Tastes of Piedmont: Villages, Wines & Flavors

Itinerary: 08 Days/ 07 Nights

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Day 03	Biella: Visit of Casa Zegna PM: Biella to Turin – Dinner
Day 04	Turin Walking Tour – Chocolate Tasting
Day 05	Barolo: Langhe Region – Wine Tasting and Light Lunch
Day 06	Lake Maggiore: Stresa & Isola Bella
Day 07	Alba & Truffle Hunting with wine & food tasting – Farewell Dinner
Day 08	Departure Day – Arrivederci Italia!

Piedmont, nestled in Italy's northwest and embraced by the Alps near France and Switzerland, offers a graceful fusion of natural beauty, cultural richness, and world-class cuisine. From the vibrant streets of Turin to the peaceful charm of villages like Ricetto and Candelo, the region invites you to savor life at a refined pace—whether sipping Barolo wine in its famed vineyards, truffle-hunting in Alba, skiing alpine slopes, or relaxing by the serene waters of Lake Maggiore. With meaningful cultural encounters, inspiring landscapes, and the perfect balance of guided experiences and free time, Piedmont is a journey into the heart of Italian elegance.

Itinerary day by day

Day 01: Arrival in Milan and transfer to Biella – Welcome Dinner

Upon arrival to MXP Airport, meet your local host and transfer to your accommodation in Biella (the ride is 1H30 approx.) Biella, tucked away at the foot of the Italian Alps in northern Piedmont, is a hidden gem that combines natural beauty, historic charm, and a proud textile heritage. This peaceful town offers stunning views of the surrounding mountains. Check in at the hotel and relax until dinnertime. Tonight enjoy a welcome dinner at your hotel.

Accommodation	Biella Hotel	Meal Plan: Dinner & Overnight

Day 02: Half Day tour to Ricetto di Candelo — PM: The Santuary of Oropa

This morning transfer to Candelo, a charming village in the Piedmont region near Biella, is a place where time seems to stand still. Set against the backdrop of the rolling hills and Alpine foothills, this quiet town is best known for the Ricetto di Candelo -one of the best- preserved medieval fortified villages in all of Europe. The Ricetto (from the Latin "receptum", meaning shelter) was built between the 13th and 14th centuries and Candelo is the best preserved of all the ricetti in Piedmont. Walk across this medieval village and enjoy its quietness and beautiful landscape.
Some free time for lunch.

In the afternoon, transfer to the Sanctuary of Oropa – UNESCO Site from 2003. The Sanctuary of Oropa is one of Italy's most important Marian pilgrimage sites. Surrounded by lush forests and towering peaks, this sacred complex — home to the revered Black Madonna of Oropa— offers visitors a unique blend of spirituality, history, and natural beauty. Enjoy a guided tour to discover interesting facts, information and anecdotes about the history of the Shrine. At the end of the tour, transfer back to your accommodation and dinner and evening at leisure.

Accommodation	Biella Hotel	Meal Plan: Dinner & Overnight

DAY 3: Biella - Visit of Casa Zegna - PM: Biella to Turin - Dinner

Biella is also known for its centuries-old wool and textile industry, with high-end craftsmanship that has dressed royalty and fashion houses alike. Today visit the renowned Casa Zegna and learn about the story of over a century of the Zegna family's dedication to quality, innovation, and social responsibility.

After the tour, depart ahead of the Capital City of Piedmont – Turin. Turin is a charming city, nestled at the foot of the Alps and known for its elegant architecture, rich history, and vibrant culture. It is known worldwide for the Shroud of Turin. With its refined cuisine, chocolate traditions, and proximity to the wine-rich Langhe region, Turin offers an authentic and sophisticated Italian experience. Check in at your accommodation and tonight enjoy a dinner at your hotel or walking distance restaurant.

