

DUTCH FORK CHORAL SOCIETY

FESTIVAL CORALE

INTERNAZIONALE DI ROMA

Festival Tour #1 (5 nights/7 days)

Day 1 Friday, June 20, 2025

Depart via scheduled air service from Charlotte, NC to Rome, Italy

Day 2 Saturday, June 21 Rome (D)

Arrive in Rome

Meet your MCI Tour Manager, who assists the group to the awaiting chartered motorcoach for an orientation tour of Rome, stopping at sites such as Spanish Steps, the Pantheon, Trevi Fountain and Piazza Navona

Lunch, on own

Late afternoon transfer to the hotel for Welcome Dinner and overnight

Rome - Popes, Vandals, the Borgias and Napoleon, Garibaldi, Michelangelo and Mussolini and, of course, the ancient Romans themselves all have left their physical and spiritual mark on Rome, but though she keeps the glory of an ancient day about her, she remains a wellspring of creative energy; in short, she really is the Eternal City

Day 3 Sunday, June 22 Rome (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Half-day guided tour of *Imperial Rome*, including entrance to the Roman Forum and Colosseum. Also view the Baths of Caracalla and Palatine Hill

Lunch, on own

Afternoon at leisure

Dinner at a local restaurant

Evening rehearsal

Return to hotel for overnight

Day 4 Monday, June 23 Rome (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Half-day guided tour of *Religious Rome*. Visit Vatican City, the home of the Pope and the center of Roman Catholicism, as well as the Vatican Museums (using the whisper system), the Sistine Chapel (featuring Michelangelo's Ceiling Frescos and *The Last Judgment*) and St. Peter's Basilica

Lunch, on own

Afternoon at leisure

Dinner at a local restaurant

Evening rehearsal

Return to hotel for overnight

Day 5 Tuesday, June 24 Rome (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Morning rehearsal



Lunch, on own

Transfer to St. Peter's Basilica

Combined choirs participate/sing in a late afternoon Mass in St. Peter's Basilica

Dinner included at a local restaurant

Return to hotel for overnight

Day 6 Wednesday, June 25 Rome (B,D)

Breakfast at the hotel

Morning Dress Rehearsal in the Basilica di Santa Maria degli Angeli e dei Martiri

Lunch, on own

Afternoon time at leisure for personal shopping and other activities

Dinner at a local restaurant

Dutch Fork Choral Society Festival Finale Concert in the Basilica di Santa Maria degli Angeli e dei Martiri

Late return to hotel for overnight

Day 7 Thursday, June 26 Depart for home (B)

Breakfast at the hotel, followed by check-out

Transfer to the Rome International Airport for return flight

This is a very flexible itinerary. Except for confirmed appointments and performances, the places of interest and the sequence of sightseeing might be changed if necessary or desirable. In the event of an unavoidable conflict in the performance and the sightseeing schedule, the concert schedule will prevail, and it may be necessary to exclude some sightseeing activities.

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