

ITINERARY

Bedford International VIP Italy Trip
2 – 13 September 2003

DRESS CODES:

- **Casual:** nice, clean shorts or slacks
- **Casual Chic (same as business casual):** nice pants or skirt, nice shirt
- **Jackets are optional. No ties are necessary or desirable**

(DRESS: COMFORTABLE FOR FLYING. WEAR HEAVY SOCKS BECAUSE THE FLOOR OF THE PLANE IS USUALLY COLD.)

Fly from your connecting city to the Philadelphia Airport on US Airways.

(Make sure that from your originating city your final destination on your luggage receipts is "FCO" (Rome). Check your luggage through to Rome.

PLEASE WEAR THE NAME TAG THAT WE WILL FORWARD YOU SO YOU CAN RECOGNIZE EACH OTHER AT THE GATE, ON THE PLANE, AND IN ITALY.

YOU SHOULD CHANGE SOME MONEY AT YOUR ORIGINATING AIRPORT OR AT PHILADELPHIA TO SAVE TIME WHEN YOU ARRIVE. DO NOT CHANGE ANY LARGE AMOUNTS. REMEMBER THAT ATM MACHINES ARE AVAILABLE ALL OVER ITALY.

(Now, I would never suggest to take those comfy white pillows on the plane, but I sure get lonely for them while riding for hours on the bus!!)

NOTE: PLEASE BE PROMPT WHENEVER YOU ARE TO BE AT THE BUS DEPARTURE POINT. IF YOU ARE LATE, THE BUS MAY DEPART WITHOUT YOU. OBTAIN A BUDDY'S CELL PHONE NUMBER OR THAT OF THE BUS DRIVER SO THAT YOU CAN CONTACT THEM IN CASE OF DELAY.

TUESDAY 2 September

Depart from local airport and fly to Philadelphia for the connecting flight to Rome. Go to Terminal A, International check in. Go to gate with your nametag on and meet Kelly McGathen of Bedford. No matter what happens board the plane at the boarding time.

6:10 Depart Philadelphia Airport For Rome– US Airways Flight 2

WEDNESDAY
3 September

08:40 Arrive Leonardo da Vinci Airport, Rome.

Go across the street to the bus parking area and board the LAZZI bus. The buses are all parked in the same place across the arrivals area from Terminal C . Do not take the underground passageway. Cross the street above ground. You can take your baggage carts with you and leave them at the bus parking area. Your driver is: Luigi

09:15 Depart for Hotel Lloyd
Via Alessandria, 110/A
00198 Roma
Tel: 06-44251262
Fax: 06-44251260

10:00 Arrive and check into Hotel LLOYD. Continental breakfast available.

10:15 Refresh and change of clothes in room. CASUAL

11:30 Light buffet lunch

13:00 A van will drop you off at the Colosseum subway meeting point with the tour guide. Anna cell phone: 333-6921867. CASUAL

OPTIONAL: Tour of the Roman Forum, the Colosseum, and the monuments. Meet tour guide at the COLOSSEO subway entrance. Approximate fee for the tour is anywhere from 25E to 30E per person.

FREE TIME IN ROME

THURSDAY
4 September

07:00 to 10:00 Breakfast

10:00. Van to the Fra Albenzio drop off point for the Vatican and St. Peter's guided tour. Anna cell phone: 333-6921867. CASUAL

OPTIONAL: Tour of the Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel, and the Basilica of St. Peter's. Approximate cost of 25E to 30E per person.

FREE TIME IN ROME.

FRIDAY
5 September

07:00 to 08:30 Breakfast and check out.

08:30 Bus departs for the Rivera estate in the region of Puglia (Bari) Exit A14 at Andria-Barletta. Sebastiano de Corato cell phone: 335-6277764.

13:00 Lunch, tour of vineyards and Castel del Monte visit. Refresh at hotel before dinner.

18:00 Refresh at the hotel prior to dinner.

Hotel: Cristal Palace

Via Firenze 35

Tel: 0883-556444

Fax: 0883-556799

20:00 Dinner at the Rivera estate with the de Corato family. CASUAL CHIC.

22:30 Depart for Trani for a late happy hour at this charming seaside town.