Accommodation	Turin Hotel	Meal Plan: Dinner & Overnight

Day 04: Turin Walking Tour – Chocolate Tasting

After breakfast, meet your guide and discover the best of Turin in a guided walking tour. From UNESCO World Heritage-listed historical buildings to stunning piazzas, the tour is a great way to get your bearings of Turin, while learning about its history at the same time. Notable locations on the tour include Piazza San Carlo, Piazza Castello, and Mole Antonelliana. Visit the Church of the Shroud in Turin. The tour continues with a special treat. Chocolate specialties have been thriving in this territory because the royal and noble families were upfront in tastings. Explore how local chocolate makers have worked fine cocoa for our happiness. At the end of the tour, day at leisure in Turin.

Accommodation	Turin Hotel	Meal Plan: Dinner & Overnight

Day 05: Barolo: Langhe Region – Wine Tasting and Light Lunch

After breakfast, depart to Barolo. The drive is about 1.5 hours. The Langhe region is a picturesque area in the heart of Piedmont renowned for its rolling hills, lush vineyards, and charming medieval villages. Famous for producing some of Italy's finest wines.

Start your day with a stroll around the charming village of Barolo. Known for its cobbled streets and scenic views of the surrounding vineyards, it is a beautiful place to explore before diving into wine tasting. Visit the Barolo Wine Museum (WiMu) located in the medieval Castello di Barolo, this interactive museum offers an insight into the history of Barolo wine. It is a great way to learn about the winemaking process and the region's wine culture before your tasting.

Head to a nearby winery for a wine tasting. Enjoy a tour through the vineyards, followed by a tasting of the finest wines paired with local delicacies.

Accommodation	Turin Hotel	Meal Plan: Dinner & Overnight

Day 06: Lake Maggiore: Stresa & Isola Bella

Enjoy a full breakfast at your hotel. Soon, you will meet your driver who will take you in the northwestern direction. Lake Maggiore is one of the most beautiful and serene lakes in Italy, nestled between the regions of Piedmont and Lombardy. At the heart of Lake Maggiore lies the picturesque town of Stresa, where the grandeur of the Alps blends seamlessly with the allure of the Borromean Islands. The landscape will warm your eyes and give a sense of calmness to your heart! The tour includes a boat ride the Isola Bella – an incredibly beautiful island in Lake Maggiore. Visit the island and Palazzo Borromeo.

At the end of the tour, enjoy some free time to have lunch and do some shopping if you like. In the afternoon, transfer back to your accommodation in Turin. Evening and dinner.

Accommodation	Turin Hotel	Meal Plan: Dinner & Overnight

Day 07: Alba & Truffle Hunting with wine & food tasting – Farewell Dinner

This morning, visit Abla – the Truffle Capital. Surrounded by the beautiful panorama of the Langhe, you will have an opportunity to participate in an immersive experience that brings you into the world of one of Italy's most prized culinary treasures: the truffle! Take part in a real 'Truffle hunting' with an experienced truffle man and his dog, discovering the hidden treasures and learning about the subject of truffles and their natural environment. A wine and food tasting will follow the experience. Tonight enjoy a farewell dinner to say "Cin Cin" one last time!

Accommodation	Tuscan Hotel	Meal Plan: Dinner & Overnight

Day 08: Departure Day – Arrivederci Italia!

Enjoy your final Piemontese breakfast. Transfer to Turin Airport (TRN) for your departure flight. Arrivederci Piedmont!

End of Program

Services & Hotels

Price Included:

- Arrival Transfer from MXP Apt to Biella accommodation
- Professional English Speaking Tour Escort
- 4 stars accommodation listed as "or similar"
- Daily breakfast and Daily Dinner (HB)
- Tours, guides and transfers as mentioned above and required by the tours
- Departure transfer from the hotel in Turin to Turin Apt
- Mandatory city tax
- Luggage handling at the hotel one bag per person
- 2 wine tastings, 1 chocolate tasting

Price excluded:

- Flight to and from Italy
- Gratuities to the local guides and driver

Accommodation at hotels mentioned hereunder or similar (upon availability)		
City	**4-Stars Hotels**	**Nights**
Biella	Agorà Palace Hotel or similar	2
Turin	NH Torino Centro or similar	5