

**EXPERIENCES IN VENICE
AND THE LAGOON**



WELCOME TO VENICE

Set among gardens on leafy Giudecca Island, with views across to St Mark's Square, Belmond Hotel Cipriani is a haven of calm just moments from the bustling city. Jump aboard our private launch to immerse yourself in La Serenissima's treasures, or embark on a cruise to legendary Murano and Burano. Our exciting programme of activities allows you to explore in surprising ways. Harvest clams, kayak through the city's enchanting canals or gain entry into secret gardens. We also offer an amazing programme for children. Simply ask Reception or the Concierge for more details.

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Within our walls



ARTLANTIS

Take a dip in our famous swimming pool and you will discover a visual treat. In honour of the Venice Biennale of Art, celebrated local photographer Marco Rizzo has created an 'underwater city' on the bottom of the pool, which gives guests the sensation of swimming into a masterpiece.



Available throughout 2017. Goggles are provided so you can enjoy the art show to the full.



BIODYNAMIC GARDEN

The walled garden bordering Belmond Hotel Cipriani's Casanova Gardens is a triumph of biodiversity, boasting more than 300 plant species, a wide variety of vegetable crops (over 30 different types of tomato, for example), heritage fruit trees and wild herbs. This enchanted Eden, founded by gardener Michele Savorgnano, supplies our Michelin-starred Oro Restaurant with daily salad leaves, edible flowers and herbs, all cultivated using totally natural, organic techniques.

Belmond Hotel Cipriani has now established an Urban Farm, adjacent to Savorgnano's garden, where you can admire our own vegetable beds and chat to Chef Davide Bisetto as he gathers fresh produce for his menus.



Children may also enjoy the garden as part of the Kids' Club, sowing seeds and learning about the natural world.



Timeless Venice



CLASSIC ITINERARIES AND TOURS

Belmond Hotel Cipriani has devised this series of tours to take guests to the most important and fascinating sites in Venice. Each is guided by art and history experts with outstanding knowledge of the city's monuments, palaces and collections.

Recommended itineraries:

- San Marco and Rialto**
 Discover the sumptuous treasures of St Mark's Square: the Doge's Palace and the Basilica. The tour begins with a short introduction to the history of Venice. Roughly an hour is spent in each monument and is followed by a walk to the Rialto.
- Castello**
 Unearth one of the city's most authentic districts. A naval museum, boat ramps and the Venetian Arsenal sit cheek-by-jowl with beautiful churches such as St Zaccaria's, St John and Paul's Basilica and the school of San Giorgio degli Schiavoni. You will be able to choose where you want to go shortly before leaving the hotel.
- Dorsoduro and San Polo**
 For art lovers fond of works from the 15th century onwards, this tour takes you into an artistic enclave abounding in galleries. Gallerie dell'Accademia, Ca' Rezzonico, Palazzo Grassi and Punta della Dogana are some of the unmissable highlights.
- Cannaregio**
 Largely untouched by visitors, this area near the train station, around 20 minutes by water taxi from the hotel, offers a wealth of monuments and fascinating spots, including the oldest ghetto in Europe, the Church of Madonna dell'Orto and the ornate Cà d'Oro palace.



The above walking tours all take around 3 hours. Private water taxis can be hired on request. We recommend booking 10 days in advance.



NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM

When all other museums have closed, the Querini Stampalia opens its doors exclusively to Belmond guests. One of the best preserved house-museums in the world, it is approached through a stunning Zen-style garden designed by acclaimed architect Carlo Scarpa. Inside you discover a wealth of rich furnishings, tapestries, Sèvres porcelain, marble busts and magnificent paintings. A further highlight is the 700-year-old library containing more than 40,000 books, which Count Stampalia insisted should always be available to the public.



Guided tours can be arranged daily from 7pm to midnight.

BACARO TOUR

Immerse yourself in the most authentic of Venetian traditions on this engaging walk led by an English-speaking guide. The bacaro is a social watering hole where locals go for a refreshing ombra (drink), a cichetto (typical Venetian snack) and a bit of gossip. Venetians gather in the small, typical trattoria furnished with wooden tables and benches to exchange news and laugh with the owners, who are often as much of a draw as the bacari themselves. Your guide will lead you to a number of lively bacari renowned either for their culinary offerings or the charisma of the host.



Tours depart from Belmond Hotel Cipriani at around 7pm and return 3-4 hours later.





