





Northern Italy offers some of the country's best kept secrets, such as stunning lakes, majestic mountains, and prized wineries. The area is rich in history, culinary traditions, and charming towns. Discover the essence of the region by visiting two or three of the Northern Lakes (Garda, Iseo and Como) and sip on some of the most delicious wines in Italy on this self-guided drive program. Our destination specialists will help customize your trip and will offer detailed recommendations to make your trip an unforgettable one!

About the hotel: The Palazzo Novello is a "hotel de charme" and historic residence dating back to the 1700's. This beautifully and welcoming hotel still preserves some of the original frescoes and antique floors. It is located in the charming town of Montichiari, near the city of Brescia and conveniently located to most of Northern Italy's best attractions.

Choose your departure date and we'll do the rest!

Your Itinerary

Day 1 • Arrive Milan- Drive towards Montichiari

- Arrive Milan and pick up your rental car
- Drive towards the charming town of Montichiari, located in the province of Brescia.
- Check into your hotel, the 18th century Palazzo Novello, where you will spend the next 6 nights.
- Dinner this evening will be served at XXXX

Day 2 • A Day in Lake Garda

- Breakfast at hotel
- This morning head over to Lake Garda to discover Italy's largest lake. Your preplanned itinerary will include a stop at Sirmione, a medieval town located on a peninsula with its own castle! Here you can also take a picturesque boat ride (weather permitting) to get a better view of the castle and the magnificent backdrop of the dolomites and surrounding towns.
- Next spend some time driving up the coastal road of Lake Garda and visit such towns as Peschiera del Garda or Limone sul Garda. Make sure to leave some time for Malcesine where you can take a cable car up to the top of Monte Baldo for some spectacular views!
- After enjoying time in this magnificent place, head back to your hotel to freshen up before dinner.
- Recommendations will be provided for local restaurants not to be missed!

Day 3 • Verona and Valpolicella Winery

- After enjoying your breakfast this morning, head over to the romantic city of Verona, made famous by Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliette and where the couple were from.
- Take time to visit the elegant city center with its marble-lined sidewalks and fabulous cafes and boutiques. You'll want to take time to visit the well-preserved Roman Arena as well as the Castel Vecchio and Juliette's home.
- In the afternoon, head over to the Valpolicella wine-growing region of Italy for a special included wine tasting in one of its prestigious wineries.
- You may also want to visit another winery while there, and we'd be glad to offer recommendations and make reservations for you.
- Head back to your hotel for a relaxing evening.

Travel. Your Way!

Optional Excursions are available daily and can be added on prior to departure.



Day 4 • Lake Iseo & Cooking Class

- Breakfast at the hotel.
- After breakfast head over to Lake Iseo, nestled between mountains and one of Italy's hidden gems.
- While here, you may want to take a boat ride to Europe's largest island within a lake, the Monte Isola, where you can enjoy strolling through the its lovely fishing village.
- After some time for boating and strolling, return to your hotel for a private cooking lesson showcasing some of the region's best recipes!
- Sample your creations for dinner over a glass of local wine.



Day 5 • Brescia & Franciacorta Winery

- Breakfast at the hotel.
- This morning, drive to nearby Brescia, where you can visit its impressive medieval castle, enjoy its beautiful piazzas, and sample some of the region's best culinary creations.
- After lunch, head over to a local winery in the Franciacorta region of Lombardy. This area is famous for its sparkling wines, often using the Méthode Champenoise.
- After learning about their production and sampling their wines, head back to your hotel and make sure to try out one of the local restaurants for dinner.



Day 6 • Travel. Your Way!

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Today, it's your choice to customize your experience. You may choose to relax at the hotel and simply take some time to reflect on your trip or embark on yet another adventure with our expert advice.
- Some of our recommendations for today include:
 - Day trip to Lake Como
 - Day trip to Milan
 - Day trip to Bergamo
 - Visits to additional wineries in the region
 - Visit to nearby caviar factory and tasting
 - Day trip to Venice

Day 7 • Return Home

- Breakfast at hotel (time permitting).
- Drive back towards the Milan Malpensa Airport and drop off your rental car
- Return home from the Milano Malpensa Airport.



Itinerary at a Glance

6 nights in Montichiari
Brescia Province, Lombardy

Pricing

starting at \$849* in double occupancy

*prices based on hotel category, season, optional tours and number of travelers



Included:

- Accommodations in historical residence hotel for 6 nights
- Rental Car for 6 nights, manual transmission (can be upgraded to automatic)
- Visit to two wineries
- Cooking Class with dinner
- Daily breakfast and 1 included dinner
- A list of recommended restaurants provided with final booking documents
- A detailed daily itinerary with lots of suggestions on how to get around, what to do in each location, and where to park

Not Included:

- Flights
- Travel insurance (strongly recommended)
- Hotel City Tax per person (due at time of checkout at each hotel)
- Gratuities for bellman, porters, restaurant servers, local guides
- Meals other than those listed as included in itinerary
- Admission to recommended attractions

Ask us

How you can extend your trip to other parts of Italy or Europe!

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*when traveling from the US, please note you will need an additional day of travel at the beginning to arrive on day 1 of the tour



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