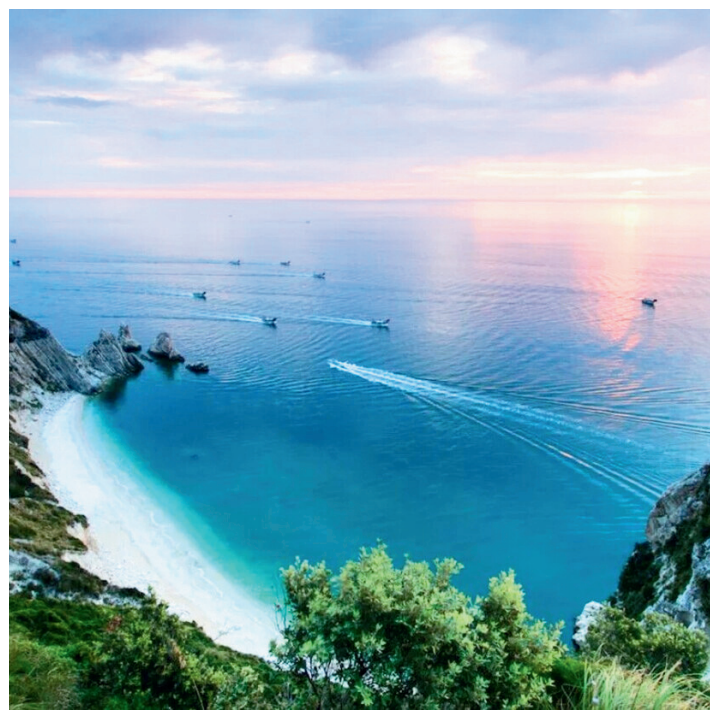




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MYSTERIA.... BETWEEN CAVES, ALCHEMY, MYTHS AND LEGENDS

DAY 1

Beneath **Camerano** lies another underground city, a 2 km labyrinthine path made of passageways and interstices, dug into sandstone, clay and tuff.

The lack of written documents and archaeological evidences hasn't allowed us to clarify origins and functions of these tunnels still shrouded in mystery.

According to some hypotheses, the first caves could have already been built by the Piceni and have undergone a subsequent expansion with the development of the city.

The first interpretations believe that they could be ancient sandstone quarries or places to store wine, although the most convincing ones support a residential, ritual or defensive use.

The most surprising aspect is the presence of bas-reliefs in almost all rooms, decorative details and architectural embellishments.

Mancinforte, Riccotti, Trionfi and Corraducci caves were studded with sacred symbols, numerology, trilobate crosses, arrangements of the spaces according to the scheme required for Massonic meetings, finely decorated, weaving the threads of a secret tale between history and legend.







Day 2 - Frasassi Caves

Talking about magic, so let's visit the Frasassi Caves...

An underground karst caves located in the **Regional Natural Park of Gola della Rossa and Frasassi** (certified with the European Charter for Sustainable Tourism) in the municipality of Genga, in the province of Ancona.

The discovery of the Frasassi Caves dates back to September 25, 1971 by the speleological group of CAI of Ancona.

Inside the karst cavities it's possible to admire natural sculptures formed by calcareous stratifications over 190 million years. The water, flowing on the limestone, dissolving small quantities and falling to the ground, in the course of a dripping that lasts for millennia, deposits them and forms concretions of considerable size and sometimes curious shapes.

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These are divided into stalagmites (columns that grow from the bottom to the top) and stalactites (which instead descend from the ceiling of the cavities).

Not far from the caves, stands the Romanesque Abbey of San Vittore delle Chiuse, dating back to the 11th century, one of the most important example of Romanesque architecture in Le Marche region.

The Speleo Paleontological and Archaeological Museum of Genga is set up in the Abbey of San Vittore and preserves the famous ichthyosaur of Genga, a marine reptile, about 3 meters long, similar to a dolphin, which lived in the Late Jurassic, about 150 million years ago.

LA RIVIERA DEL CONERO, LORETO AND RECANATI

Day 1 - Ancona

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The visit will begin with the thousand-year-old Cathedral of San Ciriaco which stands in a magnificent position at the top of the Guasco hill, then Lazzaretto, also known as Mole Vanvitelliana, designed by the architect Luigi Vanvitelli.

It stands on an artificial pentagonal island located inside of the port. Inside of Mole we will visit the Museo Tattile Omero which is one of the few tactile museums in the world.

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Free lunch.



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Return to the hotel, dinner and overnight stay.

Day 3 - Loreto and Recanati

After breakfast, we will reach Loreto, one of the most important and ancient places of Marian pilgrimage in the Catholic world.

Visit of the Basilica of the Holy House, an outstanding Renaissance architectural complex which enshrine the remains of the Holy House of Nazareth, where Jesus lived.

The Holy house seems to have been transported by ship from Palestine thanks to a noble Byzantine family, the Angeli, reigning family of Epirus.

At the end, we will reach Recanati, birthplace to the famous poet Giacomo Leopardi.



We will visit his noble residence: the library, the reception rooms, the garden, the poet's apartments and the Leopardi museum.

At the end of the visit we will take a walk through a Leopardian place par excellence: Orto del Colle dell'Infinito.

In the afternoon visit to Moroder winery and wine tasting, enjoying an incredible view of the Conero Park.

Return to the hotel, dinner and overnight stay.

Day 4- Riviera del Conero by boat

After breakfast, we will leave for an exciting crewed boat excursion, to discover all the beauties of Riviera del Conero.

We will depart from Numana Tourist Port and sail along the coast admiring the most beautiful beaches of Numana and Sirolo, until arriving in front of Sassi Neri beach.

Then Le Due Sorelle beach with the two white stacks that emerge from the sea.

A short stop at the Gabbiani beach where you can admire Portonovo with its Napoleonic Fort.

We will also pass through Mezzavalle and finally stop at Trave, a natural underwater strip that acts as a rock, creating a natural pool with emerald green water where it will be impossible not to dive.

Back on board, chill and enjoy an aperitif surrounded by a fantastic and relaxing panorama.

