

## Italy - Diano Marina & the Riviera of Flowers



**NEW!**

San Remo

*Situated on the warm Mediterranean Gulf Stream, the Italian Riviera combines the very best of a classical sightseeing tour with the pleasures of a relaxing beach holiday.*

### Suggested Itinerary:

**Day 1:** Dover to Calais and onto your overnight hotel in Dijon area.

**Day 2:** Drive into Italy arriving in Diano Marina for your 5 night stay.

**Day 3:** Day at leisure in **Diano Marina**, known as the 'jewel' of this region. Set in a wide sweeping bay with safe sandy beaches, it offers elegant shops, restaurants and cafes along its palm fringed promenade.

**Day 4:** Full day to **Monte Carlo** and **Monaco**. The atmosphere here is both big city and miniature operatic. Monaco refers to the principality, located high on the rock, where you will find the Royal Palace, the church where Princess Grace is buried, the famous Oceanographic Museum and the old town. Down from the rock you find the newer 19th-century area of Monte Carlo made famous by the Grand Prix motor race. (A guide can be booked for this excursion at an extra cost).

**Day 5:** Take the coastal road to **San Remo**, capital of the 'Riviera of Flowers', famous for its casino, palm trees and festivals. It is said to be the Riviera's most glittering and cosmopolitan resort awash with shops and elegant boutiques.

**Day 6:** Enjoy another free day to relax; visit the beautiful **medieval village of Dolceacqua**, with its maze of narrow streets or head to **Alassio**. This former feudal town is now one of Italy's most popular holiday centres. The town's muretto (little wall) has hundreds of ceramic tiles reproducing the signatures of famous visitors.

**Day 7:** Make your way to your overnight hotel in France.

**Day 8:** Home via Calais and Dover.



### Hotel Bellevue ★★★★★

In Diano Marina, it has an excellent position backing onto the sea with a private beach.

• 78 Bedrooms • Lift

### Tour Includes:

- 7 nights DBB ➤ Choice menu in Italy
- Last night typical Mediterranean style dinner with farewell drink
- Private beach ➤ Leisure Facilities ➤ Porterage at resort hotel
- Coach parking with shuttle bus service for the driver ➤ Return Ferry

May, Jun, Sep & Oct: Prices from: £499

## Italy's Stunning Lake Garda



Lake Garda

*Italy's largest lake stretches sixty miles from the mountainous north to the low-lying land around the southern tip at Desenzano. Its shores are dotted with fascinating old towns, castles and picturesque villages.*

### Suggested Itinerary:

**Day 1:** Travel to Dover for your short channel crossing to Calais and onto your overnight hotel in France.

**Day 2:** Depart after breakfast and travel through Bavaria and Austria to arrive in Riva Del Garda at the excellent Hotel Sole in time for dinner.

**Day 3:** Free day to relax and enjoy **Riva Del Garda**.

**Day 4:** The **Italian Dolomites**, or 'pale mountains', are a breath taking mountain range. With a mixture of Italian and Austrian architecture the Dolomites are said to be one of the most scenic regions in Italy.

**Day 5:** Spend a day exploring Lake Garda. Along its shores lie pretty villages such as Sirmione, **Malcesine** and **Bardolino**. **Sirmione**, at the southern tip of the lake, is set in a picturesque headland jutting into the lake.

**Day 6:** Another free day in **Riva del Garda** or why not visit the stunning city of **Verona**, which is rich in history and culture and is also the setting for Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet. Take time to visit the famous balcony or wander around the beautiful market piazzas and shops, or visit the famous Amphitheatre, where famous operas are held during the summer months.

**Day 7:** Depart after breakfast and enjoy the Alpine views en route back to your overnight hotel.

**Day 8:** Depart the hotel after breakfast and make your way to Calais for your return sailing.



### Hotel Sole ★★★★★

This hotel is ideally situated in the centre of Riva del Garda with stunning views over the lake and the piazza.

• 63 Bedrooms • Lift

### Tour Includes:

- 7 nights DBB ➤ Choice of Dinner Menu in Italy
- Welcome drink (at resort hotel) ➤ Gala dinner on one evening
- Porterage at resort hotel ➤ Return Ferry

Apr & Oct: Prices from: £409  
May, Jun & Sep: Prices from: £429