

# Tuscany & the Amalfi Coast of Italy

*18 Days in October 2017*



*Travel with us to southern Italy, where you'll explore a destination that combines history, romance, and architectural splendor with unparalleled serenity and grace. From cliffside towns to ancient monuments and the breathtaking Amalfi Coast, you'll experience the best of southern Italy in style.*

*This trip is designed for comfort, learning and pleasure. You'll spend seven nights in the Tuscan spa town of Chianciano and seven nights in Sorrento on the Amalfi Coast. Along the way, you'll enjoy our special tours and exclusive Discovery Series events, including a countryside dinner in Tuscany, an excursion to Pompeii, and a guided tour of Rome. As always, you'll have the freedom to explore your own interests during relaxing downtime.*

*Best of all, you'll travel in style with your friends from Southern Exposure and Grand Circle Travel!*

**REMINDER:** Space for this special journey is available on a first-come, first-serve basis and is truly limited. To reserve your place today, please call the Southern Exposure office at **(269) 962-1255**. If you haven't experienced a Southern Exposure travel adventure before, feel free to ask questions or meet with our staff.



## Snapshot Itinerary: Tuscany & the Amalfi Coast

This once-in-a-lifetime travel adventure will showcase both Tuscany & the Amalfi Coast in all their historic diversity and natural beauty. Below is a quick look at our itinerary. Read on for additional details for each day.

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**Day 2 – Arrive Rome, Italy**

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**Day 4 – Chianciano / Radicofani / Local cheese maker visit / The Art of the Renaissance**

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**Day 18 – Rome / Return to U.S./**





**Photo:** *The Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi in Umbria. You will visit this site on Day 8 of your adventure.*

## Detailed Itinerary: Tuscany & the Amalfi Coast 2017

### Day 1 – Depart U.S.

You depart the U.S. this evening for your journey to Rome, Italy.

### Day 2 – Arrive Rome, Italy

You'll be greeted at the airport by a Grand Circle representative who will assist you to your hotel. Gather with your fellow travelers to meet your Program Director and enjoy a Welcome Drink. Dinner is on your own.

### Day 3 – Rome / Chianciano / Italian With & Without Words Language Lesson

After breakfast, you set off for Chianciano, arriving in the early afternoon. Here you will meet your fellow travelers who arrived from their pre-trip extension in Venice. Gather with your Program Director for a briefing, followed by an Exclusive Discovery Series Italian With & Without Words lesson. You'll be able to use what you'll learn in the days ahead. This evening, enjoy a Welcome Dinner at a local restaurant.

### Day 4 – Chianciano / Radicofani / Local cheese maker visit / The Art of the Renaissance Discussion

Join us this morning for an orientation walk in Chianciano. Famous since the times of the ancient Etruscans for its thermal mineral waters, Chianciano still draws visitors who benefit from its natural spa treatments.

When you travel to Radicofani, you'll take a discovery walk to explore the Old Town, and visit the San Pietro Church, renowned for its splendid Della Robbia terra cotta sculptures. Radicofani lies in the shadow of a hilltop fortress first built in the tenth century. The town and its surroundings saw centuries of fierce political intrigue and conflict.

Then, you'll visit a local cheese maker for an exclusive Discovery Series event. As we sample local fare for a light

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lunch here, we'll learn about the importance of locally-produced food to the heritage of the region. Tonight, join us for a Discovery Series discussion on The Art of the Renaissance. Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant this evening.