Duration of the excursion: 3 1/2 hours.

End of services.



BETWEEN THE SIBILLINI MOUNTAINS AND CONERO

Day 1 - Offida

In the early afternoon guided tour of Offida, we will discover the views and architectural jewels of the historic center of Offida: from the Art Nouveau notes of Corso del Serpente Aureo to the medieval and Renaissance atmospheres of Piazza del Popolo.

We will visit Santa Maria della Rocca, a masterpiece in Romanesque-Gothic style that will leave you speechless for the beauty of its crypt and the elegance of the upper church.

Offida is the home of the grapevine and Ciù Ciù winery, in the lovely location of the sixteenth-century Palazzo Mercolini Tinelli, will host us a wine tasting of: Rosso Piceno superiore, Passerina and Pecorino.

In the evening arrival at the hotel in Montefortino, dinner and overnight stay.



Day 2 - Trekking to Pilato's Lake

After breakfast, we will meet the environmental hiking guide to start our trekking trail among the most famous Sibillini Mountains.

From the small mountain village of Foce di Montemonaco, we will walk towards the legendary Lago di Pilato: welcomed in the spectacular natural amphitheater delimited by the Vettore ridge, Pizzo del Diavolo and Cima del Redentore, you will reach the lake of glacial origin, a destination for magicians and necromancers in the Middle Ages, a unique environment in the world for the presence of the Chirocefalo del Marchesoni: a small crustacean survivor of the last glaciation.

Many legends that still linger in these places and the naturalistic miracle of the Chirocefalo will be told, a real living fossil that swims in the waters of the lake.

Free lunch during the excursion and grand finale in a local tavern with a super zero-mile snack typical flavors of the Sibillini Mountains.

Return to the hotel in Montefortino, dinner and overnight stay.

Day 3 - Montefortino and the Sibillini truffles

The truffle is the diamond of the Sibillini Mountains and today will be entirely dedicated to the precious tuber.

After breakfast, we will walk with our environmental hiking guide through the beech and oak woods to see the truffle hunters at work with their hunting dogs.

Lunch with a menu based on delicious black and white truffles.

In the afternoon we will visit Montefortino with its medieval structure still intact.

In the evening, arrival at the hotel in Ancona area, dinner and overnight stay.

Day 4 - Sirolo and Sassi Neri beach

After breakfast at the hotel, we will leave from the charming village of Sirolo for a super panoramic excursion in the Mediterranean scrub of the Conero promontory. The path offers lovely views of the limestone cliff and the Adriatic Sea, will lead to the Sassi Neri beach, one of the most beautiful and well-known on the Conero coast to enjoy sunbathing and sea.

Free lunch. End of services.





“MADE IN MARCHE”

The most beautiful villages in Italy

Day 1 - Gradara and Mondavio

In the early afternoon we will reach Gradara, the village of La Rocca di Paolo e Francesca. Guided tour of Gradara Castle which, together with its fortified village, represents one of the best preserved medieval structures in Italy.

Furthermore, the two walls that protect the fortress extends for almost 800 meters, also make it one of the most impressive of the peninsula. The Castle stands on a hill 142 meters above the sea level. The keep, the main tower, rises 30 meters, dominating the entire valley.

We will visit Mondavio, take a dip into the past between Dukes and Duchesses in perfect Renaissance style! We will visit Rocca Roveresca which, with its octagonal shape, dominates the town and makes it fascinating and all to be discovered.

The sunset on the Rocca is suggestive and breathtaking.

In the evening, arrival at the hotel in Senigallia, dinner and overnight stay.



Day 2 - Corinaldo, Morro d'Alba, Offagna

After breakfast, we will reach Corinaldo, the village preserves a thousand meters of inviolate walls.

The walls are Corinaldo hallmark.

An intact and majestic wall of almost 1 km surrounds and supports the medieval old town. We will walk through its alleys, in the middle of its most beautiful squares overlooking the main religious buildings.

Along the walls we will encounter towers and bastions that are still possible to climb.

We will pass in front of the historic buildings and the historic theater and go down the steps to reach Pozzo della Polenta.



At the end of the walk we will reach Morro d'Alba, an amazing village famous for its delicious wine. Its "Lacrima di Morro d'Alba" wine is recognized as a controlled designation of origin in 1985, has been known since the remotest times.

Walk through the streets of the village up to the Castle of Morro d'Alba that overlooks and dominates the surrounding area. Lunch in a local restaurant with tasting of "Lacrima".

In the early afternoon, transfer to Offagna, the medieval village on the Conero known as "a lookout over the sea". We will visit Rocca di Offagna which represents a notable example of military architecture.

In medieval times it was a place of protection and defense, with high walls, towers, guardhouse and drawbridge. Today it's home to the permanent weapons exhibition.

In the evening, arrival at the hotel in Numana, dinner and overnight stay.



Day 3 - Cingoli, Treia, Torre di Palme

After breakfast we will reach the village of Cingoli which, thanks to its position on a top of a hill about 600 meters above sea level, has allowed it to earn the name of "Balcony of Le Marche".

You will walk through its streets along the walls full of history.

Don't miss a visit of the Collegiata of Sant'Esuperanzio and of the Cathedral. At the end of the visit we will reach the nearby village of Treia, a short walk through its narrow streets of the historic center and then visit of the Abbey of Fiastra.

Built by Cistercian monks, the abbey is located within the natural reserve of the same name.

Free lunch.

In the afternoon visit of the small village of Torre di Palme. We will walk in the Bosco del Cugnolo up to Grotta degli Amanti, to discover the essences of the Mediterranean maquis, then we will admire many architectural jewels and charming glimpses of the village.

In the evening, arrival at the hotel in Porto San Giorgio, dinner and overnight stay.



Day 4- Moresco, Montefiore dell'Aso, Grottammare and Offida

After breakfast, a morning dedicated to discovering some fascinating villages, belonging to the association of the most beautiful villages in Italy. We will start with Moresco in Val d'Aso.