KAYAK TOUR

Discover how Venice looks even more beautiful from the water on a wonderful half- or full-day paddle through its quieter canals, or venture out to the islands of Murano, Burano and Torcello. For less experienced canoeists the tranquil stretch of water right next to the hotel offers the perfect place to practise. From June, the hotel will have its own kayaks available for 2- to 3-hour personalised tours around Giudecca Island, which are ideal for beginners. Magical sunset excursions are also available.

Suitable for all ages. Guests should bring their own sports clothes and shoes, as well as a change of clothes, hat, sunscreen and sunglasses. Kayaks, paddles, spray covers, life vest, paddling jackets and dry-bags for your change of clothes are all supplied. Maps and insurance are included.



For tours to Murano, Burano and Torcello, Belmond Hotel Cipriani arranges a private taxi to Certosa Island, start of the excursion.



VENICE AS A MOVIE DREAM

Explore famous film locations on a cinematic journey through the decades. Beginning in Piazza San Marco you can admire the backdrop used in Orson Welles' 1952 *Othello* as well as settings for two James Bond movies, *From Russia with Love* and *Moonraker*. Admire Caffè Florian, which played a starring role in 1955's *Summertime*, starring Katherine Hepburn, and 1999's *The Talented Mr Ripley* with Matt Damon.

Continuing towards Campo Santa Maria del Giglio you discover the place where Woody Allen follows Julia Roberts in bittersweet musical comedy, *Everyone Says I Love You*. Enter La Fenice Theatre to recall the unforgettable opening scene of Luchino Visconti's 1954 *Senso*.

The fascinating tour may continue with glimpses of backdrops from *The Merchant of Venice* starring Al Pacino and Jeremy Irons, *Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade*, *The Italian Job* and *Casino Royale*. Discover the tiny church used in 1973's *Don't Look Now*, the Daphne du Maurier thriller that evoked a chilling, mysterious Venice.

These and many more locations will delight lovers of cinema and have you reaching for the DVD the moment you arrive home.



Expertly guided movie tours can be customised to your interests and requests and last around 4-6 hours.



FEASTS FOR THE SENSES

Awaken all your senses on our exclusive tour including places normally off-limits to visitors. Smell, hear, taste, touch and see a completely different side of the city.

- **Smell: the perfume shop**

Meet your friendly guide in St Mark's Square and enter Arco del Paradiso-Francesco Molon, a family-owned perfumery in Calle Paradiso. Breathe in the aromas of pure essential oils and luscious fragrances, meet a master perfumer and even blend your own bespoke scent.

- **Hear: the violin man**

Continue to Corte Bottera where you have privileged access to a private medieval courtyard, home to Riccardo Guaraldi, a maker and restorer of violins. Listen to stories about his interesting work before hearing him demonstrate one of his superb instruments.

- **Taste: the chocolate experience**

Take an indulgent break at famous chocolaterie VizioVirtù (Vices and Virtues) in San Polo. Modern recipes are combined with age-old ingredients, such as exotic spices, nuts and dried fruits, to create mouth-watering confections. Learn about the art of making chocolate from cocoa beans and sample some of the melt-in-the-mouth specialities.

- **Touch and see: treasures of a Venetian palace**

Your sensory journey culminates in a visit to Palazzo Ca' Bernardo, a glorious Venetian palace usually closed to the public. Designed for the Bernardo family in the 16th century, the elegant interiors boast silk and damask furnishings, hand-blown Murano lamps and myriad objets d'art from around the world—all waiting to be gently touched. Relax on a divan and watch the gondolas go by on the Grand Canal, or stroll in the verdant 19th-century garden.



Tours are available for 2-8 people and last 4 hours.
Addresses may be subject to change.



HIDDEN STORES WITH A VENETIAN WRITER

Join the editor of My Pretty Venice, Elisabeth Rainer, to delve deeper into the city's artisanal side. Visit artists' workshops, boutiques and museums that elude the regular tourist trail. Immerse yourself in one-of-a-kind bookstores, breathe deep in spice shops, discover an island where monks make rose jam by hand, or watch incredibly dextrous women manipulating tiny glass beads into exquisite works of art.



The tours are curated by Elisabeth on an ad hoc basis according to guests' interests and vary from 4 to 5 hours in length.





