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THE NOVE COLLI CYCLE TOUR



**A 10 night, 11 day journey through Old Tuscany, the Republic of San Marino and Riva del Garda Lake.
17 to 27 May 2012**

Euro per person	1.565
Euro single supplement	150

On this tour we shall discover Cesenatico, its beautiful surroundings – where the sea and countryside coexist in magical symbiosis. Only a few kilometers from the beach are rolling hills and high mountains dotted with villages and places full of history and charm.

Thursday the 17th of May: Arrival

A representative/tour leader will be there to meet you upon arrival of your flight **(the bus will be waiting for you from 11 to 13 the clients should book a ticket flight that land between this time)** at G.Marconi airport in Bologna. We shall then travel by GT air conditioned coach to Cesenatico. The approximate time transfer is two hours depending on traffic conditions.



CESENATICO: is a port town of about 20'000 people on the Adriatic coast of Italy. It is located in province of Forli-Cesena in the region of Emilia-Romagna, about 30km south of Ravenna on the coast of the Adriatic Sea. Cesenatico's port was designed by Leonardo da Vinci and has been for many centuries a maritime fishing and commercial Centre. Today the canal port is still the city's heart, where the boats of the modern fishing fleets tie up facing the typical restaurants famous for their fish cuisine. In the canal port you can admire the Maritime Museum, a practically unique and very beautiful collection of ancient boats, whose multi-colored sails and hulls recount the story of centuries of fishing and maritime traffic and the Marco Pantani Museum. And in addition....the beaches, the pinewood, the marina, the Giardini al mare (sea gardens), the big parks, the sport facilities, the fish market.....

Accomodation will be provided at the Hotel Beau Soleil*on a half board basis for the duration of the trip.**



HOTEL BEAU SOLEIL: Cycling and the “NoveColli” race have always been synonymous with Cesenatico. Hotel Beau Soleil in Cesenatico is the starting point for many great cycling excursions on the hills of Romagna where the “biking culture” has always been part of our traditions and is the home town of Marco Pantani that used to training along the hills that surrounds this area. The hotel has a safe bike storage equipped for repairing and cleaning. Upon request bike rentals are available through our partner Cicli Neri in Cesena. Detailed maps are available in every language with many different itineraries of various lengths and levels of difficulty. We organize daily excursions with expert guides. During the Nove Colli the hotel offers a special service of refreshment and support along the track. Hotel Beau Soleil is ideal for those who want to combine a relaxing vacation with sports training along the Adriatic coast and his hills. Situated on the beach, surrounded by pine trees, and free from car traffic, our 3 star hotel has every comfort and amenity to make your vacation unique. Hotel Beau Soleil in Cesenatico puts at your disposal the largest heated swimming pool of the Romagna Riviera. At 25 meters in length and completely heated, the pool is ideal for swimming or simply relaxing.. Lifeguards will be on duty at all times to guarantee yours and your children’s safety. The hotel offers our guests every comfort they need to spend their stay peacefully. Rooms are available with sea view and balcony, and all have air conditioning, TV LCD SAT, free WI-FI, telephone, as well as new bathrooms with shower cubicle and hair dryer. The large and comfortable dining room serves a rich and personalized cuisine (classic Italian and Romagna gastronomic traditions) lovingly prepared by

the family owners. Our staff will be at your total disposal to ensure personal service and make your vacation unforgettable. Our guests are welcome at Bagno Mundial '82, a beach establishment just 100 meters from the hotel, where they will be greeted warmly by Elena and Alessandro. For the guests who want to spend the entire day at the beach, Bagno Mundial '82 offers snacks, salads and cocktails at the bar, as well as a comfortable and friendly atmosphere. All cooking is directly under the care of the family owners. Family chefs offer many different kinds of menus, both in the Italian and Romagna traditions, as well as the possibility of choosing a special diet (vegetarian and in particular gluten free for celiac). Romagna cuisine has always been a source of pride for the Italian culinary art and thanks to our chefs' expert hands the antique flavors of the region come alive, prepared by hand using the freshest ingredients, including fish directly from our Adriatic sea. The hotel offers an ample wine list, with choice from regional and national wines, and at the American bar you can enjoy cocktails and aperitifs. Of particular note is our sumptuous daily breakfast, served on a large buffet and featuring cereals, marmalades, pastries and cakes, eggs, cold cuts, cheeses, juices, tea, coffee, cappuccino . Breakfast tables are also available outside on the terrace with a view of the pine forest. Above all, our friendly and professional staff will attend to our guests' every need and make them feel completely at home.

