

Exclusive UCLA departure – October 4-19, 2026

Portrait of Italy from the Amalfi Coast to Venice

16 days from \$6,674 total price from Boston, New York

(\$5,995 air & land inclusive plus \$679 airline taxes and fees)

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.



Physical Activity Level



Moderate

Refer to page 5 for more information.

Your Tour at a Glance

Day	Itinerary	Hotels	Rating
1	Depart U.S. for Naples		
2-4	Amalfi Coast	Hotel San Francesco	First Class
5-7	Rome	Monti Palace Hotel	Sup. First Class
8-10	Umbria	Grand Hotel Italia	First Class
11-13	Tuscany	Villa San Filippo	First Class
14-15	Venice	Carnival Palace Hotel	Sup. First Class
16	Depart Venice for U.S.		

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference.



Listed as a UNESCO site, the Amalfi Coast boasts colorful villages and stunning scenery overlooking the Tyrrhenian Sea.

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Naples, Italy

Day 2: Arrive Naples/Amalfi Coast After arriving in Naples this morning, we travel to the storied Amalfi Coast, a popular resort and our base for exploring Italy's Campania region. We dine at our hotel tonight, as we will throughout our stay here. *D*

Day 3: Ravello This morning we experience this breathtaking coast by sea as we cruise from our hotel to Amalfi Center (weather permitting). Here we enjoy a brief tour of the region's largest town then have lunch on our own. Next we ascend to mountaintop Ravello, with its spectacular gardens and coastal views. *B,D*

Day 4: Pompeii/Amalfi Coast/Sorrento Our full-day excursion begins in Pompeii, the city frozen in time by the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in 79 CE but not excavated until 1748. After a tour and lunch on our own here we embark on a breathtaking drive along the winding Amalfi Coast road high above the azure Mediterranean – with stops for photos and in Sorrento along the way. We return to our hotel late afternoon. *B,D*

Day 5: Amalfi Coast/Montecassino/Rome En route to Rome today we visit the town of Montecassino, whose abbey is the mother church of the Benedictine

order and a center of medieval art. A German stronghold during World War II, the hilltop Abbey was destroyed by Allied bombing then rebuilt as a replica of the 17th-century original. We tour the Abbey, then continue on to the Eternal City. We arrive at our well-located hotel mid-afternoon; our tour director will lead an informal walk of the nearby area. *B*

Day 6: Rome 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. The afternoon is free to explore on our own; the possibilities endless: 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. Today we visit the Vatican for a tour of St. Peter's Square and Basilica, and the Sistine Chapel in the Vatican Museums. Highlights include Michelangelo's *Pieta* in St. Peter's, considered one of the greatest sculptures of all time; his frescoed ceiling of the Sistine Chapel, now restored to its original glory; and art-filled St. Peter's itself, the most important church in all Christendom. *B*

Day 8: Rome/Umbria 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 our hotel, then we join our tour director for an informal walking tour. Tonight we attend a cooking demonstration followed by dinner at a local farmhouse. *B,D*

Day 9: Orvieto This morning we embark on a guided walking tour of this city, dramatically perched high on a plateau above a vineyard-clad plain. 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: 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



Canal-laced Venice

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 *piazas* and to enjoy local specialties for lunch. Dinner tonight is on our own. *B*

Day 11: Umbria/Siena/Tuscany Continuing our journey, today we visit walled Siena, whose ochre-colored buildings and ancient ramparts evoke the city's medieval past. Fan-shaped Piazza del Campo is one

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– GIUSEPPE VERDI

of Europe's greatest public squares; its *Duomo*, one of Italy's finest. 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 for lunch on our own and to explore as we wish. *B,D*

Day 12: Florence A living monument to the Renaissance, Florence is the crown jewel of Tuscany. 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 13: 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 mid-afternoon to our lodgings, where we have time to relax before tonight's dinner at a local restaurant. *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 vast 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*

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

Meet Your Faculty Lecturer

Professor Michael Shin
Department of Geography



Professor Michael Shin is a faculty member in the UCLA Department of Geography who specializes in contemporary Italian society, politics and culture. Since joining UCLA in 2001, Michael has published several articles and two books on political change in Italy, the rise of populism in Italy, Europe and the US, and Italy's infamous leader, Silvio Berlusconi. His research has been supported by the U.S. National Science Foundation, University of California Office of the President, and UCLA Faculty Senate. Michael is also the faculty director of the UCLA Geospatial initiative, the mission of which is to promote the use of digital mapping technologies in teaching and research. Fluent in Italian, he travels to Italy frequently, and possesses local knowledge and expertise across Italy.