PHOTOGRAPHY WITH ITALIAN EXPERTS

See the city through different eyes with the help of a leading photographer. In collaboration with the Casa dei Tre Oci, a renowned centre of photography and art set in the former home of famous painter Mario De Maria, Belmond Hotel Cipriani has created a series of photography itineraries. These range from after-dark 2-hour tours to half-day tours capturing colourful markets, eclectic shops, the timeless beauty of the lagoon or Canaletto's views.

Day tours also include the chance to gain exclusive entry to the magnificent archives of Italian Neorealism, the Circolo Fotografico La Gondola. The Circolo was founded in Venice in 1948 and, historically, is the most important photography club in Italy. Slip on a pair of gloves to enter the vault, where you can handle precious images that have made Italian and world history.



Tours can be structured for both beginners and professionals using a professional camera or iPhone. They last a minimum of 2 hours and are available for up to four people. Belmond Hotel Cipriani can provide tripods. Night tours begin at 6.30pm. Day tours are from 10am-6.30pm. From September to October, photographers can accompany guests on weekly tours of the Ghetto, the Arsenal or San Giacomo dall'Orto.



Islands of the
Lagoon



BOAT TOUR OF MURANO, BURANO AND TORCELLO

Hop aboard the hotel's luxury private boat, Shirley, for an enchanting tour of the islands in which art, craftsmanship, culture, tradition and fine food are irresistibly blended.

Begin by sailing through the Grand Canal and other Venetian waterways to admire some of the city's most magnificent buildings. After 20 minutes you arrive at Murano, the most well-known island in the lagoon, and alight for a fascinating tour. Continue to picturesque Burano, famous for its brightly coloured fishermen's houses, and then to Torcello, the first lagoon island to be inhabited. The journey home can incorporate the islands of San Francesco del Deserto and Sant'Erasmus if desired. Or you can opt to visit just Murano on a private water taxi.

- **Murano**

Not just one island, but nine, with a broad canal going through the middle, Murano is the home of traditional blown glass with many generations of inhabitants being involved in the industry.

Tour a factory and watch the expert glaziers blowing glass just as their forefathers did 500 years ago. You can also visit the Basilica dei Santi Maria e Donato at the centre of the island to admire exemplary Venetian-Byzantine architecture, including decorative floor mosaics dating from 1140.

- **Burano**

Once famous for its delicate and ornate lace, Burano is distinguished by its colourful fishermen's cottages—blues, reds, yellows and purples all stunningly reflected in the water. Stroll along inviting streets where front doors are often left open and elderly ladies sit outside with their sewing. You can still buy decorative lace and linen, and make sure to sample the famous island pastries, buranei.

- **Torcello**

First inhabited in 400 AD, this was where the earliest Venetians settled. The former trading centre is now home to just 14 inhabitants, who mainly fish and farm. During the island's heyday remarkable buildings were constructed, such as the gothic Palazzo del Consiglio, once the seat of government on the island, and the Palazzo dell'Archivio, where Roman, Byzantine and medieval archaeological finds can be unearthed. Majestic Torcello Cathedral, visible for miles around, is the oldest monument in Venice and renowned for its glittering marble mosaics, including a magnificent work of art entitled Judgement Day.



The full tour of three islands takes 4-5 hours but excursions can be tailored to include different islands. If the hotel's private boat, Shirley, is not available, a luxury water taxi can be hired.



SMALLER ISLANDS

When you have discovered the big three, why not visit some of the intriguing smaller islands in the lagoon?

San Michele, located between Venice and Murano, has been the home of the city's cemetery since 1807. Far from being quiet, it bustles with visitors seeking out the graves of luminaries such as Igor Stravinsky, Ezra Pound, Sergei Diaghilev and Luigi Nono. It also houses seven World War I graves of officers and seamen of the British Royal Navy. Standing guard over them all is the beautiful San Michele in Isola, considered the first Renaissance church in Venice.

San Francesco del Deserto is another fascinating island close to Burano, where Francis of Assisi stopped in 1220 on his return from the East and stayed a while to pray and meditate in peace. After his death, a convent was built but abandoned in the 15th century as the swampy environment, which encouraged diseases such as malaria, was considered inhospitable. Today, however, there are no such problems and the peaceful retreat, encircled by sandbanks, cypresses and pines, is once again home to a thriving community of Franciscan monks.



A professional guide can accompany you on your tour to bring the islands' history to life.