We will have dinner at the hotel.

Friday 18th of May: L'arte del mangiar bene - The Art of eating well (75km)

We will have breakfast at 08:00am at the Hotel. We will depart from the hotel at 09:00am and cycle approximately 18km to Forlimpopoli via Cesena for some "Piadina & wine tasting at the "Artusi House".

For the non cyclist there is a 9 seater Ford Transit at their disposal for the itinerary.

CASA ARTUSI: This is the first gastronomic Centre dedicated solely to the art of home cooking. It was established in Forlimpopoli as a result of it being the native city of the author of the most renowned cook book in the world: "La Scienza in Cucina e l'Arte di Mangiar Bene" or "The Science of Cooking and the Art of Eating Well". It is situated inside the block of cloisters of the Servants Church in the old convent; church of great historical and architectural importance.



From there we cycle approximately another 24km to Bertinoro via Polenta for lunch at the farm "I Cipressi".



BERTINORO is a town and commune in the province of Forli-Cesena in the Emilia-Romagna region. It is located on a hill (Mount Cesubeo), in Romagna a few km from the Via Emilia (road that was build from the Roman Empire that connects Italy to the north of Europe).





I Cipressi: There is a place where you don't need words for to make you understand, comparisons for hear that you are well, strong feelings to be able to excite you. It is the companion Romagna, and you are its host. The Romagna country is a natural environment special where the age-old presence of the man has modeling the profiles of the hills. It spinning some vineyards, the olive trees the cypresses that raise themselves all around Bertinoro frame to the farm holiday; natural expression of the restoration of an ancient typical farmhouse of the rural territory of Romagna. All this across the expert preparation of Patrizia that will let you taste again those genuine flavors forgotten of a homemade kitchen of dishes typical of Romagna that rediscover the love, the perfume, the ancient taste of the land in which are native and cultivated... an unmistakable one intoxicating mixture of smells and tastes that carryover every one of those to the days of our childhood.

In the afternoon, we will return to Cesenatico for further 22km back to the hotel. Rest of the day at your leisure. Dinner at the Hotel.

Saturday 19th of May: Day before the race

Breakfast in Hotel. Visit to the cycle Expo "Ciclo&Vento" in Cesenatico with the bikes.



Rest of the day at your disposal. For the cyclists the possibility to choose between 15th different tracks route and cycling in the afternoon!

For the no Cyclists the possibility to visit Cesenatico or just relax at the pool hotel or at the beach.



Dinner at Hotel.

Sunday 20th May: The Nove Colli Race




Breakfast will be served at 05:00am.

Cesenatico is the capital of road and mountain biking. Every year, the town hosts the biggest and toughest “Gran Fondo” races in the Italian & European calendar, with 12’00 riders attempting the NINE of the Nove Colli (although most riders completing the course are convinced that there are more!!!). The Nove Colli covers nine cols, 200km and 3’840 meters of vertical climbing. For those with a little less experience, there is also a short route at only 130km with 1’871 meters of vertical climbing, covering four of the nine cols.

- The race shall start at 6:00am at the Cesenatico Harbour / 1km from the Hotel**



130km

-  Mechanical Assistance
-  Water Supply
-  Supply



200km



Once the race is finished for the hungry ones there is the stand “Pasta party” at the arrival, then we will return to the hotel to freshen up and rest.