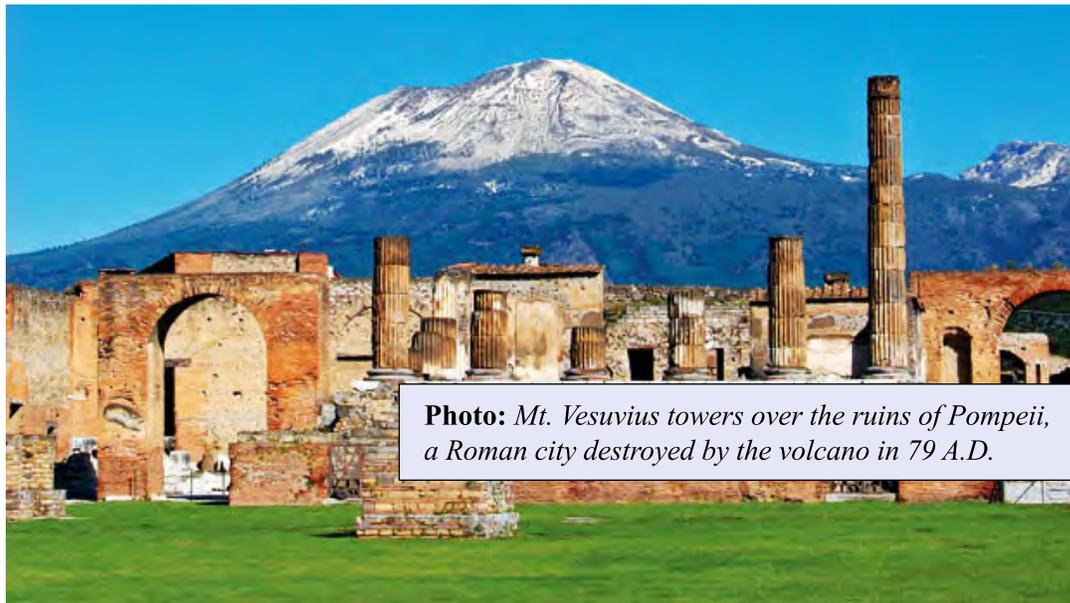
### **Day 5 – Chianciano / Florence**

Explore legendary Florence on an included full day walking tour. Set on the banks of the Arno River, Florence came into its

own as a commercial and cultural center during the 13th century, when merchants and tradesmen organized guilds that commissioned works of art to adorn their churches and palaces. It was this revival of interest in art and architecture that gave birth to the Italian Renaissance, an amazing outburst between the 14th and 16th centuries that completely changed the face of this Tuscan town. The names of the great artists of Florence define the Renaissance—Dante, Boccaccio, Fra Angelico, Donatello, Botticelli, Leonardo da Vinci, and Michelangelo.

You'll begin your exploration of Florence with a walking tour of the city, stopping at the Duomo to view its remarkable octagonal Brunelleschi dome, one of the most magnificent structures in Florence. While there, you'll also view the Gates of Paradise, impressive bronze doors that intricately depict scenes from the Bible.

Continue on to the Piazza Signoria, the political center of Renaissance Florence. After lunch on your own, make your own discoveries this afternoon. You may wish to visit one of the many fine Florentine leather showrooms. The art of Florentine leather tanning has been passed down through many generations to the tanners of today. Although machinery has changed with improvements in modern technology, many of the old dyeing techniques have remained virtually unchanged. Or you might decide to visit the Accademia Gallery, home to Michelangelo's famous statue, David. Tonight, dinner will be at your hotel.



**Photo:** *Mt. Vesuvius towers over the ruins of Pompeii, a Roman city destroyed by the volcano in 79 A.D.*

### **Important Travel Notes:**

- For your comfort and safety, we recommend this tour for individuals in good physical condition. If you have difficulty walking, this may be a difficult trip for you.
- We reserve the right to cancel this tour due to insufficient registration. Full refund will be given if tour is canceled due to insufficient registration.
- If traveling alone, we will match you up with a roommate (this tour is double occupancy only).
- Please read the “What to Expect” box on the next page carefully. If you have further questions, please contact the Southern Exposure staff at **(269) 962-1255** during business hours.

### **Day 6 – Chianciano / Pienza & Orcia Valley / Taste of Tuscany Discussion**

The village of Pienza, a Renaissance jewel, is the first example of town planning executed after the fall of the ancient Roman Empire twelve centuries earlier. It is also the only example of a city actually made from a prototype—designed by Bernardo Rossellino, the early 15th-century sculptor, for Pope Pius II. The plan for Pienza was commissioned by the Pope to celebrate the ideas of the Renaissance. Here you'll enjoy free time to explore on your own—and to discover the many food shops selling the excellent local export, pecorino cheese.