ARMENIAN ISLAND

The tranquil lagoon island of San Lazzaro is home to an unusual attraction: an Armenian monastery. Built in 1717 and presented to the monk Mekhitar, the monastery is dedicated to the promotion of Armenian culture and spirituality. Its incredible treasures range from 150,000 books and 5,000 rare manuscripts to paintings of Armenian dignitaries and an Egyptian mummy. Visitors may also spot a plaque honouring Lord Byron: the young poet was a frequent visitor to the island in 1816 when he was attempting to learn the Armenian language. In the delightful gardens, hundreds of Damask roses are cultivated, their petals used to make a wonderful, jewel-like jam.



Ask the Concierge to arrange a private visit to San Lazzaro. After a 20-minute boat journey, you will be greeted by a friendly, multilingual monk and escorted on an afternoon tour.

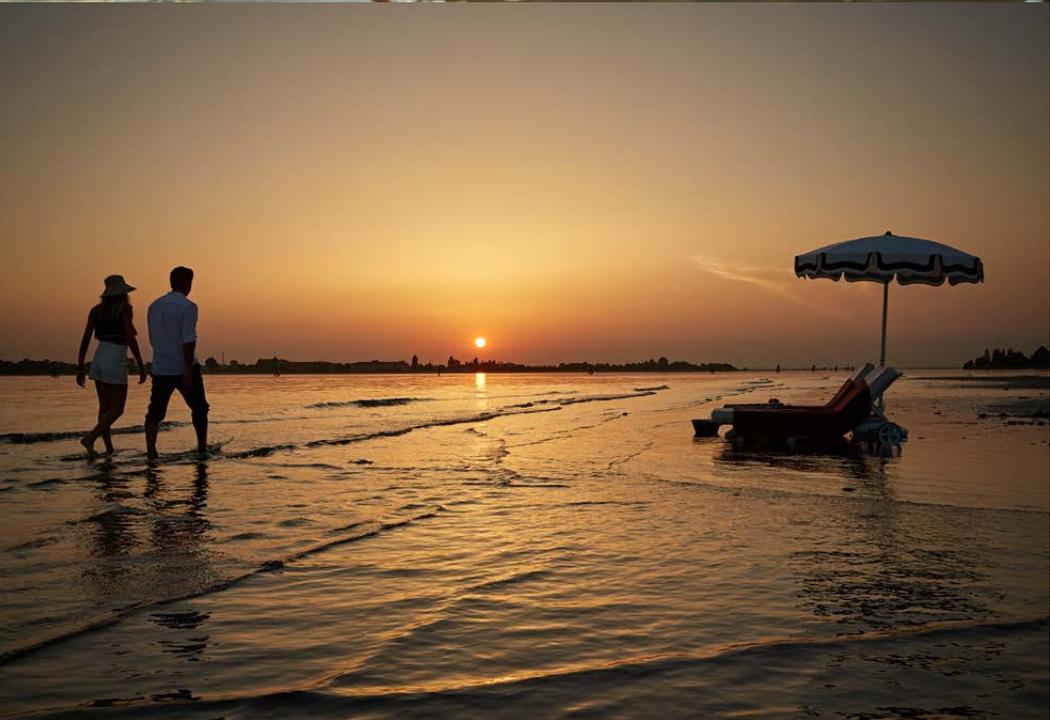


SECLUDED ISLANDS

Discover a side of Venice treasured by locals on a cruise to a secluded island. Your boat is no ordinary vessel: it is Edipo Re, once owned by film director Pier Paolo Pasolini, who used it to gather with fellow artists and intellectuals, glean inspiration for his projects and romance his lover, opera singer Maria Callas. Climb aboard to venture into the lagoon's lesser-known waters, learn about its unspoilt islands and sample local specialities. Or sail into the open sea to fish, snorkel and swim. Perhaps join a fisherman on the tidal sands to learn the art of harvesting caparossoli (a variety of clam) before opening a bottle of sparkling wine and sitting down to absorb the view, the water gently lapping over your feet.



Tours can be personalised to your tastes. Just ask the concierge to organise your ideal itinerary.





ISLAND VINEYARDS

A number of enterprising wine lovers have brought the lagoon's ancient vineyards back to life. On this vinous tour, departing by private boat from the hotel, you visit three extraordinary lagoon wineries and meet their pioneering owners.

