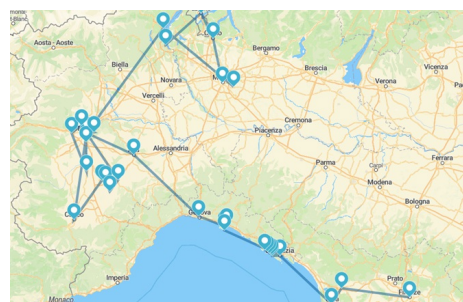




Italy, 11 Days · Tailor-made by car

Route from Piedmont to the Ligurian Coast

Few road trips can claim to include the attractions seen on the Tour from Piedmont to the Ligurian Coast, a classic to enjoy behind the wheel while discovering some of Italy's most stunning corners. From the cosmopolitan, historical and fashion-forward Milan, this is a fascinating trip that will take you to the main attractions of the north and centre of the country. A combination of major cities, rural outposts and stunning stretches of coastline. From the boutiques of Milan and the idyllic surroundings of Lakes Como and Maggiore to the incredible House of Savoy palaces in and around Turin. The trip then covers Genoa, the proud capital of Liguria, and the ever-charming and glamorous Italian Riviera. Along the way, fall in love with such special places as Portofino or the Cinque Terre villages. And to round it all off, the eternal Tuscany. Iconic cities such as Pisa and Florence and charming towns such as Lucca will let you experience the Italian dolce vita at first hand.



Departure date: Departures from July 2026 till July 2027

From: London

Travel details

● DAY 1 · CITY OF ORIGIN - MILAN - COMO

Flight departure from the city of origin to Milan.

Arrival and rental car pick-up.

Your adventure begins here! This fascinating road trip kicks off in the ever-mighty and attractive city of Milan. Capital of fashion and design, and many other things, visiting it always is a great idea. From Charlemagne to Napoleon, many historical figures set their eyes on this vibrant city that masterfully combines a turbulent past with a modern and creative present. A gentle stroll along the city centre streets will reveal an important architectural and artistic heritage. Must-sees include the Piazza del Duomo, with the incredible Cathedral; the Royal Palace and the entrance arch to the Vittorio Emanuele II Gallery; the Basilica of Santa Maria delle Grazie, which houses the priceless "The Last Supper" by Leonardo da Vinci; the Teatro de La Scala, one of the most important opera houses in the world; and the bohemian and artistic Navigli, a buzzing waterfront area where great food, art, nightlife and a fantastic atmosphere are guaranteed... In the beautiful Sempione Park, one of the main green areas of the city, you can admire the Sforzesco Castle (which houses interesting art galleries) and the Peace Arch. But Milan is much more. The city is a true paradise for shopping lovers, who flock here from all corners of the world attracted by its infinite range of stores, artisan workshops, avant-garde outlets, showrooms and high-end boutiques... Make sure you take a leisurely stroll around the glamorous Quadrilatero d'Oro! For art lovers, we recommend the Brera district, with its must-visit Pinacoteca. Dotted with cosy cafés and terraces, Brera is perfect for savouring the delicious typical Milanese antipasti, as famous as they are delicious. Our final recommendation takes us to the City, where you can discover the most modern face of the city. And Milan is also an excellent starting point for exploring the idyllic Italian lakes by car. A famous summer hideaway since Roman times, these magnificent lakes formed at the end of the Ice Age captivate the most experienced traveller for their exuberant natural beauty, artistic heritage, luxurious villas and palaces, beautiful gardens and attractive harbours dotted with boats, resorts and elegant Belle Époque hotels. Get ready to discover one of the most hypnotising routes in Europe! It weaves its way through picture-postcard towns and cities on the shores of beautiful lakes and at the foot of the snow-capped peaks of the Alps. From Milan, set off for the town of Como, located about an hour and twenty minutes away.

Overnight stay in Como.

