

## THE METROPOLITAN YOUTH ORCHESTRA OF NEW YORK

**CHORAL AND ORCHESTRAL PROGRAMS** 

# A GRAND TOUR TO ITALY

FLORENCE INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF YOUTH ORCHESTRAS

JULY 7-20, 2020

JOURNEY WITH THE METROPOLITAN YOUTH ORCHESTRA OF NEW YORK, CHORAL AND ORCHESTRAL PROGRAMS ON A REMARKABLE CONCERT TOUR TO ITALY.

DISCOVER ITALY'S AZURE MEDITERRANEAN COAST AND SCENIC TUSCANY. PARTICIPATE IN THE FLORENCE INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF YOUTH ORCHESTRAS WHILE IN THE REGION.

CONTINUE TO SEASIDE SORRENTO AS YOU EXPLORE POMPEII, THE ISLE OF CAPRI, AND THE SPECTACULAR AMALFI COAST.

CONCLUDE THE TOUR IN ROME-THE ETERNAL CITY WITH VISITS TO THE COLOSSEUM, VATICAN MUSEUMS, ST. PETER'S BASILICA AND OTHER ICONIC SIGHTS. JOIN THE MYO ON THE CONCERT TOUR OF A LIFETIME TO ITALY!

#### **ESTIMATED TOUR PRICING:**

MYO PERFORMER AIR & LAND: \$4795.00 MYO PEFORMER LAND-ONLY: \$3895.00

NON-PERFORMER AIR & LAND: \$4995.00 NON-PERFORMER LAND-ONLY: \$3795.00 SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT: \$550.00

THE ESTIMATED PRICES ASSUME PAYMENT BY CHECK/MONEY ORDER. DEBIT/CREDIT CARD CHARGES WILL HAVE A 4% CONVENIENCE FEE ADDED TO ANY AMOUNT CHARGED.

NOTE: 2020 AIR AND LAND SERVICES ARE NOT YET AVAILABLE FOR BOOKING. THE LISTED PRICES ARE A GOOD-FAITH ESTIMATE BASED ON SUMMER GRANDTOURS PROGRAMS TO ITALY. A FINAL PRICE WILL BE COMMUNICATED WHEN ONLINE REGISTRATION OPENS FOR THE TOUR.

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#### ITINERARY

Day 1 Tuesday, July 7, 2020

Depart the USA

Depart as a group from New York-JFK to Frankfurt, Germany on Lufthansa German Airlines. Fly transatlantic overnight with complimentary in-flight meals beverages and entertainment.

Day 2 Wednesday, July 8 2020 Arrival I Santa Margherita
Morning arrival at Milan-Malpensa. Travel south to Cremona,
home to the Stradivarius workshops. Get lunch and visit a
workshop before continuing to Santa Margherita Ligure, a
beautiful small seaside town on the Italian Riviera. Check in to
your hotel and enjoy a buffet dinner. In-flight/D

Day 3 Thursday, July 9, 2020 Cinque Terre I Santa Margherita Breakfast at the hotel. Enjoy a full-day excursion by boat to the scenic Cinque Terre. It features five towns, each very unique, set against the craggy hillsides of the Mediterranean Sea. Our boat will make stops in two of the towns with time to explore and get lunch. Return to Santa Margherita. Have dinner and then perform a late-evening family concert at Santa Margherita d'Antiochia on Piazza Caprera.

Day 4 Friday, July 10, 2020 Pisa I Lucca I Montecatini Terme
Leave the Italian Riviera and travel to Pisa for a view of the
Leaning Tower and Baptistery. Continue to Lucca—birthplace of
the composer, Giacomo Puccini. Our final destination today is
Montecatini Terme, a classic Italian spa town. Check into the
hotel and enjoy a group buffet dinner.

