



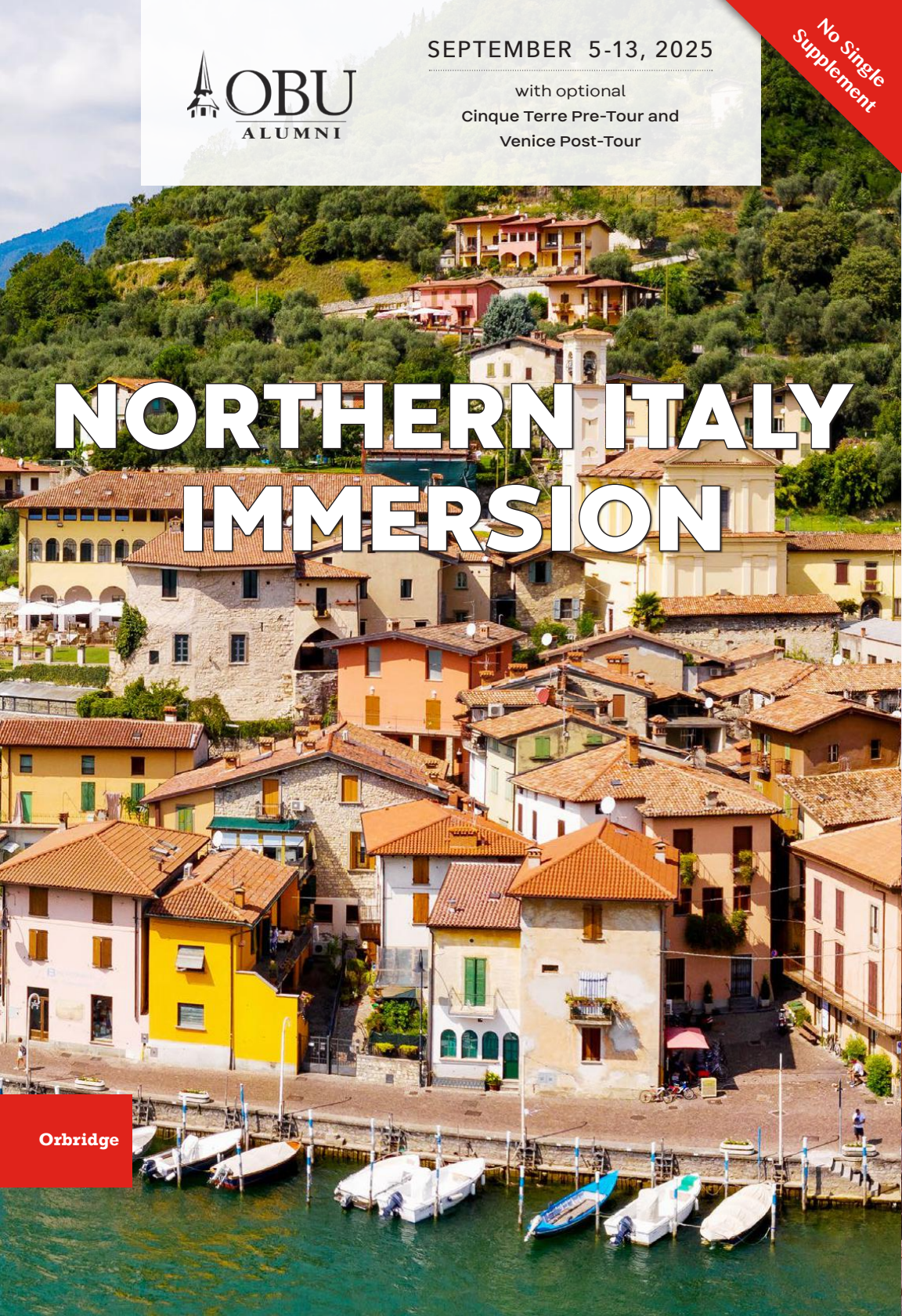
SEPTEMBER 5-13, 2025

with optional
Cinque Terre Pre-Tour and
Venice Post-Tour

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NORTHERN ITALY IMMERSION

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Colosseum Arena di Verona



Dear OBU Alumni and Friends,

Join us for a cultural and gastronomic journey to the enchanting region of Northern Italy—an area renowned for stunning landscapes, spectacular cathedrals and museums, and a rich heritage. This meticulously crafted itinerary offers the unique opportunity to *live like a local*, featuring guided tours, private artisan visits and tastings, and the ability to deeply connect with the beauty of Northern Italy's culture, cuisine and gracious hospitality.