Pienza is a virtual standing museum. The focus of the town's design is its piazza, which is closed on one side by the cathedral. On the other side of the piazza is Palazzo Piccolomini, which you can visit during your free time. Designed by Rossellino, the palazzo was the home to Pius's descendants until 1968. The piazza here is one of the places in

the Orcia Valley where many scenes in the motion picture *The English Patient* were filmed. During the visit, you'll admire the vistas from the town overlooking the valley and a mountain peak that was once a volcano. You'll have lunch at a local restaurant in Pienza before we return to Chianciano.

This evening gather for an informative and interactive Taste of Tuscany discussion during which we learn about two of Italy's defining passions—wine and olive oil.

Dinner is on your own this evening.

### **Day 7 – Chianciano / Optional Siena Tour**

Enjoy the day exploring on your own. You may want to visit Montepulciano and discover the local wine cellars. Or discover your own “favorite” Tuscan town—ask your Program Director for suggestions and assistance.

Or, take advantage of our full-day optional tour to Siena. Discover this medieval walled city, built on three ridges and dominating the land between the valleys of Arbia and Elsa.

Siena was a rich and powerful city during the Middle Ages. From the twelfth century into the 16th century, its banking activities and trade in wool and textiles placed it in direct rivalry with Florence. Its influence decreased after that time as it defended against foreign conquerors. Today's Siena still retains the air of the Tuscan Middle Ages. The 334-foot slender Italianate tower of the Town Hall soars from the rim of the Piazza del Campo, an inclined, central square that is one of the most beautiful in all of Italy. Surrounding this square are numerous lovely palaces dating from the twelfth to 16th centuries. Here and throughout the city are some of the most splendid examples of Gothic architecture in Italy.

Automobiles are banned from the city center, and you'll enjoy a guided walk in town. You can view the beauty of the palaces, built in red brick with windows decorated by elegant Gothic frames in white marble. Our tour also takes you inside the cathedral, where you will also visit the Piccolomini Library, adorned with colorful frescoes by Perugino, the master of Raphael. You also have the opportunity to view the palace belonging to Monte di Paschi di Siena, a bank founded in 1472.

During our excursion, you'll have some free time to explore on your own before lunch at a local restaurant. You'll return to Chianciano in time for dinner. Please note: This tour involves walking over difficult terrain for extended periods of time. Dinner is at a local restaurant this evening.

## **What to Expect:**

### **Tuscany & the Amalfi Coast 2017**

We will make every effort to accommodate your travel needs and make sure you have a pleasant, memorable experience. At the same time, it is important to note the following advisories:

■ **Physical Requirements:** This trip features a fair amount of walking, often uphill, over uneven, unpaved, or cobbled surfaces as you travel in Italy. You should be able to walk two to three miles unassisted over the course of each day. For your comfort and safety, we recommend this program only to individuals in good physical condition. If you have difficulty walking or are wheelchair-bound, please consult our Travel Counselors for guidance. GCT reserves the right for our Program Directors to modify participation, or in some circumstances send travelers home if their limitations are impacting the group's experience.

■ **Climate:** Due to the varied geography of the regions we visit on this program you will experience a wide range of temperatures and weather conditions. We recommend that you bring a rain jacket and sun-block regardless of the time of year.

## **Passport & Visa Information**

U.S. citizens do not need a visa for this trip. Your passport should meet these requirements for this itinerary. It should be valid for at least 6 months after your scheduled return to the U.S. It should have the recommended number of blank pages (refer to the U.S. State Department handbook for details). The blank pages must be labeled “Visas” at the top. Pages labeled “Amendments and Endorsements” are not acceptable.

## **Vaccinations Information**

Generally speaking, vaccinations are not needed for this trip. However, for the latest list of vaccinations that **may** be recommended for this trip, please visit the CDC's “Traveler's Health” website at [www.cdc.gov/travel](http://www.cdc.gov/travel). In addition, we recommend these three additional health steps before you leave on your trip:

- Have a medical checkup with your doctor.
- Pick up any necessary medications, both prescription and over-the-counter.
- Have a dental and/or eye checkup, if possible.



### **Day 8 – Chianciano / Assisi**

Today, explore Assisi, a gem of Umbria, perched on the side of Mount Subasio, with pink granite stone buildings that seem to glow as you approach. The town remains forever linked with St. Francis of Assisi. He was born here in 1182 and renounced his family’s wealth to found an order of preaching monks who lived simply and relied on begging to survive.

