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Guest Information:

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Budget guest budget: 3000per person, not including food or air tickets

Included in budget: Transportation, activities, accommodations & breakfast

Not included: Lunch & dinner, can be paid for on site. Taxi rides.

Dates available: October 14th-25th

Transportation Preference: Trains, Rental Car, Private Transportation (when visiting wineries)

Flight Information:

Arrival: Flight 55692 Delta, departing from Austin; Saturday October 14th, 10:03AM. Arrival, 12:30AM
Munich → Depart Munich 2:30AM, then arrive in Venice 5:00AM, October 15th

Departing: Flight 55692 Delta, departing from Venice; October 24th, 3:300PM to Munich → Depart
Munich 4:45PM, then arrive in Austin 7:00PM, October 24th

Day 1 – Sunday, October 15th – Upon your arrival in Venice, a private English-speaking driver with a sedan will be waiting inside the airport, directly outside customs holding a sign with your name. The private driver will bring you as close as possible to your hotel in Venice. Once you arrive in Venice, it's only pedestrian. I booked a hotel very close to the train station to be sure it would be easy to walk there, it will only take about 5 minutes from your drop off point to the hotel.

Driver name/Contact: Alessandro Cell: +39-333-5567

Cost: 65USD

Accommodations: Hotel Continental ****

Room: Superior Double Room Canal View

Address: Cannaregio, 166, 30122 Venezia, Italy

Phone: +39 041 715122

Rates: \$250 per night

Once you check in there will be plenty of time to relax. For lunch I made reservations at one of my favorite nearby restaurants, a great place to try some traditional Venetian seafood.

Osteria ai 40 Ladroni

Address: Fondamenta della Sensa, 3253, Venezia, Italy

Phone: +39 041 715736

Then after lunch it would be a great time to take the water bus (Vaporetto) over to the island of Burano. I have provided the Vaporetto tickets (20 Euro per person), and the hotel will advise you to where to pick up the Vaporetto. Burano is a fantastically beautiful little island, with its famous colorful buildings. This is an ideal place to take some photos! After, you can head over to the Jewish Ghetto area, one of the most historical in Europe and eat dinner at one of the local trattorias. Then, you should get a good-night sleep for your adventure the next day!

Day 2- Monday, October 16th – Enjoy a cave hike in Friuli Venezia Giulia

8:30AM enjoy breakfast at the hotel. Then at 9AM a driver will pick up at Piazzale Roma. The English-speaking driver will bring you to the incredible Grotta Gigante. This is the largest tourist cave in Europe, and you can enter inside, where you will tour with their guide for about 1 hour (cost 20Euro per person). It will be about 12:00 when you're ready to depart, which is a great time to go for lunch. I would suggest Osteria Boris

Frazione Malchina, 1, Duino Aurisina, Italy

040299449

After the lunch the driver will meet you again and take you to a gorgeous Prosecco winery in the famous Conegliano area. There the proprietors will give you a tour of the winery, and then you can taste some of their best wine. It's a gorgeous, artistic winery set against the gorgeous Dolomite mountains. In the evening at about 7:00, I suggest going out for "Cicchetti," this is a Venetian tradition, when you go to a bar and order Prosecco they will give you free appetizers and snacks. For dinner, feel free to wander! If you prefer I make reservations, let me know and I'll be happy to do so.

Total duration with the driver: about 10 hours

Cost: \$690USD covers the cost of the wine tasting, and the private English speaking driver for the day. All food, and entrance fees to the cave can be paid on site.

Driver Contact: Domenico, Phone: +39-333-023-0182

Day 3 –Tuesday, October 17th

In the morning you can enjoy breakfast and check out at your leisure. After checking out, will go over to the train station and the train over to Verona. The train departs at 9:24AM, and you can find the ticket information attached in the file. Just in case, the train number is 3338, departing from track 9. Your carriage number is 3, first class – seats 9A & 9B. Ticket code: HGYVT. Once in Verona, you can take a taxi from the train station to pick up your rental car.

