

## Mytho Marathon 2023 to discover the FRIULI VENEZIA GIULIA

*Udine – Cividale del Friuli – Palmanova – Aquileia – Grado  
Spilimbergo – San Daniele – Trieste – Castello di Miramare - Sacile e Palù di Livenza*

*6 days – 5 nights*

### **1st day – CIVIDALE DEL FRIULI**

Arrival in **Cividale del Friuli** meeting with guide and visit of the city, founded by Julius Caesar with the name of Forum Iulii, from which the name Friuli comes, became the seat of the first Lombard duchy in Italy. *A historical and artistic heritage that in 2011 was recognized by UNESCO.* Tasting of the sweet "gubana" typical of the Natisone valleys.

Transfer to the **Villa de Claricini** guided tour of the Villa built around the middle of the seventeenth century by the de Claricini Dornpacher family and since 1971 seat of the homonymous foundation established at the behest of the Countess Giuditta de Claricini. Tasting of the wines produced by the Azienda Agricola della Tenuta. Departure for Udine, hotel accommodation, dinner and overnight stay

### **2nd day – UDINE – PALMANOVA**

Meeting with the guide and visit of the historic center of **Udine** with its squares with Venetian charm and ancient buildings: from Piazza Libertà, called "the most beautiful Venetian square on the mainland", to Piazza Matteotti (or Piazza delle Erbe). Udine in the eighteenth century was the city of Giambattista Tiepolo who reached his artistic maturity here. Aperitif with the "Taj di Vin" in a typical tavern.

Transfer to **Palmanova** already a national monument since 1960, it became a *UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2017* as a transnational site of Venetian defense work between the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. Guided tour of the Fortress and the underground tunnels lit by torches, dating back to the seventeenth century. The tour will end with a honey tasting accompanied by dried fruit and tastings of local cheeses. Return to the hotel, dinner and overnight.

### **3rd day - AQUILEIA - GRADO**

Departure for **Aquileia**, a *UNESCO World Heritage Site*. Rich and thriving city of the Roman Empire, famous for its port and defensive walls. Guided tour of the archaeological area, with the Roman forum, the river port, the late antique markets and an area of necropolis called "sepolcreto". Entrance to the Patriarchal basilica where the floor mosaic, dating back to the fourth century AD, is the largest in Europe. The Crypt of the Frescoes and the Holy Sepulchre. At the end, stop and tasting at the chocolate factory.

Transfer to **Grado**, a town joined to the mainland by a thin strip of land, which in some places may resemble Venice. Campielli and alleys, surrounded by fishermen's houses, close to each other, where it seems that time has stopped. Visit to the Basilica of Santa Eufemia with the Baptistery, the Lapidary and the Basilica of Santa Maria delle Grazie. Walk in the historic center and on the "promenade" of the promenade.

Return to the hotel, dinner and overnight.

#### 4th day - SPILIMBERGO – SAN DANIELE

Departure for **Spilimbergo**. Village of ancient origins, it developed especially during the Middle Ages and the Renaissance. The soul of Spilimbergo has always been trade, the beating heart was the Piazza del Duomo, where the markets took place, also here is the prestigious Scuola Mosaicisti del Friuli, an institution founded in 1922 and now known internationally.

Continue to **San Daniele del Friuli**, the "little Siena of Friuli", a town rich in history, art and flavors. From the white of the eighteenth-century Cathedral to the frescoes of the former Church of Sant'Antonio Abate, from the production of smoked trout to the inimitable ham with a millenary tradition. Visit to the historic center and tasting in a ham factory. Return to the hotel, dinner and overnight.

#### 5th day - TRIESTE – CASTELLO di MIRAMARE

Departure for **Trieste**, Central European city par excellence, crossroads of peoples and cultures, cosmopolitan city and border with the imperial soul. A pearl nestled between the rugged rocks of the Karst and the "high" Adriatic Sea. Piazza Unità d'Italia, the largest square in Europe overlooking the sea, with its wonderful palaces of the Habsburg period. Guided tour of the historic center and tasting of the famous coffee. Stop at **Miramare Castle**, the princely residence of Maximilian of Habsburg and his wife Carlotta, one of the most beautiful and visited castles in Italy. Guided tour of the magnificent interiors and walk in the park overlooking the Gulf of Trieste. Return to the hotel, dinner and overnight.

#### 6° day – SACILE e PALU' DI LIVENZA

Departure for **Sacile** In the "Garden of the Serenissima", so defined for its Venetian atmosphere, the architecture coexists harmoniously: the elegant palaces, often in lagoon style, are reflected in the blue waters of the river. Guided tour of the city with the Duomo, Palazzo Ragazzoni.

Visit to the "Sorgenti del Livenza" with the Gorgazzo, the Serenissima and **Palù di Livenza UNESCO Site** and then reach **Polcenigo** one of the most beautiful villages in Italy thanks to the presence of some natural, historical and artistic elements of its long history including today still visible in the remains of the medieval castle. Wine tasting in a typical cellar. End of Services.

#### The price includes:

- 6 days / 5 nights in a 3-4\* hotel in Udine with accommodation in a DOUBLE room with private bathroom
- Half board with breakfast and dinner at the hotel
- Guide service as per program
- entry fee and tastings as per program

#### The price does not include:

- Single Supplement
- Drinks with meals
- Meals not indicated in the program
- Medical insurance, baggage and cancellation – Covid
- Tips and extras of a personal nature and anything not specified in the fee includes

#### **PERSONALIZED QUOTATIONS ON REQUEST:**

Program modifiable and customizable according to your needs

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