Dinner in hotel

Monday 21th of May: Day at leisure

Option not included in the price:

- Possibility to have a cooking class depending on the number of participant (min 15) at Casa Artusi if less in one of the Hotel in Cesenatico.
- Possibility to visit the Pantani museum, Pantani's memorial and Pantani foundation
- Possibility to visit Cesenatico, it's Harbour designed from Leonardo da Vinci, the historical part of the town where they used to keep and store the fish, where now every morning there is the fruit and vegetable market.
- Shopping in town
- Or just relax at the pool hotel or at the beach
- For the cyclists the possibility to choose between 15th different tracks route and cycling all day



Tuesday 22 of May: Republic of San Marino” – wine tasting (100km)

Breakfast will be served at 08:00am at the Hotel. We will depart from the Hotel at 09:00am and we cycle approximately 55km through Santarcangelo di Romagna and we will arrive in San Marino.

For the non cyclist there is a 9 seater Ford Transit at their disposal that will bring them in San Marino!

Santarcangelo di Romagna: His road and its buildings are soaked with culture and history. Santarcangelo of Romagna represents a stage of absolute interest for all of the tourists that passes through the Romagna territory and is considered the "Jewelry" of the hinterland between the provinces of Rimini and Forlì-Cesena, to which belongs, there some of the most attractive closes of the Romagna that was cradle of the Rule of the Malatesta for many centuries on the horseback between medieval age and Renaissance one of the centers of the actual one Dominion.

San Marino: San Marino itself frieze of the pride of to be the most ancient Republic of the history, been based on to the beginnings of 300 d. C. THE ORIGIN of the town blends story and legend, recounting the events of Marine and Leo, two Dalmatians stones cutters you from Rimini and they were asked to rebuild the wall on request of the emperor Diocletian. Later on Marine took a choice of life strong connoted from religious characters, culminated with the decision of to withdraw itself on the Mountain Titan to create a Christian community. The intervention in favor of the son of the noble woman let Marine to obtain as a gift the Mountain Titan, from where continued its work of evangelization until the death, happened the 3rd September of the year 366, date celebrated solemnly in the Republic of the Titan. The story of San Marino since its foundation is marked from the strong will to maintain the independence, like the sign posted on the boundary that contains the famous sentence of welcome "Welcomes in the ancient land of the freedom". The Republic became a free commune in 1351, later on to the liberation from the feudal ties operation from the Bishop of San Leo and of the Montefeltro, and since then succeeded gloriously to itself to every attempt of conquest. Also the State of the Church tried to impose the actual government with the Cardinal Alberoni in 1739, but also in this case the people, with the support of other States, it is not left to overcome. The most recent occupation goes back to the Second World War, when the German and subsequently the American established themselves for short time on the Mountain Titan. Considering tormented it story that marked the territories of our peninsula, for conquests of object centuries aside of houses reigning of all Europe, appears even more significant the peculiarity of San Marino, land that represented also a shelter for a lot political Italians, like Giuseppe Garibaldi. The obstinacy on how the country preserved the independence was praised in the course of the time from a lot of statesmen, among which Abraham Lincoln, and today the Republic does part to full title of the Un and entered in the European Council.



Then we shall cycle back direction Cesenatico, but before we stop at the wine farm “Spalletti Colonna” in Savignano sul Rubicone.

Savignano sul Rubicone: Wine Cellar Spalletti Colonna. There is no better setting to enjoy the regions finest wines than on the hills of the “Savignano Wine Farm”, 3km south of Savignano along the Rubicone River, where the “Castello di Ribano 11th Century castle towers over the surrounding countryside. Quality vineyards in ideal condition stretch out over the land, and quietly attest to the wine production from much celebrated “Spalletti Colonna wine cellars of Paliano”. The ancient wine making traditions on this fertile ground date all the way back to 1500 when the “Class Monks” who spent their holidays in the castle, sampled the delicious wines produced here.



After wine tasting we cycle back 16km to the Hotel.

