

Uncover the extraordinary hidden treasures of Venice and Northern Italy. Travel from Milan to romantic Venice onboard the Uniworld's River Countess. Soak up the enchantment of "The City of Water", discover the charm of Chioggia, enjoy a multicourse lunch complete with wine pairings at a historic wine estate in Valpolicella, and explore medieval Padua. Each of these enchanting experiences is yours to uncover on the "Gems of Northern Italy."

## **Highlights & Inclusions**

- Two nights accommodations in Milan
- Guided Milan orientation tour
- Seven nights deluxe cruise accommodation onboard the River Countess
- Daily breakfast, lunch, dinner onboard
- Unlimited beverages onboard, including fine wine, beer, spirits, soft drinks, specialty coffee, tea, and mineral water
- Enjoy a Captain's Welcome and Farewell Receptions, and Gala Dinners
- Special lectures, themed dinners, cooking demonstrations, onboard music performances and evening piano music
- Shore excursions in every port with personal headset
- Free Wi-Fi onboard
- All transfers on arrival and departure days
- All gratuities, onboard and on included excursions
- Port charges
- Shipboard credit of \$130 CAN per person





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# Gems of Northern Italy River Cruise

#### Day 1 - Milan

Arrive in Milan and transfer to your hotel for two nights.

#### Day 2 - Milan

Milan, known the world over for its high-end fashion and dazzling bounty of artistic landmarks, provides the perfect starting point for your Italian adventure. Admire the grand Gothic Duomo in the heart of the city centre and then come face-to-face with Leonardo da Vinci's magnificent fresco, The Last Supper.

#### Day 3 - Milan/Verona (Valpolicella)/Venice

En route to Venice, stop in Verona—home to Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers, Romeo and Juliet. From Verona, journey on to an exclusive wine tasting and multicourse lunch at the Serego Alighieri estate. Once in Venice, board the River Countess where you'll begin your exploration of the "Queen of the Adriatic."

#### Day 4 - Venice

Stroll through Venice's back lanes as you get an up-close view of the city's residential heart as well as such legendary locations as the Doge's Palace and the Rialto Bridge. Be treated to a Murano glassmaking demonstration at Arti Veneziane alla Giudecca Glass Factory, where a skilled glassmaker demonstrates the art of turning liquid silica into priceless figures. Cap the day off at an after-hours lighting ceremony inside St. Mark's Basilica without the crowds. Return to the ship for a Captain's Welcome Reception and Gala Dinner. Note: After-hours visits to St. Mark's Basilica are not always possible. If religious functions or festivities are taking place in the evening, we will visit during regular hours.

#### Day 5 - Chioggia (Padua)

Admire the views of "The Floating City's" greatest sights, including the Grand Canal, as your ship departs Venice and sails the lagoon for Chioggia. For those who wish to travel further back in time, an exploration of one of the oldest cities in Northern Italy, Padua, is the perfect choice. Or if you prefer to discover Chioggia, you can do so with a discovery tour; for those who wish for a

#### **Terms and Conditions**

How to book: Reservations may be made through any CAA Niagara office. A non-refundable deposit of 10% of the cruise fare per person is due at time of booking. Balance of payment is due May 18, 2018. Bookings made after May 18 will require full payment at time of booking. CAA strongly recommends the purchase of travel insurance. Ask for details.

Cancellation charges: Should it be necessary to cancel your trip prior to departure, the following penalties will apply:

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130 days or more prior	Deposit non-refundable
129 to 60 days prior	35% of the fare
59 to 30 days prior	50% of the fare
Less than 30 days	100% of the fare
No Show	100% of the fare

The day of departure is excluded when calculating cancellation charges. CAA strongly recommends the purchase of cancellation insurance.

Prices: All prices in this brochure are in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise stated, are based on June 1, 2017 contract rates, and are subject to change should currencies fluctuate or surcharge be imposed.

Local laws and customs: The Ontario government requires that we advise anyone travelling outside Ontario that there are many different living

more active day, you can bicycle along the beaches of Chioggia.

#### Day 6 - Polesella (Bologna or Ferrara)

Bologna is a food lover's paradise with specialty food stores and halls featuring locally made mortadella, handmade tortellini, balsamic vinegar from nearby Modena, ham from Parma and rounds of Parmesan cheese. Participate in a pasta-making workshop and then enjoy lunch at one of Bologna's most celebrated restaurants. For lovers of art, spend a half day in Ferrara, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with a long history of art founded on the sponsorship of the noble Renaissance family of d'Este.

#### Day 7 - Taglio Di Po/Chioggia

There's no better place to indulge in Italy's famed frutti di mare than Chioggia, a colorful fishing village on the Venice Lagoon. Stroll through the town's bustling fish market with a guide. Or head via small boat to a casone (fisherman's hut on stilts) to experience how local fisherman harvest mussels.

#### Day 8 - Venice Islands (Burano, Mazzorbo & Torcello)

Spend the day exploring the Venice Lagoon and three of its entrancing islands. Stroll through Burano with its colorful homes, and visit a lace-making atelier. While on Mazzorbo, be treated to a special wine tasting from a salt-water-tolerant heirloom grape, Dorona. Before heading back to Venice, visit Torcello, home to spectacular Byzantine mosaics depicting the Last Judgment in the seventh-century Cathedral of Santa Maria Dell'Assunta.

#### Day 9 - Venice

Get a feel for daily life in Venice with a guided stroll through the bustling Rialto Market, or tour the renowned Accademia Gallery with an art historian. Celebrate your last night onboard at the Captain's Farewell Reception and Gala Dinner.

#### Day 10 - Venice

Disembark the ship and transfer to Venice Marco Polo International Airport for your flight home.

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