The first island is San Michele in Isola, where members of the 'Lagoon in a Glass Association' have painstakingly restored the monastery's ancient vines. Nestling in the cloisters, the plants yield Dorana and Malvasia grapes, which are hand-harvested and pressed under foot in time-honoured tradition. No chemicals or additives are used to create the wine, which is not sold, but shared among members and privileged guests. Before leaving, you will enjoy a sampling of the precious white, In Vino Veritas, and the rich red, Zitelte Fertili.

The second stop is Sant'Erasmus, where Frenchman Michel Thoulouze, former CEO of Tele+ and creator of Canal Plus, has been planting vines since 2000. He discovered, from a historic map, that the island was once home to "The Nobleman's Vineyard" and felt sure vines could flourish here again. Michel welcomes you in his fire-engine-red Ape car to take you on a tour of his vineyard, which is cultivated naturally without the use of fertilisers or chemicals. Blending three grapes, Vermentino, Fiano di Avellino and Malvasia Istriana, he creates his signature Orto (meaning "garden"), a refreshing white wine that particularly complements the specialities of the lagoon: fish, asparagus, artichokes. Sample the wine alongside some tasty tidbits before moving on to the final stop.

Matteo Bisol welcomes you to his tranquil estate, Venissa, on the island of Mazzorbo. One of the last remaining examples of a walled vineyard, Venissa's heritage dates from the Middle Ages. Overseeing the viticulture is the soaring Church of St Michael the Archangel bell tower. After showing you around, Matteo will give you a tasting of his sought-after, limited production Venissa 2011. You will then proceed to the island's Vinoteca Via della Vigna for a light lunch of local dishes, including vegetables from the farm and fish caught by Burano fishermen.

On your return to Belmond Hotel Cipriani you may be delighted to discover both Orto and Venissa on our restaurant wine lists—the chance to continue your Venetian wine appreciation!



Tours depart at approx 10.30am and last 4 hours.
Suitable for up to 8 people. Can be enjoyed with or without a tour guide.



Beyond the
Lagoon



COLLIO WINE TASTING TOUR

The lush, undulating region of Collio, in Friuli, is renowned for its winemaking. A stone's throw from Venice, it is also a favourite vacation spot for Venetians. Explore the culture, colours and tastes of this evocative region in a chauffeured minivan or on the back of a yellow Vespa, meet some of the top wine producers and learn the secrets behind their exceptional wines.

Locations may include:

- Marco Felluga Winery**
 This family-run vineyard is spread across four different villages in the Collio DOC: Farra, San Floriano, Oslavia and Cormons. Its refined, elegant and complex wines include Pinot Grigio Mongris Riserva Marco Felluga and Sauvignon Riserva Russiz Superiore.
- Castelvecchio**
 Stretching above the town of Sagrado, this lush estate dotted with cypresses and ancient oaks affords sweeping views across the entire Friuli-Venezia Giulia region, from the Alps to the sea. It produces prestigious whites, reds, sparkling and dessert wines.
- Gravner Il Filosofo**
 Josko Gravner is famous for adopting large clay amphorae to ferment his wines, just as winemakers did up to the year 1000. His whites are dense, flavourful, darker in colour than most and tannic, and generally pronounced superb.
- Ristorante La Subida**
 Stop for a relaxing break at this boutique hotel in the hills. Enjoy lunch in the Michelin-starred restaurant, where Chef Alessandro Gavagna combines Friulian, Slovenian and Mediterranean flavours to dazzling effect.
- Castello di Spessa**
 This elegant landmark, atop a gentle hill and enveloped in a lush garden, is now a luxurious resort with an 18-hole golf club, a wine farm, wine store and hotel. Its gourmet restaurant, La Tavernetta, makes a delightful lunch venue.



The tour begins at 10am in Piazzale Roma. It generally includes two winery visits, with tastings, lunch in an exceptional venue and the chance to hire a yellow Vespa and explore the hills. Return to Venice at 6.30pm.



PADUA

Enjoy a fascinating trip to Padua, around 35km from Venice. Visit St Anthony's Basilica, a vast Romanesque-Gothic church with eight Byzantine domes and belfries; Padua University, one of the oldest seats of learning in the world, where the first-ever woman graduated, and the Scrovegni Chapel, home to the most complete cycle of preserved Giotto frescoes. Or stroll around the elegant Prato della Valle, a former Roman theatre which is now an elliptical green island encircled by a canal and 78 splendid statues.



