

## 2016 - GRAZIE, MILAN (10 DAYS)

### GENERAL ITINERARY

20-May	Day0	Friday	fly out to Milan from JFK
21-May	Day1	Saturday	arrive to Milan, check into hotel, and day in Milan
22-May	Day2	Sunday	Milan
23-May	Day3	Monday	day trip by train to Lugano, Switzerland
24-May	Day4	Tuesday	day trip by train to Como and Day at Lake Como
25-May	Day5	Wednesday	day trip by train to Verona and Day in Verona
26-May	Day6	Thursday	train to Venice and Day in Venice
27-May	Day7	Friday	Venice and train back to Milan
28-May	Day8	Saturday	Milan
29-May	Day9	Sunday	day trip by train to Bergamo and Day in Bergamo
30-May	Day10	Monday	check out from hotel, fly back home to JFK

\* Detailed Itinerary is done from my memory, trip notes, and my pictures. Some sights could be in slightly different order

\*\* Many restaurants, bars, gelaterias, food stands where I dined are not mentioned in the itinerary

\*\*\* Many hotels, motels, bed and breakfast... are also not mentioned

### DETAILED ITINERARY

20-May	Day0	Friday	fly out to Milan, Italy from JFK, NY
21-May	Day1	Saturday	arrive to Milan, train to Milan, check into Hotel Aspromonte, and day in Milan
			- Stazione Centrale
			- check into Hotel Aspromonte
			- Piazza Duomo, Duomo
			- Walking Duomo Rooftops with Tickitaly.com tours
			- Gallery Vittorio Emmanuele II
			- La Scala and Statue Leonardo da Vinci
			- Piazza Mercanti
			- Navigli District and Canals (evening)

			- Bre District
22-May	Day2	Sunday	Milan
			- Sforza Castle
			- Santa Maria delle Grazie Church and "Last Supper" tour with Tickitaly.com
			- San Siro stadium with Stadium tour
			- Hippodrome with Leonardo's Horse (Il Cavallo dello Sforza)
			- Arco della Pace (Arch of Peace or Porta Sempione - Napoleon's Arch)
			- Torre Branca (tower) and Parco Sempione
			- Dante's Street
			- Golden Fashion District (via Monte Napoleone and other streets)
			- Giardini Pubblici Indro Montanelli
23-May	Day3	Monday	Lugano, Switzerland
			- train from Stazione Centrale to Lugano (70min)
			- walk Central Lugano, including Piazza Cioccaro and Piazza della Riforma
			- St. Mary of the Angels Church (with "Last Supper" painting)
			- San Salvatore funicular (did not go up due to rain)
			- Boat trip on Lake Lugano
			- walk the stairs to Upper Town for great views
			- Monte Bre funicular - excellent Lugano and Alp Mountains views from the top
			- walk Lugano's harbor front
			- train back to Milan
24-May	Day4	Tuesday	Lake Como
			- train from Stazione Centrale to Como (50min)
			- Town Como: Volt's Temple, Harbor, Duomo, Walk city's streets (Cita Murata)
			- Lake Como boat trip from harbor (2hrs; pier 4, 11E one way, slow boat) - pass by all lake's towns
			- pass by Villa del Balbianello, Villa Carlotta
			- Varenna; walk city streets
			- Batello navetta (mid-lake ferry - 100min boat trip with stops at various towns around Lake)
			- Bellagio; walk city streets
			- train back to Milan from Varenna
25-May	Day5	Wednesday	Verona
			- train from Stazione Centrale to Verona
			- check into Hotel Casanova B&B
			- Tomb of Julieta
			- Arena and Arena tour
			- Piazza Bra

			- via Mazzini
			- Piazza Erbe with Venetian Lion Column and Market
			- Piazza dei Signori
			- Tombs of Scaglieri family
			- Torre dei Lamberti (elevator and walk to the top)
			- walk city streets
			- Church of Sant'Anastasia
			- Duomo
			- House of Juliet
			- House of Romeo
			- Ponte Pietro and river view
			- river walk
			- Castelvecchio Castle and bridge
			- San Zeno Maggiore Church (Shakespeare's setting for Romeo and Juliet's wedding)
			- Giusti Gardens
			- Porto Borsari
			- Gavi Arch
			- walk city streets at night
			- overnight in Verona
26-May	Day6	Thursday	check out from hotel and take train to Venice
			- arrive to Stazione di Venezia Santa Lucia and check into Casa Sant'Andrea Hotel
			- vaporetto on Grand Canal to Venezia - Giardini stop
			- walk along waterfront
			- Arsenale
			- walk city streets
			- St Mark's Square
			- Dodge's Palace
			- St Mark's Basilica
			- Clocktower
			- St Mark's Campanile (take elevator to the top)
			- take traghetto (gondola-like boat to cross Grand Canal)
			- Rialto Bridge
			- Jewish Ghetto
			- vaporetto from Cannaregio to St Mark's Square
			- walk Venice streets at night
27-May	Day7	Friday	- vaporetto to San Giorgio Maggiore (small island of Venice)

			- Church of San Giorgio Maggiore
			- Campanile on San Giorgio maggiore (elevator to the top for great views of Venice)
			- vaporetto to Dorsoduro district
			- walk Dorsoduro streets and canals
			- cross to San Polo district
			- walk San Polo streets and canals
			- San Salvatore Church, Scuola Grande di San Rocco, Santa Maria dei Miracoli, dei Frari Church, I Gesuati Church
			- Santa Maria della Salute, many other churches
			- end up on St Mark's Square
			- take vaporetto back to Hotel
			- take train back to Milan
28-May	Day8	Saturday	- St. Bernardo's Church
			- Duomo Tour with Tickitaly.com
			- La Scala Tour with Tickitaly.com
			- Luini Panzerotti
			- Bre District
			- Champion's League Final at the bar not far from Duomo (due to security reason Final did not air on the Piazza Duomo)
			- Corso di Porta Ticinese (near St Lorence Maggiore Church) - where younger people hang out
			- Darsensa (Canal District - Naviglia Grande, Naviglio Pavese) - best after 12am - restaurants, hang out, beer, pizza, fun !!!
29-May	Day9	Sunday	- train from Stazione Centrale to Bergamo
			- walk from Bergamo train station to Old City
			- Citta Alta (lower city)
			- Citta Bassa (upper city)
			- walk down quiet narrow city streets of old town
			- walk along city walls for views across Lombardy
			- Santa Maria Maggiore Church
			- Baptistry
			- Piazza dei Duomo
			- Piazza Vecchia
			- old car and old motorcycle rally and then car/motorcycle show in the Old Town
			- walk to train station and take train back to Milan
			- last supper in Milan
30-May	Day10	Monday	- check out from hotel, take train from Stazione Centrale back to Airport and fly back home to JFK