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# The Passion of Our Lord

Sordevolo

With the Alpine & Lake Region of Northern Italy

June 15 - 24, 2015

# PASSIONE DI CRISTO

the Holy Shroud of Turin



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10 Days

Highlights: Sordevolo: The Passion Play/ Piedmont Region / Oropa/ Biella/ Turin St. John the Baptist the Basilica of The Holy Shroud of Turin,



#### Dear Friends;

Please join us in this once in a lifetime opportunity The Passion Play of Sordevolo: a reenactment of the Passion of the Christ that has taken place in this small town every year since the beginning of the 18th century. An impressive, unique, and moving theatrical spectacle, more than 700 of the town's residents volunteer as actors and transform the ancient streets of Sordevolo into a reconstructed corner of Jerusalem circa 33 A.D. Work has already begun on this three and a half hour performance that will take place next in the Summer of 2015.

We are presenting this trip to the Passion Play in conjunction with a tour of this northern Alpine region of Piedmont, Italy; visiting such places as Turin and its Cathedral that houses the Holy Shroud, which will be on display until the end of June and we are scheduled to visit, and the Savoy Palace. We will then head westward to spend some days on the great glacier Alpine lake of Italy; Lake Como. We sincerely hope you can join us on this wonderful trip. Sincerely,

Fratelli & Company Group Travel

#### Day 1 - USA / Milan, Italy

We will provide a group air fare rate from JFK International Airport in New York. Depart from JFK International Airport, USA on our overnight flight into Milan, Italy, dinner and overnight onboard. Anyone coming from other parts of the US join the group in New York or in Milan, Italy. Time schedule to be announced. Alternatively, we can assist you in making your air travel reservations if you wish.

#### Day 2-Milan / Biella

Morning arrival in Milan's Malpensa International Airport. We will be met by our motor-coach and taken to our hotel in Biella; a city rich in architecture, art and archaeology. After check-in and some time to freshen up we will have an afternoon walking tour of Biella will be followed by dinner in a lively restaurant located in the Medieval village of Piazzo. Overnight in Biella. (D)

#### Day 3—Biella / Turin / Biella

Depart for Turin in the morning and explore the city's major monuments, including Piazza Castello. A highlight of the day will be the Cathedral and Museum of the Holy Shroud—this sacred relic was last on public display in the spring of 2010. Later we will visit the Royal Palace of Turin or Palazzo Reale. It was the royal palace of the House of Savoy, the last King of Italy; exiled in 1946 and properties seized by the State after World War II. In the reign of Emmanuel Filiberto, Duke of Savoy (1528–1580), the site was once part of an old Bishops palace in the center of the new capital of Sa-



voy; Turin. The old Bishops Palace thus became the seat of power and was greatly expanded by Emmanuel Filiberto in order to house his ever expanding collections of art, animals, marbles and furniture. Emmanuel Filiberto died in Turin August 1580 and the Savoyard throne was handed on to his son. The Chapel of the Holy Shroud, with its spiral dome, was built in the west wing of the palace, joining the apse of the cathedral of St. John the Baptist to accommodate the famous Shroud of Turin which belonged to the family from 1453 until 1946. Dinner and overnight in Biella. (B,D)

#### Day 4 — Biella/Roppolo/Ricetto Di Candelo/Biella

This morning after breakfast, we travel to the village of Roppolo to visit a castle on the hills overlooking Lake Viverone and to visit its "Serra" wine cellar for a tasting of Piemonte's sparkling wines and grappa. We then con-



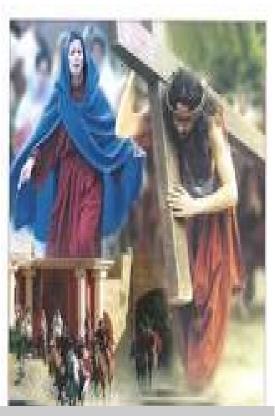
tinue to Ricetto di Candelo, a Medieval fortified village built between the 13th and 14th centuries to protect food supplies, as well as the farmers' possessions in times of danger. Lunch is included in a typical local restaurant. While walking in the long "rue" (streets) paved with river cobblestones, between the high walls and the vigilant towers, time seems to have stopped and visitors can lose themselves among hidden courtyards, frescoed walls and dark storerooms of objects which are evidence of how hard people worked long ago. Overnight in Biella. (B,L)

#### Day 5 —Biella / Oropa Sordevolo & The Passion Play

An exciting day of discovery awaits you as we drive to the Sacro Monte di Oropa (Sacred Mountain of Oropa). It is one of the nine Sacred Mountains of Piedmont and Lombardy; a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The 12 chapels, plus another seven nearby, create a devotional path and inside each chapel is a depiction of scenes of the Virgin Mary's life. The path culminates on top of the hill with the Crowning of Mary. After visiting the sanctuary, we return to Biella. Enroute a stop will be made at a local grappa mill where we can enjoy a grappa tasting with some treats. Return to Biella for some free time before we depart for Sordevolo & The Passion Play, also home to the