From its ancient heptagonal watchtower 25 meters high, we can admire an extraordinary view of the surrounding landscape and the village itself.

Then Montefiore dell'Aso in the Piceno area, located on a hill between the valleys of the Aso river and the Menocchia torrent. The historic center is well preserved: there are still significant sections of the city walls equipped with gates and six towers dating back to the 15th and 16th centuries.

It is called "the hill of painters" because inside the convent of San Francis, now a museum center, there is a Carlo Crivelli Hall which houses the very precious Polyptych by Carlo Crivelli.

Afterwards we will reach Grottammare, the pearl of the Adriatic.

We will walk from the seafront to the old incasato, starting from the early 1900s atmosphere of the characteristic Art Nouveau villas on the seafront with its amazing views of the medieval old incasato.

At the end of our visit, lunch in a typical restaurant.

In the early afternoon we will reach Offida to admire the views and the architectural jewels of its historic center: Corso del Serpente Aureo, Piazza del Popolo with its medieval and Renaissance atmospheres, Santa Maria della Rocca, a masterpiece in Romanesque-Gothic style that will leave you speechless for the beauty of the crypt and the elegance of the upper church.

Offida is home of the vine, visit to the Ciù Ciù winery with a wine tasting of: Rosso Piceno superiore, Passerina and Pecorino.

End of services.

ASCOLI PICENO E DINTORNI

Unusual and its surroundings

Day 1 - Ascoli Piceno: the historic city center

In the early afternoon we will walk through the historical center of Ascoli Piceno, birthplace of “olive all’ascolana”(meat-stuffed fried olives).

The city of a hundred towers is full of architectural treasures among travertine squares, Romanesque churches and noble palaces. Guided tour of Piazza del Popolo and Piazza Arringo, the church of Scopa, a wonderful example of Baroque and the Malatestiana fortress with the museum that host the Treasure of the Lombards. You can't miss the street food-style tasting of the famous “olive all’ascolana”.

In the evening, arrival at the hotel in Ascoli Piceno, dinner and overnight stay.

Day 2 - With the ancient pilgrims on the trail of Francis

After breakfast, a day to discover the places linked to the life and spirituality of Saint Francis, accompanied by an environmental hiking guide.

Then we will travel the last stage of the Franciscan Way of della Marca, from Venarotta to Ascoli Piceno, a 5-hour walk during which we will immerse ourselves in the places and flavors of the past.

Lunch included.

Return to the hotel in Ascoli, dinner and overnight stay



Day 3- Ancient hermitages of the monastic ace, Colle San Marco

After breakfast, the day will be dedicated to discover the first hermitages in the Piceno, always with our environmental hiking guide. Colle San Marco is located on the hills southeast of the town center, a few minutes from Ascoli Piceno. Frequented since the early Middle Ages by various communities of monks, who built their beautiful hermitage here. Thanks to an evocative environmental tour we will discover the life and spirituality of the Blessed Corrado, and we will get to know the nature that welcomed the first hermits in the Piceno lands.

Lunch at Paci Refuge, with typical delicatessens of the local traditions.

After lunch, we will resume the journey and return to Colle San Marco.

We will visit to sculptor Giuliano Giuliani's quarry and admire the tradition of travertine processing.

Return to the hotel in Ascoli Piceno, dinner and overnight stay.



Day 4- Piceno's ancient traditions, Ascoli and Offida

After breakfast, free time in the historic center of Ascoli Piceno and possibility of tasting a delicious aperitif at the famous "Caffè Meletti".

Free lunch.

In the early afternoon transfer to Offida, home of the vine and of the ancient art of bobbin lace. We will walk through the Renaissance Piazza del Popolo and visit Santa Maria della Rocca, a Romanesque-Gothic masterpiece that will leave you speechless for the beauty of its crypt and the elegance of the upper church. Visit to the Regional Enoteca of Offida, where we will learn about the Piceno winemaking tradition and the consumption of wine. The visit to the wine cellar will end with a tasting of wines and typical local products.

Return to the hotel in Ascoli, dinner and overnight stay.

Day 5- Between the centuries-old woods of Piceno: the Way of Water, Acquasanta Terme

After breakfast, a day to relax and to discover Acquasanta Terme and the benefits of its sulphurous waters, the woods and waterfalls that surround it.

Accompanied by an environmental hiking guide, we will enjoy the silence of the centuries-old woods of chestnut, fir, beech and oak trees. We will walk from "Lu Vurghe" path that leads to pools of sulphurous waters already known and used by the Romans, who exploited their curative properties.

On the way back, we will attend a cooking class at the Farmhouse Arcera for a preparation of a typical dish with local products.

After the cooking class, lunch at the farmhouse. In the early afternoon we will reach Forcella Waterfalls, located within a pristine environment rich in vegetation. Near the waterfalls we will admire the Pompili Mill, one of the oldest and best preserved mills in Le Marche region.

End of services.



MACERATA AND ITS TREASURES

Day 1

The day begins with a guided tour of the Sferisterio and Palazzo Buonaccorsi, with its art collections and the carriage gallery. Lunch in a local restaurant where we can taste typical dishes of Le Marche cuisine. In the afternoon visit of the church of San Claudio al Chienti, one of the most important examples of Romanesque architecture in Le Marche, free time to explore the surroundings.



Day 2

In the morning guided tour of Palazzo Ricci, which host a valuable collection of modern art, and of the Biblioteca Mozzi Borgetti, one of the oldest and richest libraries in Le Marche.

Afterwards, entrance to the Torre Civica to admire the spectacular view.

Lunch in a restaurant near Abbazia di Fiastra, later in the afternoon visit the ancient abbey and its park.





RIVIERA DEL CONERO

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Return to the hotel, dinner and overnight stay.



Day 3 - Riviera del Conero by boat

Poi sarà la volta della famosissima spiaggia delle Due Sorelle con i 2 faraglioni bianchi che spuntano dal mare, ed infine breve sosta per la spiaggia dei Gabbiani.

Pranzo libero e fine dei servizi.

