

Pilgrim Pathways 2015

Tour Host – Rev Laurel Raymond Obl OSB

Day 1 Arrive Rome

Wed 03 June Upon arrival at Rome airport we shall be met by our local guide who will transfer us to our hotel. Rest of the day at leisure. Dinner at the hotel this evening. **(D)**

Day 2 Rome

Thu 04 June After breakfast we start a full day (up to 6 hrs) of Rome sightseeing. A walking tour will show us the Trevi Fountain, Piazza Navona, the incredible Pantheon and the Column of Marcus Aurelius. After lunch at a local restaurant we continue on by coach past the impressive Victor Emmanuel monument on the Piazza Venezia to the serenity of the Basilica of St Paul Outside the Walls. We visit the ancient Forum, see the Circus Maximus and the ruins of the Colosseum. Lunch will be in a restaurant in the city centre. **(B, L, D)**

Day 3 Rome

Fri 05 June Today has been left free for individual sightseeing, shopping or taking an optional tour. Overnight in Rome **(B)**

Day 4 Rome – Orvieto – Assisi

Sat 06 June We visit the delightful hill-top town of Orvieto this morning and enjoy a city sightseeing tour. Free time to explore before continuing on to Assisi. Before we reach the town we shall stop for a visit to the church of Santa Maria dei Angeli. Dinner at the hotel in Assisi. **(B, D)**



Day 5 Assisi

Sun 07 June This morning is free to enable us to attend Eucharist at the Anglican Franciscan Church of St Leonard. In the afternoon enjoy sightseeing of Assisi including the Basilica of St Francis and the church where St Chiara is buried. **(B, D)**

Day 6 Assisi to Florence

Mon 08 June Drive through the spectacular Umbrian countryside into Tuscany. This afternoon we shall enjoy the sights of Florence, including the Cathedral and the Ponte Vecchio. Dinner at the hotel and overnight in Florence **(B, D)**

Day 7 Florence

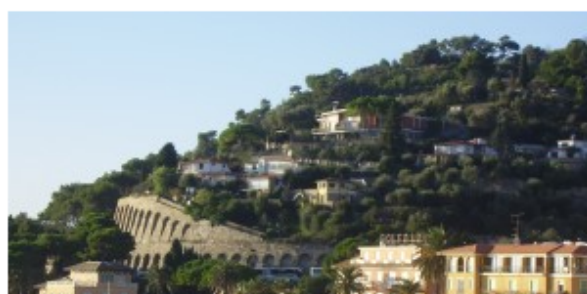
Tue 09 June Day at leisure for exploring or shopping. You may care to visit either the Uffizi or Accademia, both establishments overflowing with fabulous artworks. Perhaps you may prefer to visit the Fra Angelico paintings at the Monastery of San Domenico at Fiesole. **(B)**

Day 8 Florence – Siena – Florence

Wed 10 June Today depart for full day tour to Siena. This World Heritage City is a delight. We shall have a walking tour here and lunch in a local restaurant. **(B, L)**

Day 9 Florence – Santa Margherita – Diano Marina

Thu 11 June We have a long coach trip today, travelling via Santa Margherita where we shall make a short stop. In the afternoon we travel along the Mediterranean coastline via Savona until we reach the small town of Diano Marina, nestled right on the water. **(B,D)**



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Fri 12 June A free day to relax and enjoy this delightful location. The more adventurous may care to visit the nearby ancient town of Cervo, perched high on the cliff and marvel at its mediaeval church. (B,D)



Day 11 **Diano Marina – Monaco – Nice**

Sat 13 June Depart to France with stop in Monaco for a sightseeing tour which will include the Grimaldi Palace and the Casino. Continue on to Nice for our overnight stop. (B,D)

Day 12 **Nice – Aix – Arles**

Sun 14 June This morning we shall enjoy sightseeing of Nice, and then drive on to Aix. We shall have a short stop here before proceeding to Arles. Free time until dinner to explore this historic town which has Roman origins. (B, D)

Day 13 **Avignon & Les Baux**

Mon 15 June Today we drive to Avignon for sightseeing tour up and visit the Palace of the Popes and the bridge immortalised in song. On the way back to Arles, we shall stop in Les Baux, which is where bauxite was first discovered. This mountain top town is a real delight. (B, D)



Day 14 **Arles – Brive la Gaillarde (or Salat du Canada)**

Tue 16 June We have a long coach journey today before we arrive in Brive (or Salat). Both these small towns in the renowned Perigord region are virtually untouched by modern architecture or building. They have been used for many movie and TV sets. Dinner at the hotel. (B, D)

Day 15 **Brive (or Salat)**

Wed 17 June A whole free day to explore this delightful town, or simply relax. (B, D)

Day 16 **Brive – Rocamadour – Limoges**

Thur 18 June The highlight of our touring today is a morning visit to Rocamadour. This amazing construction of monasteries and chapels sits in the cliff-face overlooking the valley and village below. A place of great spirituality. We then continue on to Limoges. (B, D)

