



Lake Como & Piedmont, with cycling

The flavors of Piedmont & the beauty of Lake Como on an active wine, food, and cultural tour.

May 21 - 28, 2025

Experience the flavors of Piedmont and the allure of Lake Como on an active tour blending wine, food, and culture, featuring cycling as part of the adventure. Spend 3 days exploring the lake from the charming town of Tremezzo, with stunning views of Bellagio. Then, embark on a journey through Piedmont's rich culinary heritage, known for its exquisite wines and delectable cuisine. Cycle through ancient villages and vineyard-covered hills, enjoying the warm hospitality of the locals. Whether savoring Barolo or Barbaresco, sipping espresso, or pedaling through scenic landscapes, this active tour offers a delightful mix of flavors and experiences. Guests have the option to ride an E-bike on this tour.

Tour Overview

- 8 days, 7 nights,
- 3 nights at Hotel La Darsena, in Tremezzo
- 4 nights at the Hotel Barolo, in the center of the Barolo wine region
- Arrival/departure: Milan Malpensa (MXP)

Rate

- **\$3,700 per person** (double occupancy): 7 rooms available

Includes



- 3 nights at Hotel La Darsena, in Tremezzo on Lake Como. Breakfast included.
- 4 nights at Hotel Barolo, in the center of the Barolo wine region. Breakfast included.
- Transportation with private bus as per itinerary and timing below, including bus permits, and parking and airport transfers from/to Milan Malpensa.
- Private boat on Lake Como for 1 day
- Full-time tour manager for 7 days.
- 3-hour local guide on Lake Como
- Entrance tickets to the gardens of Villa Melzi
- Wine tasting and dinner in a winery located on the slopes of Lake Como (Merlot wine)
- 1 Barbera d'Asti wine tasting paired with home cooked farmer's lunch
- E-bike rental for 3 days with helmet
- 1 Barolo winery paired with light lunch (salami, cheese)

Does not include

- Airfare
- Additional wine, on top of the wines presented on the table during meals and wine tastings
- Any other meal, tasting, entrance fee, transfer, personal expense, tips and anything else not mentioned above in the field "Includes".

Program



DAY 1- WED MAY 21, 2025 ARRIVAL DAY

Meals included: dinner. Accommodation: Lake Como

The group gathers at Milan Malpensa airport, arrival level, door #8. Meet the tour manager and board the bus

2:00 PM Transfer to the village of Tremezzo on Lake Como

3:30 PM Check-in at Hotel La Darsena. Free afternoon

7:30 PM Dinner included at the hotel's restaurant, in the dining room overlooking the lake (3 courses, water and wine)

DAY 2- THU MAY 22, 2025 BELLAGIO AND VARENNA

Meals included: breakfast. Accommodation: Lake Como

Breakfast

10:00 AM Board a private boat with a local guide.

Enjoy a scenic ride around the bay of Lenno and spot private villas, gardens and small villages built along the shores of Lake Como

10:45 AM Dock near Bellagio and walk through the gardens of Villa Melzi (tickets included)

12:30 PM Free time and lunch on your own in Bellagio

3:30 PM Continue by private boat to the Eastern shore of the lake, to the village of Varenna. Optional walk with your tour manager to the upper level of town, or enjoy free time.

5:30 PM Boat transfer back to the hotel

Dinner on your own in Tremezzo. We will have restaurant recommendations.

DAY 3 - FRI MAY 23, 2025 WINERY ON LAKE COMO

Meals included: breakfast, dinner. Accommodation: Lake Como



Breakfast

Day at leisure to enjoy Lake Como at your own leisure.

We suggest walking to the nearby Villa Carlotta for a self-guided tour of the interior rooms, or taking the public ferry to Menaggio or Lenno, two small, charming villages set along the water.

The most active guests can decide to follow the tour manager on a hike on the mountain slopes overlooking Lake Como.

5:00 PM Meet at the hotel and drive about 40' to a small, family-owned winery set on the higher slopes of the northern branch of Lake Como with views spanning from the Swiss border to Bellagio.

6:00 PM Dinner paired with wine tasting

8:30 PM Drive back to the hotel

DAY 4 - SAT MAY 24, 2025 BARBERA WINE REGION

Meals included: breakfast, lunch. Accommodation: Barolo

Breakfast and check-out

10:00 AM Depart for Piedmont: the first winery is set in the province of Asti where Barbera d'Asti wine is produced

12:30 PM Visit **Erede di Chiappone** winery and enjoy a home cooked traditional farmer's brunch with salami, cheese, vegetable appetizers, a pasta course and dessert, prepared by the mom of the family. The food is paired with 5 outstanding local wines including the DOCG appellation "Nizza" which is Barbera wine aged in oak

3:00 PM Drive to Barolo (45 min.)

3:45 PM Check-in at Hotel Barolo

5:00 PM Discover the village of Barolo on foot with your tour manager, leading an informal stroll. Dinner on your own in Barolo. We will have restaurant recommendations.



DAY 5 - SUN MAY 25, 2025 BIKING IN THE BAROLO WINE REGION

Meals included: breakfast and wine tasting/light lunch. Accommodation: Barolo

Breakfast

9:00 AM Get familiar with your bike, delivered to the hotel

- Guided biking trip across the Barolo Wine Region
- Average length 35-40 km (22-25 mi) per day on hills. Paved and gravel roads

11:30 AM Visit a Barolo winery and partake in a picnic in the shade of the vineyard

2:00 PM Continue biking and return to Barolo. E-bikes can be charged at the hotel

4:00 PM Free time. Hotel outdoor pool available

Dinner on your own in Barolo. We will have restaurant recommendations.

DAY 6 - MON MAY 26, 2025 BIKING ON THE LANGHE HILLS

Meals included: breakfast. Accommodation: Barolo

Breakfast

Biking day in the Alta Langa hills

10:00 AM The tour manager will suggest spots to stop for lunch on your own
Average length 35-40 km (22-25 mi) per day through hills. Paved and gravel roads.

4:00 PM Free time. Hotel's outdoor pool available

Dinner on your own in Barolo. We will have restaurant recommendations.

DAY 7 - TUE MAY 27, 2025 BIKING TO ALBA

Meals included: breakfast and dinner. Accommodation: Barolo



Breakfast

- 10:00 AM Biking day through Grinzane Castle, Diano d'Alba and Alba
Average length 35-40 km (22-25 mi) per day on hills. Paved and gravel roads
- 4:00 PM Free time. Hotel's outdoor pool available
- 7:00 PM Farewell dinner included at the hotel's restaurant

DAY 8 - WED MAY 28, 2025 ARRIVEDERCI

Meals included: breakfast

Breakfast and check-out

Group transfer to Milan Malpensa airport