Ask the Concierge for directions, tips and restaurant recommendations and to arrange car hire or transfers.

PALLADIAN VILLAS

Immerse yourself in the world of noble Venetian families by visiting two sumptuous villas on the lush Riviera Brenta. Villa Foscari Malcontenta, designed by Andrea Palladio for Niccolo and Luigi Foscari, features Greek temple-style columns on the façade and Zelotti frescoes within. Monumental Villa Pisani is grand enough to be compared to Versailles. Many of its 114 rooms are furnished with original antiques and lavishly decorated with statues, stucco and frescoes, as well as magnificent paintings by Tiepolo.



To visit the two villas takes around 3-4 hours. The Concierge can recommend other fascinating attractions nearby to extend the itinerary.

VICENZA

The Veneto's fourth-largest city is a celebration of Palladio's genius. A UNESCO World Heritage site, it is home to many of his extraordinary buildings, from the Basilica and Loggia del Capitanato in lively Palazzo della Regione to the splendid Olympic Theatre, commissioned in 1585 by the Accademia Olimpica of Vicenza. The beautiful city is also worth exploring for its vibrant markets, restaurants and art shows.



Vicenza is located approximately 71km from Venice, a 53-minute drive. The Concierge can give you directions or arrange a self-drive or chauffeured car.



Children's activities



CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Venice is not just magical for adults: children can have the greatest adventures here too. Our tailor-made tours and activities plunge youngsters into all aspects of Venetian culture, from gondolas and masquerade masks to wild lagoon islands.

Parents can entrust their children to our experienced staff, or join in with the fun. Tours can be conducted in a range of languages, including Italian, English, French, German and Spanish. Each of the activities will be captured in a unique photo-story that can be emailed to you afterwards on request.

VENETIAN TREASURE HUNT

Super sleuths gather in St Mark's Square to receive a welcome kit including a map, paper and pencil and their itinerary. Solving the clues, they cross the Rialto Bridge, proceed to the market and engage with locals to help find the answers. A gondola ferry whisks the investigative party across the Grand Canal to Ca' D'Oro and at the finish, back in St Mark's Square, the detectives receive their rewards.



Different routes are available, with options including the Cannaregio and Castello areas. A 3-hour hunt is available morning or afternoon and suitable for ages 6-12.

VENETIAN MASK-MAKING

Embrace the spirit of carnival with this mask-making workshop in a specialist atelier. As children learn how to paint and embellish a hand-made masquerade mask, they will be regaled with stories of the carnival, its secrets, curiosities and mysteries.

At the end they bring their masterpiece away with them.



The 3-hour activity is suitable for ages 5-12. Available morning or afternoon, Monday to Saturday.



ART OF GLASS

On Murano island, a famous factory will welcome your children into the fascinating world of glass. The tour begins with a visit to the heart of the furnace, where an artisan will demonstrate how glass is made. Afterwards they go to a workshop to create their own dazzling masterpiece.



The 4-hour activity is suitable for ages 6-12. Available morning or afternoon, Monday to Saturday. All materials are included.

HOW IS A GONDOLA MADE?

Discover from the Maestro d'Ascia how gondolas are made at a squero, a typical Venetian boatyard. Then take a ride on one of the magnificent vessels with a deeper appreciation of its unique heritage and craftsmanship. The experience ends in sweet style with a mouth-watering gianduiotto ice cream, watching the sun set behind Guidecca Island.



The 3-hour tour is suitable for ages 5-12. Available morning or afternoon, Monday to Saturday.

BE AN ITALIAN CHEF

This amazing activity enables children to cook Venetian and Italian cuisine at a professional school on the Lido, just a few minutes from Venice city centre. They begin with a trip to the market to pick up delicious ingredients before enjoying a step-by-step class. They can choose what they'd like to master: pizza, pasta, Venetian cookies, cakes or even ice cream.

At the end of the class they are invited to indulge in their culinary creations.



The 5-hour activity is suitable for ages 6-12. Available morning or afternoon, Monday to Saturday.

BE A VENETIAN ARTISAN

Learn the secrets of screen-printing in a historic atelier in Cannaregio, a colourful district where art and tradition come together. With a frame and a squeegee blade in their hands, children will learn how to print a one-colour graphic on an item such as a t-shirt or canvas bag before tackling a two-colour graphic technique on cardboard. At the end they take home everything they've made and, of course, a head full of exciting new knowledge.