You’ll visit the 13th-century Basilica of St. Francis, where the saint is buried and which houses his shoes and tunic. Decorated with magnificent frescoes by Early Renaissance masters Cimabue and Giotto, the unique basilica is one of the most important examples of medieval architecture in all of Italy. Afterward, enjoy some free time to further explore the quaint streets of Assisi before enjoying an included lunch in a local restaurant. Tonight, dinner is on your own.

### **Day 9 – Chianciano / Etruscan Museum / Cortona**

After breakfast this morning, you’ll visit Chianciano’s Etruscan Museum, which has been supported by Grand Circle Foundation since 2006. Here you’ll learn about the Etruscan origins of Chianciano, and discover more about this mysterious civilization that preceded the Romans in this area.

Then you’ll tour Cortona, one of Tuscany’s loveliest hillside villages. Serenely situated at an elevation of 1,800 feet on the crest of Mont Sant’Egidio, Cortona offers unforgettable views of the Valdichiana Plain, the mountains of Siena, and expansive Lake Trasimeno—one of the widest and most harmonious vistas in all of Italy. One of the twelve Etruscan cities, Cortona’s central neighborhoods look just as they did when it was a medieval city-state.

The fortress overlooking the town was built by the Medicis in 1549, and it was home to noted artists Signorelli and Severini. Ancient tradition holds that the legendary Ulysses was buried here. Closer to our own forms of storytelling, it was here in Cortona that author Frances Mayes bought the home she restored in *Under the Tuscan Sun*, and the motion picture was filmed here, too, as was Academy Award-winner *Life is Beautiful*. You’ll have time to explore this town on your own before you return to your hotel in the early afternoon. This evening, enjoy dinner at your hotel.



### **Day 10 – Chianciano / Orvieto / Sorrento**

After breakfast, you'll begin the ride to the cliffside town of Sorrento, stopping for a short visit to the hilltop town of Orvieto. Set upon the flat crown of a steep volcanic butte, Orvieto has been an impregnable town since the time of the ancient Etruscans. It was a major center of commerce and learning in the Middle Ages—Thomas Aquinas taught here—and its independent-minded leaders often squabbled with the Papacy. The construction of the 14th-century Orvieto Cathedral is distinctive in its use of basalt and travertine, a variety of limestone. Its three-gabled facade is exceptional, with vivid bas-reliefs, statuary, and mosaics. Also exceptional is the region's distinctive white wine.

You arrive in Sorrento early this evening. With its romantic location on the cliffs over the Bay of Naples, Sorrento has long been the subject of songs and legends. It was here that the mythical sirens, with the beauty of their sweet singing, lured sailors to shipwreck on the rocks. This evening you'll enjoy dinner at your hotel.

### **Day 11 – Sorrento / walking tour / School visit / Optional Sorrentine Farm Experience Tour**

After breakfast, set off on a walking tour of Sorrento. Sorrento was made for strolling, and you'll enjoy your walking tour as you see the cathedral, Piazza Sant'Antonino, the Public Gardens, the town's typical little alleys, and its main square, Piazza Tasso. We'll take our time on Corso Italia, the town's main street, and along Via San Cesario, lined with picturesque shops offering food and handcrafts. In the course of your walk, you'll visit children at Santa Maria della Pietà School supported by Grand Circle

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**Note:** The information, dates, locations, and prices provided in this document are estimates only based on currently available information. Pricing and itinerary are subject to change.

**Pricing Disclaimer:** *Every effort has been made to provide accurate pricing information. Operator reserves the right to correct promotional or pricing errors at any time, or to increase the trip price in the event of cost increases due to changes in airfares, cruise fares, currency fluctuations, park fee increases, taxes, or fuel surcharges, or other reasons, unless you pre-paid according to the terms of the Good Buy Plan prior to the cost increase going into effect. For more information, please contact Southern Exposure at **(269) 962-1255**.*

Foundation. (Your visit depends on school scheduling, summer break, and national and local holidays.) Enjoy the rest of the day making your own discoveries, with dinner on your own this evening.