● DAY 2 · COMO - LAKE COMO - LUGANO - LAKE MAGGIORE (ARONA - STRESA)

More time to enjoy the town of Como, perched on the shores of the lake, with a stroll around its twelfth-century walls, the Porta Torre, the popular Piazza San Fedele, where you can visit its magnificent three-nave basilica, the Gothic Cathedral, and its medieval alleys dotted with charming attractions... (Note: Como became one of the leading exporters of silk from Europe, a story that you can see at the Museum della Seta. We recommend visiting the Passegiata Lino Gelpi, the Vila Olmo and taking the funicular that links Como with the small town of Brunate, located about 720 metres above sea level. From there, the views over the lake are magnificent. The journey takes about 7 minutes). Onward to the stunning Lake Como, the third largest in Italy, carved out over the centuries by glacial action. With timeless glamour and a romantic spirit, its magnificent mountainous amphitheatre - with the Eastern Alps as its backdrop - and its laid-back atmosphere have been seducing famous Hollywood stars and A-listers for decades. Its rural landscapes have inspired leading artists and been the stage of numerous films. So what are you waiting for? (Note: The roads surrounding the lake are simply breathtaking. At the local Tourist Office, you can consult the hiking trails available in the area). The next stop today will take you to the spectacular Lake Maggiore. On the way, and if you have time, you can take a slight detour to the Swiss city of Lugano, where we recommend a stroll along the lakefront to admire the Parco Civico and the Church of Santa Maria degli Angioli, with its famous frescoes. After visiting the historic quarter, we'll drive to Lake Maggiore, the westernmost of the three Alpine lakes and the second largest in Italy. Packed with walking trails and viewpoints, on its shores you can visit Arona and Stresa.

Overnight stay in Stresa.

● DAY 3 · LAKE MAGGIORE (OPTIONAL VISIT TO THE BORROMEAN ISLANDS)

A full day today to soak up the charms of Lake Maggiore. We recommend taking a boat over to the Borromean Islands (Bella, Pescatori and Madre). (Note: Stresa is the best place to take a boat over to the nearby Borromean Islands and discover the impressive palaces found there. Don't miss the Palazzo Borromeo, built in 1670, the Galleria dei Quadri (located on Isola Bella) and its picturesque wooden houses with granite doors, and the Palazzo Madre (on Isola Madre). There's a public boat service over to the islands. You can't take the car. Crossing not included).

Overnight stay in Stresa.

● DAY 4 · LAKE MAGGIORE - TURIN

Departure to Turin, capital of Piedmont. Known as the capital of film and cars, this is a city where the reign of the House of Savoy has left an amazing footprint. Turin is nestled at the foot of the Alps, surrounded by mountains. It's a city that has managed to combine tradition with modernity, and industry with historic buildings, elegant palaces and refined boulevards. There are lots of things to do in Turin, but we particularly recommend the following places so you can plan out your trip. Head to Piazza San Carlo, where you can see elegant buildings and the picturesque churches of San Carlo and Santa Cristina, looking onto the famous "bronze horse" by Carlo Marocchetti in the middle of the square. Ask the locals about the horseman and his connection to the battle of San Quintino! Also visit also the beautiful Palazzo Carignano, where King Victor Emmanuel II was born. After marvelling at this splendid Baroque building, head over to Piazza Castello, the true heart of the city and where Turin's main streets start out. In the middle of this majestic plaza is the imposing Palazzo Madama. Feeling hungry? You can have a bite to eat at one of the bars in town before visiting the Cathedral and the Cappella della Sacra Sindone (Chapel of the Holy Shroud), which houses a religious relic believed by many to be the burial shroud of Jesus Christ after he was taken down from the cross. Art and culture lovers will also love Turin. The city boasts some fascinating museums and a packed cultural agenda. The Egyptian Museum, one of the best in the world, and the Galleria Sabauda, which houses collections from the House of Savoy from different eras, are two must-sees. The Museum of Cinema and the Automobile Museum are also famous.

Overnight stay in Turin.