Your home away from home during this adventure will be tranquil Borgo San Donino nestled within an olive oil producing estate. The property's modern accommodations seamlessly intertwine with tradition, ensuring your stay is as comfortable as it is authentic.

Each day promises to immerse you in the history, culinary delights, and leisurely pleasures of Northern Italy, creating indelible memories along the way.

Space is limited. With significant savings of more than \$1,000 per couple, we anticipate this tour will fill quickly. To reserve, visit okbu.orbridge.com, call (866) 639-0079 or return the attached reservation form.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lea Ann Quirk". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each name being capitalized.

Lea Ann Quirk
Director, OBU Alumni Association

Northern Italy Immersion | Itinerary and Highlights (subject to change)

Day 1: EN ROUTE FROM U.S.

Day 2: ARRIVE IN VERONA, ITALY | PROVINCE OF BRESCIA Upon arrival an Orbridge representative will be waiting to assist with your transfer to the property. Unpack and settle in before meeting fellow travel companions to stroll the vineyard path to Cascina Capuzza, Selva Capuzza's restaurant, for dinner.
Overnight: Borgo San Donino (D)

Day 3: SULZANO | LAGO D'ISEO Depart for Sulzano on the east shore of Lago d'Iseo for a picturesque boat tour. On the main island enjoy leisure time to explore the quaint town of Perschiera Maraglio and take advantage of endless photography opportunities. Enjoy lunch then return to the property.
Overnight: Borgo San Donino (B,L,D)

Day 4: SELVA CAPUZZA After a leisurely breakfast meet with a chef from Cascina Capuzza for a pasta and dessert cooking class. The dishes and sweets you help create will be served during a lovely lunch. The afternoon is yours to enjoy at leisure. Perhaps relax in the gardens or join a guided walking tour of the property.
Overnight: Borgo San Donino (B,L,D)

Day 5: VERONA | DESENZANO DEL GARDA Meet with a local guide for a panoramic city tour of Verona. Stop at San Zeno Basilica for an inside visit. Continue to Piazza delle Erbe and the Roman amphitheater. Return to the property with time to refresh before departing for Desenzano del Garda where you'll visit Montecroce Farm and Oil-Mill for an olive oil tasting followed by dinner.
Overnight: Borgo San Donino (B,D)

Day 6: MODENA Today's highlight is in Modena where you'll meet Simone Caselli, an award-winning producer of Aceto Balsamico Tradizionale di Modena. During a private tour, see the old attic where the Caselli family story of creating balsamic vinegars began and still remains a part of the continuing tradition today. Settle into the tasting room to compare the characteristics of three aged balsamic vinegars followed by lunch including an array of homemade regional dishes featuring various Aceto vinegars.
Overnight: Borgo San Donino (B,L,D)

Day 7: BORGHETTO | VALEGGIO SUL MINCIO Visit the Tower of San Martino della Battaglia. Next set off for the charming hamlet of Borghetto for a leisurely stroll along the Mincio River stopping for lunch at Antica Locanda Mincio, a family-owned restaurant. After lunch visit Parco Giardino Sigurtà—expansive and lush gardens that span over 148 acres. This evening gather together at Cascina Capuzza for a special dinner accompanied by live music.
Overnight: Borgo San Donino (B,L,D)

Day 8: RONCÀ | SOAVE | SIRMIONE Visit La Casara—a family-run, artisan cheese shop. See an up-close cheese-making demonstration and venture into the cellar before a cheese tasting. En route to the property stop in Soave for photography opportunities. Late afternoon, explore the idyllic waterfront village of Sirmione.
Overnight: Borgo San Donino (B,L,D)

Day 9: VERONA | DEPART FOR U.S. After breakfast, transfer to the airport for flights home. (B)
(B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner)





What's Included

- 7 nights accommodations
- 7 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 7 dinners served with non-alcoholic beverages
- All lessons, private tours and tastings, and unique small-group excursions noted in the 9-day itinerary
- Full guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director and expert local guides
- Private motor coach transportation
- Luggage porterage
- Gratuities to Orbridge Travel Director, local guides, drivers and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times



Activity Level: We expect that guests can enjoy two hours or more of walking, are sure-footed on cobbled surfaces, and can walk up and down stairs without assistance. On the estate, unpaved roads and pathways separate its various structures, and walking is required to get from one building to another and to reach the restaurant. Historic city centers are usually more accessible by foot than vehicle. Due to the structure of some buildings, facilities for the disabled may be limited.