Church of Santa Marta and it's museum. This evening we will be awed by the Passion Play staged and performed by Sordevolo's villagers every 5 years. The performance takes place in a 4,000 square meter open space; a reconstructed corner of Jerusalem dating back to 33 A.D: Herod's Palace, Sanhedrim, Pontius Pilate's Praetorium, the Garden of Gethsemane, the Cenacle, and Calvary. Prior to the play dinner (included) will be at a local restaurant. Overnight in Biella (B,D)





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#### Day 6—Biella / Lake Como

Today we depart the region of Piemonte and head west to the region of Lombardia to the magnificent glacier lake Como, our stop for the next 4 nights. Lake Como has been a popular retreat for aristocrats and wealthy people since Roman times, and a very popular tourist attraction with many artistic and cultural gems. It has many villas and palaces (such as Villa Olmo, Villa Serbelloni, and Villa Carlotta). Many famous people have or have had homes on the shores of Lake Como; Matthew Bellamy, Madonna, George Clooney, Gianni Versace, Ronaldinho, Sylvester Stallone, Richard Branson, Ben Spies, and Pierina Legnani. Lake Como is widely regarded as one of the most beautiful lakes in Europe. Late afternoon will be at leisure to take in the breathtaking views of this nirvana on earth. Several boats and hydrofoils each day travel all the way up the lake from Como to Colico stopping at most of the towns en-route. There are also frequent service between the 'triangle' of towns in the centre of the lake - Menaggio, Bellagio & Varenna. Dinner on your own and overnight in Como. (B)

#### Day 7—Como / Milan / Como



This morning we depart for the amazing city of Milan. Milan is the main industrial, commercial and financial centre of Italy and a leading global city. Its business district hosts the Borsa Italiana (Italy's main stock exchange) and the headquarters of the largest national banks and companies. The city is a major world fashion and design capital. This morning we explore the vibrant city through an enjoyable guided tour that includes Sforzesco Castle and Galleria Vittorio Emanuele. The tour will end at the amazing Duomo, Milan's famous cathedral. Some free time to window shop in Milan, home to some of the most famous and beautiful boutiques. Late afternoon, return to Lake Como for dinner and overnight. (B,D)

#### Day 8—Como / Bellaggio

Today after breakfast we will travel to Bellagio by private boat; called the "Pearl of the Lake", Bellagio's world class hotels and restaurants provide the perfect place to soak up the lake's famous panorama. After a short walking tour we will all meet for lunch in a local restaurant, afterwards you will have some free time before returning to Como. The village is characterized by century-old buildings, stone lanes and picturesque cobbled stairways filled with shops showcasing the finest Italian wares. We end the day with a guided walking tour of Como's city center. Dinner is on your own and overnight in Como. (B,L)

#### Day 9—Como Free Day at Leisure

Today is natural rising and breakfast at leisure. This day is totally free to do as you please. Your tour director will have suggestions for you if you wish. You may want to take the water bus up and down the lake, getting off at different stops to see some of the other villages. From Como city, you can take the "funicular" up to Brunate, high up above the lake. Brunate is a quaint little village where all the houses and buildings resemble Swiss Chalets. Here you can have lunch or simply a glass of wine or a coffee and view this magnificent Lake from high above, Some of you may wish to take the train into Milan and spend your day shopping in the fashion capital. Tonight we will all meet for a beverage before dinner so that departure instructions can be given. This evening will be a farewell dinner with wine at local restaurant with regional cuisine. Overnight in Como. (B,D)

#### Day 10—Como / Milan /USA

Departure days come all too soon when the past days have been in such gorgeous and breathtaking area as Piemonte and Lombardia, basking in the sun of the majestic Alps. Today after breakfast we depart Como for Malpensa International Airport in Milan for our journey home. Along with us we carry fond memories of the trip of this wonderful trip to the Passion Play, the Piedmont Alps and the magnificent great Lake of Como. As we board our trans-Atlantic flight home, we say "Arrivederci" (see you again) rather than Good-Bye to this glorious land called Italy.

#### **INCLUDED**

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CONTINENTAL BUFFET BREAKFAST DAILY with coffee, tea, juice
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TAXES (19% VAT) & SERVICE CHARGES
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PORTERAGE IN AIRPORTS
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#### **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

Reservations/Deposits/Payments: A deposit of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) is required at the time of booking. No reservation is confirmed until the deposit is received by the tour operator. The balance of the tour price is due and payable sixty (60) days prior to departure.

Minors And Infirm: Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian or a responsible adult deemed worthy by the parent/guardian. If a minor is traveling with any person other than parent/guardian then the responsible adult will provide the travel agent/tour operator and have in his/her possession a notarized letter from the parent/guardian giving that adult full permission to make decisions on their behalf and permission to room with the minor. No minor will be allowed to room alone without the parent/guardian or named responsible adult. Due to the physical demands of the tour and the inaccessibility of handicap facilities abroad, no physically handicapped person may be a tour passenger.