After breakfast, we will leave for an exciting crewed boat excursion, to discover all the beauties of Riviera del Conero. We will depart from Numana Tourist Port and sail along the coast admiring the most beautiful beaches of Numana and Sirolo, until arriving in front of Sassi Neri beach.

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Free lunch. End of services.



PESARO: BETWEEN SACRED AND PROFANE

Day 1

In the morning guided tour of the Civic Museums and Teatro Rossini, a nineteenth-century theater where important opera performances are still held today. Lunch in a typical restaurant with a menu based on fresh fish.

In the afternoon, visit to the Church of the Holy Name of God, with its precious coffered ceiling, free time for a relaxing walk along the port and the seafront of Pesaro.



Day 2

In the morning guided tour of Casa Rossini and the Oliveriano Archaeological Museum, which host a rich collection of archaeological finds.

Lunch in a farmhouse in the countryside.

In the afternoon, visit of Villa Imperiale, an exquisite example of Renaissance architecture surrounded by a magnificent park.





PESARO IN ONE DAY

One day tour

In the morning guided tour of Casa Rossini, birthplace of the famous composer Gioachino Rossini, where we will discover the history and works of one of the greatest masters of Italian music. Continuing with a visit of Palazzo Ducale, an exquisite Renaissance building that host an important art collection. Lunch in a typical restaurant, where we can taste delicious fresh fish dishes. In the afternoon, visit of the Civic Museums, which host works of art of great value, including the famous painting "Pala di Pesaro" by Giovanni Bellini.



DISCOVERING THE ANCIENT HERMITAGES IN THE LANDS OF PICENO

One day tour

Itinerary to discover the first hermitages in the Piceno lands that will lead us to the town of Colle San Marco. A few minutes from Ascoli Piceno, Colle San Marco is located on the hills southeast of the town center.

In the first part of the trek we will visit the Hermitage of Colle San Marco, an important memory of art and spirituality for Ascoli, one of the first hermitages built in the early Middle Ages; we will continue visiting the Devil's Finger: a natural monument, which emerges from the woods as a spur of travertine; then the cave of Blessed Corrado: a curious and fascinating cavity entirely dug into the travertine boulder.

For lunch break we will reach Paci refuge: along the way we will cross places that still today testify to the vocation of the territory for pastoralism with the presence of the "caciare".

After lunch we will return to Colle San Marco to visit the artistic laboratory and the travertine quarry of the sculptor Giuliano Giuliani where we will learn about the tradition of travertine processing.



Itinerary description

Arrival at the meeting point, by own vehicle: Località Piagge, 9:30 am.

Welcome and meeting with the guide.

Departure for the trekking to Colle San Marco- Rifugio Paci and return:

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11:30 am - Walk to Pianoro Colle San Marco - Rifugio Paci trek.

At the end of the walk we will reach Rifugio Paci where we will stop for lunch.

Along the way we will pass through rich places that still today testify to the pastoral vocation of the territory with the presence of the "caciare".

During the trek our guide will focus on the naturalistic aspect.

12:30 pm - lunch break at Paci Refuge where we will taste typical local products.

After lunch we will return to Colle San Marco.

4:00 pm - Visit to the Sculptor's Quarry Giuliano Giuliani

We will visit the artistic laboratory and the travertine quarry of the sculptor Giuliano Giuliani and we will learn about the tradition of travertine processing.

18:00 - independent return

MONTE CONERO: DISCOVERING A TERRITORY BETWEEN LAND AND SEA

One day tour

We will explore a unique marine environment and the naturalistic aspects that have generated it, we will learn about the human activity and the relationship between man and the sea.

The morning of our tour will be dedicated to sport and to marine biology: the naturalistic snorkeling activity near the stacks of Due Sorelle will make us discover a submerged world full of peculiarities.

We will be guided by a marine biologist who will offer a unique and innovative scientific and cultural value to the experience, which will make us get to know the marine animal that is the protagonist of our itinerary: mosciolo.

Then we will move towards the Bay of Portonovo: here we will meet the fishermen of Cooperativa Pesca di Portonovo and we will be "mosciolari" for a day.

We will wait for the return of the boat with the catch of the day and we will enjoy a delicious lunch on the beach.

In the afternoon, we will explore the Bay of Portonovo on the slopes of Monte Conero: the thick Mediterranean scrub with its flora and its resident fauna of the Laghetti will be the perfect setting for a trek immersed in the greenery.

We will end the day with a relaxing aperitif by the sea, at sunset, with local food and wine specialties.



Itinerary description

MEETING POINT: CENTRO SUB MONTE CONERO 7:15 am - arrival by own vehicle, at Centro Sub, located on the Numana seafront, not far from the Tourist Port (via Litoranea, 29).

Welcome and presentation of the group with the guide and explanation of the day's activities.

DEPARTURE FOR SNORKELING ACTIVITIES 8:00 am - initial briefing and delivery of the material for the snorkeling activity. We will leave on board the dinghy to reach the stretch of sea of Due Sorelle where, protected by the stacks, we will learn, through snorkeling and the guidance of a marine biologist, the peculiarities of the Riviera del Conero and its marine inhabitants, to discover what makes this place a unique excellence in the entire Adriatic.

RETURN TO THE PORT OF NUMANA 10:00 am - Upon returning from the activity, thanks to the photographic material at the diving center, we will have the opportunity to delve deeper into what we saw underwater.

An healthy breakfast will recharge us before continuing our journey.

ARRIVAL IN PORTONOVO 11:30 am - Departure for the Bay of Portonovo, where we will meet the fishermen of Cooperativa Pesca

Portonovo who will tell us the history and traditional techniques of fishing for the wild Mosciolo, an excellence of this area, and how the traditional fishing of this mollusc has evolved over time.

LUNCH 1:00 - PM The catch of the day will be the protagonist of our lunch on the beach.

We will watch the arrival of the boat with the catch of the day and actively participate in cleaning and preparing lunch, based on mussels, in their simplest form of “impepata” and as sauce for the main dish.

