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DAY 1: FLIGHT / U.S. TO ZAGREB

Your pilgrimage begins today when you depart on your international flight to Zagreb. Rest assured, all necessary preparations for your journey have been made. Just sit back, relax, and enjoy your flight. Your spiritual journey awaits!

DAY 2: ZAGREB

Upon arrival, you will meet your Nativity tour guide and begin your tour in Kaptol Square. You will see the monumental Zagreb Cathedral, with its soaring twin spires. We will explore the Cathedral and the tomb of Blessed Aloysius Stepinac before heading into Zagreb's medieval Upper Town, lined with cobblestone streets and red-tile-roofed buildings. We will take a walk along Krvavi Most (The Bloody Bridge) to St. Mark's Church and the 17th-century Jesuit Church of St. Catherine. We will then celebrate Mass in one of the local churches before continuing to your hotel. Dinner and overnight in Zagreb.

DAY 3: ZAGREB / SINJ / SPLIT

After breakfast, we will depart for Sinj, where you will visit the Shrine of Our Lady of Sinj, one of Croatia's oldest spiritual centers and home to the eighteenth-century miraculous icon of the Virgin Mary. In 1715, the people of Cetina and the Franciscan monks prayed before a picture of Mary during a Turkish attack. Through much prayer, the Turkish army inexplicably fled after three hours. Since then, it has been a miraculous site for many Pilgrims. This afternoon, we will depart for Split. Dinner and overnight in Split.

DAY 4 - SPLIT / VEPICE / MEDJUGORJE

After breakfast, we will depart for the Little Lourdes Shrine in Veprice. The Shrine was founded in 1908 and is situated in a natural cave surrounded by hills, just as the Grotto of Massabielle is in Lourdes. This afternoon, we will reach Medjugorje. Upon arrival, you will have free time before celebrating Mass and checking into your hotel. Dinner and overnight in Medjugorje.

DAY 5: MEDJUGORJE

Today, your guide will arrange a meeting with one of the visionaries (subject to their schedule) to experience first-hand their unique experiences with Our Lady. Later, we will climb Krizevac Mountain, where villagers built a 30-foot cross on the anniversary of Jesus' Crucifixion in 1933. Your tour also includes a visit to the Sanctuary of our Lady Queen of Peace. We will celebrate Mass at a local Church before returning to your hotel. Dinner and overnight in Medjugorje.

DAY 6: MEDJUGORJE / DUBROVNIK

Following breakfast, we will travel to Dubrovnik. Upon arrival, we will enjoy a walking tour of the Old City beginning at St. Blasius Church, which is dedicated to the Patron Saint of Dubrovnik. This Baroque-styled church was constructed by Venetian architect Marino Gropelli in 1715 and was styled after the Venetian Church, St. Mauritius. Afterward, we will continue to the Gothic and Renaissance-styled Rector's Palace, home of the Museum of Dubrovnik's History Department. Next, you will stroll by the iconic Bell Tower Clock and Orlando's Column. To the left of this column, you will see Sponza Palace, one of the most important cultural institutions of Dubrovnik. Lastly, you will visit the Dominican and Franciscan monasteries, as well as the pharmacy, which served both the public and the monks. This afternoon, you will enjoy lunch on your own at one of the many small, family-owned restaurants along the narrow

streets of Dubrovnik. We will celebrate Mass at a local Church and continue to your hotel. Dinner and an overnight in Dubrovnik.

DAY 7: DUBROVNIK / SPLIT / ANCONA, ITALY

This morning, we will travel to Split, Croatia's second-largest city. After a tour, we will depart for Ancona, Italy, by overnight ferry. Dinner and overnight onboard the ferry.

DAY 8: ANCONA / ASSISI

When you arrive in Ancona, Italy, you will meet your local tour guide and drive to Assisi. Upon arrival, we will visit St. Mary of the Angels Basilica, the site of the Porziuncola, the tiny church in the woods where St. Francis began his ministry, and where St. Clare began her religious life. Next, we will celebrate Mass at the Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi and view the crucifix that told him, "Rebuild my Church." We will also visit the chapel where St. Francis spent most of his time, as well as the Church of St. Clare. The rest of the day is free. Dinner and overnight in Assisi.

DAY 9: ASSISI / SIENA / ROME

This morning, we head to Siena. Upon arrival, we will visit the city's Romanesque-Georgian cathedral, which was completed in 1380. The Sanctuary of St. Catherine of Siena houses the Miraculous Crucifix from which she received her stigmata. We walk the shell-shaped Piazza del Campo, where you will see the Palazzo Pubblico and the Torre Del Mangia, two of Siena's architectural treasures. Next, we will continue to view the incorrupt relics of St. Catherine of Siena at the Basilica of St. Dominic. Finally, we will continue to Rome for the evening. Dinner and overnight in Rome.