<u>Tour Price</u>: The tour price in this brochure is based upon the U. S. currency vs. the European Euro at the time of printing, July 15, 2014. If changes in these rates occur, it may change the price accordingly. The tour price is based on booking a minimum of 30 paying passengers. A lesser amount could increase the price of the tour. Should the price of the tour change for any of the reasons mentioned above, the passenger will then have the right to cancel the reservation and receive a full refund of payment made to date, provided that written notice be received by Fratelli & Co. within 7 (seven) days of the notification of the price change. Otherwise, the cancellation policy written below prevails. <u>Airport Taxes which are not included in the tour price are subject to change.</u> No refund will be made if the passenger is dissatisfied with any of the accommodations; fails to use any of the accommodations included in the tour price, or must return home prior to completion of the tour.

<u>Cancellations:</u> Land and Air arrangements may be canceled and passenger may receive a full refund less one hundred (\$100.) dollars cancellation fee if the cancellation is made no less than ninety (90) days prior to the scheduled departure date. If cancellation is made less than sixty (60) days prior to scheduled departure, there is no refund unless a suitable replacement passenger books the tour in his/her place. For these reasons we recommend you take Travel Insurance.

<u>Travel Insurance:</u> Health, accident, Trip Interruption/Cancellation and baggage insurance are <u>NOT</u> included; brochures can be made available through your travel agent.

<u>Sightseeing & Itinerary:</u> Sightseeing is included as specified in the itinerary with English-speaking guides and customary entrance fees. The tour operator reserves the right to vary the sequence of the itinerary and/or reroute the order of cities, should circumstances arise.

<u>Passports:</u> A valid passport is required, and <u>MUST</u> be shown upon request to the travel agent/tour operator, tour leaders and any airline personal and customs officials.

Responsibility: Fratelli & Co., your tour operator has arranged a vacation package which may include one or more of the following: air, land transportation, hotel accommodations and food service. Neither the tour operator nor the organizer own, operate, manage, or control any hotel, bus company, railroad, cruise line, service provider, restaurant, airline transportation company, person or persons rendering any of the services, and/or accommodations offered in connection with this tour. The tour operator and/or tour organizer do not guaranty any passenger's safety who participates in the tour. Accordingly, the passenger understands that he or she has no claim against the tour operator or organizer for any delay, or other irregularity caused by a third party service provider, damage to or loss of property, injury to or death of the person due to any action or failure to act by the air carrier, bus carriers, private cars, livery carriers, railroad, ships, hotels, restaurants and any service providers in connection with this tour, strikes, war, or any acts of God. Under these circumstances, no portion of the tour price will be refunded. It is advisable that you cover any potential risks with insurance coverage.

Cancellation of Passenger's Rights: In an effort to make the tour pleasant for all, the tour operator reserves the right to: 1.cancel any reservation and refund the tour price, pursuant to the cancellation clause, of any passenger who acts irrational by words, actions and demeanor prior to the tour departure; 2. refuse further participation in the tour once the tour begins, with no refund given, to passengers who: act unruly, irrational, unduly argumentative, incite trouble among passengers, endanger the health and/or safety of the other passengers, tour operator, tour organizer, and/or tour escort, or if they become physically or emotionally disabled and create a burden that the remaining passengers are unwilling to accept. No tour passenger, tour operator, tour organizer, tour escort, will be obligated to assist any infirm, handicapped or injured passenger.

<u>Inclusions:</u> All hotel taxes, service charges, First Class Four Star Hotels, Comprehensive sightseeing as per itinerary, English-speaking guides, all baggage handling and assistance abroad (except in airports for security reasons), Breakfasts, lunches and dinners (including in flight meals) as per itinerary.

**Exclusions:** Passport and visa fees, tips for tour escorts, drivers, guides, food service personal, hotel maids, phone calls, laundry services, and other items of a personal nature. Rates do NOT include beverages at meals unless specified in the itinerary. Rates do not include transportation to and from US airports or baggage handling in the United States.

<u>Physical and Emotional Limitations:</u> The tour operator cannot be held responsible for any part of the tour missed due to physical or emotional limitations. Anyone who cannot participate in an event will not receive a refund for any unused portion. Further, if anyone must stop or return to a hotel or motor-coach during a tour, and uses public transportation or taxis, it will be their responsibility to pay for the transportation.

<u>Miscellaneous:</u> Any Litigation concerning this tour shall be brought in the State of New Jersey. This agreement shall be construed according to New Jersey and Federal law. The tour operator shall not be responsible for any typographical errors or misprints. The tour operator reserves the right to substitute in its discretion any air, land and sea carrier, hotels, and service providers and itinerary.

I have read terms and conditions of the tour and accept them. I represent I am not physically or emotionally challenged and I am able to meet the physical demands required by this tour.

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