Rental car pick up: **Europcar** - Piazza Renato Simoni, 33A, 37122 Verona VR, Italy

Car: Fiat Panda, with GPS – Confirmation number: 33998

Cost: 350USD including GPS and premium insurance

All the information is attached in documents regarding the rental car, you only must present the credit card we reserved the card under, and a valid U.S drivers license. Upon picking up your car, which is equipped with GPS, you can head to your hotel for check in.

Hotel: Hotel Sole Relax & Panorama ****

P.zza 3 Novembre, 35

38066 - Riva del Garda (Trento)

Tel: +39 0464 552686

Room: Superior Double Room with Lake View

Price: \$250 per night

Note: Spa packages available at extra cost

Once you are checked into the hotel, you can eat lunch directly at the hotel. After check in, it's time for a little adventure. About 40 minutes from your hotel you can climb the famous Via Ferrata. This is a narrow, Cliffside track that will bring you right along the edge of Lake Garda. You will have an English-speaking mountain guide, and all equipment including helmets, ropes, harnesses, hand breaks, gloves are provided. Most of the track is flat, but there will be some uphill climbing. Running or climbing shoes, a windbreaker and drinks are important to bring! Track time is about 4.5 hours.

Cost: 300USD

Meeting point: Storo (Trento), Via G. Garibaldi 2

After the tour, you can drive back to the hotel and get freshened up for a late dinner. This would be a great evening to enjoy the spa!

Day 4- Wednesday, October 18th

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel, and then nearby the hotel, you will meet your guide and go caving! The caving tour will bring you down into the caverns on the River of Garda, right off of the Lake. There are many pools, and stalagmite formations inside the of the caves. There will be some crawling involved, but nothing too extensive. This is a novice course. All the equipment, including headlamps, harnesses, gloves

and backpack will be included. Naturally, your certified English-speaking guide will be with you the entire time.

Cost: \$350

Duration: About 6 hours

The guide will suggest where to go for lunch. For dinner, you are free to decide where you would like, since it's been such a long day!

Day 5- Thursday, October 19th

Morning: Breakfast,

9AM white water rafting. Gold level – some experience is required but isn't too taxing. Only a rocks and little white water. A certified wild-life guide will be bringing you down the path to ensure safety. All equipment is provided, including life jackets, boat, padding, helmet, gloves and backpack.

Duration: 3 hours (2 in water)

Meeting point: Storo (Trento), Via G. Garibaldi 2

Price: \$300

After the rafting, it's a good time for lunch! The rafting guide will give you directions to where you will eat lunch.

Once you've had some time to clean up at the hotel, you can hop into the car and take the gorgeous drive up to Bolzano, where you can check into your hotel.

Hotel: Castle Schloss Paschbach

Via Monte 33, 39057 Appiano sulla Strada del Vino, Italy

Phone: +39 0471 662 588

Room: Suite with kitchen, Livingroom and mountainview

Price: \$220 per night

Dinner: At the hotel. Or drive nearby into the surrounding town of Bolzano and enjoy the evening out.

Day 6-Friday, October 20th

Drive to the station in Renon, Bolzano, at Via Renon 12 Bolzano. There you can take the Funivia, an alpine cable car through the mountains from Renon to Soprabolzano. Once you reach Soprabolzano you can get off and – a guide will meet you with horses and you can ride through the gorgeous alpine hills.

Cost: 6Euro for the funivia, each way – which you can pay for on site. \$300 for the horse-back riding, lasting 2 hours. After, the family with the farm whom owns the horses will have you for a traditional

lunch at their house. After, you can go for a hike around the property and visit their alpacas and llamas., or take the funivia back down to Bolzano.