B/D

Day 5 Saturday, July 11, 2020 Florence I Montecatini Terme Travel to Florence and begin a guided walking tour to see the Duomo, its eight-sided Baptistery and its splendid doors sculpted by Ghiberti. Walk across the Ponte Vecchio. The afternoon is free to enjoy Florence in small groups or with families. Tonight have dinner and perform a concert at the Loggia dei Lanzi in Piazza della Signoria as part of the Florence Festival of Youth Orchestras. Return to Montecatini Terme. B/D

Day 6 Sunday, July 12, 2020 Siena I Montecatini Terme
Depart to Siena. On arrival, have a guided walking tour that
shows you the Duomo, Piazza del Campo and other sights.
Return to Montecatini in the late afternoon with time to relax.
Have a buffet dinner at the hotel. Concert tonight at Terme
Tettuccio as part of the Florence International Festival.

B/D

Day 7 Monday, July 13, 2020 Siena I Orvieto
Depart from Tuscany into the region of Umbria. On arrival in the
hill town of Orvieto, take the escalator up into the old part of the
city and check into your hotel. The jewel of this medieval city is
the magnificent Gothic Duomo. Possible choral impromptu.
Evening free to get dinner in small groups.

Day 8 Tuesday, July 14, 2020 Orvieto I Pompeii I Sorrento
Depart for the ancient city of Pompeii. Enjoy a guided tour of this
Roman city petrified and preserved by the eruption of Vesuvius
in AD 79. It was buried under 20 feet of ash. Afterwards, get
lunch and then continue to Sorrento. Check into your hotel and
enjoy dinner. Spend the evening exploring the Old Town. B/D

Day 9 Wednesday, July 15, 2020 Isle of Capri I Sorrento Walk to the Marina Piccola and board a hydrofoil for a short crossing of the Mediterranean Sea to the Isle of Capri. Enjoy views of the Faraglioni Rocks and Marina from the sea. Ascend by minibus to Ana Capri for spectacular views all the way to Naples. Return to Sorrento. Have dinner at the hotel and perform an evening concert in the Sorrento Cathedral.

Day 10 Thursday, July 16, 2020

Amalfi Coast I Sorrento

Enjoy spectacular sightseeing along the Amalfi Coast seeing the village of Positano. Continue to Amalfi by boat if the sea is calm or by bus if not. Get lunch in Amalfi and explore the town.

Return to Sorrento with time to get dinner in small groups and enjoy final souvenir shopping.

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Day 11 Friday, July 17, 2020 Sorrento I Rome Early departure from Sorrento to Rome. On arrival enjoy guided sightseeing of the Colosseum and Roman Forum. Get lunch and so some souvenir shopping. Check into your centrally located hotel with time to get settled into rooms. Have dinner and then take an evening guided walk through Rome. Begin at the Spanish Steps and continue to the Trevi Fountain, Pantheon, and Piazza Navona. Return to the hotel.

Day 12 Saturday, July 18, 2020

Rome

Morning visit to the Vatican Museums and the beautiful Sistine Chapel. Be amazed at St. Peter's Basilica. Take an afternoon walk through the Jewish Quarter where you see the Synagogue and Teatro Marcello. Enjoy a group dinner before performing the final concert of the tour in the Jesuit Sant' Ignazio Church, a magnificent venue located in the heart of Rome.

Day 13 Sunday, July 19, 2020

Rome

The final day of the tour is completely free to explore Rome in small groups. Visit the Castel Sant' Angelo, walk the Appia Antica, or visit the ancient Catacombs of St. Callixtus. You may wish to spend time visiting the Capitoline Museum or exploring trendy Trastevere. Return to the hotel and spend a final evening at a festive farewell dinner with local Italian food and music. B/D

Day 14, Monday, July 20, 2020 Rome I USA
Early transfer to Rome's Fiumicino Airport. Board your return
flight to the USA on Lufthansa German Airlines. Travel to New
York-JFK via Frankfurt. Clear US Immigration and Customs
upon arrival in at JFK. Welcome home! Breakfast boxes/In-flight