RELAXING BREAK ON THE BEACH 3:00 PM - After lunch we can lie down on the beach for a bit of relax before continuing our journey to discover the Bay.

PORTONOVO RING (TRAIL 309) 4:30/5:00 PM - We will explore the innermost part of the Bay to learn about its origins, admire the typical Mediterranean scrub and, through a visit to the most important buildings, we will discover how man has always appreciated this place, precisely for its uniqueness and tranquility, from the first monks up to the Napoleonic empire.



MONASTIC LIFE ON MONTE CONERO: A TIME TRAVEL BETWEEN SPIRITUALITY AND NATURE

One day tour

Monte Conero has been for centuries home to monasteries and hermitages where monks found peace and refreshment.

In this itinerary we will find evidence of their presence, we will learn about the life of the monks since the beginning, we will evoke the spirituality of these places, in the silence of the Mediterranean scrub.

We will have the opportunity to taste ancient flavors of a traditional cuisine that is still handed down today. In the morning visit of the Bay of Portonovo, a strip of coast that, hidden in the thick of the scrub and protected by the mountain, with all the charm of the silence and peace of a sacred place.

We will learn about the origins of the Bay and visit the Church of Santa Maria di Portonovo, one of the greatest examples of Romanesque architecture in Le Marche.

We will have the chance to have lunch with the traditional fish-based recipes.

In the afternoon we will go to the top of Monte Conero, another isolated and quiet place where we can appreciate all the spirituality and be in touch with nature.

We will visit the Abbey of San Pietro al Conero and learn about its history: from its construction in the early 11th century to the succession of different orders that, not always peacefully, have alternated within its walls.

We will conclude our itinerary with a dinner made with the traditional flavors of the countryside, based on fresh ingredients that farmers, like monks, find among the resources that the land offers us, now as then.

Itinerary description

MEETING POINT: PIAZZETTA DI PORTONOVO. 9:30 am - arrival by own vehicle.

Welcome of the group and description of the itinerary. Departure for the naturalistic itinerary along path 309.

PORTONOVO RING (PATH 309): 10:00 am - We will explore the innermost part of the Bay, the typical flora of the Mediterranean scrub and experience the relaxing and peaceful atmosphere that enveloped the monks who lived in these places.

We will reach the Church of Santa Maria, once annexed to the now destroyed monastery, which welcomed Benedictine monks for centuries in prayer and meditation.

LUNCH: 12:30 - Lunch by the sea, focused on the flavors of nature and the sea.

EXCURSION ON MONTE CONERO: 3.00 pm - In the afternoon we will go to the heart of the Conero Park where, with a simple ring excursion, we will visit the places that hosted many monastic orders for centuries and we will cross those woods where the monks worked and meditated: we will stop in the woods, in the clearings and panoramic points where the monks meditate to visit the Church of San Pietro al Conero and its Monastery, now home to an elegant hotel.

In the suggestive panoramic point of the North Belvedere, from which we can admire the Bay of Portonovo, we will relax with an aperitif with local products and wines, enjoying the sunsetlights.

DINNER: 8.00 pm - We will end the day enjoying the traditional dinner, we will taste the typical recipes of country cuisine based on herbs and hunting.

After dinner, autonomous return to your own homes.



PILATO'S LAKE: THROUGH INTACT NATURE TO DISCOVER THE CHIROCEFALS

ONE DAY TOUR

One day tour

Itinerary to discover one of the most evocative destinations of the Sibillini Mountains:

Pilato's Lake, a high-altitude mountain lake, located in a glacial cirque between impervious and vertical walls below the top of Monte Vettore, the only natural lake in Le Marche region. Surrounded by mountains and landscapes, we will reach Pilato's Lake to learn about its history and legends with an expert guide.

After reaching the lake we will continue the path along Forca di Presta: one of the most characteristic and famous mountain places in the province of Ascoli, one of the access points to the Castelluccio plains.

For lunch we will arrive at the Mezzi Litri Refuge at about 1350 m of altitude.

Here we will taste a typical delicacy of this area: the "cacciannanze": a recipe of the Piceno gastronomic tradition that takes us back to the past, when the bread was made in the town's common oven. The word "caccia-annanze" in Le Marche dialect translates as "chased ahead", that is baked before the bread.

After lunch we will continue our journey to the refuge and we will return back to Foce.



Itinerary description

MEETING POINT IN FOCE: 8:00 am - Arrival by own vehicle.

Welcome of the group and description of the itinerary to reach Pilato's Lake.

ARRIVAL AT PILATO'S LAKE: 10:30 am

Surrounded by mountains and landscapes, the guide will tell us about the morphology and geology of Pilato's Lake, home to a particular animal species, the Marchesoni Chirocefalo, a small red crustacean, swimming with the belly facing up. We will also learn about the legend links this lake to Pilate.

We will discover how starting from the thirteenth century, the lake was a meeting place for necromancers who went up there to consecrate books of magic to the demons who inhabited its waters.

RETURN TO FORCA DI PRESTA: 11.30 am

We will continue along the road pass of Umbria-Marche Apennines of Forca di Presta which divides the territory of the province of Ascoli Piceno (Marche), from that of the province of Perugia (Umbria).

During the trek we will have the opportunity to closely observe the wall of the Arquatano side of Monte Vettore, which rises almost vertically and the roughness of its rocky aspect.

ARRIVAL AT MEZZI LITRI SHELTER: 1:00 pm

Lunch will take place at Mezzi Litri Shelter, a beautiful farmhouse located in a panoramic position and surrounded by greenery, at about 1350 m. above sea level, on the east side, at the foot of the Monte Vettore. Here we will enjoy a pleasant stop and learn how to make 'cacciannanze', a recipe of the Piceno gastronomic tradition. We will taste this delicacy with cold cuts and cheeses produced by local farmers and first courses made of legumes and seasonal vegetables.

ARRIVAL AT FOCE: 7.00 pm - After lunch we will leave the refuge at 3.30 pm to go back and reach the starting point, Foce.