The 3-hour activity is suitable for ages 5-12. Available morning or afternoon, Monday to Saturday.



BUILD A BOOK

This rare opportunity enables children to create their very own tome. Set in an authentic Venetian bookshop, surrounded by books of all shapes and sizes, they will delve into disciplines such as collage, drawing, engraving, watercolour, oil painting and printing before binding all the pages, complete with cover.

The wonderful assemblage of words and pictures makes a magnificent memento of your holiday.



The 3-hour activity is suitable for ages 5-12. Available morning or afternoon, Monday to Saturday.

ROWING IN VENICE

The Venetian rowing technique is unique in the world—and your children have the opportunity to try it! They start in a traditional batelina, a stable handcrafted wooden boat popular in Venice, and learn the basic movements of the oar and the body in the calm Arsenal basin. They then row through canals of Venice, displaying their new skills, until they are almost fully-fledged gondoliers.



The 3-hour activity is suitable for ages 6-12. Available morning or afternoon. Comfortable and practical outerwear is recommended.

DISCOVER THE LAGOON

This adventurous journey will take children to Venice's wild side, with a tour through hidden islands, canals and famous places in the open lagoon, where they will discover natural wonders just minutes away from the hustle and bustle of the city.

In the company of a boat captain they will tour unspoilt islands, learn the art of orienteering and spot enchanting flora and fauna.



The 5-hour activity is suitable for ages 7-12. Available morning or afternoon from Monday to Saturday. Comfortable and practical outerwear is recommended.



MAGIC WORLD OF SAILING BOATS

Art and sailing combine in this activity, which begins with a lesson in how to decorate a canvas sail. In a fun workshop a Venetian painter will show children all the techniques needed to create, colour and decorate the sail. They will then board a boat on the canal and, with the captain, learn how to equip it and make it ready for a voyage.



The 3-hour activity is suitable for ages 5-12. Available morning or afternoon, Monday to Saturday.

LIDO BIKE TOUR

The best way to discover the island of Venezia-Lido is in the saddle—and this tour involves a very special bicycle made for four. Your children will pedal with us across the island from the centre (Gran Viale Santa Maria Elisabetta) to the fascinating areas of Malamocco and Alberoni. They will unearth hidden beaches, coves and canals, enjoy a unique experience of the lagoon with its rich and delicate ecosystem, and stop for a restorative picnic break.



The 4-hour activity is suitable for ages 6-12. Available morning or afternoon.

ART & MUSEUM EXPERIENCE

Immersed in the world of ancient Venice, children will discover the lives of the doges, the adventures of merchants and a wealth of magnificent artworks.

An interactive tour, specially designed for younger visitors, takes them through the Doge's Palace and Correr Museum with fun games, hidden clues and engaging stories. At the end of the tour they are treated to an ice cream in St Mark's Square.