SATURDAY
6 September

09:00 Departure for Ancona, home of Umani Ronchi and the Bernetti family in the Marche Region on the Adriatic Sea. Michele Bernetti cell phone:335-395324. Exit Ancona Sud. CASUAL

13:00 Lunch at Villa Bianchi with Michele and Massimo Bernetti. Belardino joins tour

16:00 Tour of winery and San Lorenzo vineyard

18:00 Refresh at hotel:

Hotel Palace del Conero

Via Adriatica

Aspio di Ancona

Tel: 071:7108312

Fax: 071-7108744

20:00 Dinner at the San Lorenzo guest house with the Bernetti family. CASUAL CHIC

SUNDAY
7 September

09:00 Depart Umani Ronchi for Venice. Autogrill lunch. CASUAL

13:00 Check into hotel and refresh:
Riviera Dei Dogi Hotel
Via Don Minzoni, 33
Tel: 041-424466
Fax: 041-424428

FREE TIME IN VENICE. CASUAL WITH A LIGHT SWEATER FOR NIGHT WEAR.

22:00 Meet bus for return to hotel.

MONDAY
8 September

08:00 Depart Venice for Borgo Magredo in the region of Friuli Grave
Tour and tasting at the Borgo Magredo estate. CASUAL
Piero Totis cell phone: 335-7721481

11:30 Depart for the Torre Rosazza estate in Udine, Friuli Colli Orientali, for patio
buffet lunch and tour of estate

16:00 Depart for Verona

19:00 Check into hotel and refresh:
Montresor Tower Hotel
Via Mantegna 30/A
37012 Bussolengo
Tel: 045-6761111
Fax: 045-6762222

Free time in Verona. CASUAL. Walk Via Mazzini and the shops. Visit the Bottega di
Vino off of the Via Mazzini. Dinner in one of the Piazza Bra restaurants.

TUESDAY
9 September

09:00 Depart for a tour and tasting at the Michele Castellani estate in Marano di
Valpolicella. CASUAL. Stefano Pilone cell phone: 335-6906030

13:00 Lunch with Carlo Volpi in the Verona area and a tasting of the Volpi "shower
wines". Stefano Pilone cell phone: 335-6906030

Hotel Ristorante Borghetti
Via Valpolicella 5
Parona di Valpolicella

15:00 Depart for Fara Novarese, region of Piemonte, and the home of Enzo Lucca of Dessilani Wines. CASUAL. Dessilani phone: 0321-829252

18:00 Check into hotel and refresh.

La Bussola Hotel
Via Boggiani 54
Novara
Tel: 0321-450810
Fax: 0321-452786

19:00 Depart for the Dessilani estate and tour of the estate and dinner with Enzo Lucca and family. CASUAL CHIC

WEDNESDAY
10 September

08:30 Depart Dessilani for Contratto in Canelli (Asti) region of Piemonte. CASUAL.

10:30 Tour of vineyards, aging cellars, and lunch in the "Seduction Room" with Carlo Bocchino, owner of Bocchino Grappa and the Contratto estate.

15:30 Depart for Greve in Chianti and the Vignamaggio estate (Birthplace of Mona Lisa). Carla Bani cell phone: 347-3391466

19:30 Refresh in hotel

20:30 Dinner at the Vignamaggio estate. CASUAL CHIC

THURSDAY
11 September

09:00 Tour of the Vignamaggio estate. CASUAL.

11:30 Depart for Le Sorgenti in the Colli Fiorentini appellation near Florence for tour of vineyards and tasting and light lunch with the Ferrari family. Le Sorgenti phone: 055-696004. Michele Franzan phone: 335-374620

15:00 Depart for Florence

FREE TIME IN FLORENCE

20:00 Light dinner in Florence with the estate wines of Caccia al Piano from Bolgheri, Tuscany. Michele Franzan phone: 335-374620

21:30 Depart for Hotel Alcide
Viale Marconi 67/A
Poggibonsi (SI)
Tel: 0577-937501
Fax: 0577-981729

FRIDAY
12 September

09:00 Depart for Montalcino. CASUAL.

FREE TIME IN MONTALCINO

12:00 Depart for the Palazzo estate in Montalcino and tour of winery with the Loia family. Light buffet lunch. Elia Loia number: 380-5188990.

15:00 Depart for the Salcheto estate in Montepulciano and tour of vineyards. Salcheto phone: 0578-799031

18:30 Dinner at the Buio Ristorante with Salcheto in Montepulciano

21:30 Depart for Hotel:
Eurohotel
Locazione Bei Poggi
Fiano Romano
Tel: 0765-455511
Fax: 0765-455333

SATURDAY
13 September

07:30 Depart for Fiumicino Airport

11:15 Depart US Airways Flight 3 for Philadelphia and connection to local destinations. Please make sure you check your luggage through to your final stop.

WELCOME HOME.