

Veneto & Franciacorta: An Exclusive Wine & Cultural Experience

LIMITED TO 22 GUESTS

7 DAYS / 6 NIGHTS | SEPTEMBER 2-8, 2027



VERONA, ITALY



Hosted by
PAUL WAGNER
Renowned Wine
Expert and Author

Discover the captivating flavors, rich traditions, and extraordinary beauty of Northern Italy on an intimate, seven-day exploration of the legendary wine regions of the Veneto and Franciacorta. **Limited to just 22 guests**, this exclusive land tour is hosted by renowned wine expert, educator, and author **Paul Wagner**, whose insight, passion and personal connections will bring Italy's celebrated wine regions to life. Along the way, enjoy memorable tastings at distinguished family-owned estates, regional culinary experiences, fascinating historic landmarks, and the warm hospitality that makes Italian wine culture so special. From elegant new generation of Soaves to rich Amarones, from sparkling Franciacortas and Prosecco Superiore DOCG, this is a rare opportunity to explore Italy's wine heritage in the company of fellow enthusiasts and exceptional local experts.

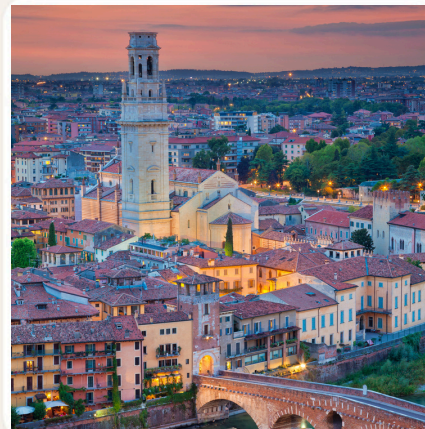
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Arrive in Verona — Benvenuti in Italia!

SEPTEMBER 2, 2027

Welcome to Verona, a captivating city of Roman grandeur, romantic legends, and timeless Italian charm. Upon arrival at Verona Villafranca Airport, you'll be greeted in the Arrivals Hall and transferred to the fabulous Hotel Giberti, conveniently located within walking distance of all the wonders of Verona.

Settle into your hotel and enjoy time to discover Verona's picturesque streets, elegant piazzas, beautiful architecture, and magnificent Roman Arena. In the evening, join your host, Paul Wagner, alongside local wine experts Elisabetta Tosi and Giampiero Nadali, for a delightful Welcome Reception. Raise a glass to new friendships and the unforgettable wine and cultural discoveries ahead!



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Soave — Medieval Splendor & Elegant White Wines

Breakfast and Lunch Included

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After breakfast, meet your expert local guide and travel by private coach into the beautiful Soave countryside. Begin in the town of Soave, a medieval wonder in its own right with a visit to the impressive 10th-century Soave Castle, where medieval walls and towers overlook a landscape of rolling hills and vineyards.

Continue to the celebrated **Pieropan winery** for a guided visit and tasting, discovering the character and traditions behind the region's distinctive Soave wines. Then savor a leisurely lunch at Enoteca Realda, where local flavors and excellent wines showcase the best of regional hospitality.

Return to Verona for a relaxing afternoon and an evening at leisure, with time to explore the city and choose your own dinner destination.



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Valpolicella & Lake Garda — Iconic Wines and Lakeside Charm

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

SEPTEMBER 4, 2027

Today, immerse yourself in Amarone and the celebrated wines of Valpolicella with an exclusive experience at **Masi**, one of Italy's most renowned wine producers. Enjoy a guided winery visit and tasting, gaining insight into the traditions, craftsmanship, and techniques that give these distinctive wines their character.

A gourmet lunch completes your winery experience before you continue to Bardolino, a charming lakeside town on the eastern shore of Lake Garda. Stroll along the waterfront, explore inviting streets, and soak up the relaxed atmosphere of this beautiful corner of Italy.

Return to Verona to refresh before gathering for a memorable group dinner at **Osteria Agli Angeli**, an opportunity to enjoy wonderful food, fine wine, and great company.



