2019 Italian Lakes Clinical Conference



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CONFERENCE ITINERARY 12-17 MAY 2019

B = Breakfast L = Lunch D = Dinner

- SAT 11 Depart Australia & travel to Milan via Dubai
- SUN 12 Arrive in Milan & transfer to the Palace Hotel, Lake Como. Tonight, meet other delegates at our cocktail party
- MON 13 AM Conference sessions & lunch This afternoon we cruise up picturesque Lake Como, with little villages & villas dotting the shoreline, with a stop at the most famous village - Bellagio - for you to wander the narrow cobble-stoned streets BL
- **TUE 14**AMConference sessions & lunchThis afternoon is at leisure to wander through the town of Como
or join our optional tour to Lugano, Switzerland to cruise on Lake
Lugano & take the funicular up 3000ft to the top of San Salvatore
for a fabulous panoramic view of the Alps & lakesBL
- WED 15 Our full day tour today is to Lake Orta to visit the little island of St Julius, dating back to the 4th century & dominated by its Romanesque basilica & narrow cobble-stoned laneways. We continue onto Lake Maggiore - Italy's longest lake - to visit the rustic island of Pescatori for lunch overlooking the lake then wander this quaint island. We cruise to Isola Bella & tour the 17th century Borromeo Palace with its beautiful rooms & grotto decorated with frescoes, Murano glass chandeliers & priceless antiques & paintings as well as the magnificent gardens. BL
- THU 16
 AM Conference sessions with lunch

 The afternoon is free before our gala dinner. Walk around the
 lake shore, visit Villa Olma or take the funicular up to Brunate for a view over Como & the lake.

 BLD
- FRI 17 Travel back to Milan to fly home. Alternatively, join our exclusive post conference tour to Corsica & Sardinia B

CONFERENCE PACKAGE COSTS

DELEGATE \$7,525.00 ACCOMPANYING PARTNER \$5,352.00

CONFERENCE INCLUSIONS

- · Economy class airfare from Australia to Milan on Emirates
- All airport taxes
- · 5 night's accommodation at the 5 star Palace Hotel, Como
- · Daily buffet breakfasts, 4 lunches, 3 morning teas
- · Cocktail Party & Gala Dinner
- · Hotel Porterage
- · Conference sessions
- Afternoon Lake Como cruise with a stop at Bellagio village incl. private cruise vessel & English speaking guide
- Full day tour to Lake Orta & Lake Maggiore to visit the islands of St Julius, Bella & Pescatori incl. private cruise vessel, entrance fee for Borromeo Palace, lunch, English speaking guide & coach transfers
- Return group airport transfers by coach with English speaking assistant
- Local taxes
- · Medical Tours Australia staff on site

PROGRAM

The program & speakers are currently being organised & will be available approx. 3 months prior to the conference

This education forms an Accredited Activity under the RACGP QI&CPD Program

PRE TOUR - MILAN, VERONA, BERGAMO, LAKE GARDA 7-12 MAY

- MON 06 Depart Australia & arrive into Milan the following day BLD
- **TUE 07** Arrive in Milan & transfer to our hotel with a welcome dinner at a local restaurant D
- WED 08 This morning you'll see the highlights of Milan Duomo Sq, Scala Theatre, the Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II Building, Sforza Castle, visit the Duomo & view Leonardo Da Vinci's 'Last Supper' painting in its original location. The afternoon is at leisure. B
- **THU 09** Today we visit Bergamo to see the Lower town then take a funicular to the Upper town to see Rocca Castle, Piazza Vecchia, the Cittadella & Piazza Duomo to visit Basilica of Santa Maria, housing the Cathedral, Baptistery, Colleoni Chapel & Romanesque art. There'll also be free time. BL
- **FRI 09** We travel to the beautiful Valpolicella wine country to visit a famous Winery for wine tasting & a light lunch. We continue onto UNESCO listed Verona for an afternoon walking tour to see the 14th century house & balcony that inspired Shakespeare's Romeo & Juliet, Piazze delle Erbe, the Roman Amphitheatre, Piazza Bra & Castelvecchio. BLD
- SAT 10 Enjoy a relaxing day today exploring Verona on your own. B
- **SUN 11** The morning is spent at Sirmione on Lake Garda, Italy's largest lake. Here you'll see the houses of the little village clustered around the 13th century castle Rocca Scaligera, which you will visit. After lunch, continue onto Lake Como for the conference week.

TOUR COSTS

DOUBLE / TWIN SHARE \$2,965.00 SINGLE SUPPLEMENT \$986.00

POST TOUR - CORSICA & SARDINIA 17-24 MAY

- FRI 17 Travel south & stop in Turin for a tour & lunch then continue onto Savona to board an overnight ferry for Northern Corsica. BLD
- **SAT 18** Disembark in Bastia & after breakfast take a walk around the old town, before departing for Corte for lunch & a quick look at the town who's citadel sits on top of a rocky outcrop above the town. Onto Ajaccio for the night. BLD
- SUN 19 The day starts with a walking tour of Ajaccio the birthplace of Napoléon Bonaparte - to see the citadel, the cathedral & the Bonaparte family home, now a museum. Travelling south we stop at the megalithic site of Filitosa, a mysterious cultural site & one of the most beautiful Prehistoric art collections in Europe. Continue to Bonifacio, on the southern tip of Corsica. BD
- MON 20 Founded in 828, Bonifacio is a breathtaking medieval city perched on clifftops & the oldest town in Corsica. Discover this delight on our morning walking tour & the afternoon is free to enjoy lovely views of the coastline, walk citadel walls, the small cobble-stone streets or King Aragon's staircase. BL
- **TUE 21**Cross the Strait by ferry to Sardinia & drive to Alghero for lunch & walking
tour of the city nicknamed 'Barcelonetta'. Walk along the Ramblas, see
city walls, towers & bastions, Civic Square, the Gothic Cathedral & Piazza
Sulis, then free time to wander the old town.BD
- WED 22 You'll view countryside this morning as we travel to visit the Nora archaeological site, a wonderful example of a city of Punic & Roman times. It's one of the most important archaeological sites on the island with beautiful mosaics, temples, patrician villas, cobbled streets, baths & theatre. We travel onto Cagliari.
- **THU 23** Today is spent in Cagliari, to see the fortified quarter of the Castello that overlooks the city, theMedieval rampart of St Remy, the Elephant & St Pancras Towers & Piazza Palazzo, home to St Mary's Cathedral & Palazzo Regio. The afternoon is free & tonight is our farewell dinner. BD
- FRI 24 Time to leave the Islands & fly home via Rome. B

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DOUBLE / TWIN SHARE \$4,345.00 SINGLE SUPPLEMENT \$786.00