Tour Name

Lonely Planet Experiences: Rome Highlights

Tour City

Rome

Tour Snapshot

Explore the eternal city’s most iconic monuments, squares, fountains and movie locations on an afternoon walking tour that will evoke the spirit of Fellini’s ultra glamorous masterpiece. Taste typical Italian espresso at a local coffee roasters, learn about local Roman wine and cheese and taste the best gelato in town as you get the inside scoop on the many historic and gastronomic highlights of Italy’s enchanting capital city.

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Highlights

- See some of Rome’s most famous sights with a local guide by your side
- Take in views of the Spanish Steps, Trevi Fountain, Pantheon,
- Navona Square and see plenty of hidden gems too
• Taste local flavors including wine, gelato and espresso

• Wander through countless Roman squares to admire architecture and daily local life

• Learn about some of the classic movies that have been filmed in Rome including Fellini’s La Dolce Vita and Audrey Hepburn’s timeless romance, Roman Holiday

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**Local Impact: How you will help the local community by joining this tour:**

• Your walking tour takes you off the beaten path so you can see how to explore the famous iconic sites throughout the city from a local's perspective.

• The tastings on your tour include regional foods that are locally sourced, from espresso at a local coffee roasters and porchetta made around the hills of the Eternal City, to the gelato made fresh at a local gelateria

Inclusions: Local, English-speaking guide, tastings of espresso, gelato, cheese and local charcuterie, one glass of wine

Exclusions: Items of a personal nature such as drinks and food, tips or gratuities for your guide.

**Schedule details**

• Duration: 3 hours

• Meeting point:
  The Obelisck in Piazza del Popolo. Piazza del Popolo 21, 00187 Roma

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• Starting time: 9.30 AM

• Ending point:
Your dolce vita adventure begins where the famous film was written by Italy’s greatest film director, Federico Fellini. Enjoy a stroll down the Via Margutta, a street famous for inspiring painters, sculptors, artisans, poets and musicians and learn about the artists that have lived here through the centuries.

Ready for an injection of movie glamour yet? We’ll pass by the home of Fellini where he lived with his actress wife Giulietta Masina and as we do we’ll talk a little of about his life and career. Staying with the Hollywood theme, we’ll then check out the house that stood in as Gregory Peck’s home in the iconic Audrey Hepburn movie Roman Holiday. Fun fact: this is the first Hollywood film to be entirely filmed on location in Rome. Nearby, we’ll stumble across the apartment where Pablo Picasso lived, over 100 years ago.

An espresso stop at a local caffe that was once the private art studio of Antonio Canova, a well-known and respected sculpture artist of the 19th century, is up next. Admire the elaborate marble sculpture as you enjoy a true Roman Espresso (your guide will teach you how to order it, the Roman way) and listen to your guide talk about Italian coffee culture and the many local roasters that have sprung up around the city centre.

Our next stop is the Monumental Staircase. A total of 135 steps lead to the Trinita del Monti church that overlooks the Spanish Steps and the Barcaccia Fountain by Bernini. As we wind our way through the atmospheric Roman streets, heading towards the Trevi fountain, we’ll stumble across one of our favourite wine bars, where we will stop to taste local wine from the foothills of Rome, accompanied by local salumi, cheese (including Pecorino Romano) and delicious focaccia bread.

It couldn’t be a ‘dolce vita’ themed tour without a visit to the world-famous Trevi Fountain, which has become the stuff of legend since Anita Ekberg’s midnight frolic caused an international sensation in the 1960 movie that’s given our tour its title.

Next up, we’ll pass through a shopping gallery dedicated to Roman legend and comedy actor, Alberto Sordi only to arrive at the Pantheon, one of the world’s greatest and best preserved Roman temples. In the 7th century AD it was transformed into a church and remains one of the most astonishing sights in Rome; guaranteed take your breath away. Don’t forget to admire the beautiful fountain outside too, crafted by Giacomo della Porta.

Your taste of the Roman good life will end at the Piazza Navona, site of the spectacular Four Rivers fountain by Bernini. Before you go, don’t forget to ask your expert local guide for more tips on what else to see, do and eat during your stay in ravishing Rome.
**Additional information**

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Dress standard: As there is a possibility that we will enter churches during this tour, please ensure that your knees and shoulders are covered (you don’t need to overdress, particularly when it is very hot! A scarf to cover up your shoulders and a skirt covering up to your knees are absolutely fine.) Comfortable shoes are recommended as this is a walking tour.

Your Trip: This tour is offered on a "join-in" basis. Maximum group size is 12.

Confirmation of booking: If you have your voucher, your booking is confirmed. We'll see you at the start point. Get in touch if you have any concerns or require more information via the email address or phone number (business hours only) on your voucher.

Child Policy: Children between the ages of 6 and 11 inclusively are permitted on this tour at the rate listed above. Please select 'child' above when booking. Children below the age of 6 are not permitted on this tour.

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