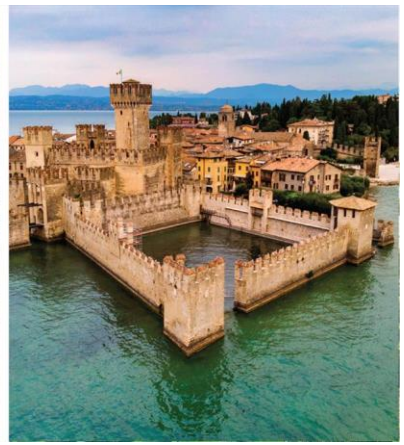
### Upgrade your in-flight experience with Elite Airfare

Additional rate of: Business Class \$4,790

† Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option

**IMPORTANT CONDITIONS:** Your price is subject to increase prior to the time you make full payment. Your price is not subject to increase after you make full payment, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. Once deposited, you have 7 days to send us written consumer consent or withdraw consent and receive a full refund. (See registration form for consent.)

**Collette's Flagship:** Collette's tours open the door to a world of amazing destinations. Marvel at must-see sights, sample regional cuisine, stay in centrally located hotels and connect with new and captivating cultures. These itineraries offer an inspiring and easy way to experience the world, where an expert guide takes care of all the details.



### Collette Experiences

- Witness a glassblowing demonstration on Murano Island.
- Cruise Lake Como, a beloved retreat of the rich and famous.

### Must-See Inclusions

- Make your way through the iconic St. Mark's Square in Venice.
- See the famous sinking castle in the Sirmione peninsula.

### Culinary Inclusions

- Journey by boat to Isola dei Pescatori for a farewell dinner featuring local cuisine.

**Highlights:** Padua, Glassblowing Demonstration, Venice, St. Mark's Square, Lake Garda, Sirmione, Lake Maggiore, Lake Como, Bellagio

#### Day 1: Wednesday, April 21, 2021

**Overnight Flight** Take the best of Italian culture – savory cuisine, friendly locals, eons of history – and add the beauty of mystical lakes. A blend of winding canals and gently lapping waves, this is the northern lakes region of Italy. Delve deep into this relaxing hub, serving as a favorite getaway for the international elite.

#### Day 2: Thursday, April 22, 2021

**Padua, Italy - Tour Begins** Your journey begins in Padua, an ancient city rooted in legend. Set in the picturesque Veneto region, some believe that Padua was founded by war heroes after the fall of Troy. The Bacchiglione River carves its way through the town, resulting in lovely riverside promenades and stone step-bridges. Meet your fellow travelers

while enjoying a taste of Italian culture at a welcome dinner. Truly get to know the town's legacy as you settle into your home for the next 3 nights. (*D*)

#### Day 3: Friday, April 23, 2021 Padua -

**Murano - Venice - Padua** Start your day with a visit to Murano Island,\* known for its intricate glass making. Witness a glassblowing demonstration, providing a glimpse into the methods behind this fine art. Feel the grandeur of the past come alive as you make your way to Venice, a floating labyrinth settled on a lagoon. Pass through the sprawling St. Mark's Square with an expert guide and admire the Campanile, a brick bell tower that rises above the piazza. Step outside the main square and explore the Castello district,



making your way past historic buildings and architecture as you walk the narrow streets. Enjoy an afternoon in Venice at leisure. Perhaps you will opt for a gondola ride through the postcard-worthy canals, taking in the city from a different perspective. (B)

**Day 4: Saturday, April 24, 2021 Padua**

Start the morning by strolling the streets of Padua with your guide. Make your way inside the Basilica of St. Anthony, a stately cathedral built in the 13th century. Engage with locals and feel the dynamic energy as you walk along open-air markets and street vendors setting up shop in the piazzas. Pass by the ornate Palazzo della Ragione, the former meeting place for the town's council. Feel the history in the air when you see Caffè Pedrocchi, a famous coffee shop frequented by the intellectuals that influenced the Italian Risorgimento of the 19th century. The rest of the day is yours to discover the town however you wish. Perhaps you will choose to go on an exclusive optional tour down the Brenta Canal, enjoying an aperitif on your private boat as you admire the opulent homes on the water's edge. (B)

**Day 5: Sunday, April 25, 2021 Padua -**

**Lake Garda - Lake Maggiore** This morning, head to Sirmione, an old village situated on the shores of Lake Garda. Embark on a boat ride through the Sirmione peninsula and see the famous sinking castle. Enjoy time at leisure to discover the narrow streets or simply relax alongside the bright blue waves of the lake. End the day next to Lake Maggiore, a stunning Italian lake, and toast to the start of your leisurely 4-night stay. (B, D)

