



## Tour Name

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The Sweet Taste of Venice Shore Excursion with Return Port Transfers

## Tour City

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Venice

## Tour Snapshot

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Sweets lovers and coffee lovers alike will want to jump on this tour of traditional Venetian bakeries! Discover the secrets behind Italian *caffè* culture and taste some of Venice's best desserts as you mingle with locals in Cannaregio and Castello.

### Highlights

- Learn the secrets of Italian coffee culture and how to sip *caffè* like a local
- Taste traditional Venetian sweets
- Discover family-run bakeries that are loved by locals
- Sample some of that famous tiramisu
- Explore the neighbourhoods of Cannaregio and Castello
- Pick-up and drop-off at the Cruise Ship Terminal

Inclusions: Local English-speaking guide, food and drinks as per the itinerary (coffee, bottle of water, 3 dessert samples, alcoholic spritz or soft drink), pick-up and drop-off at the cruise ship terminal.

Exclusions: Additional food and drinks, vaporetto ride, souvenirs and personal shopping, tips/gratuities for your guide.

### Schedule details

- Duration: 3 hours
- Pickup location:  
Venice Cruise Terminal, in front of the luggage deposit of Terminal 103

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- Pickup time: 8.00 AM
- Drop off location:  
At the Goldoni Statue in Campo San Bartolomeo to take the vaporetto back to the Cruise Terminal.

### Full Itinerary

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Italians love their coffee but there are certain rules one must follow if you're going to do Italian café culture the right way. This tour introduces you to those rules and customs and invites you to become a genuine *caffè* expert. If that wasn't enough, we will also introduce you to the traditional *pasticcerie* of Venice and the history behind the city's sweet treats as you wander through the most local neighbourhoods in town!

You'll meet your local guide at the steps of the Santa Lucia train station (the only train station in Venice) and begin your adventure exploring the *Cannaregio* neighbourhood.

Our first stop on your Venice food and drink tour will be at a family owned *pasticceria*, a favourite breakfast venue of locals on their way to work. It's conveniently located at the entrance of the island, for those coming to work from the mainland, it becomes an institution for its well-known pastries. By visiting this stop, you will be supporting a family run business (which is fast becoming a thing of the past in Venice). You'll also learn the secrets to sipping coffee the proper way so that you'll blend right in

with the locals for the rest of your Italian holiday.

After breakfast, we will head to the heart of the ancient Jewish Ghetto, a neighbourhood that is 500 years old and remains an important part of the Venetian community. It's here that you will have the chance to buy kosher desserts in a small bakery.

We will continue our stroll through the neighbourhood of *Cannaregio*, passing by the main corners of this residential area. Your guide will stop for those who fancy doing some shopping, at a family bakery that's famous for its *torrone* and other traditional desserts of Venice. Get a lesson on the history and traditions of local Venetian cuisine as we munch on our delicious sweet treats.

We'll then continue our way toward the Castello neighbourhood, the largest *sestiere* on the island and home to the *Arsenale* (naval dockyard). We'll explore its narrow lanes before stopping at our next *pasticceria*, an elegant family-run spot that has become *the* most beloved and famous place to buy seasonal desserts; panettone at Christmas, *Colomba* at Easter... Depending on the time of year, you'll get a mix of different desserts to try, appropriate to the season. You'll also have the chance to relax your legs here while sipping the famous Venetian *spritz* overlooking the beautiful Church of San Giovanni e Paolo.

After your energy boosting spritz, we'll visit one of the most amazing bookstores in Europe, *Libreria Acqua Alta*, a hidden gem in the heart of *Castello*.

Our tour ends on a high with some famous Italian tiramisu! Learn everything about this Veneto dessert as you shovel delicious spoonfuls of homemade tiramisu in your mouth! Do you love chocolate? We do too, so we decided that with your tiramisu, you will also try the traditional hot chocolate that was drink by Venetians in the 17<sup>th</sup> century! Rescuing an old recipe from that time, you will go back in time to taste this chocolate-y perfection. (In summer, we'll do the cool version of this!).

From there, we'll walk toward our ending point at the Rialto Bridge where It's time to say a presto at the steps. Here you will be picked up and taken by vaporetto to the Cruise Ship Terminal.

### **Additional information**

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Dress standard: Please wear comfortable shoes for walking, and bring a hat and sunscreen during the summer months.

Your Trip: For your Urban Adventure you will be in a small group of a maximum of 12 people.

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 are permitted on this tour without baby carriage.

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