ART, FOOD, AND BEAUTY IN NORTHERN ITALY

a cultural tour for art centers

This unique tour through some of the highlights of Northern Italy brings you the best of local culture, natural beauty, regional food, and Italy's art historical treasures. Stopping in the UNESCO World Heritage site of the Cinque Terre, the elegant town of Parma, the center of Milan with its artistic treasures, and the beguiling old city of Genoa, the wealth of Italy's cultural gems will be on full display, giving you a one-of-a-kind perspective on Italy's greatness.

We'll be seeing some of the greatest art ever produced in Italy, eating the regional specialties wherever we stop, tasting the wines, and staring in wonder at the breathtaking beauty of the Mediterranean landscape. An unforgettable experience to be shared with other people who believe as strongly in the arts as you do.

CINQUETERRE



Highlights may include:

- a private boat tour of the Cinque Terre coastline
- visit Vernazza, jewel of the Cinque Terre, Monterosso, and Manarola
- walk the vineyards and do a wine tasting above the Mediterranean with the vintner
- olive oil tasting; visit a working olive grove
- Ligurian cuisine

PARMA



Highlights may include:

- tour of the historic downtown of Parma
- discover another side of the Italian Renaissance with a guided tour of the major fresco works by **Correggio** and **Parmigianino**
- visit the medieval Farnese Theater and the Palazzo della Pilotta
- visit a Parmigiano cheese factory and a black pig farm and have lunch featuring their products
- Parmesan food and wine

MILAN



Highlights may include

- a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity: Leonardo Da Vinci's Last Supper
- visit the **Duomo of Milan**
- wander amongst the masters on display at the **Pinacoteca di Brera** (optional guided tour available) including Raphael, Mantegna, Guercino, Caravaggio, Titian, and Guido Reni.
- a peek inside the La Scala opera house, backstage included
- Milanese fine dining

GENOA



Highlights may include

- city tour of the largest old town center in Europe
- visit the **Musei di Strada Nuova**, three Renaissance palaces with a unique combination of historical rooms and world-class art collections, including Caravaggio, Van Dyck, Rubens, and Zurbaran.
- wander the harbor and its new transformation under the guidance of Renzo Piano
- Genovese cuisine