● DAY 5 · TURIN - TOUR OF THE SAVOY PALACES (MONCALIERI - RACCONIGI - STUPINIGI RIVOLI - VENARIA - BASILICA DI SUPERGA) - TURIN

Today we recommend discovering the priceless legacy of the House of Savoy on a fascinating round trip from Turin. It's the famous "Route of the Savoy Palaces". But before you hit the road, a little bit of history. The House of Savoy left Chambéry in the sixteenth century and settled in Turin. And to feel at home, they spent the next three hundred years building magnificent palaces, an imposing mausoleum and luxurious country residences. In Turin, the bustling Piazza Castello was one of the epicentres of the Savoy's power and influence. Among the palaces that you can visit in this central area of Turin are the Palazzo Reale, where you can see a striking collection of furniture and the Armeria Reale; the Palazzo dell'Accademia delle Scienze, which houses the Egyptian Museum and the Sabauda Gallery; the Palazzo Carignano, the seat of the first Italian parliament and which currently houses the Museo Nazionale del Risorgimento Italiano... After seeing these royal palaces, head back on the road to further discover the power and might of the House of Savoy. We've prepared a circular route for you, so you can choose the locations you prefer. If you want to know more about the famous legacy of the House of Savoy, you can extend your stay in Turin by one night. The first stop could be the twelfth-century Castello di Moncalieri, which was the first fortress designed by Thomas I of Savoy. Since 1921, it has been the headquarters of the carabinieri. The gardens and royal rooms are open to visitors. Half an hour away is the magnificent Castello di Racconigi, built to protect the city limits of Turin. Although it was constructed by the Marquess of Saluzzo, it passed into the hands of the House of Savoy through matrimonial inheritances. This magnificent castle used to be the summer residence of royalty and witnessed events as prominent as the birth of the Italy's King Umberto II or the huge wedding of Philipp of Hesse and Princess Mafalda of Savoy. We recommend visiting the elegant royal rooms and taking a pleasant carriage ride through the gardens. On with our journey. Next stop is Stupinigi, a pocket-sized town famous for the Rococo-style Palazzina di Caccia, with its beautiful gardens reflecting its time as the most magnificent hunting residence of the House of Savoy. Today, the palace houses the Museum of Art and Furnishings. Once you've visited its elegant halls, head back on the road to discover another of the jewels of today's route, the Castello di Rivoli, an elegant country complex that now houses the renowned Museum of Contemporary Art, creating unique contrasts between the classic and the contemporary. And then it's time to stop off in Venaria Reale, a characterful town some fifteen kilometres from Turin home to two House of Savoy residences declared World Heritage Sites by UNESCO and located in a unique natural context, the idyllic Mandria Park. Strolling through the halls and gardens of the Castle of Venaria will give you an insight into the House of Savoy in all its splendour. This is one of the largest royal residences in the whole world! Don't miss the kaleidoscopic Rose and Herb Gardens. And if you have time, the last stop could be the beautiful Basilica di Superga, built in honour of the Virgin Mary. You'll be captivated by its magnificent location and its 65-metre-high dome. This venerated basilica houses majestic royal tombs and a memorial in honour of the football team Grande Torino, whose players died in 1949 after their plane crashed into the basilica. (Note: Check the opening and closing hours of the palaces before setting out today. Admission not included).

Return and overnight stay in Turin.