Or join us this afternoon for an optional Sorrentine Farm Experience. We'll journey into the Sorrentine countryside to learn firsthand the secrets of local agriculture. Learn from a resident what goes into the production of olive oil, fresh mozzarella cheese, and limoncello liqueur. You'll also learn how to prepare your own pizza in true Sorrentine fashion, topped with farm-fresh ingredients. If you choose this optional tour, you will enjoy dinner on the farm. Otherwise, dinner tonight is on your own.

### **Day 12 – Sorrento / Optional Herculaneum & Archaeological Museum Tour**

Explore Sorrento on your own today. Or, join us on an optional excursion to Herculaneum and the Archaeological Museum. Pompeii was not the only town to be destroyed by Mt. Vesuvius in AD 79. On this full-day optional tour, we'll first explore the ancient town of Herculaneum, which was buried in about 50 feet of ash and mud. It wasn't found again until 1709 when it was accidentally discovered by some workers. We'll explore Herculaneum's well-preserved ruins, which some claim are even more impressive than those of Pompeii.

After lunch at a local restaurant, we'll depart for Naples, one of the world's most beautiful seaports. Italy's third-largest city, Naples is dramatically situated between the Mediterranean Sea and the looming bulk of Mount Vesuvius. Originally named Neapolis ("new city") by its

Greek founders, Naples has been an important seaport since it was conquered by Rome in the fourth century BC. Colorful and vibrant, for centuries this beautiful city epitomized Italy's national character: chaotic but cheerful. Naples is a city of great contrasts, aware of a heritage that springs from diverse cultural influences: ancient Greek and Roman, Norman, French, Spanish, and, of course, Italian.

Our tour features an in-depth exploration of the National Archaeological Museum, one of Europe's most valuable repositories, featuring the priceless Farnese collection of ancient Roman statuary and the many colorful treasures removed from long-buried Pompeii, Stabia, and Herculaneum. We'll have a panoramic tour of Naples from the bus as we begin our ride back to Sorrento. The cost of this optional tour includes lunch. Please note: This tour involves walking over difficult terrain for extended periods of time.

Tonight, enjoy an included dinner at your choice of a number of local restaurants. Your Program Director can offer suggestions for a meal at a restaurant that accepts Grand Circle meal vouchers: more choice at no extra cost.

### **Day 13 – Sorrento / Amalfi Coast / Festa Della Pasta**

On this leisurely tour, you'll discover what is perhaps Italy's most beautiful coastline, a UNESCO World Heritage Site richly imbued with centuries-old charm. Ride along its ruggedly stunning shoreline, decorated by colorful fishing boats and wondrous rock formations. Make a photo stop above Positano, and then continue to



the town of Amalfi, romantically situated at the mouth of a deep gorge.

Enjoy some free time and an included lunch in nearby Scala, the oldest town in the Amalfi Coast with a history that stretches back 1,000 years. Perched roughly 1,200 feet above sea level, Scala overlooks the ocean and benefits from a year-round temperate climate. This evening, you'll enjoy a special dinner in the hotel. Gemelli, fusilli, orecchiette.... What does it all mean? Find out at our Festa della Pasta dinner. Your Program Director will demonstrate how to prepare different types of delicious pastas and their accompanying sauces—and you'll indulge in the delicious results.

#### **Day 14 – Sorrento / Pompeii / Home-Hosted Lunch**

This morning, we'll depart Sorrento for a half-day excursion to Pompeii. Totally buried by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in AD 79 and not re-discovered until the 17th century, Pompeii's antiquities offer you an unparalleled view of Roman life. With your expert guide, you'll explore Pompeii's most significant sites and learn how its people lived, built homes, and conducted business. The World Monuments Fund, to which Grand Circle Foundation has contributed \$150,000 for preservation efforts across Europe, cites Pompeii as one of the world's 100 most-endangered sites.

In the afternoon, we'll introduce you to some of Sorrento's culinary charms during a Home-Hosted Lunch in the St. Agnello area. Throughout this exclusive Discovery Series event, you'll become acquainted with Italian social life. You'll break bread with a family in their home and enjoy the meal in their authentic Italian kitchen. Traditional cuisine here often incorporates the freshest ingredients from the markets. Typical fare includes locally grown poultry accompanied by such homegrown vegetables as eggplant, tomato, and sweet peppers, and, of course, homemade pasta. You'll even sip wine from the family's own vineyard.

