

Cape Breton Regional Chamber of Commerce presents...

Spotlight on Northern Italy

October 14 – 22, 2027



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9 Days • 10 Meals: 7 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Treviso, Verona, Glassblowing Demonstration, Venice, Asolo, Prosecco Winery, The Dolomites, Bassano del Grappa, Venetian Villa Visit

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 – 8 Hotel Carlton Treviso, Treviso

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



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Excursions

Day 1: Thursday, October 14, 2027 Overnight Flight

Venture to vineyards, Venice, and Verona. It's almost time to unpack once and journey among the jewels of Northern Italy.

Day 2: Friday, October 15, 2027 Treviso, Italy

Arrive today in Treviso, hometown of Italy's most iconic dessert – tiramisu. Treviso has a long history tied to the nearby island city of Venice. Founded as a mainland (*terraferma*) settlement, Treviso was an early outpost with the look and feel of Venice. With your feet on "firm ground," settle into your home for the next seven nights — a modern and elegantly furnished hotel in the centre of Treviso. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today. Meet your fellow travellers for dinner, while a local pastry chef shows you a few tricks for preparing some sweet tiramisu. (D)

Day 3: Saturday, October 16, 2027 Treviso

Start your day with a walking tour in the city commonly called "Venice on the Mainland." Take in the Old Town's gothic-style windows, marble latticework, and the Sile and Botteniga rivers – humble elements all reminiscent of its famous island neighbour. After your guided tour on foot, take some time to explore more of Treviso at your own pace. Maybe you'll wander through the weekly vegetable and housewares market. Or you can check out the picturesque Canale dei Buranelli and nearby *pescheria*, where fishmongers have set up shop for centuries. When you stop for lunch on your own, consider noshing on *radicchio trevigiano*, an autumnal delicacy consisting of red chicory grilled with a generous helping of extra virgin olive oil. (B)

Day 4: Sunday, October 17, 2027 Verona

Verona (UNESCO) is for lovers. After a two-hour bus ride, find yourself in the romantic city of *Romeo & Juliet*. In Verona, **it's your choice!** Explore Verona's painted houses during a walking tour of the Old Town **-OR-** stroll along the town's riverbanks in search of its bridges and lesser-known monuments. No matter what you choose, you'll catch a glimpse of the city's must-sees: Juliet's balcony and the impressive exterior of the Arena, the ancient Roman amphitheatre. After, enjoy some free time to explore Verona how you'd like. Whether you're following in the footsteps of Shakespeare's most famous dramatic characters or retracing Italian history, savour time wandering in Verona's medieval city centre. After lunch on your own in the city, return to your hotel in the late afternoon to relax. (B)

Day 5: Monday, October 18, 2027 Asolo

Get to know a hilltop haven for artists today in Asolo. After getting acquainted with the village during an orientation walk, enjoy some free time. Find inspiration and trace the steps of author Ernest Hemingway, poet Robert Browning, composer Igor Stravinsky, and many other famous virtuosos throughout history. Later, continue your journey into the rolling hills of Italy's Prosecco region (UNESCO) for a visit to a local vineyard, where you'll taste the region's sparkling specialty. Roll up your sleeves and learn how to make a traditional pasta recipe under the expert guidance of a *bona fide* Italian *nonna* (grandmother). Enjoy your pasta dish with a tasting of wines, toasting to *la dolce vita* — the sweet life — in the Venetian countryside. Return to your hotel in the late evening. Rest well tonight; tomorrow is a full day exploring the Dolomites. (B, D)

Day 6: Tuesday, October 19, 2027 Venice

Board the coach and head to Venice (UNESCO) and then trade wheels for a boat into the heart of the city. In Venice, renowned for its centuries-old glassmaking tradition, a local craftsman will demonstrate the intricacies of this artful trade during a glassblowing presentation. Explore the area surrounding St. Mark's Square, taking in the ornate Gothic facade of Doge's Palace and the Basilica. During your free time, consider an optional gondola cruise to experience Venice's most famous pastime. (B)



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Included in Price: Round Trip Air from Halifax International, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges of \$170 per person (subject to increase until paid in full), Hotel Transfers

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- † Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option

Day 7: Wednesday, October 20, 2027 The Dolomites

Today will be your biggest trek yet.* You're on your way to what UNESCO declares one of the world's most beautiful mountain chains: the Dolomites. Weave through the winding roads tucked within jagged rocks for a couple of hours en route to Cortina, the Pearl of the Dolomites, and enjoy some free time and, weather permitting, a cable-car ride to the top of impressive Mount Faloria,** a favourite with hikers and bikers alike. Reminisce on your mountain adventure tonight on your way back to the hotel. (B)