● DAY 6 · TURIN - CULINARY ROUTE (CUNEO - BRA - POLLENZO - BAROLO - ALBA) - TURIN

Today we want you to enjoy Piedmont through its food and wines. Gourmands will love the stops on the route. That's because the traditional cuisine of Piedmont and its approach to "slow food" is revered all over the world. The stunning valleys and villages of the area play host to an array of excellent delicacies. Did you know that Turin surprised the world with one of the first bars of chocolate ever to go on sale? The city still pays tribute to chocolate today with its annual "Cioccolato" festival and cafes such as Al Bicerin and Peyrano. Another must-visit is the famous Eataly Food Market. Considered a benchmark for the "slow food" trend, it sells all kinds of sustainable beverages and foods. Located in a perfectly refurbished factory, it often stages tasting sessions and cooking classes. (Note: "Slow food" was a concept coined in the 1980s by a group of journalists from the town of Bra, who wanted to reclaim the area's culinary heritage against the invasion of fast food. They championed local production, sustainability, flavour and preservation of the culinary heritage. Slow food today is a movement with partners in more than 150 countries). Start the tour heading through the vineyards of Le Langhe and Monferrato, which produce excellent wines such as "barolo" and "nebbiolo". In fact, UNESCO declared this wine-producing landscape a World Heritage Site. Located in the province of Cuneo, the fertile lands here stretch to the beginning of the Ligurian Alps. Enjoy an amazing itinerary of culinary and cultural experiences in just a ninety-kilometre stretch of road that winds through picturesque towns renowned for quality wines and the most exquisite cuisine. Start off in the well-kept town of Cuneo, which hosts the famous cheese and chestnut fairs every year. It's also renowned for its rum-filled chocolates and its market held every Tuesday. Cuneo is home to outstanding sights such as the Piazza Galimberti and the Church of San Francesco. Once in the picture-postcard village of Bra, a must-visit is the "Osteria del Buccondivino", which is the first ever "slow food" restaurant. The headquarters of the organisation are found in its courtyard, where you can look up all the restaurants and producers forming part of this brand. Throughout the area, the cuisine and local wines are excellent. As well as savouring a delicious meal, in Bra you can also admire Baroque churches such as Sant'Andrea, or palaces such as the Traversa and the Mathis. On the outskirts, some four kilometres away, is Pollenzo, a town famous for being home to the world's only University of Gastronomic Sciences. (Note: The Università di Scienze Gastronomiche, in its Italian name, provides courses in gastronomy and food handling). During your time here, we recommend checking out the beautiful Church of San Vittore and popping into the Banca del Vino, a renowned winery that lays on wine-tasting sessions upon request. (Not included. Advance booking is recommended). And to continue discovering the excellent wines of the area, simply head over to Barolo, just a few kilometres away from Pollenzo. This town is home to the wine that bears its name, one of the best in the whole of Italy. In this small village, with just over 700 inhabitants, you'll discover its medieval atmosphere and the imposing Castellet Falletti, which houses the Wine Museum and the Enoteca Regionale del Barolo. (Note: The Castello also offers tastings. Not included). Last stop today is in Alba, also known as the "City of Towers" and famous for its excellent white truffles. The journey of just sixteen kilometres is dotted with breathtaking vineyards. Stroll through its vibrant historic quarter, where you'll find the perfect setting for an invigorating coffee or some excellent Italian cuisine. Surrounded by fertile hills, orchards, vineyards and history-laden wineries, this town lays on activities such as visits to the wineries and truffle-hunting excursions, all set in the stunning surroundings of the Langhe and Roero valleys.

Return and overnight stay in Turin.

● DAY 7 · TURIN - ASTI - GENOA

Say ciao to Turin today to head towards the charming medieval town of Asti, famous for its asti spumante sparkling wine and its black and white truffles. You can also visit the town church, the baptistery and the cloister of San Pietro in Consavia. A short stroll around the Trojan Tower or the Piazza Roma, as well as the Cathedral dedicated to the Assumption of the Virgin, will let you soak up the captivating atmosphere of this town. (Note: Governed by major feudal families, Alba and Asti were enemies in the past. This rivalry is commemorated annually in the Palio d'Asti horse race, which takes place in September).

And after this rewarding stop-off, head over to Genoa, the capital of Liguria, located just an hour's drive away. Did you know that Genoa has one of the largest ports in Italy and that some historians say that it's the hometown of Christopher Columbus? There are so many tourist attractions in this city of sailors and merchants that you'll have to select which ones are the most interesting for you. Our essentials include the Porto Antico, the baroque palaces on Strada Nuova (Tursi, Bianco, Rosso, etc.), and the Cathedral of San Lorenzo... Art lovers should head to the Galleria Nazionale di Palazzo Spinola and the Palazzo del Principe. (Note: If you're travelling with children, we recommend a visit to the magnificent Aquarium, the largest in Italy and the second largest in Europe, or the "Città dei Bambini" e dei Ragazzi science and technology centre). You can end the day by savouring Ligurian specialties such as "focaccia" and "farinata".