Insider, Interpreter, Epicure, Host

Your Orbridge Travel Director will infuse your journey with an epicure's appreciation of food and wine, a local's knowledge and pride of place, and a travel aficionado's ability to gather the beauty of all senses to your discoveries in Italy.



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Borgo San Donino

Accommodations *(subject to change)*

Within arm's reach of the culture-rich Veneto and Emilia Romagna regions lies Borgo San Donino, a charming farmhouse on the Selva Capuzza estate—also the 1859 battle site of Italy's fight toward its independence.

The farmhouse apartments and nearby restaurant are the result of many years of dedicated work and provide guests delightful accommodations and generous hospitality.

Stroll the grounds and you might see grape vines being carefully tended by hand or olives ripening for the estate's own olive oil, just steps away from tables where the harvest is displayed in local dishes.

Visit the nearby San Martino Tower to admire its majesty from the inside and out. Then follow the tree-lined road to the Chapel of San Martino, which guards those who died in battle.

After a day's adventures, restore your senses amidst the comfortable atmosphere of your apartment—inspired, as you will be, by the beauty of Northern Italy's landscapes.

Apartment Categories

Classic: A comfortable apartment with a living area, kitchenette, and en suite bathroom overlooking the garden and surrounding countryside.

Superior: A spacious apartment with a living area, kitchenette, and en suite bathroom. Each room is unique with either vaulted ceilings or a large patio, and views of the vineyard or surrounding countryside.

Studio: A cozy studio room with en suite bathroom overlooking the garden. Recommended for single occupancy. Limited availability.

Apartment Amenities: *individual climate control, complimentary Wi-Fi, safe, slippers, and bathroom sundries with hair dryer. (Hair conditioner is not provided.)*

NOTE: *This property does not have an elevator.*



Luca Formentini, Vintner
Selva Capuzza



Classic



Superior



Optional Pre-Tour Cinque Terre

Explore the Italian Riviera, an area teeming with meaningful traditions surrounding family, culture, and cuisine. Cinque Terre is also a National Park and UNESCO World Heritage Site, drawing visitors to its coastal scenery and sunset panoramas.

Day +1: EN ROUTE FROM U.S.

Day +2: ARRIVE IN MILAN, ITALY | SESTRI LEVANTE

After arriving in Milan, enjoy the scenic drive to the Italian Riviera. The afternoon is at leisure to relax and explore the fishing hamlet, Sestri Levante.
Overnight: Vis à Vis

Day +3: SESTRI LEVANTE | CINQUE TERRE | SESTRI LEVANTE Following breakfast board a local train to travel the coastline, arriving at Cinque Terre—a fairytale-esque area of hamlets. Explore the lively towns of Monterosso al Mare, Manarola and Vernazza, sampling local culinary specialties like farinata—an amazing chickpea pie—or freshly baked focaccia. Cap off the delightful afternoon with a refreshing lemon granita or creamy gelato.
Overnight: Vis à Vis (B,L)

Day +4: SESTRI LEVANTE | PORTOFINO | SAN FRUTTUOSO | SANTA MARGHERITA LIGURE | SESTRI LEVANTE In Portofino sail by private gozzo to the abbey of San Fruttuoso. Then stroll Santa Margherita Ligure with its tiny alleys and colorful shops and enjoy lunch at leisure before returning to Sestri Levante.
Overnight: Vis à Vis (B)

Day +5: SESTRI LEVANTE | VERONA | MAIN PROGRAM BEGINS Enjoy a final morning at leisure, then transfer by private vehicle to Verona. (B)

What's Included

- 3 nights at Vis à Vis (or similar)
- 3 breakfasts and 1 lunch
- Cinque Terre card for all train transportation within the Cinque Terre
- Guided touring (by English-speaking guides) and tastings through Cinque Terre's villages
- Transportation (with unlimited bottled water) for included touring
- Boat excursion to San Fruttuoso
- Entrance fee to San Fruttuoso Abbey
- Luggage portage
- Gratuities to hotel staff, local guide, drivers for included activities and excursions, porters and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving during the suggested times



Optional Post-Tour Venice

Experience the allure of Venice as you immerse yourself in the romantic charms of the *Floating City*. Uncover timeless cultural gems, encounter artisans and witness their craftsmanship, and savor traditional cuisine that defines the essence of this remarkable