DAY 10: ROME

We begin our day at the Basilica of St. Mary Major, the largest church in Rome dedicated to the Blessed Mother, which contains a relic from the manger. From here, we will continue to the Scala Sancta, the stairs Christ climbed to stand before Pontius Pilate during his Passion. They were brought to Rome in the 4th century by St. Helena. Next, we will visit the Basilica of St. John Lateran. Once the residence for popes, Pope Innocent III permitted St. Francis to begin the Franciscan Order here. Next, we will visit the Church of St. Paul Outside the Walls, St. Paul, the Apostle is buried. It is Rome's second-largest Basilica and one of the five largest in the world. After lunch, we will drive along the Ancient Appian way to see the Church of Domine Quo Vadis, located on the spot where Saint Peter had a vision of the risen Christ while fleeing persecution in Rome. Christ gave him the courage to follow him to martyrdom, as foretold in the Gospels. Finally, we will explore the catacombs of St. Callixtus, which are among the most significant in Rome. We will then return to your hotel. Dinner and overnight in Rome.

DAY 11: ROME: VATICAN CITY

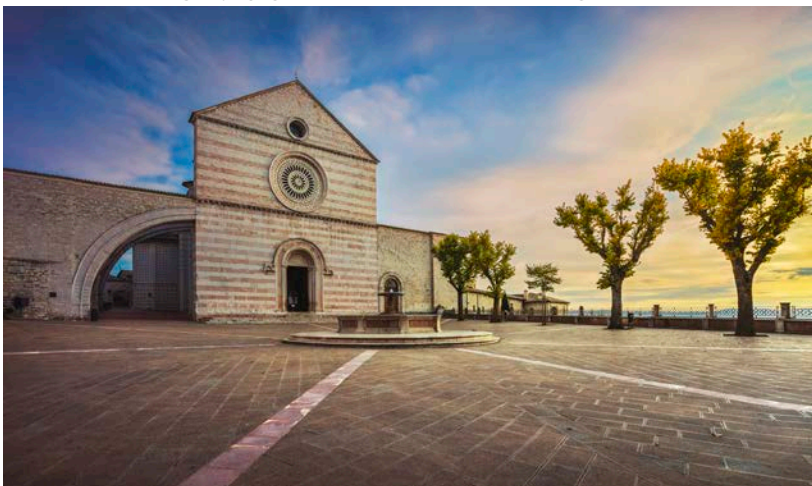
This morning, we begin by attending a papal audience with His Holiness Pope Francis. After the audience, we will visit the Vatican Museums to see centuries of beautiful artwork and artifacts. We will explore the magnificent St. Peter's Basilica, where we will see Michelangelo's "Pieta," the world-famous Sistine Chapel, and the Tomb of St. John Paul II. Afterward, we will continue our tour of ancient Rome and visit the Colosseum. Dinner and overnight in Rome.

DAY 12: RETURN HOME

We will transfer to the airport this morning to catch our return flight home, taking with us the memories and experiences of a lifetime.



ST. JOHN LATERAN - ROME



BASILICA OF ST. CLARE - ASSISI



CHURCH OF ST. JAMES - MEDJUGORJE



SIENA CATHEDRAL

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Round-trip airfare
- All airport taxes and fuel surcharges
- First-class hotels
- Price based on double occupancy
- Land transportation as per itinerary
- Daily breakfast and dinner
- Sightseeing/admissions fees as per itinerary
- Professional local guides
- Medical protection plan

NOT INCLUDED

- Trip cancellation insurance (strongly recommended)
- Nativity Pilgrimage offers a comprehensive policy at an additional cost
- Passport & visa costs
- Tips for the tour manager, guide, and driver
- Personal items/expenses
- Meals not specified in the program
- Items not specifically mentioned above

REGISTER / PAYMENTS

- A non-refundable, non-transferable deposit of \$300.00 is due at registration, along with your registration form and passport copy.
- The names on the registration form and passport must match exactly, and passports must be current 6 months after the return date.
- We are not responsible for Visa procurement.
- Full payment is due 07/26/24.



TERMS & CONDITIONS

Your Package Includes

Air Transportation: Economy class and round-trip airfares are based on the time of the reservation. Rates and times are subject to change without notice. Airfares, once issued, are non-refundable, non-transferable, and cannot be used towards future travel.

Land Transportation: All land transportation as described in the itinerary will be by Deluxe Motor Coach. Some may be equipped with Wi-Fi service.

Hotels: Your hotels will be first-class with double occupancy (2 people per room with a private bath). Neither Nativity Pilgrimage nor the trip coordinator are responsible for providing a roommate.

Single Room: There is an additional cost per person as specified on the registration form. Single rooms are limited and will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

Meal Plan: The meal plan offers two (2) meals per day: Breakfast & Dinner.

Baggage: Nativity Pilgrimage limits all passengers to one (1) piece of checked luggage and one (1) carry-on. All passengers should check with the airlines carriers for up to date baggage weight and dimensions.

Airport Fees: Airport Taxes, portorage, fuel surcharges and security fees.

Medical Protection Plan is provided during the trip.

Your Package Does Not Include

Cancellation Protection Plan: We highly recommend purchasing travel insurance upon registration.

Passport Expenses: Passports or any additional documents that may be required. Passports must be valid 6 months after your return date.