Overnight stay in Genoa.

● DAY 8 · GENOA - SANTA MARGHERITA LIGURE - RAPALLO - PORTOFINO - LA SPEZIA

Get ready today to soak up the glamour of the Italian Riviera.

Drive to Santa Margherita Ligure, a town with narrow streets that meander past the colourful facades of historic houses and villas hidden by the Mediterranean. And make sure you explore the gardens of Villa Durazzo!

Then head towards Rapallo, located about ten minutes' away along a road that runs parallel to a stunning coastline.

It's nestled in a beautiful semicircular bay, surrounded by palm trees and framed by the lofty Montallegro mountain. Take advantage to leisurely stroll through Piazza Cile, discover the Lungomare Vittorio Veneto, and admire the exhibitions hosted by the castle... Another recommendation is to take the cable car up to the Basilica of Montallegro, built in honour of Our Lady. The views of the area from here are sublime.

Onward to Portofino, one of the top attractions of the whole trip, where you can take a boat trip around what is undoubtedly one of the most beautiful towns in Italy. (Note: Boat trip not included). Portofino is one of the most cosmopolitan fishing villages in the world. Its villas painted in beautiful pastel shades and the beautiful surroundings, with the sea and pine trees in the background, give the place a truly unique charm. A summer resort for the rich and famous, this Italian destination hosts a dazzling array of the most exclusive places to see and be seen. Even so, you can still do things for free, such as a walk on the trails that run through the graceful nature park. (Note: Ask for a map of the town at the Tourist Office). Another option will take you to the port, the Church of San Giorgio and the Castello Brown di Portofino.

If you have time, you can extend today's trip to the quaint fishing village of Camogli.

Overnight stay in La Spezia.

● DAY 9 · LA SPEZIA - CINQUE TERRE (RIOMAGGIORE - MANAROLA - CORNIGLIA - VERNAZZA - MONTEROSSO AL MARE) - LA SPEZIA

Spend today exploring one of the Mediterranean's most fascinating places, Cinque Terre. It's formed by five charming little villages that spill into the sea from the hillside and that are interconnected by an old railway line and by various paths that run along the steep coastline. Its natural allure, its beautiful coastal setting, its colourful houses painted in pastel tones, its majestic cliffs, its beaches and coves, and its inviting nature trails are all perfect for exploring at your own leisure... There are many reasons that led UNESCO to recognise the Cinque Terre as a World Heritage Site. These are lands with a medieval past that cherish fabulous churches and castles. The fascinating stone-built terraces perched on steep slopes showcase the ingenuity of Ligurian farmers. (Note: Depending on the time you have, plan out the day with the visits that interest you the most).

In Riomaggiore, one of the stunning coastal towns in the area, you can visit unique places such as the Church of San Giovanni Battista, the magnificent local castle, and the quaint harbour dotted with colourful boats alongside a pebble beach. We recommend parking your car here and enjoying the laid-back atmosphere by foot.

From Riomaggiore, you can walk along the famous Via dell'Amore, a romantic pathway that connects this town with Manarola and where it's common to see loved-up couples promising eternal love with a marriage proposal.

The ancient town of Manarola provides some of today's most fascinating views, with its miniscule harbour nestled between two rocky spurs (where it's also possible to take a refreshing dip in the water).

And then it's time to continue discovering the beauty of the Cinque Terre. From Manarola, you can take a bus up to Groppo, a hamlet perched on the hillside and with simply breathtaking views. Another one of the great surprises of the trip is the terrace of Volastra, at a height of one hundred metres, and which seems to tumble down into the sea. To get here, you have to climb the "Lardarina", a long brick staircase consisting of 33 ramps and 377 steps. There's also a road that leads from the railway to the village.