Day 8: Thursday, October 21, 2027 Bassano del Grappa

Begin your day with a trip to the quaint town of Bassano del Grappa. The town's name is associated with the locally produced grape-based schnapps. Explore its cobblestoned piazzas and see

the impact the beverage has had on the town, including the ancient distillery in one of the pillars of the historic Palladian Bridge. Take some time to wander around the town and grab a bite to eat for lunch (maybe paired with some *grappa*?). Tonight, step back in time at a classic Venetian villa. Tour the sprawling villa and its gardens, still owned by the descendants of a noble family of Venice. After you follow the family's history within the villa's walls, gather with your fellow travellers and savour Venetian dishes prepared with fresh local ingredients at this evening's farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 9: Friday, October 22, 2027 Treviso - Tour Ends

It's time to say *ciao, Italia*. Have a *buon viaggio* back home with fond memories of Northern Italy. (B)

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Important Tour Information:

Book Now rates valid until Apr 15, 2027, valid on air inclusive packages only.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveller. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (2-3 hours) isn't a big deal. A moderately paced two-and-a-half-hour walking tour, covering several miles, hills, and uneven surfaces, is no problem for you. Walking four miles over the course of a day is very doable, as is climbing into and out of various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, zodiac, etc.). You can climb three flights of stairs easily and handle altitudes between 6,000 and 9,000 feet. Expect some longer days with early mornings or late nights balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. This level is not a fit for travellers who require mobility assistance devices.

Travel with an average of 37 people (maximum of 44).

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

If you require a walker or wheelchair, or have difficulty walking, you may not be able to access some of the areas on this tour and may want to consider an alternate tour with us. Our Client Care Agents can provide additional information or assistance to help you determine the perfect trip for you.

The weather in the Dolomites is changeable and prone to strong winds, sudden fogs, low clouds, and downpours. The average temperature in the Dolomites ranges from 41 Fahrenheit (5 Celsius) in spring and fall, to 65 Fahrenheit (18 Celsius) in summer. Temperatures can drop suddenly to below freezing point. For your comfort we recommend packing a warm fleece, scarf, hat, and a pair of gloves.

Your visits to Verona, Asolo, Bassano, and especially Venice involve negotiating some steep inclines over cobblestones, gravel, or some flights of steps.

When operating, the cable car ride will take you to an elevation of 7,000 feet/2,120 meters above sea level.

In Italy, some of the most unique sightseeing require accessing locations that restrict motor coach access, especially in historic areas such as Verona, Venice, Asolo and Bassano.

*You will depart the hotel at around 8:15 a.m. and return around 6:00 p.m. The day includes approximately 6.5 hours of driving, of which approximately 4 hours will be on scenic, but winding mountain roads. Travellers prone to motion sickness should take adequate precautions.

**The Faloria cable car is closed between the 2nd weekend of April and the last weekend of May, and again between the 3rd weekend of October and the last weekend of December, but closing times may change. If travelling during those periods, after Cortina you will visit the panoramic lake Misurina.

Days of features are interchangeable.

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

Agility is required to board the gondola boats if participating in the optional tour.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

To complete your tour, we include round-trip 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.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Our air travellers will arrive and depart from Venice airport.

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.

Prepaid tipping is not available on our tours therefore payment of customary end-of-trip gratuities for your Tour Manager, driver, local guides, hotel housekeepers, and cruise ship waitstaff should be handled individually when applicable during the course of your tour.

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

Travel Requirements:

Documentation is required by foreign governments for all trips outside Canada. You should visit Global Affairs Canada at <https://travel.gc.ca/> for general information about passports and visa requirements. Some countries require a visa in addition to a valid passport for entry, so it is important that you check with the appropriate foreign consulate or embassy for specific entry requirements and details you need to know regarding how and when to obtain the visa. Please remember the possession of valid passports and necessary visas are the responsibility of each traveller. If you would like assistance in ensuring you have the proper visa(s) for your trip outside of Canada, we would be happy to refer you to a company that can assist you.

We strongly recommend that you have a valid passport (with seven-month validity) for all travel outside Canada.

Please be advised transit visas may be required if connecting through a country on route to your final destination.

INSURANCE

When travelling outside Canada, health insurance is required. Contact your booking agent for more details.

TRAVEL CONDITIONS

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CAA Member Choice Vacations will provide all necessary information, updates, and supporting documents for your travel requirements, including visa and Electronic Travel Authorizations (ETAs), if required, approximately 60-90 days prior to your departure.

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A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the seat reduction date of April 08, 2027 are based upon availability. Final payment due by July 16, 2027. Deposits are refundable up until April 15, 2027.

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TOUR: Spotlight on Northern Italy *featuring Venice,
Verona & the Dolomites*

DEPARTURE DATE: October 14, 2027

GROUP NAME: Cape Breton Regional Chamber of
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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

\$109 CAD

Experience the romance that can only be found in Venice – La Serenissima – while travelling 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 15 passengers is required. Transportation is not included.