Day 9: **VENICE** Arrive in Venice Santa Lucia and transfer to your hotel by private boat. In the afternoon, enjoy a guided sightseeing tour of Venice from the water. Cross the Grand Canal, the city's main "street," lined on either side by palaces, churches, hotels, and other public buildings in various architectural styles. Connecting waterways bustle with transport as automobiles are banned throughout much of the city. See iconic landmarks, including St. Mark's Square, Giudecca and San Giorgio Maggiore. Late afternoon and evening are at leisure.
Overnight: All'Angelo Art Hotel

Day 10: **VENICE** This morning enjoy a guided walk before meeting an artisan who creates amazing masks—a tradition dating back centuries, with its origins rooted in the city's vibrant Carnival celebrations. Venetian mask making evolved into a highly skilled craft, with artisans known as "maschereri" crafting exquisite masks using traditional techniques passed down through generations. The remainder of the day is at leisure.
Overnight: All'Angelo Art Hotel (B)

Day 11: **VENICE | MURANO | BURANO** After breakfast visit a squero, or boatyard, and learn the fascinating secrets of the art and science of traditional gondola construction. Hear about the techniques used by artisans for generations to build and repair gondolas. Next board a private motorboat to reach the island of Murano, which boasts a long tradition of glass-making dating back to the 13th century. Continue to Burano for a guided walking tour. Then, return to your hotel by private motorboat.
Overnight: All'Angelo Art Hotel (B,L)

Day 12: **VENICE | DEPART FOR U.S.** After breakfast guests departing during the suggested times take the complimentary transfer to the airport for flights home. (B)

What's Included

- Transfer by train (in business class) from Desenzano del Garda to Venice accompanied by your Orbridge Travel Director
- 3 nights at All'Angelo Art Hotel (or similar)
- 3 breakfasts and 1 lunch
- Guided touring accompanied by an art historian
- Private visits to an artisan-mask workshop, gondola boatyard and glass blowing factory
- Private water taxi transportation for canal and lagoon tours
- Luggage portorage
- Gratuities to hotel staff, local guide, drivers for included activities and excursions, porters and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfer for guests departing during the suggested times



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Cinque Terre Pre-Tour: September 2-6, 2025

Venice Post-Tour: September 13-16, 2025

Reserve by Credit Card:

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Poulsbo, WA 98370

GUEST INFORMATION:

Guest #1 Name (Title/Salutation): _____

Email: _____ Class Year: _____

Home Phone: _____ Alt. Phone: _____

Address: _____

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Guest #2 Name (Title/Salutation): _____

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CATEGORY SELECTION & DEPOSIT:

Category Preference: 1st choice _____ 2nd choice _____


_____ guests joining pre-tour (\$500/person) +

_____ guests joining program (\$850/person) +

_____ guests joining post-tour (\$500/person) = **TOTAL DEPOSIT: \$** _____

I/we have read, understand, and agree to the full Terms & Conditions at terms.orbridge.com; and I/we agree that Orbridge, LLC is authorized to charge my credit card above and/or take my/our deposit for this program.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

 Orbridge takes seriously the responsibility to minimize our global environmental impact. Each year we plant 100,000 trees in U.S. State Forests with afforestation needs as an ongoing initiative among our evolving sustainability efforts. Learn more at orbridge.com/going-green.

*Special group rate; limited offer. Airfare not included. Single availability limited. **A complement to the educational component of this journey, Expedition Libraries are curated collections of useful resources and background reading tailored to this program. Place your deposit on or before the specified date, and one Expedition Library per household will be sent after receipt of final payment. Libraries may be purchased; please call for details.

| Category | Standard Rate | Special Rate* |
|--|--------------------|---------------|
| Classic | \$5,899 | \$5,395 |
| Superior | \$6,499 | \$5,695 |
| Single (Studio) | \$5,599 | \$5,095 |
| Single (Classic) | \$5,899 | \$5,395 |
| — no single supplement: Single (Classic) — | | |
| Cinque Terre Pre-Tour* | | |
| Category | Standard Rate | Special Rate* |
| Double | \$2,799 | \$2,595 |
| Single | \$3,599 | \$3,395 |
| Venice Post-Tour* | | |
| Category | Standard Rate | Special Rate* |
| Double | \$2,499 | \$2,295 |
| Single | \$3,199 | \$2,995 |

Rates are per person based on double occupancy except where noted as Single, in U.S. dollars.



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