Your next stop could be Corniglia, a town that was one of the residences of the noble Fieschi family. Perched on a clifftop, it looks out to the sea with an air of formidable might. Its steep and winding roads are home to cute stores where you can find the perfect souvenir. Its main piazza, dotted with pergolas to shade you from the sun, is the ideal place to soak up the laid-back and elegant atmosphere.

The only natural harbour of Cinque Terre is in the village of Vernazza.

Steep and winding paths descend towards the main road that leads to a small piazza nestled opposite the waterfront. This is the perfect place to see and to be seen. Don't miss the Church of Santa Margherita di Antiochia and the well-preserved castle, built in the Ligurian-Gothic style.

Today's last stop is in Monterosso al Mare, the largest town in the area. This is a wonderful resort of beaches with pebbly sand and summer houses sheltered by a secluded natural bay. A stroll through the old town will whisk you back in time. From its main piazza, where there's a monument to Garibaldi, you'll find winding streets lined with Tuscan-style churches, delicately decorated windows and doors, and charming little squares... The medieval fortress divides the town into two parts, the old town and La Fegina, the 'sun and sand' area where the beach of Monterosso is located, the largest on the Cinque Terre coast.

Return and overnight stay in La Spezia.

● DAY 10 · LA SPEZIA - PISA - LUCCA - FLORENCE

Departure to Florence, in the beautiful Italian region of Tuscany. En route, and depending on time, you can make a brief stop in Pisa and Lucca. Pisa is home to one of the most famous places in the whole of Europe: the Piazza dei Miracoli and its iconic Leaning Tower. The Duomo, the Battistero, the Camposanto, the Museo delle Sinopie and the Museo dell'Opera are also must-sees. Take advantage of your journey to discover the mighty past of this overseas power, its monumental and artistic spaces and its vibrant city atmosphere, so perfectly embodied in the Piazza delle Vettovaglie... The next stop will be the beautiful medieval town of Lucca. On this attractive 30-minute drive, we'll pass through colourful landscapes, wooded hills and stunning villages full of tradition and history. From the car, we'll spot Lucca surrounded by over four kilometres of gigantic city walls towering 12 metres high. Simply amazing! You'll be looking at one of the best preserved fortresses in Europe. In the afternoon, we'll head off to Florence, the spectacular Renaissance city. We'll have the rest of the day here to explore, as it's one of the most fascinating cities in the world. (Note: If you want to take more time to explore Florence, you can extend your stay in the city). Overnight stay in Florence.

● DAY 11 · FLORENCE - CITY OF ORIGIN

Arrival at the airport with enough time to drop off your rental car and flight back to the city of origin.

Arrival. End of the trip and our services.

Your trip includes

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- ✓ Return flight.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Como.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Como.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Stresa.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Stresa.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Turin.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Turin.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in La Spezia.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in La Spezia.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Florence.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Florence.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Genoa.
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- ✓ Rent-a-car.
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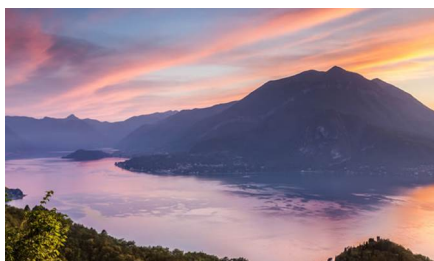
- ✗ Accommodation taxes in Florence direct payment in facility.
- ✗ Possible toll charges.