MACERATA - A DAY OF ART, HISTORY AND CULTURE ONE DAY TOUR

One day tour

The day begins with a guided tour of the Sferisterio, a neoclassical amphitheater that hosts one of the most important opera festivals in Italy. Then, we will climb the Civic Tower, which offers a spectacular panoramic view of the city.

Lunch in a local trattoria where you can taste traditional dishes of Le Marche.

In the afternoon, visit of Palazzo Buonaccorsi, famous for its gallery of ancient carriages and art collections and then Santuario della Misericordia, a small jewel of baroque art.



CAGLI

Itineraries of beauty

Sometimes it's enough to rely on heraldry to discover the identity of a place, more than a thousand words. How not to tie the most intimate essence of Cagli with the nature that contains, protects and feeds it? Not for nothing its citizens see stylized in the coat of arms (which actually was born as a tribute to the Medici and to Della Rovere) the rivers Bosso and Burano with the mount Catria, Petrano and Nerone, the elemental guardians who help make Cagli so beautiful and charming.

The historical centre is located in the heart of this nature: a walled city, apparently austere, but actually rich in life. In the orthogonal pattern of its Roman heritage streets, inserted in an advanced urban fabric that was perhaps the inspiration for the design of the ideal City, rise imposing churches and handmade activities that carry on secular professions.

In Cagli, tradition blends with the new. Cagli is strong and leathery like its mountains, and after all it could not be otherwise for a city that was set on fire during the wars between Guelphs and Ghibellines, but that as the Arabian phoenix knew to rise more alive and splendid.



PERGOLA

Itineraries of beauty

Pergola stands in the heart of Cesano Valley, with Monte Catria in background, in a strategic position between the Apennine ridge and the Adriatic beaches, set among the evocative and scenic natural landscape that offers with its geometric rows of vineyards and the expanses of woods.

Secular origins, those of the town populated since prehistoric times, as evidenced by the passage of numerous civilizations, including the Roman, in which history, myth and legend come together to give life to the essence of the town.

Looking at the beautiful gardens just restored at the gates of the town, we enter to the historic centre, purely medieval mold, with the characteristic religious buildings that have earned the town the title of “Pergoletta Santa” (in the past 54 religious structures were present here).

Then we go along the paths of the "truffle all year" riding a bicycle and finally lose ourselves among the sweet scents and warm colors of the endless vineyards that run one next to the other around the 7 hills that protect the town.

Pergola in 2018 was admitted to the Most Beautiful Villages in Italy.



MONDAVIO

Itineraries of beauty

There are landscapes that, when admired from the top of a lonely hill, evoke a feeling of peace and serenity, states of mind that are good for the heart and soul.

Landscapes unchanging in time, resisting famines, battles between men, fleeting earthly discords that don't affect their eternity, the immutability of the geometric colored fields that are camouflaged with poplar rows or oaks that frame them.

All this is Mondavio, one of the most beautiful villages in Italy, where the Orange Flag and the Yellow Flag fly, awards that certify the territorial excellence of the country and the strong spirit of hospitality and care with which services are offered to tourists on the move.

Mondavio is immersed in the green hills, a few steps from the sea, with the historic centre enclosed by the mighty walls and on which dominates, with fairy-tale grandeur, the fifteenth-century Rocca Roveresca.

Mondavio, custodian of a small artistic-cultural bonbonniere located in the heart of the town, is the village of the food excellence, in which the intense flavor of cheese and oil is combined with the sweet one of homemade chocolate and quality honey.

It's the village in which the love for the land and respect for seasonal times generate unique dishes. Mondavio is a village with thousand resources, made up of people able to reinvent themselves and creating something rare and precious.





ITALIAN SUB-APPENNINE RAILWAY

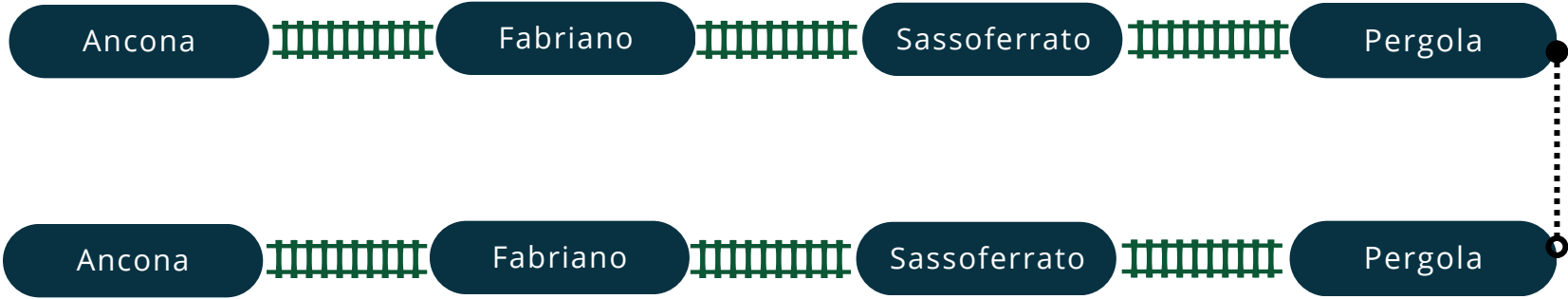
A TRIP INTO HISTORY



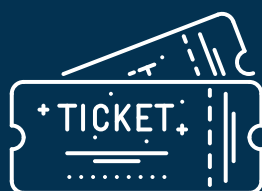
The show begins by boarding this incredible historical train that evokes stories and eras of the past and continues during the journey through landscapes where time seems to have stopped. A journey passing through the Apennines and allow the traveler to taste excellent food and wine of Le Marche region and at the same time to immerse themselves and discover the true historical, artistic and rural identity of the localities reaches, between cities of art and villages classified among the most beautiful in Italy.