Day 17 **Limoges – Tours**

Fri 19 June Morning sightseeing tour of Limoges, including Cathédrale Saint-Étienne de Limoges, the bridges of Saint Martial and of St-Etienne and the Crypt of St Martial. In the afternoon we drive on to the beautiful city of Tours.(B, D)

Day 18 **Amboise and Chenonceau**

Sat 20 June A delightful day is planned as we visit the 'Lady Castle' of Chenonceau with its amazing tapestries and artworks, and also the Castle of Amboise, where Leonardo da Vinci is buried, in the Loire Valley. Return to Tours for overnight. (B, D)



Day 19 **Tours – Orleans**

Sun 21 June Before we leave Tours we shall enjoy touring the city sights, and then it is on to Orleans where we shall again have an orientation tour. (B, D)

Day 20 **Orleans – Chartres – Paris**

Mon 22 June On the way to Paris, we shall stop at Chartres for a sightseeing tour which will include the magnificent cathedral. Then on to Paris for dinner at the hotel and overnight. **(B, D)**

Day 21 Paris

Tue 23 June A morning sightseeing tour will include the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame, Sacre Coeur and many of the other wonderful sights of the city of light. The afternoon has been left free for exploring or shopping. This evening you may like to take an optional dinner cruise on the River Seine. **(B)**

Day 22 Paris

Wed 24 June A day at leisure. We shall offer optional tours to Versailles and Givency. Farewell dinner this evening. **(B, D)**

Day 23 Depart Paris

Thur 25 June After breakfast we transfer to the airport for our onward flights. **(B)**

Tour Cost: AUD 7990 (share twin – land only)

Single Supplement AUD 1690

Inclusions:

- **Accommodation** – hotels are 3* category with private facilities. Tour based on share twin accommodation. Supplement is payable for passengers requiring single rooms.
- **Meals** – breakfasts (Continental) throughout. Additional meals as indicated above – **L = Lunch; D = Dinner**
- **Entrances** – we have arranged for pre-payment of entrances as follows:

St Paul outside the Walls, Orvieto funicular, Basilica of St Francis, Sienna Cathedral, Palace of the Popes, Rocamadour, Chenonceau and Amboise castles

- **Touring** – in air-conditioned coach with driver and English speaking guide throughout. Local city guides will be utilised in various cities en route due to local legislation. This is a private tour.
- **Taxes** – Hotel and road taxes and service charges.
- **Porterage** – 1 case per passenger
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Not Included:

- **Airfares** – Passengers will be required to book a flight into Rome and out of Paris to connect with this tour. You may utilise the services of any carrier, however, transfers will be based on the arrival and departure of Singapore Airlines flights. You may use the services of any travel agent in this regard, or make your flight bookings online. Should you require assistance, please contact us.
- **Airline taxes / airport charges** – These taxes change daily and the calculation of them is as will prevail on the date of payment.
- **Optional Extras:** A small number of optional tours/visits will be available as follows:

Rome: Day tour to Naples and Pompeii

Rome: Visit to the Vatican museums and Sistene Chapel

Paris: Seine River cruise with dinner

Paris: Visit to Versailles with guide

- **Tips** – to driver and guide, and anywhere else you have received good service.
- **Insurance** – Travel Insurance is extremely important. Travelmarket Brisbane, in association with Canterbury Tours, will be happy to arrange this on your behalf. Alternatively, you are at liberty to arrange insurance independently.
- **Passport and visa fees** – currently, there are no visa requirements for passengers on Australian passports visiting the Spain and France for short stay.
- **Items of a personal nature** – this goes without saying!

Important – Please Note:

While every effort has been made to assess the cost of this tour as a whole, should there be variances to currency exchange rates and/or increases in airline fares, Canterbury Tours reserves the right to impose a surcharge to the quoted cost.

Should the tour numbers not reach the minimum required to obtain the quoted price, the tour may have to be cancelled. In this case a full refund of monies paid would be offered, or alternatively, the group as booked would be offered the option to proceed with the tour at a price to cover the reduced numbers.

Deposit

A deposit of \$500 per person is required to confirm a place on the tour. Please consider Cancellation Insurance at this time, as this deposit is non-refundable except under extreme circumstances. Passengers must complete a booking form and provide a copy of the photo page of their passport.

Balance of Payment

Full payment of the balance of the tour cost will be due and payable by 15 April 2015. You will be invoiced early in April for all outstanding amounts due. After 15 May all unused accommodation will be released to the overseas suppliers, and late applications to join the tour will be possible only upon request and in consultation with the various overseas suppliers and the airline concerned.

Health

This tour is not strenuous, though there are days when quite a deal of walking is required, and often on cobblestoned streets – please consider your individual capabilities in this regard. The tour is not rushed and will be conducted to please all passengers if possible. If you require any information regarding the performance of sightseeing etc on this tour, we would be happy to clarify.

If you are required to take regular medication we request that you provide details of same prior to departure. Such information will be held in confidence by the tour manager but may be necessary should you fall ill during the tour.

Price subject to change. Unexpected currency fluctuation, fuel surcharges, increases imposed by overseas suppliers