We tour Rome's Forum on Day 6.

Tour Departs: October 4, 2026

Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees

Boston, New York	\$6,674
Chicago, Washington, DC	\$6,974
Atlanta, Baltimore, Charlotte, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Houston, Philadelphia	\$7,074
Los Angeles, Miami, Minneapolis, Orlando, Phoenix, Portland (OR), San Francisco, Seattle, Tampa	\$7,174
Land Only (transfers not included)	\$5,695

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of \$679, 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 – \$4,995 per person; Premium Economy – \$1,795 per person in addition to the above costs (upgrades are subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).

Post-Tour Extension

October 19-21, 2026
Venice – On Your Own
 3 days/2 nights for \$495 total price
 Single Supplement: \$395

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

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
- \$100 frequent traveler credit towards your next UCLA/Odysseys Unlimited tour (\$200 after 3 tours; \$300 after 10 tours)
- UCLA lecturer's participation is contingent on a minimum of 15 paying travelers



THE SMALL GROUP TRAVEL EXPERIENCE

Important Information About Your Tour

General Terms and Conditions

The following is intended to provide you with a description of what to expect when you reserve a tour with Odysseys Unlimited. Upon booking, you will be asked to acknowledge your acceptance of the full Terms and Conditions on My Odyssey, our secure on-line portal.

Tour Prices

Tour prices quoted are guaranteed through December 31, 2026, and include accommodations based on double occupancy; airfare from your departure city; airline taxes, surcharges, and fees, and port charges and cruise line fees (where applicable), which are subject to change until final payment has been made; internal air, rail, and motorcoach transportation; meals, sightseeing, and transfers as described; hotel taxes; entrance fees for included sightseeing; the services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director; services of a UCLA Lecturer or Host with a minimum of 15 travelers; luggage handling for one bag per person; and all gratuities as described below. Please note that the cost of air upgrades is subject to change.

Gratuities

Tour prices include all gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers on base tours and on optional extensions when accompanied by an Odysseys Unlimited representative. Please note that gratuities for the Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour) are not included. These tips are optional and should be extended on a voluntary basis. Gratuities are not included on "On Your Own" optional extensions.

Not Included in Your Tour Price

Airfare from your hometown to your departure city; costs of passports and visas; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; immunizations and inoculations; communications charges;

airport transfers when purchasing a land-only package or when selecting alternate tour arrival and/or departure dates; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour), which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities: \$10-\$15 per guest, per day); and a Travel Protection Plan. Additional baggage fees levied directly by the airline(s) may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

Registration and Payment

A deposit of \$500 per person confirms your reservation. Full payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure and may be made by personal check or credit card. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. reserves the right to cancel any reservations that are not paid in full at any time after final payment is due. If you make your reservation after the final payment date, payment in full will be required upon reservation.

Cancellations and Refunds

If you must cancel your tour, the effective date of cancellation will be upon our receipt of your written notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges:

For all tours (except as noted)

<u>Prior to departure</u>	<u>Charge</u>
95 days or more:	\$200
94-65 days:	25% of tour price
64-45 days:	50% of tour price
44-30 days:	75% of tour price
29-0 days:	No refund

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<u>Prior to departure</u>	<u>Charge</u>
95 days or more:	\$200
94-65 days:	50% of tour price
64-30 days:	75% of tour price
29-0 days:	No refund

Please note that we will not refund the cost of any unused portion of your tour package, should you or your travel companion cancel your participation during the tour. If because of low participation Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. cancels your tour, you will receive a complete refund of all payments you have made to us.

Pre-Departure

Upon reservation, you will be able to access all information regarding your tour in My Odyssey, our secure on-line portal. This material includes your invoice, a detailed day-by-day itinerary, visa requirements (if applicable), and more. Your final tour documents, including airline itineraries (with e-ticket numbers), will be available in the portal two to three weeks before departure.

Single Travelers

We welcome single travelers, and offer a limited number of single accommodations on each tour. Because hotel and cruise rates are priced by the room or cabin, the per person cost for accommodations occupied by one person is higher than that shared by two people. We will endeavor to keep single supplements at a reasonable cost. Please note that single rooms in many foreign hotels may be smaller than those to which you are accustomed.

Changes to Your Reservation

A fee of \$50 per person will apply to all air-inclusive guests who have chosen an alternate arrival or departure date. Once inside the final payment date for your tour, additional hotel night(s) and/or transfer(s) that you may have added to your reservation are non-refundable. From 94 to 30 days before departure, an administrative fee of \$100 per person will apply to any changes you make to your reservation, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by airlines, hotels, or other third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason or at any time, you will be charged the single supplement.