Personal Items: Laundry, other beverages (wines, liquors, mineral water, tea, coffee, etc.) and food that are not on the menus of your included meal package, and any additional luggage.

Non-itinerary fees: Any sightseeing fees, other services, or personal items that are not specifically mentioned as being included in your itinerary.

Lunch: You are responsible for lunch or any other meals not specified in your itinerary.

Tips for your tour guide & driver: The recommended amounts of tips per person are \$7.00 – \$9.00 per day for guides, \$5.00 – \$7.00 per day for drivers, \$1.00 – \$2.00 per day for hotels, and \$1.00 – \$2.00 per day for restaurants.

General Travel Information

Group Air: Group air differs from individually purchased airline tickets in that it is subject to the terms and conditions of the airlines. For this reason, we need to receive your registration and full payment by the payment deadline. After that date, registrations may be subject to a different rate, ticketing method, or airline. Additional fees and charges may apply. Group air flights are confirmed 60 - 90 days prior to departure.

Departure Cities: If your departure city is not listed on the brochure, indicate which airport you would like to depart from on the registration form. We will provide you with the best possible price and flight schedule in order to connect with the group. Additional fees and charges may apply.

Land-Only Option: If you would like to book your own air travel, indicate on your registration form that you want the "Land Only" option. By booking your own air, you may select your seat, airline, and travel schedule, use airline miles/points, provide airline reward program information, and make any special requests directly with the airline. No changes can be made after the final payment deadline. Land-only services begin and end at the hotels unless you are able to meet the group at the airport. Land-only travelers are responsible for their own airport transfers.

Important Nativity Pilgrimage Policies

The airline selects seat assignments for group air. We do not. Seat upgrades are available for registered travelers, by request. Quoted rates for an upgrade are subject to change until payment is received. Some upgrades are not available until the group tickets are issued.

Seat Upgrades: Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives an upgrade request, we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee the acceptance of this request, as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily).

Seat Location Requests: Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives a seat location request, we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee acceptance of this request, as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily).

Other Special Requests: Once Nativity Pilgrimage receives a special request, such as a wheelchair, food, etc., we will contact the airlines to finalize your request. We cannot guarantee acceptance of this request as it is subject to availability and pricing (which changes daily).

Booking Conditions

Deposit: A non-refundable deposit of \$300.00 per person is required at the time of booking. No reservation will be processed without a deposit.

Payment Deadline: Full payment is due 100 days before departure on 07/26/24. Registrations received after the deadline require an additional \$100 (subject to availability). If payment is not made in full 50 days prior to departure, your payments are non-refundable.

You may use any major credit card to pay your deposit online. There is an additional 3% fee for each credit card transaction. We also accept checks, money orders, Zelle payments, and ACH transactions.

Late Payment Policy

Customers will receive late fees if they are not paid in full:

100 days - 61 days prior to departure.....\$150

60 days - 30 days prior to departure.....\$300

30 days - day before departure.....Subject to cancellation

Customers are also responsible for any difference in fare due to late payment (subject to availability). Refusal to pay will be considered a cancellation.

Cancellation/Refund Policy

We hope that nothing will prevent you from taking your pilgrimage with Nativity Pilgrimage. However, should you need to cancel your trip, your cancellation must be in writing via email or letter. It will be effective on the date of receipt. The following cancellation fees will apply:

<u>Days Prior to Departure</u>	<u>Charge</u>
100 + Days	Lose Deposit
99-50 Days	50% of trip cost
49 Days	100% of trip cost

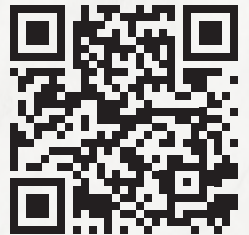
Insurance premiums are non-refundable. We highly recommend purchasing travel insurance to avoid these cancellation fees.

Protect Your Trip



Follow the link or scan the QR code to view our Travel Protection Plan details.

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Responsibility

Nativity Pilgrimage, Inc. and their agents assume no liability or responsibility in regards to travel in any form for any injuries or loss of property, accidents, delays, changes in schedule or itinerary, incidental damages or any irregular circumstances. This would include, but not be limited to, default or omission by any third party providing services or facilities related to and/or included in the tour or any part thereof. The IATA carriers, steamship firms, and other transportation companies whose services are featured in these tours, are not to be held responsible or accountable for any act, omission, or event during the time the passengers are not on board their respective conveyance. The passage contract in use by these companies, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the companies, the purchaser of these tours and/or passengers, and Nativity Pilgrimage Inc. does not assume any liability or responsibility in connection therewith. They are not responsible for any losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air or other services, sickness, weather, strike, war, guarantees, or other causes. All such losses or expenses shall be borne by the passenger as tour rates provide for arrangements only for the time stated. The right is reserved to substitute hotels of similar quality to those specified in the itinerary. Nativity Pilgrimage reserves the right to cancel any tour prior to departure. Refund details vary upon each trip. No refund will be made for any used portion of the tour unless arrangements are made prior to departure from the United States. Prices and itineraries are subject to change without notice if booking conditions are not complied with.