**Day 6: Monday, April 26, 2021 Lake**

**Maggiore** Enjoy the day at leisure to explore the nearby lakeside streets. Perhaps you'll take an optional tour and coast along the ethereal water of Lake Maggiore by boat for an up-close look at the Borromean Islands before docking at Isola Bella, known as the "beautiful island." Join an expert guide and venture into the Borromeo Palace, a seaside Baroque beauty with an exotic garden. Then, return to your boat and cruise by the remaining Borromean Islands. (B)

**Day 7: Tuesday, April 27, 2021 Lake**

**Maggiore** The entire day is yours. You might soak up the sun on the beach,





relax in an outdoor café, or head out on the waves by boat. Perhaps you will take an optional tour to Lugano, Switzerland to see the lake from the other side of the Italian border. (B)

**Day 8: Wednesday, April 28, 2021**

**Lake Maggiore - Lake Como - Lake Maggiore** Indulge in a day of sunshine and scenic peaks at the paradise of Lake Como, nestled against the Alps and a beloved retreat for the rich and famous. Enjoy a guided cruise of the waters before stopping in Bellagio, an ancient peninsula that fosters winding streets and unparalleled views. Enjoy some free time to discover the city's secrets on your own. Return to Lake Maggiore and venture to Isola dei

Pescatori\*\* by boat, enjoying a farewell dinner of local cuisine to celebrate the end of your trip. (B, D)

**Day 9: Thursday, April 29, 2021 Lake Maggiore - Tour Ends** Wish Italy *arrivederci* as your tour comes to a close today. (B)

#### Itinerary at a glance

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 4	Methis Hotel Padova & Spa, Padova
Days 5 – 8	Zacchera Hotels, Lake Maggiore

*On some dates alternate hotels may be used.*

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## Experience It! Lake Como

The gentle waves. The soft breeze. The gleaming sunshine. There's a reason why the rich and famous flock to the shores of Lake Como – and its natural beauty is only the start of it. Nestled against the foothills of the Alps, Lake Como is dotted with bobbing boats and relaxing sunbathers. Along its shore, find towering villas of the brightest colors, jutting out between the trees. The lake was formed by glaciers and displays an iconic “Y” shape. Enjoy a guided cruise of the waters and marvel at the surrounding landscape. Considered to be one of the most beautiful lakes in the world, you'll have to judge its charms for yourself.

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**Please Note:**

**IDENTIFICATION**

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

**IMPORTANT:** We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

*Effective for travel after January 2021, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS travel authorization, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit <https://www.etiasvisa.com/>*

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers.

Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Most shops and businesses in Italy are closed on Sundays and on national/religious holidays.

\*Your visit to Murano Island may be substituted with a visit to a local glass factory in Venice in the event of inclement weather.

\*\*Due to inclement weather in the winter months, your farewell dinner at Isola dei Pescatori may not be possible. In such an event, your farewell dinner will take place in the town of Lake Maggiore.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis. When reserving single accommodations, be advised that single rooms in Italy are often smaller in size.

This tour includes moderate physical activity. The itinerary blends some longer days with shorter days and more leisure time. Walking tours, as well as walking slightly longer distances, up stairs or on uneven walking surfaces, should be expected.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Our air passengers will arrive into Venice airport. All arrival transfers will depart from Venice airport for Padua. Air passengers will depart from Milan airport. All return transfers will depart from Lake Maggiore for Milan airport.

Air inclusive rate is valid for guests who have purchased our air package for the full tour. Rate will vary for those who have purchased their own air.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

**A deposit of \$500 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of October 08, 2020 are based upon availability. Final payment due by February 12, 2021. Deposits are refundable up until October 15, 2020.**

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## Extend your vacation with

### Optional 3 Days 2-Night Milan Post Tour Extension

Rate: \$599.00 USD per person, double, land only

2 Meals: 2 Breakfasts

#### **Day 9: Lake Maggiore - Milan**

Transfer to Milan, a chic and sophisticated metropolis known for being a hub of high fashion. Milan is filled with historic architecture including the Duomo, its magnificent Gothic cathedral. Upon arrival, receive your sightseeing bus ticket valid for 48 hours...hop-on and hop-off the red, open-top, double-decker buses, and explore this bustling city at your own pace.

#### **Day 10: Milan**

Continue your independent exploration of Milan at your leisure. You may choose to visit the Sforza Castle, Sant'Ambrogio Cathedral, Parco delle Basiliche or the Duomo. *Today breakfast will be included.*

#### **Day 11: Milan - Tour Ends**

Your tour ends today. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Please Note:

A minimum of 3 passengers is required for this extension to operate.

Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request.

This extension is not hosted or guided.

