

Join Cantor Annie Lynn Bornstein and Congregation Beth Ahabah

on a Jewish Heritage Tour to

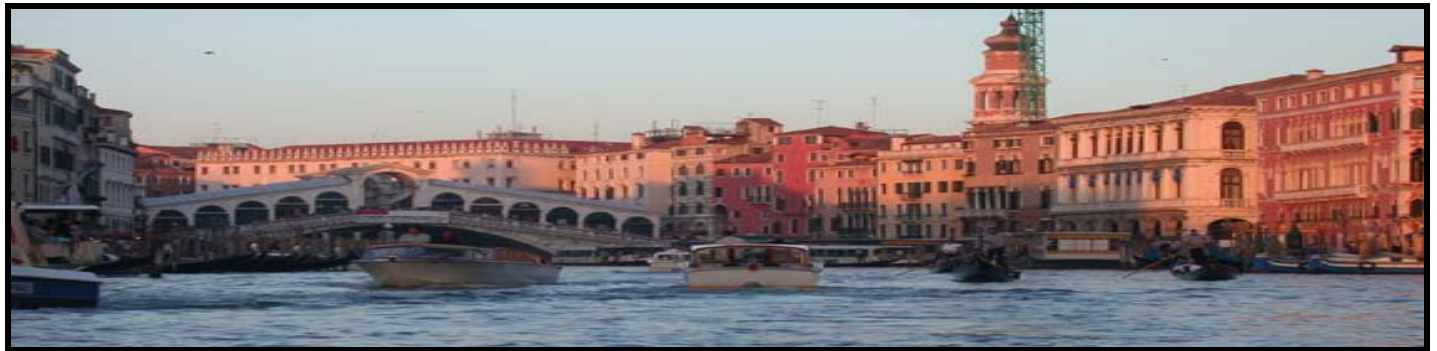
ITALY

May 5 - 15, 2008

\$4,299.00 per person, based on double occupancy.

\$3,599.00 Land only per person based on double occupancy.

\$1,299.00 single supplement



From Rome to Pitigliano, Siena and Florence, Modena, Ferrara and finally...enchancing Venice
Experience the rich Italian Jewish history and the cultural heritage of a fascinating universe.
*Meet and eat with select Tuscan Jewish Communities Experience **Michelangelo's** David and Moses "with horns"*
Walk the Circus Maximus, Coliseum, Trevi Fountain, Spanish Steps & Jewish Ghetto
*Explore the tiny town of **Pitigliano** which houses a Jewish bakery, a breathtaking Synagogue and a Jewish Cemetery*
Experience Ferrara, the "City of Cyclists"
*Stroll the magical streets of **Siena** and mouthwatering displays of art work and pastry*
*Visit the 13th Century Piazza del Campo * Ghettos and Synagogues of **Florence & Venice***
Walk the Ponte Vecchio as you cross the Arno River
While shopping exquisite Italian Jewelry, visiting Museums, Markets and the Medici Chapels
Cappuccino & Dolci (Sweets) Grappa & Vino

INCLUDES:

- Roundtrip airfare to Rome, returning from Venice
- 2 Nights at the Universo, Regent or similar hotel in Rome, May 6 - 8, 2008
- 1 Night at the Jolly Hotel or similar in Siena, May 8 - 9, 2008
- 3 Nights at the Croce di Malta, Minerva or similar hotel in Florence, May 9 - 12, 2008
- 3 Nights at the Hotel Bauer or similar in Venice, May 12 - 15, 2008
- All touring and sightseeing per an agreed upon itinerary in a deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach with an English-speaking guide
- Breakfast daily
- Welcome dinner, Shabbat dinner in Florence, and Farewell dinner
- Group transfers to the airport with assistance upon arrival and departure
- Entrance fees per itinerary
- Portorage for one (1) piece of luggage



Day 1, Monday, May 5, 2008: Depart on our overnight flight to Rome.

Day 2, Tuesday, May 6, 2008: Arrive in **Rome**, the Eternal City – a city of images, vivid and unforgettable. A city of silhouettes, bell towers, coupolas, the peal of bells, motorscooters, gelato and cappuccino! Transfer to our hotel and check in. This afternoon we enjoy an “orientation tour.” We visit St. Pietro in Vincole where Michaelangelo’s magnificent “Moses with Horns” lives. We see the Circua Maximus, the Piazza de Spagna, Trevi Fountain, Spanish Steps and Villa Borghese. We drive along the Tiber River and view the Cathedral of St. Peter, Castles of Angels and more. Welcome dinner. Overnight in Rome.

Day 3, Wednesday, May 7, 2008: Breakfast at the hotel. Visit the Jewish Ghetto in the Trastevere section on the banks of the Tiber River. Our afternoon sightseeing continues on to the world famous Coliseum and Roman Forum, after which we enjoy a tour of the Vatican Museums, including one of the largest art collections of the world, spanning from Roman, Etruscan and Egyptian antiquities to contemporary art. We’ll see the work of Raphael & Michelangelo, and admire the Sistine Chapel’s magnificent frescoes. The tour will finish in St. Peter’s Square where some of the most important papal ceremonies take place. Overnight in Rome.