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Franciacorta & Brescia — Sparkling Wines and Cultural Treasures

Breakfast and Lunch Included

SEPTEMBER 5, 2027

Discover the elegance of Franciacorta, Italy's celebrated sparkling wine region, on a scenic journey through vineyard-covered countryside. Visit **Il Mosnel**, a distinguished family-owned estate in the heart of Franciacorta, where a guided tour and tasting introduce you to the craftsmanship and traditions behind its renowned sparkling wines.

Enjoy a light lunch at the winery before continuing to Brescia, a historic city rich in Roman heritage and artistic treasures. Explore the remarkable **Santa Giulia Museum** with its Roman treasures, wonderful Medieval cloisters and fabulously preserved artworks that illuminate the city's fascinating past.

Return to Verona for an evening at leisure and dinner on your own.



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Lugana & Sirmione — Vineyard Discoveries and Lake Garda Beauty

Breakfast Included

SEPTEMBER 6, 2027

After breakfast, set out to explore the wines and landscapes surrounding Lake Garda. Visit **Le Morette**, a family-run winery celebrated for its connection to the local terroir and its expressive regional wines. Enjoy a guided winery experience and tasting, with an introduction to the distinctive character of this lakeside wine region.

Continue to the historic **Tower of San Martino della Battaglia**, where panoramic views stretch across the surrounding countryside toward Lake Garda.

The afternoon is yours to enjoy. After lunch on your own, explore the enchanting peninsula town of **Sirmione**, famed for its sparkling lake views, historic old town, and impressive Scaligero Castle. Wander its charming streets, browse local boutiques, or simply relax beside the water before returning to Verona for the evening.





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Prosecco Country & Venice — Palladian Elegance and a Grand Finale

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included

SEPTEMBER 7, 2027

After breakfast, check out of your Verona hotel and journey through the beautiful Prosecco region. Your cultural exploration begins at **Villa Maser**, a magnificent example of Palladian architecture and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Admire its elegant design and beautifully decorated interiors, then visit the nearby Tempietto, another remarkable work by celebrated architect Andrea Palladio.

Enjoy a tasting of the Villa's awarding range of wines and a special lunch celebrating the flavors and traditions.

Continue to Venice for check-in at the luxurious **Hotel Palazzo Nani**. Take some time to relax and enjoy your surroundings before gathering with your fellow travelers for a special Farewell Dinner—a fitting celebration of the remarkable wines, beautiful places, and friendships discovered along the way.



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Arrivederci, Italy!

Breakfast Included

SEPTEMBER 8, 2027 / B

Enjoy a final Italian breakfast at the hotel before checking out and transferring to Venice Airport for your departure. Take home wonderful memories of Northern Italy's celebrated wines, captivating history, spectacular landscapes, and the shared experiences that made this exclusive journey so special.

YOUR EXCLUSIVE WINE JOURNEY

September 2–8, 2027 | 7 Days / 6 Nights

Hosted by Paul Wagner — Renowned wine expert, educator, and author

Limited to just 22 guests for a more intimate and engaging experience.



Tour Price

\$6,399

per person, double occupancy

Single Supplement

\$1,299

AVAILABILITY IS LIMITED TO 22 GUESTS

EXTRA HOTEL NIGHTS PER ROOM

Verona (pre-tour) night

\$299 single / \$375 double
subject to availability

Venice (post-tour) night

\$1,179 single / \$1,199 double
subject to availability

Hotel extensions are subject to availability. Please confirm rates and arrangements when booking.

Reserve Your Place

With space for only 22 guests, this exceptional wine and cultural journey is designed for those who appreciate great wines, authentic experiences, and the stories behind the places and people who make them special.

Click the link at the top of this page to request your space today!

Terms: Rate is per person double occupancy. Single occupancy is limited and subject to space availability. A minimum of 22 guests is required for the tour to operate. A deposit of \$1,900 per person is required at time booking, of which \$1,000 per person is non-refundable. Final payment is due May 2, 2027. Hotels, tours and experiences are subject to change. Please note this tour is very active and requires extensive walking over uneven surfaces and stairways. This tour is not recommended for guests with mobility concerns. Expedia Wine Club Cruises acts only as the agent and is not responsible for the actions or inactions of the vendors and service providers. Cancellation on or after May 2, 2027 is subject to 100% penalty. We recommend travel insurance. By placing a deposit, you accept the terms and conditions. CST: 2101270-40; Fla. Seller of Travel Ref. No. ST42527.