This extension requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven ground and cobblestone streets.

#### **NOTES:**

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For more information on extensions and options for this tour visit <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/997167>

## Air Upgrades

Collette's Elite Airfare allows you to travel in ultimate comfort and convenience. Treat yourself to a wealth of amenities that come with a business, premium economy, or first-class ticket. Land rested, refreshed, and ready for your adventure.

## The Collette Passport Club

When you travel with Collette, you're automatically enrolled as a member of Collette's loyalty program, The Collette Passport Club. As a member of The Collette Passport Club, you will receive a \$150 travel credit for each trip you take† along with other great travel benefits, fun gifts, and special recognition.

## Our Worry-Free Travel Protection Plan

Sometimes life happens, and your carefully-made plans have to change on the fly. With Collette's worry-free Travel Protection Plan, you can cancel your trip for any reason right up until the day prior to departure and receive a full refund (less the cost of insurance). You're also covered on tour – if you have to return home early, need medical assistance, are delayed on tour for more than 12 hours, or lose your baggage, you're covered. This is just one of the ways we are with you at every step of the journey – even before it begins. Learn more at [gocollette.com/guided-travel#no\\_worries\\_waiver](http://gocollette.com/guided-travel#no_worries_waiver)

## The Collette Gateway

The Collette Gateway is designed to be your "one-stop shop" with all the important travel information you need, plus a lot of experience-enhancing extras you'll love. By registering for the Collette Gateway, you can discover more about your destination, explore exciting optional excursions, get a checklist of important things needed for a smooth journey, and access your Collette Passport Club features. Learn more at [gateway.gocollette.com](http://gateway.gocollette.com)

† Full credit is valid for your next tour when travel is completed within 12 months of the original trip. \$100 of the credit remains valid for travel within 13-24 months. Credit expires 24 months after the original trip.



# SPECIAL TRAVEL PRESENTATION

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2020**

TIME 6:00 PM

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Albany, New York 12205

**RSVP to Sharon Cutler**  
**(518) 431-1436**



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BOOKING NUMBER: 997167

TOUR: Northern Italy and Its Lakes *featuring Padua and Venice*

DEPARTURE DATE: April 21, 2021

GROUP NAME: Plaza Travel Center

### Available Options

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

*Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.*

Children under the age of 18 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

### Venice

**Venetian Serenaded Gondola Cruise - Friday, April 23, 2021** **\$85 USD**

Experience the romance that can only be found in Venice – La Serenissima – while traveling on its famous waterways. Partake in one of Venice’s most famous pastimes – a gondola cruise. Take a pleasant stroll toward the Grand Canal to board your gondola. As you relax in your elegant watercraft, your gondolier navigates the Grand Canal as well as smaller side canals. Admire the scenery as you listen to the melodic voice serenading you in true Italian style – just like in those romantic Italian movies! This option operates weather permitting. *Duration: Approximately 1 hour.* Please note a minimum of 12 passengers is required. Transportation is not included.

### Padova

**Private Boat Excursion through Brenta Canal with Villa - Saturday, April 24, 2021** **\$125 USD**

See the region from a different perspective with an optional boat ride along the Brenta Canal. Coast along the waters in luxury, enjoying the exclusivity of a private boat. Toast to the journey with some bubbly – pop the prosecco and cheers! Enjoy a light aperitif as you sit back and relax, admiring the opulent houses along the riverbanks as you slowly drift by. Then, take a step into the daily life of the Italian elite with a visit to Villa Barchessa Valmarana. This 18th century house overlooks the winding river, serving as a summer holiday home. After you explore, continue down the river before ending at the entrance to the Venetian lagoon. Head back to Padua for the remainder of your evening. *Duration: Approximately 1 hour.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

### Jesolo

**Swiss Getaway Day Trip - Tuesday, April 27, 2021** **\$75 USD**

Head to the other side of Lake Maggiore and spend the day in Switzerland. Discover the majestic charms of Lugano, a city nestled against towering mountains and a pristine lake. Located near the Italian border, admire the pleasant blend of Italian culture and architecture seen throughout the city. Enjoy free time to explore the streets on your own however you’d like. Then, head to the top of Monte San Salvatore by means of the town’s funicular. Take in breathtaking views of the area as you ascend to the mountain’s peak. You’ll be able to see the adjacent Lake Lugano, huddled in the Alps between Lake Como and Lake Maggiore. After you head down the mountain, return to the Italian side of Lake Maggiore in the evening. *Duration: Approximately 5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 10 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

### Stresa

**Lake Maggiore Cruise to Isola Bella - Monday, April 26, 2021** **\$60 USD**

Coast along the ethereal water of Lake Maggiore by boat for an up-close look at the Borromean Islands. Dock at Isola Bella, or “beautiful island” in Italian. Here, Vitaliano Borromeo of the wealthy “House of Borromeo” built a palazzo dedicated to his wife Isabella. An expert guide will lead you on a tour of Borromeo Palace and its exotic gardens, giving insight into its storied history and Baroque architecture. On your way back to shore, cruise past the rest of the Borromean islands, many still owned by the Borromeo family to this day. *Duration: Approximately 4 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is not included.