Day 4, Thursday, May 8, 2008: Breakfast at the hotel. Before we depart from the Eternal City, we stop at the Jewish Museum, which houses ancient and precious relics that tell the story of Italian Jewry. Next, we drive to **Pitigliano**. Upon arrival we will be given a guided tour of the “Forno dell Asime,” the Jewish Bakery, the Jewish Ghetto and cemetery (Pitigliano) and the breathtakingly beautiful Synagogue that sits at the bottom of a flight of stairs. On our way to Siena, we briefly stop for a visit in Arezzo. Continue on to the quaint city of **Siena** where dazzling displays of pastry and coffee, chocolates and local wines tug at the taste buds. Have a coffee at the famous Nanini with it’s biscotti and torrone. In Siena you can find local pottery and unusual artisans as you experience the flavor of everyday life in this charming city and check into our hotel. Overnight in Siena.

Day 5, Friday, May 9, 2008: Today we visit the 13th-century Piazza del Campo, the Ghetto remnants and the synagogue before departing for the glorious city of **Florence**. Upon our arrival we embark on a walking “orientation tour.” Shabbat dinner together. Overnight in Florence.

Day 6, Saturday, May 10, 2008: Shabbat Shalom! Breakfast at the hotel. Full day at leisure! Time to explore on your own. You may choose to visit the San Lorenzo Market or Via Tornabuoni for shopping, or perhaps visit one of Florence’s splendid museums. Overnight in Florence.

Day 7, Sunday, May 11, 2008: Breakfast at the hotel. We begin our day with a visit to the Synagogue. It is considered one of the most impressive in Europe, and was completed in 1882. (We will request a meeting with a representative of the Florence Jewish community.) Tour the Synagogue and Museum. Next, we visit the Medici Chapel. In 1737, Anna Maria Ludovica, the last Medici Grand Dutchess, bequeathed to the people of Tuscany a wealth of remarkable renaissance and classical art. Visit Il Duomo; begun in the late 1200’s and consecrated 140 years later, this pink, green and white marble Duomo (Cathedral) symbolized Florence’s wealth and prestige. No where in the world can one see such architectural magnificence in a church as in The Duomo in Florence. Visit the Academia of Fine Arts to view the statue of David and other great works by Michelangelo. You may choose to visit the Ponte Vecchio (the bridge of jewelry that crosses the Arno River. Overnight in Florence.

Day 8, Monday, May 12, 2008: Breakfast at the hotel. Early departure from Florence. Our first stop is **Modena**, the city with Italy’s highest per capita income, and Luciano Pavarotti’s birthplace. We view the synagogue and the “mysterious” scenographic streets before continuing to **Ferrara**, the City of Cyclists. In this city enclosed by medieval walls, we will visit the Norsa Synagogue and the Baldini Museum - hidden behind an innocent storefront. We continue on to enchanting **Venice**, a city of 150 canals, 400 bridges, gondolas, the Piazza San Marco and breathtaking beauty. Overnight in Venice.

Day 9, Tuesday, May 13, 2008: Breakfast at the hotel. After breakfast, we walk to the Campo del Ghetto and the Jewish Museum. Our tour includes a full history of the Ghetto, a visit to the Spanish, the Canton and the Italian Synagogues. Afternoon tour of Saint Mark’s Square with a visit to the Basilica. Overnight in Venice.

Day 10, Wednesday, May 14, 2008: Breakfast at the hotel. Day at leisure to explore this splendid city. Farewell dinner and overnight Venice.

Day 11, Thursday, May 15, 2008: Following breakfast, we transfer to the airport for our flight back to the United States.

The memories last forever! Itinerary subject to change

Tour does not include: Departure taxes and fuel surcharges (approximately \$220.00 – subject to change), any border taxes or visas, tips (\$12.00 per person, per day collected in advance), \$15.00 shipping/handling charge per household, travel insurance (highly recommended) or any items of a personal nature. Price is based on double occupancy. Single supplement is \$1,299.00. Land only pricing is \$3,599.00 per person based on double occupancy. **CANCELLATION PENALTIES:** \$100 per person charged if cancelled more than 60 days before departure. \$250 per person charged if cancelled 60-31 days before departure. 100% penalty will apply if cancelled 30 days or less before departure.

Please note these prices are based on cash payment. If you wish to pay by credit card, the price is \$4,428 and \$1,338.00 for the single supplement. Land only, if paid by credit card, is \$3,666.00 based on double occupancy.

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Yes! I want to join Cantor Annie Bornstein and Beth Ahabah on the tour to Italy in May of 2008!

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