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**Quality Destination Management – Rome/Italy**

# Vatican City & Rome

*6 night-package tour*

*Palazzo Cardinal Cesi \*\*\*\* or Residenza Paolo VI \*\*\*\**

## **Day by Day Program**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Day – Saturday**

Upon your arrival at the airport in Rome you will be met by your assistant. Your luggage will be transferred to your bus and soon you will be in your way to the *Residenza Paolo VI* or the *Palazzo Cardinal Cesi*, just at the Vatican City.

Dinner at a nearby restaurant

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Day – Sunday**

In the morning attend 10:30 am Solemn Mass at St. Peter's Basilica, after which you have the unique opportunity of assisting to the noon Papal Blessing from the wonderful terrace of the Residenza with its breathtaking view on St. Peter's Square.

Free time for lunch on your own and the afternoon at leisure for exploring the sights of the Vatican City and Rome. At 5:00 pm attend the Vespers with Gregorian chant in St. Peter's Basilica.

Dinner at a nearby restaurant.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Day – Monday**

You have the opportunity of celebrating a private Holy Mass at the Tomb of St. Peter (only for groups accompanied by their priest).

After lunch, visit the magnificent Basilica of St. Paul, the Cathedral of St. John Lateran and the Basilica of St. Mary Major. Complete your tour of Christian Rome with a visit of the Catacombs.

Dinner at a nearby restaurant.

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#### **4<sup>th</sup> Day – Tuesday**

After breakfast, depart for a full day excursion to Assisi, where you will visit various sites of religious interest such as the Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels, the Basilica of St. Francis (where the body of the Saint is buried) and the Basilica of St. Clare. Return to Rome in your comfortable motorcoach.

Dinner at a nearby restaurant.

#### **5<sup>th</sup> Day – Wednesday**

In the morning attend the audience with the Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI.

After lunch, begin a guided tour of Romantic Rome, with a visit to the Trevi Fountain, the Spanish Steps, the Pantheon, Piazza Farnese and Piazza Navona. As an alternative you can visit the main sites of interest of Ancient Rome, such as the ancient Roman Forum, the Arch of Constantine and the Coliseum. Return to your guest house.

Dinner at a nearby restaurant.

#### **6<sup>th</sup> Day – Thursday**

Begin your morning of sightseeing with a visit to the Vatican Museums, where you will be able to admire wonderful works by artists such as Giotto, Raphael, Da Vinci, Caravaggio. Visit the Sistine Chapel, with Michelangelo's frescoes, and end your guided tour in St. Peter's Basilica to admire the magnificent Pietà.

Your farewell dinner will be in a traditional restaurant, where you will experience an atmosphere of hospitality and taste the typical roman cuisine.

#### **7<sup>th</sup> Day – Friday**

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport for your return flight. It is time for you to return home and bring with yourself all the wonderful memories you have acquired during your stay in the Vatican City and in Rome

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