TRAVEL DATE: 4/21/2021 TERRITORY: A2  
RES#: 997167

Northern Italy and Its Lakes featuring Padua and Venice

**For Reservations Contact:** Jean Gagnon (518) 785-3338 email: jean@plazatravel.net  
Plaza Travel Center, 623 New Loudon Rd Ste 2, Latham, NY 12110-4031

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**YOUR INFORMATION:**

Clearly print your full name (first/middle/last) as it appears on your government issued travel documentation.

**IMPORTANT:** In order to avoid any unnecessary change fees, it is imperative that all guest names are entered correctly from the start. The information below must be the legal name and be 100% identical to the ID being used to travel <passport/driver's license> including middle names or suffixes <Jr, Sr>.

First: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle: \_\_\_\_\_ Last: \_\_\_\_\_ Suffix: \_\_\_\_\_

Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: ( ) Male ( ) Female Date of Birth: month \_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_ year \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: (month/day/year) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Issuance: (month/day/year) \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Country of Issuance: \_\_\_\_\_ Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

**Should you become ill or injured, whom should we contact (not traveling with you):** \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**ROOMING WITH:**  Check if address is the same as Passenger #1

First: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle: \_\_\_\_\_ Last: \_\_\_\_\_ Suffix: \_\_\_\_\_

**AIR GATEWAY:** Departure airport for this tour: \_\_\_\_\_

Air Seat Request: ( ) Aisle ( ) Window ( ) Next To Traveling Companion

Collette cannot guarantee your seat preference. If you have not purchased air through Collette and wish to purchase transfers, you must transfer at our pre-scheduled times. Please be advised, when travelling as part of a group, many airlines do not provide seat assignments. Preferred seating may be available for an additional charge.

Please reserve an upgrade to Elite Airfare for an additional rate of:  Business Class \$4,790

Service is limited and not available on all flights or carriers. Other restrictions may apply. Please note: if you purchase an upgrade we cannot guarantee the same flight schedule as the group. If Business class service has been purchased, it is for the international portion of the journey only.

Are you willing to separate from the group air schedule to accommodate your upgrade request? ( ) Yes ( ) No

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**TRAVEL PROTECTION:** ( ) Yes, I wish to purchase travel protection \$329 ( ) No, I decline

If you choose not to purchase Collette's Waiver Insurance Plan, you will incur penalties for changes and cancellations. Travel Protection Payment is due with first deposit. The Waiver Fee does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's traveling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. The single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. (There is coverage under Part B which includes a single supplement benefit of \$1,000 for certain covered reasons. See Part B for details.)

**EXTENSION:** I wish to purchase "2-Night Milan" ( ) Yes ( ) No

**ON TOUR ACTIVITIES: Please choose one of the following on tour hotels (subject to availability):**

( ) Zacchera Hotels – Standard (included) ( ) Zacchera Hotels – Lake View (additional charge of \$200.00 double, \$400.00 single required)

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:** Plaza Travel Center ( ) Check ( ) Credit Card

Waiver/Insurance Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Deposit Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder Name (if paying by Credit Card): \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder Billing Address:  Check if address is the same as above \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**SIGNATURE REQUIRED** for acceptance of the below conditions and agreement to credit card use:

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I agree to pay according to the card issuer agreement. I understand and accept the cancellation policy, terms and conditions. See <http://www.gocollette.com/about-collette/terms-and-conditions> for full terms and conditions of your purchase.

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**PASSENGERS NAME:** (Please submit a separate form for each passenger)

Salutation: \_\_\_\_\_ First: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle: \_\_\_\_\_ Last: \_\_\_\_\_ Suffix: \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Mr., Mrs., Rev.) (Please print **EXACTLY** as it appears on Passport) (Jr., Sr.)

✓	Option	Price Per Person (USD)
	Venetian Serenaded Gondola Cruise - Friday, April 23, 2021 <i>This option operates weather permitting.</i>	85.00
	Private Boat Excursion through Brenta Canal with Villa - Saturday, April 24, 2021	125.00
	Swiss Getaway Day Trip - Tuesday, April 27, 2021	75.00
	Lake Maggiore Cruise to Isola Bella - Monday, April 26, 2021	60.00

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