In the early evening, join us for an exclusive discussion led by an American residing in Italy, My Home Away from Home. Choose your own restaurant for dinner this evening, using a Grand Circle meal voucher.

### **What's Included in the Package**

- International round-trip airfare from Detroit Metro Airport to and from Italy.
- Accommodations for 16 nights in in comfortable rooms with private baths.
- 32 meals—16 breakfasts, 5 lunches, and 11 dinners.
- 11 included tours: Shianciano & Radicofani • Florence • Pienza & the Orcia Valley • Assisi • Etruscan Museum • Cortona • Sorrento • Amalfi Coast • Pompeii • Montecassino Abbey • Rome
- Exclusive Discovery Series events: Italian With & Without Words language lesson • Cheese maker visit • The Art of the Renaissance discussion • Taste of Tuscany discussion • Home-Hosted Lunch • My Home Away from Home discussion.
- All group land transportation.
- Personal headsets on all included and optional tours
- Exclusive services of a resident Grand Circle Program Director
- Baggage handling for 1 bag per person, incl. tips.

#### **Day 15 – Sorrento / Optional Isle of Capri Tour**

Set like a gem in the Bay of Naples, just opposite Mount Vesuvius, this fabled four-by-two-mile island has been a popular international destination since the times of the ancient Roman Emperors Augustus and Tiberius. Capri's



natural and man-made attractions are unforgettable. The island abounds in hills, cliffs, olive groves, vineyards, and garden terraces overlooking the Amalfi Coast. On today's optional tour, you'll be introduced to the charms of this miniature paradise and experience its unique way of life. After a short crossing by jetfoil, you'll ascend by minibus to the narrowest part of the island, where you'll visit the small town of Capri. Stroll through the chic shops and the picturesque whitewashed houses and reach the Gardens of Augustus, which overlook the bathing port of Marina Piccola.

After pausing to enjoy the expansive views of the Amalfi Coast, you'll continue to the highest point of the island and tour the village of Anacapri, which has spectacular views of the Bay of Naples and Mount Vesuvius. Next you'll enjoy a light lunch, and then be at leisure to explore further on your own. Return to the port of Marina Grande via the local funicular train (when in season) in time for our return boat to Sorrento. Tonight, you may choose to join our optional Tarantella Folk Show, which includes Neapolitan-style snacks at the theater. Dinner in on your own.

#### Day 16 – Sorrento

Enjoy the day exploring on your own. Sorrento is known throughout Italy for its lemon production, including: limoncello, a tasty lemon liqueur; lemon chocolate, colorful ceramics with lemon motifs, or lemon soap. Gather tonight with your Program Director and fellow travelers for a Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant.

#### Day 17 – Sorrento / Transfer to Rome / Montecassino Abbey / Panoramic tour of Rome

Today, you'll drive northward to Rome, stopping en route to visit the Benedictine Abbey of Montecassino for some free time. Set atop a rocky hill, this monastery was established by St. Benedict of Nursia in AD 529. It's one of the last remaining abbeys within the Catholic Church. Arriving in Rome, you'll enjoy a panoramic orientation tour of Rome that gives you an overview of the "Eternal City's" main points of interest. Join your fellow travelers this evening for dinner at a local restaurant.

#### Day 18 – Rome / Return to U.S.

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for the flight home.

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## Pricing Summary (Per Person)

<b>Trip Name:</b>	Tuscany & the Amalfi Coast
<b>Departure Date:</b>	October 2017 (exact date TBD)
<b>Return Date:</b>	October 2017 (exact date TBD)
<b>Departure City:</b>	Detroit, MI
<b>Occupancy:</b>	Double
<b>Cost Per Person:</b>	\$4,895

*(Price includes international airfare from Detroit Metro, government taxes, fees and airline fuel surcharges.)*

### Taxes and Fees

(included in the Per Person Cost)

### Travel Protection Plan

Highly recommended!