TRAIN ITINERARY



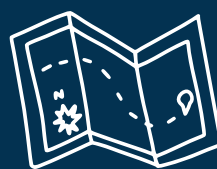
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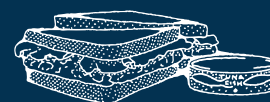
**Staff always at your
disposal**



4 autobus



**Typical catering
activity**



**8 tastings with local
products**

DAY BY TRAIN



The Mine of
Cabernardi



Archeological park of
Sentinum



Typical lunch



The Museum of
Gilded Bronzes of
Pergola

4.242 passengers on 14 dates from June to December
of wich 932 visited the city centre of Pergola.

1.059 passengers from outside the region

Trentino Alto Adige - 111

Piemonte - 98

Emilia Romagna - 208

Abruzzo - 194

Umbria - 149

Veneto- 168

Lombardia - 131

2023 DATAS



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Arena Sferisterio
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August 10th

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+ APERITIF
+ ENTRY TO THEATRE

RIGOLETTO

Giuseppe Verdi
July 19th

MACBETH

Giuseppe Verdi
July 26th

LA VEDOVA ALLEGRA

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August 2nd



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Saturday 26 July	MACBETH
Sunday 27 July	LA VEDOVA ALLEGRA
Wednesday 30 July	SERATA DI DANZA
Thursday 31 July	SERATA DI GALA
Friday 1 August	MACBETH
Saturday 2 August	LA VEDOVA ALLEGRA
Sunday 3 August	RIGOLETTO
Wednesday 6 August	CONCERTO
Thursday 7 August	MACBETH
Friday 8 August	RIGOLETTO
Saturday 9 August	LA VEDOVA ALLEGRA
Sunday 10 August	MACBETH

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**“The Marche are a miraculous fruit born from the union
between natural beauty and the intelligence of places”
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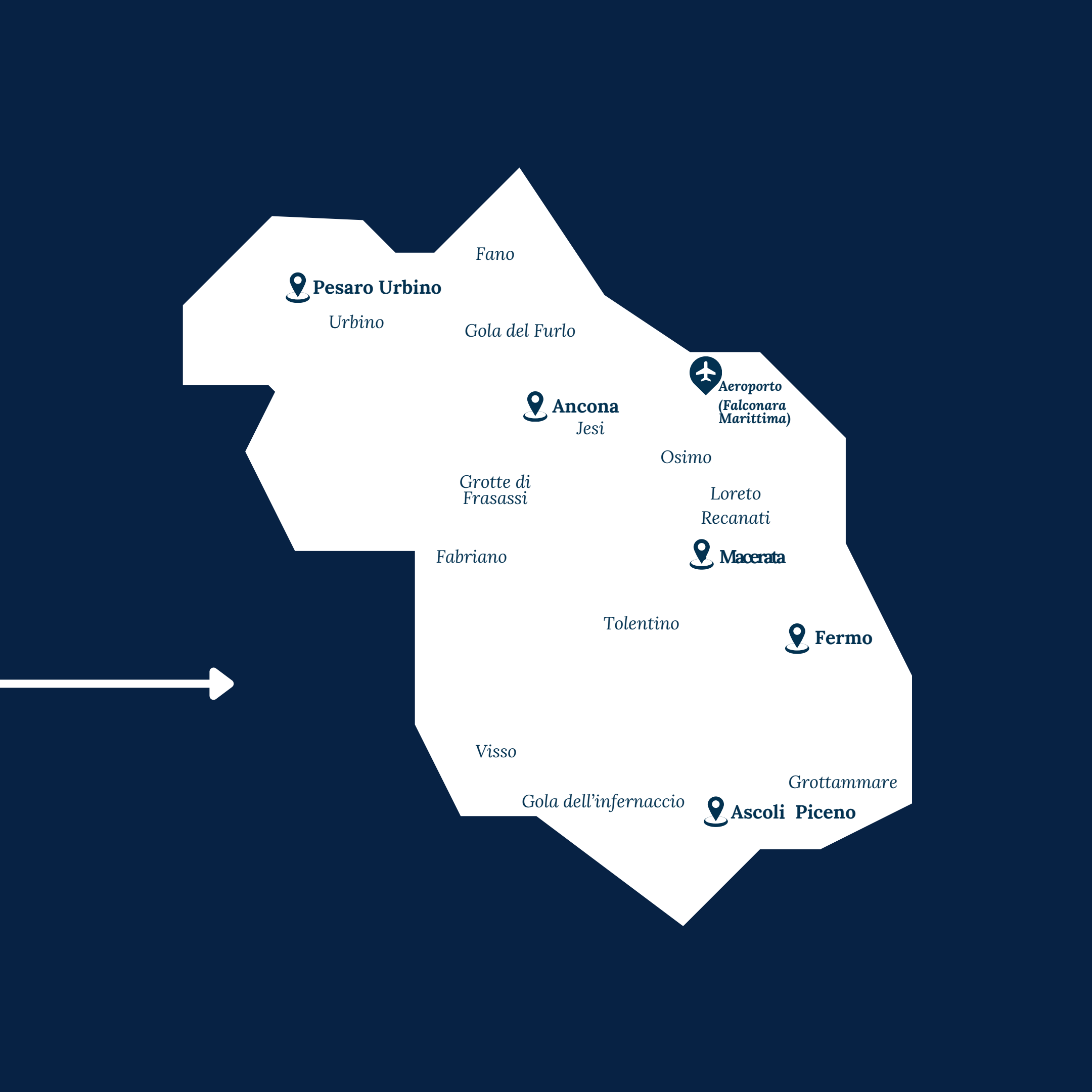
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Frasassi

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Recanati



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Fermo

Visso

Gola dell'infernaccio



Ascoli Piceno

Grottammare

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1) Travel contracts and responsibilities: The contract is governed by the following provisions and by Legislative Decree no. III of March 17, 1995, by Directive 90/314/EEC by the relevant international conventions and, in particular, by the Brussels Convention of April 20, 1970 enforced by Law 1084 of December 20 1977, by the Warsaw Convention of October 12, 1929 on international air transport enforced with Law 02 March 1963 n 41, by the Berne Convention of 25 February 1961 on rail transport enforced by Law 02 March 1963 no. 806, as applicable to the services covered by the tourist package, as well as by the provisions on the subject of the civil code and other rules of internal law, as they are not derogated from the provisions of this contract. The responsibility of CRILUMA ESPE RIENZA DI VIAGGIO SOC. COOP, it cannot, under any circumstances exceed the limits set by the aforementioned laws in particular CRILUMA ESPERIENZA DI VIAGGIO SOC. COOP. cannot be held responsible for damages resulting from non-fulfillment deriving from faults attributable to the traveler, to third parties unrelated to the provision of the services provided for in the contract, due to force majeure or events that CRILUMA ESPERIENZA DI VIAGGIO SOC COOP could not, with all the necessary diligence, foresee or resolve.