Dinner at “ La Trattoria del Lago”



Wednesday 23rd: Day at leisure

Option not included in the price:

- Possibility to have a cooking class depending on the number of participant (min 15) at Casa Artusi if less in one of the Hotel in Cesenatico.
- Possibility to visit the Pantani museum, Pantani's memorial and Pantani foundation
- Possibility to visit Cesenatico, it's Harbour designed from Leonardo da Vinci, the historical part of the town where they used to keep and store the fish, where now every morning there is the fruit and vegetable market.
- Shopping in town
- Or just relax at the pool hotel or at the beach
- For the cyclists the possibility to choose between 15th different tracks route and cycling all day

Breakfast will be served at 08:00am at the Hotel. Day at your disposal, choose one of the numerous itineraries of various lengths and levels of difficulty that we will provide you . For the non cyclist there is a 9 seater Ford Transit at their disposal to visit the town of Rimini

Dinner at the Hotel

Thursday 24rd of May: Vedelago/Torbole,Riva del Garda Giro d'Italia Stage San Vito di Cadore/Vedelago(135)

Breakfast will be served from 07:00am to 9:30at the Hotel.
We will leave at 10:30 from the hotel to Vedelago, 30km before we stop and give the cyclist the possibility to cycling to Vedelago!

Giro d'Italia: the 2012 Giro d'Italia has been announced and it will be a showcase of Italy and its beautiful landscape from the top almost to the bottom. The first Giro d'Italia, started on May 13th in 1909 in Milan with eight stages totaling 2'448km. This race was won by Luigi Ganna



**After we meet the cyclists we will waiting for the arrival of the Giro D'Italia!
Transfert from Vedelago to Torbole Rida Del garda
Check in Hotel Mirage
Dinner at the Hotel**



Friday 25th of May: Day at leisure

Breakfast will be served from 07:00am to 9:30at the Hotel.

- **For the cyclists the possibility to choose between 15th different tracks route and cycling all day**



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- **For the no cyclists the possibility to relax at the hotel beach,visit the village historical part of the town,cruise on boat at the lake(not included in the price)**



Saturday 26th of May: Day at leisure

- For the cyclists the possibility to choose between 15th different tracks route and cycling all day
- For the no cyclists the possibility to relax at the hotel beach, visit the village historical part of the town.



Sunday 27th of May: Return

07:00am till 10:00am breakfast is served at the Hotel.

After breakfast, we will depart our Hotel Torbole 9:30 by bus and travel to the airport in Verona(80km) to catch our connecting flight back to South Africa around 13:00.

BUON VIAGGIO!!!



INCLUDED

- Transfer from the G.Marconi airport in Bologna to the Beaudoleil Hotel.
- 9-Seater Ford Transit Van at your disposal for the first 7 days.
- 7 Nights at the Hotel Beau Soleil including 7 breakfasts and 6 dinners.
- Transfer to and 1 Dinner at “La Trattoria del Lago” in Marcato Saraceno.
- Entry fee to the “Nove Colli” race (3rd Sunday of May)
- Visit to “Casa Artusi” – the oldest cooking school in the region. Light meal and drinks included.
- Lunch at “La Terrazza Panoramica” in Bertinoro. Famous for its pasta, spectacular views and great wine or similare.
- Visit to The Republic of San Marino – the oldest Republic in the world.
- Visit the “Spalletti Colonna” wine farm. Includes a cellar tour, wine tasting and snacks.
- Giro D’Italia 2012 (stage San Vito di Cadore / Vedelago.)
- Transfer to Riva del Garda Lake.
- 3 Nights and 4 days at the Mirage Hotel, Riva del Garda Lake including 3 breakfasts and 3 Dinner.
- Transfer from the hotel to Verona Airport.
- A Cyclist Leader for 2 days in Cesenatico.
- An “Italian Jobs Tours” Tour Leader for the full 11 days.
- Passenger insurance for ground transportation.

EXCLUDED

- Air ticket from South Africa to G.Marconi airport in Bologna.
- All extras (drinks in hotel/mini bar/phone/laundry, etc.)
- Travel insurance.
- Anything over and above that which is not mentioned in “included.”

BOOKING DETAILS

Package is for 16 people

5000 Rand Deposit not refundable is required and will be converted at the exchange euro's rate on the 20 January 2012

Booking and payment deadline: 31 January 2012

Balance of payment in Rand currency on 20 February 2012 and will be converted at the exchange euro's rate of the day.

Cancellation policy

Two week before the tour 15% refundable