Please note that no changes to your name(s) or departure date are allowed within 95 days of departure. No changes to your reservation can be made within 30 days of departure.

Required Information

Upon reservation, we will need to obtain from you the following, in accordance with the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) Secure Flight program (for details, please visit www.tsa.gov), as well as for our travel partners: for **international tours – your full name as it appears on your passport, date of birth, and gender**. In addition, airlines may require that we provide them with your contact information prior to departure. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, or if you use a different passport (international tours) or other form of government issued photo identification (domestic tours) than originally cited, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket's reissue.

Travel Documents

A passport valid for at least six months after the completion of your tour is required for U.S. citizens on all of our international tours. If your tour requires a visa(s), we strongly recommend that you have at least six blank visa pages available; for tours not requiring a visa(s), we recommend that your passport have at least three blank visa pages. We will send you specific visa and entry requirements after you make a reservation. You are responsible for obtaining these documents. If you need to obtain a visa, we recommend our preferred provider G3 Global Services. If you are traveling with a minor, please contact us for special entry requirements. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please contact your embassy or consulate to ensure you obtain the proper documentation.

Smoking

For the convenience of the majority of our travelers, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. has a No Smoking policy (including e-cigarettes and vaping) on all tour buses. We will arrange sufficient rest stops so those who wish to smoke may do so.

Health and Medical Issues

We welcome all travelers, but request that you be in good health to participate in an Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. tour. All of our tours involve a reasonable amount of walking (typically two to three miles per day),

often uphill or on uneven or cobblestone streets. **You must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and boats on your own as well as keep pace with the tour group.** We regret that we cannot provide individual assistance if you require the use of a wheelchair or have other personal needs; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that many of our itineraries, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommodate wheelchairs. Please call or e-mail us to inquire and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have.

We ask that all guests review our guidelines for health on tour, which can be found on our website: www.odysseys-unlimited.com/travel-health.

We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical condition or behavior, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other tour members. In that event, the UCLA Alumni Association and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour. While we do our best to accommodate food allergy concerns, we cannot guarantee zero cross-contamination.

Air Transportation

Your tour package includes round-trip airfare based on economy class from designated departure cities as shown. Airfares from other cities are available upon request. Airline upgrades at additional cost may be available on request for the roundtrip trans-Atlantic or trans-Pacific portion of your flights.

Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. In addition, we recommend that you not purchase your tickets until final payment is due. The UCLA Alumni Association and Odysseys Unlimited shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from tour cancellations or changes in international gateways, travel dates, or airline schedule changes.

If an air schedule requires an overnight stay in a gateway city, the cost of the overnight will be at your expense. **Please note that seat assignment on your flight is usually done at check-in. Odysseys Unlimited is unable to guarantee any seat assignments.**

When planning our tours, we contract with those airlines that we feel provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer more direct service, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates that enable us to offer you the best possible travel value. Please note that loyalty program mileage credits are issued at the discretion of the airline(s) and may not be available for the flights on your tour. If you prefer to make your own airline reservations, inquire about the "land only" price available on our tours.

Responsibility

The liability of the UCLA Alumni Association, as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, and restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under its control. It serves only as an agent for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, or of their employees, agents, servants, or representatives. The UCLA Alumni Association and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within its control, including, without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise line, and other independent suppliers. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality. Cruise itineraries may change due to factors such as government regulations, water levels, or weather conditions.

UCLA alum RESERVATION FORM

To reserve your place on tour, please complete this Reservation Form and email it to travel@alumni.ucla.edu, or fax to 310-209-4271.

Once this request is received by UCLA Alumni Travel, a Travel Counselor from Odysseys Unlimited will contact you within two business days to review the tour information and provide you with a secure link to enter your credit card information. 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. Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure. If paying by check, please make check payable to **Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.** and include with the form.

Send to: **Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.**
One Newton Place
275 Washington Street, Suite 300
Newton, MA 02458

If you have any questions, please call UCLA Alumni Travel at 310-206-0613 or e-mail travel@alumni.ucla.edu.

<p>Tour Name _____</p> <p>Departure Date _____</p> <p>Pre- or Post-Tour Extension (as described on tour page): Please sign me/us up <input type="checkbox"/></p>
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I/we would like to request _____ place(s). (Deposit amount is \$500 per person.)

Full Passport Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Gender _____

Full Passport Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Gender _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home Ph. (_____) _____ Cell Ph. (_____) _____

E-mail _____ Badge Name(s) _____

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)

I/We request an upgrade to a Highland Villa (for Machu Picchu to the Galapagos only)

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