2) Reservations: Registration for one of the proposed trips implies, on the part of the Customer, full acceptance of the General Conditions indicated here. The acceptance of reservations is subject to the availability of seats and is considered completed with confirmation by CRILUMA ESPERIENZA DI VIAGGIO SOC. COOP.

3) Payments: At the time of booking, a deposit equal to 25% of the participation fee must be paid, in addition to the opening costs of 30 per person including medical and baggage policy. The balance must be paid within 30 days from the departure date. For bookings made in the 30 days prior to the departure date, the full amount must be paid at the time of registration. Failure to comply with these conditions will authorize CRILUMA ESPERIENZA DI VIAGGIO SOC. COOP to cancel reservations even if they have already been confirmed.

4) Participation shares: All the participation shares shown in this catalogue, including opening fees, are expressed in euro. The participation fees have been calculated on the basis of the costs of the services in force at the time of printing this catalogue, the exchange rates and the carrier tariffs indicated in the technical sheet. The shares may be modified at any time as a result of changes in exchange rates, carrier charges and costs of tourist services.

Changes below +/- 3% will not lead to changes in the participation shares. If the increase is more than 10% of the participation share, the consumer will be able to withdraw from the contract provided that he gives written notice to CRILUMA ESPERIENZA DI VIAGGIO SOC. COOP. within 48 hours after receiving the communication regarding the increase. In this case, CRILUMA ESPERIENZA DI VIAGGIO SOC.COOP. will reimburse the fees already paid.

5) Changes: In the case of changes requested by the consumer (name change date of departure destination, hotel, etc) CRILUMA ESPERIENZA DI VIAGGIO SOC. COOP. will charge the related expenses, the amount of which will be communicated at the time of the modification. If on the other hand, changes to the program, hotels and carriers become necessary for operational reasons CRILUMA ESPERIENZA DI VIAGGIO SOCCOOR will have the right to make the aforementioned changes on condition that the same standard of services remains unchanged.

6) Transfer: The customer who renounces the trip may be replaced by another person on condition that the relative communication reaches CRILUMA ESPERIENZA DI VIAGGIO SOC. COOP. in time for the changes (in any case at least 15 working days before departure) and that such replacement is not prevented by reasons of personal documents, visas or problems for different hotel accommodation and transport if the replacement is possible, the renouncing client will be charged for all the expenses caused by this replacement, including non-refundable sums due to third parties, in addition to the costs of opening the file. The conditions of the waivers may be changed in cases of particular tourist initiatives and, therefore, will be clearly indicated in the programs of these initiatives.

7) Cancellation of the trip by the Organizer. In the event of:

-circumstances of an exceptional nature, unforeseeable and/or due to force majeure:

-failure to reach the minimum number of passengers envisaged in the program (and provided that the members are notified at least 15 working days before departure).

CRILUMA ESPERIENZA DI VIAGGIO SOC. COOP. may cancel the contract, totally or partially, without being required to indemnify the passenger pursuant to art. 10 of the aforementioned law 1084 of December 27, 1977. If the contract is canceled before its performance, the member will only be entitled to a full refund of the sums paid. If the contract is canceled during its execution, CRILUMA ESPERIENZA DI VIAGGIO SOC. COOP. will undertake to take all necessary measures in the interest of the traveler and the parties will be required to indemnify themselves in an equitable measure.

8) Program changes: CRILUMA ESPERIENZA DI VIAGGIO SOC. COOP. has the right to modify the travel program and to replace the planned air or sea carriers and hotels with others of similar characteristics in the event that this becomes necessary for operational or other reasons.

9) Causes of force majeure: Strikes, adverse weather conditions, civil and military unrest, riots, looting, acts of terrorism, delays or cancellations of air, sea and land carriers are causes of force majeure and are not attributable to CRILUMA ESPERIENZA DI VIAGGIO SOC. COOP. that, therefore, will not reimburse any additional expenses incurred by the traveler or the services that for these reasons are no longer valid and cannot be recovered.

10) Refunds for unused services: Requests must be sent, in writing, to CRILUMA ESPERIENZA DI VIAGGIO SOC.COOP within 10 working days from the date of return, under penalty of forfeiture of any right of reimbursement. Requests must be accompanied by documentation certifying the failure to use the service and the reasons that caused it.

11) Complaints: Art. 19 of DLNM

- Any failure in the execution of the contract must be contested by the consumer without delay so that the organizer, his local representative or the accompanying person can promptly remedy it.

The consumer can also make a complaint by sending a registered letter with acknowledgment of receipt to the organizer or seller no later than 10 working days from the date of return to the place of departure". This program was created taking into account the provisions contained in art. 13 of the law n. 39 of the Lombardy Region of 3/5/1983 on the discipline of the professional activities of travel and tourism agencies, published in the official bulletin of the Lombardy Region of 12/5/1983, 1st honorary supplement to number 19 (drafting and dissemination travel plans).

12) Practice cancellation insurance

At the time of booking and only at the seller's offices it is possible, and indeed advisable, to take out special insurance policies against costs arising from the cancellation of the package.

INSURANCE POLICY

All the travellers benefit of an insurance policy for the following guarantees:

- 1) HEALTH CARE
- 2) LUGGAGE INSURANCE
- 3) REFOUND OF MEDICAL EXPENSES

Here is the link to access all information on compulsory and optional insurance:
<https://www.crilumaviaggi.com/it/assicurazione>