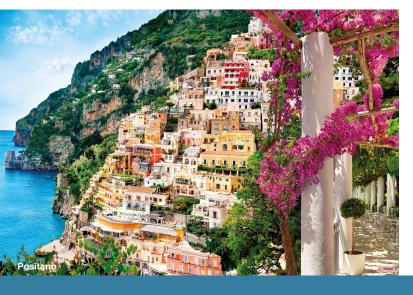
#### TOUR FEATURES

- · Round trip airfare from New York (JFK) to Milan/Rome
- · Transportation by deluxe motor coach in Europe
- Professional tour manager/guide on each motor coach
- · Local guided tours in Florence, Siena, Pompeii, Rome
- 12-nights hotel in twin occupancy at 3&4 star hotels
- · Breakfast buffet daily at the hotels
- 10-group dinners at a mix of hotels and local restaurants
- Sightseeing as outlined in the tour itinerary
- Local guides in Florence, Siena, Pompeii, Rome
- Admissions as required per the itinerary
- · Admission to the Florence Youth Orchestra Festival
- 5-Concert performances with local promotion
- · Gratuities to guides I drivers I local escorts
- Travel Guard Group Protection Plan Insurance
- Online tour registration
- Individual billing for each traveler
- · Payment by debit/credit card pricing option with 4% fee
- Possible separate family & friends tour offered
- Land-only options for those extending their stay
- Complete set of travel documents

## TOUR CONTACTS

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## **FSTIMATED TOUR PRICING**

\$4,795 PER PERSON (MYO PERFORMERS PAYMENT BY CHECK) \$4,995 PER PERSON (NON-PERFORMERS PAYMENT BY CHECK)

(A 4% CONVENIENCE FEE WILL BE ADDED TO ALL ONLINE DEBIT/CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS WHEN PROCESSED.)

**PAYMENT SCHEDULE:** 

November 1, 2019 \$300\* February 1, 2020 \$1,500 March 1, 2020 \$1,500

May 1, 2020 Final Balance Due

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** 

Deposit to November 1, 2019

No cancellation fee

November 2, 2019 to February 1, 2020

February 2, 2020 to March 1, 2020

March 2, 2020 to May 1, 2020

May 2, 2020 to departure

No cancellation fee

\$500 cancellation fee

\$1,500 cancellation fee

No Refund

Note: Once registered for the tour, you may wish to consider the purchase of trip cancellation insurance. Our recommended supplier is Travel Guard, but you are free to purchase it from any vendor that suits your needs. Please be advised that "cancel for any reason" policies and those for pre-existing medical conditions often need to be purchased within 14-days of depositing on the tour with most providers. Visit <a href="https://www.travelguard.com">www.travelguard.com</a> for information.

\*A deposit made payable to GrandTours will be due at the time of registration by check or by debit/credit card per your preferred payment method selected during registration. The deposit will confirm your participation.

## TYPICAL HOTELS

#### **TYPICAL GROUP HOTELS (PERFORMERS/STAFF)**

Santa Margherita Park Hotel Suisse

www.parkhotelsuisse.com

Montecatini Terme Grand Hotel du Park et Regina

http://www.regina-hotel.it/en/

Orvieto Palazzo Piccolomini

http://www.palazzopiccolomini.it/

Sorrento Grand Hotel Cesare Augusto

http://www.hotelcesareaugusto.com/

Rome Hotel Mediterraneo

www.romehotelmediterraneo.it

#### (FAMILY & FRIENDS)

Santa Margherita Regina Elena

www.bestwestern.com

Montecatini Terme Ambasciatori Palace

www.ambasciatoripalace.it

Orvieto Aguila Bianca

http://www.hotelaquilabianca.it/

Sorrento Michelangelo

https://www.michelangelohotel.it/

Rome Grand Palatino

www.hotelpalatinoroma.com