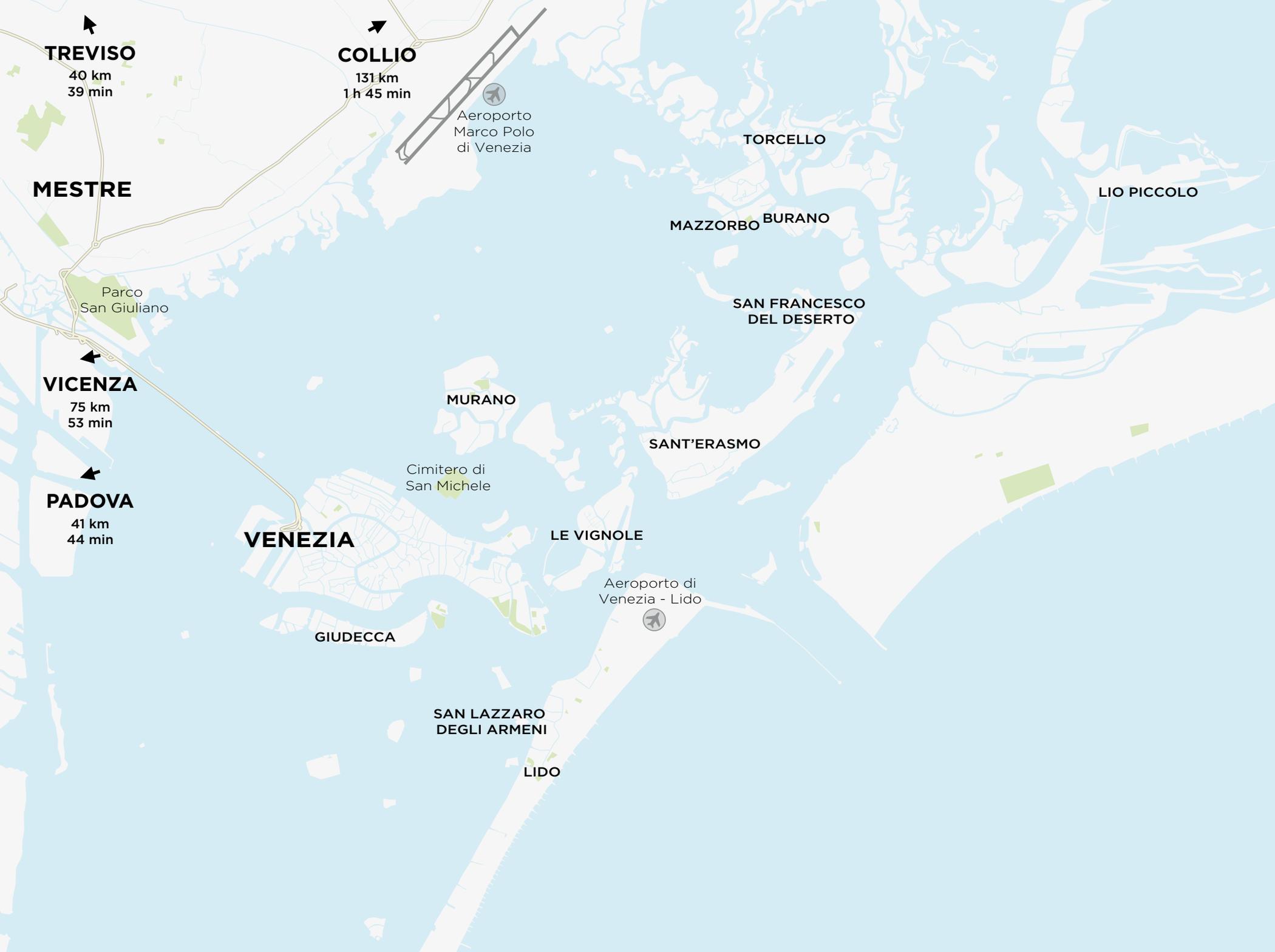
The 4-hour activity is suitable for ages 6-12. Mornings only.



Calendar of Events 2017

- 4 June
Vogalonga
A 30km rowing race through the city of Venice on the Grand Canal
- 6 July
Belmond with love
Join a hedonistic night tour to discover the hidden passions of Casanova and the famed courtesans of Venice. The tailor-made route through the city's most romantic streets and squares will make fantastic Instagram photos! On July 6, International Kissing Day, the tour ends with an exuberant celebration at Belmond Hotel Cipriani and a fun party, whether you are with friends or loved ones.
- 15-16 July
Redeemer's Feast
One of the most picturesque events in the Veneto dates from 1577, when, to celebrate the end of a major plague outbreak, the Church of the Redeemer was built on Giudecca Island. Today the occasion is feted with boat parades, lavish dinners and a stunning pyrotechnic display right in front of the hotel. Hire a boat with music and food on board to experience the action from the water. Ideal for all ages.
- 3 September
Historic regatta
Venice's most traditional rowing race on the Grand Canal
- 14 October
Venice Hospitality Challenge
Nine maxi yachts representing the top hotels in Venice are set to compete in the sailing competition, racing along a six-mile route from the Giudecca Channel to Lido Island.





TREVISO

40 km
39 min

COLLIO

131 km
1 h 45 min

Aeroporto
Marco Polo
di Venezia

TORCELLO

LIO PICCOLO

MESTRE

MAZZORBO BURANO

**SAN FRANCESCO
DEL DESERTO**

Parco
San Giuliano

MURANO

SANT'ERASMO

Cimitero di
San Michele

VICENZA

75 km
53 min

LE VIGNOLE

PADOVA

41 km
44 min

VENEZIA

Aeroporto di
Venezia - Lido

GIUDECCA

**SAN LAZZARO
DEGLI ARMENI**

LIDO



BELMOND
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