Contact for horses: (+39) 349 8419985

Kaserhof » Mair Family | Via Geirer 26 | I-39054 Soprabolzano / Renon | South Tyrol / Italy

Horse riding: 250USD including guide

Day 7- Saturday, October 21st

Hike to Lake Carezza, the hotel has a map for you regarding the route. It's a 1.5 hour drive from the hotel, and a 10KM hike (total). The hotel will also have a packed lunch for you to bring along with you, this will include a panino consisting of cold cuts and some fruit, yogurt and granola.

After you can head to Bolzano (ZTL map attached), and go for a stroll. When you are ready there is a lovely restaurant called:

Restaurant Zur Kaiserkron

Piazza della Mostra 2, 39100 Bolzano, Italy

+39 0471 980 214

After dinner, you will drop the car off at the airport:

Hertz Noleggio Auto Bolzano Aeroporto, Via Aeroporto Francesco Baracca, 1, 39100 Bolzano BZ, Italy

From there, you can take a cab back to the hotel. Get a good nights rest for the bike ride tomorrow!

Day 8- Sunday, October 22nd

Enjoy breakfast buffet at the castle, and check out. You can leave your luggage at the front desk, which will be transported by the castle staff to the next location. The castle will provide you with a bike rental and helmet. Price for bikes + transport + English speaking guide for the duration of the day is 500USD

Upon departing where you will ride down to a famous winery:

Kellerei Kaltern winery Caldaro, Via delle Cantine, 12, Caldaro BZ, Italy.

There you will be given a private tour with a sommelier who will explain how the wine is produced and the unique characteristics of their famous wine. After the tour, you will have a tasting of their finest, alongside traditional northern appetizers. After, you can hop back on the bike and head over for a delicious lunch at:

Zur Linde

Heppenheimerstr. 6
I-39052 Kaltern/Caldaro
T / F +39 0471 963 155

Next, you will hop back on the bike and ride shortly over to:

Parc Hotel Am See ****

I-39052 Kaltern am See Klughammer/Pfatten South Tyrol

Tel. +39 0471 960 000

There you will check in and take some time to enjoy the spa and relax. The castle will have delivered your luggage and it will be waiting for you in your room.

Room: Royal Room with Lake view and balcony

Price: \$250 per night

+200 per person for spa package including facial, 50 minute massage and aromatherapy

After enjoying the spa, I suggest eating there at the hotel's gourmet restaurant.

Day 9 –Monday, October 23rd

This is a good day to relax, since you're leaving the next day. My suggestion would be to get some good R&R, perhaps enjoy the spa. However, if you would like to enjoy a nearby hike, I have asked the hotel concierge to hold maps for you and make arrangements for a taxi (about 20 minutes away).

Day 10- Tuesday, October 24th

Enjoy breakfast and then check out and the hotel will drive you to the train station in Bolzano, and from there you can take the train to Verona, where you will switch and take it the rest of the way to Venezia Santa Lucia (2.5 hours). Please see attached tickets, and bring them along.

Departing time: 9:30AM

Train: 9999 to Verona

Carriage 9, seats 6a/ 6b

Switch at Verona (first stop), switch to Venice, train number 8989 time: 10:35AM carriage 9 seats 6a, 6b

Arrive at Santa Lucia Station at: 12:00PM

Total train price: \$40USD per person

This is a great time for a quick lunch in Venice, or a gondola ride if you would like. From there you can take a cab from Piazzale Roma to the airport, for departure at 3:00.

TOTAL PRICE: \$5030USD for activities, ground transportation and hotels.

I am happy to let you know we are under budget by 970USD, so you might as well take that extra spa day at the hotel!

Driving:

Driving in Italy is –very easy, but it’s important to look out for ZTLS, you can find out more about it here:
<http://www.autoeurope.com/go/italy-ztl-zones/>

Remember to pack:

Water bottle

Sturdy hiking shoes

Layered clothing (think windbreaker, sweaters, long sleeve t-shirts)

Passport

Valid U.S drivers license

Flexible hiking backpack