Destinations Visited

Milan



Como



Lugano





Arona



Turin



Rivoli



Cuneo



Pollenzo Cuneo



Alba



Stresa



Moncalieri



Venaria



Bra



Barolo Cuneo



Asti



Peschiera Borromeo



Racconigi Cuneo



Superga





Genoa



Santa Margherita Ligure



Rapallo



Portofino



La Spezia



Riomaggiore La Spezia



Manarola



Corniglia



Vernazza La Spezia



Monterosso al Mare



Pisa



Lucca





Important remarks

- Triple rooms in Europe are generally rooms with twin beds or a double, in which a folding bed is installed to accommodate the third person. Due to the inconvenience this causes, we advise against using this option as far as possible.
- Check-in time at the hotel on the day of arrival depends on each establishment, but in no case will it be before 3:00 p.m., unless otherwise indicated.
- Driving in CINQUE TERRE: 1. The historic centres of Cinque Terre are closed to private traffic, which is why parking can be a concern for many visitors. This is partly understandable, as parking is not easy, especially during the high season and on weekends. But don't worry, a car is the perfect way to discover part of the beautiful 'Riviera Ligure', but once you have parked your car in Cinque Terre, you can also visit the different villages on foot, by bus or by boat. 2. Riomaggiore is the first of the Cinque Terre villages, located about 12 kilometres from La Spezia. To get there, you will need to turn right and follow the signs after passing through the second tunnel. Please note that on the last 2 kilometres of the access road to the village, cars are usually parked on the hard shoulder. When parking your car, please pay attention to the prohibition signs. Alternatively, you can park your car in the car park at the end of the street, just behind the village. The last 200 metres are reserved for residents. 3. Manarola is the second town, located about 14 kilometres from La Spezia, at the end of the SS370 road, after the third tunnel. The parking situation is similar to that described for Riomaggiore. 4. Corniglia is about 25 kilometres from La Spezia. You will reach this town after passing through the third tunnel. Follow the SS370 and you will find signs for Corniglia, Vernazza and Monterosso. This stretch of road is particularly narrow, steep and winding, so we recommend driving with extra caution. You will have to pass through the towns of Groppo and Volastra and, after 7 kilometres, you will reach the junction for Corniglia and Vernazza. After turning left at the junction in S. Bernardino, you will reach Corniglia after driving about 4 kilometres on a particularly narrow road. 5. To reach Vernazza, follow the signs for Corniglia. At the last junction in S. Bernardino, you must turn right. Also in Vernazza, the last part of the road is reserved for residents. 6. Monterosso is about 35 kilometres from La Spezia. To reach this town, follow the signs for Corniglia but, instead of turning left, continue along the main road. After travelling about 9 kilometres past the Corniglia-Vernazza junction, turn left and follow the signs to Monterosso. To reach Monterosso, the recommended motorway exit is 'Carrodano' on the A12 Genoa-Livorno motorway. At the toll booth, follow the signs to Levanto. Once you reach this town, continue towards Monterosso.
- To explore this region, the most convenient and economical option is to purchase the Cinque Terre Card, which provides access to the trails, rural electric buses, the Riomaggiore lift, and admission and/or discounts to cultural exhibitions.
- Parking in central Florence. The best way to enjoy Florence's historic centre is to park your car and explore the old town by foot. Please note that car parks in the city centre are usually more expensive. Depending on your hotel's location, here are some recommendations. There is a public car park in Piazzale Michelangelo, very close to the centre. It is usually filled early in the day due to its location. Another option is to leave your car in one of the car parks outside the city centre and take public transport, such as the tram or bus. For example, you could park in the Villa Costanza car park off the A1 motorway and, from there, take tram # 1 to the city centre. Near the centre, you'll find parking in Via del Sansavino and Via del Gelsomino. Another option is to go to the car park in Firenze Impruneta (formerly called Firenze Certosa), and from there take bus 37 to central Florence in 20 minutes. For more information, please check the official website of the municipality of Florence: <http://mobilita.comune.fi.it/muoversi/muoversi/parcheggi.html>. In the Firenze Parcheggi Sp section you'll find a list of car parks managed by the Firenze Parcheggi Spa public agency.
- The proposed excursions and tours for each day are purely suggestions, as you can tailor the trip to suit your

times, tastes and needs.

- A credit card is considered a guarantee, so sometimes you will need one for check-in at hotels.
- Hotels usually have cots available. Otherwise, babies will have to share a bed with an adult.
- To pick up your rental car, you'll need a credit (not debit) card in the name of the person who made the booking, who must also be the named driver of the vehicle.
- Consult the necessary documentation to enter the destinations visited and for transit in the countries where air stopovers are made.