*(See details on the next page)*

### Motorcoach travel

to/from Detroit Metro

(Call us for details)

## Tour Cancellation Policy and Travel Protection Plan

*Please read the following cancellation policy and Travel Protection Plan. Pricing and coverages are subject to change as we get closer to the departure date for this travel adventure.*

### Cancel For Any Reason Waiver

When you purchase the Travel Protection Plan, you also qualify for the Grand Circle Travel Cancellation Waiver Benefit that allows you to cancel your Grand Circle Travel Arrangements before your scheduled departure FOR ANY REASON.

### Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion Waiver

The exclusion for Pre-Existing Conditions will be waived if payment for this plan is received by Grand Circle Travel within 14 days of your initial deposit, for payment for your Trip.

*Below is a brief listing of the plan benefits:*

Part A - The Travel Arrangement Protection Benefits of this Part A are provided by Grand Circle Travel.

### Schedule of Benefits - Part A

Benefit	Maximum Benefit Amount
Trip Cancellation	Trip Cost
Trip Interruption	Trip Cost
Missed Connection	\$750
Travel Delay	\$750 (Up to \$150 Per Day)

Part B - The Travel Insurance Benefits of this Part B are provided by United States Fire Insurance Company.

### Schedule of Benefits - Part B

Benefit	Maximum Benefit Amount
Accidental Death and Dismemberment	\$25,000
Medical Expense, Emergency Assistance	
Accident and Sickness Medical Expense	\$50,000
Emergency Evacuation and Repatriation	\$350,000
One Call 24-Hour Assistance Services	Included

Baggage and Personal Effects	\$1,500
Baggage Delay	\$250

**If your Trip is Canceled or Interrupted, Your Travel Investment is Protected**

If you are like a lot of people these days, you don't just look forward to your vacations, you need them. A vacation is your opportunity to rest, relax, and recharge your batteries. Or to catch up with friends and family. Unfortunately, many things happen that might cause you to cancel your travel plans or cut them short. Illness or injury. The death of a family member. The worst part is, without adequate protection, you can lose your travel investment. The Grand Circle Travel Protection Plan protects your travel investment if your Trip is canceled or interrupted for a covered reason such as injury, illness or death of you, a Family Member, a Traveling Companion or a Business Partner.

If you must interrupt your Trip or return home early for a covered reason, the plan will pay (up to the original cost of your Trip) for your unused land or water Travel Arrangements, less any refund paid or payable, plus the Additional Transportation Cost to return home or rejoin your Trip.

**Medical Expense and Emergency Assistance Benefits**

If you have a serious illness or injury, the last thing you want to worry about is getting the care you need. The Grand Circle Travel Protection Plan gives you peace of mind with benefits that cover, up to the plan's limits, everything from medical expenses (incurred within 60 days of a sickness or injury that began during your Trip) to special transportation (such as an air ambulance) required for medical reasons.

**Travel Delayed? You're OK!**

You'll be reimbursed up to \$150 per day (to a maximum of \$750 total) for meals and accommodations if your Trip is delayed for more than 12 hours for a covered reason.

**Baggage Lost or Damaged?**

**You're Protected!**

It's a traveler's nightmare. You arrive at your destination, but your baggage has disappeared. Or has been stolen or damaged. What do you do? If you're protected by the Grand Circle Travel Protection Plan, you'll be reimbursed up to \$1,500 to replace or repair your lost or damaged luggage and personal articles.

**Baggage Delayed?**

**Need Clothes and Toiletries? Count on us!**

The Grand Circle Travel Protection Plan reimburses you up to \$250 to help cover the cost of clothing, toiletries and, or personal items if your baggage is delayed for more than 24 hours while you are on your Trip.

**Accidental Death Benefit**

Your beneficiaries will receive payment according to the plan's Schedule of Benefits for Accidental Death which occurs within 180 days of an injury sustained while you are on your Trip.

**The Travel Protection Plan is Administered by:**

Trip Mate, Inc.  
9225 Ward Parkway, Suite 200  
Kansas City, Missouri 64114  
Tel: 1-800-888-7292

**The Travel Insurance is Underwritten by:**

United States Fire Insurance Company under Form series TP 401. In KS, LA, SD, TX, and UT Form #'s TP-401 CW. In WA under Form #TP-401-WA. In OR under Form #TP-401 OR.

Note: Pricing and terms subject to change as we get closer to our departure.



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